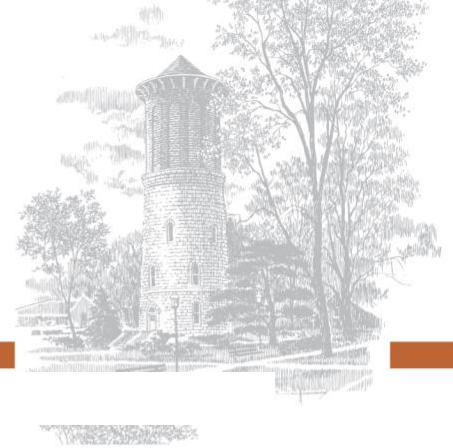


# TUESDAY TOPICS



October 26, 2021

## Trick or Treating Hours:

- Residents are reminded that recommended trick-or-treating hours are 3 – 8 pm on Sunday October 31. Additional guidelines for Halloween can be found on the [Village calendar](#), including [IDPH Halloween guidance](#), for suggestions on how to celebrate while adhering to current health guidelines. If you are on the roads this Halloween, please be extra cautious and keep a special eye out for our little ghouls and goblins.

## Pumpkin Smash:

- Don't trash it - smash it! The Village is partnering with Scarce, the Green Team, and St. John of the Cross, to offer a pumpkin composting event on Saturday, November 6 from 9 am until noon. Please make a note of the new location for the event this year. It will be held in the parking lot of St. John of the Cross on Wolf Road. Details are available on the [Village calendar](#).

## Ogden Crosswalk to be Relocated:

- The new bike path along Wolf Road at the Bemis Woods Forest Preserve is nearly complete. This project will connect Western Springs to the existing Bemis Woods bike path located just south of Salt Creek. Designed to improve safety for pedestrians and cyclists, the sanctioned crosswalk will be relocated on the west side of the Wolf Road intersection. The existing crosswalk located on Ogden at Woodland Avenue will be removed, with signage directing pedestrians and cyclists to the Ogden and Wolf crossing, which connects directly to the new path. This improvement has been in the works quite some time, and it is exciting to see it nearing completion. Stay tuned for information on the Village website in the near future.

## Metra Proposes 2022 Budget:

- Metra is proposing a \$900 million budget for 2022 with no fare increase and a new 3-zone, \$6 Day Pass. Public hearings about the budget will be held throughout the region on November 3 and 4. A virtual public hearing will be held on November 3, between 4 - 7 pm. Instructions for attending the virtual hearing, and for submitting budget comments via mail, email, or voicemail, are in the Metra press release, available on the [Village website](#).

Have a safe and happy Halloween!

Until next week,

Alice Gallagher,  
Village President

*Take Care of Yourself, Protect Others, Support our Community*