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Glenview**
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2019 Highlights

It's been a great year in Downtown Glenview. Here are some of our favorite moments.



Important Bess Site Meetings This Week

Two critical meetings related to the development of the former Bess Hardware site are being held this week. The Plan Commission (Tues., Dec. 10 at 6:45pm, Village Hall) and the Appearance Commission (Wed., Dec. 11 7pm, Village Hall) will both allow public comments. The only way to influence the outcome of this cornerstone of our Downtown is to show up and speak up. **Agenda and supporting documents can be found [here](#).**



Find Your Holiday Spirit with the Irish Heritage Singers

Experience Ireland's rich musical heritage this holiday season. This 30+ all-ages choral group returns to the



Glenview Public Library to perform traditional and contemporary Irish songs, including favorite sing-alongs and a selection of Irish Christmas carols. Sunday, December 15, 2-3 PM. **Register [here](#).**

Coffee with the Council



Let members of the Village Board of Trustees know your questions, comments and concerns about Glenview over coffee during "Coffee with the Council," on Sat., Dec. 14 from 9-11am at Misericordia Sweet Shoppe, 989 Waukegan Road. This is a great way to meet your Village Trustees for a conversation in an informal setting.

It's a Wonderful Life - a Festive Downtown Outing

It's a Wonderful Life – A Live Radio Play has become a holiday tradition in Downtown Glenview at [Oil Lamp Theater](#). Purchase tickets for performances through Dec. 29 at [oillamptheater.org](#) or call the box office at 847.834.0738. Get swept up in the magic and whimsy of this timeless classic that receives rave reviews every year.



Help FDG Help Downtown Glenview



Did you know Friends of Downtown Glenview recently gained non-profit status? As you consider your year-end donations, please consider making a contribution to help our organization's efforts to revitalize the heart of our community. With your support, we can continue to build Downtown into a major destination for unique home-grown local living experiences. All donations are tax

deductible. Donate now at: <https://downtownglenview.org/donate/>. Thank you.

You can also give your time. FDG is always looking for energetic volunteers to help with various Downtown initiatives especially those with a background in event planning and member database management. Please fill out this simple [volunteer form](#) and we will contact you to discuss how you can help.

Get to Know...Ricky Dababneh of R&J Wine & Spirits

1. What sets your business apart?

We want to make our customers happy, if we don't have something they are looking for we will get it for them. We like to communicate with our customers to find out their needs and wants. We have an impressive Wine & Spirit collection, we want to give people a wide selection and make sure they are happy



walking out the door.

2. Why Glenview?

I was born and raised in the Glenview area, and now have a home with my wife in Glenview. My father also owned a liquor store in Glenview for 35 Years called J&F Liquors. I learned a lot from him, especially how well he treated his customers and how loyal they were to his business in return. I only managed and ran the store for a short period of time before we sold it. Later, when when I found out about the location freeing up in Downtown Glenview, I did not hesitate to jump on the opportunity. Now most of his old customers come to us and support our new location.

3. You might be surprised to know...

I graduated from DePaul University and worked in the banking industry. I did not expect to be here today, but am so glad to be my own boss and to work in business where I can make people happy.

4. What's your favorite quote or funny joke?

"Be willing to go all out, in pursuit of your dream. Ultimately it will pay off. You are more powerful than you think you are." – Les Brown



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