

# 50th annual Glenview Civic Awards recipients announced



The recipients of the 2016 Glenview Civic Awards have been selected. The winners will be recognized at the 50th annual award ceremony April 21, according to a statement from the village. (Alexandra Kukulka / Pioneer Press)

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**T**he recipients of the 2016 [Glenview](#) Civic Awards will be recognized at the 50th annual award ceremony April 21. The awards are sponsored by Glenview organizations including the Glenview Women's Club and the Kiwanis Club of Glenview and [Northbrook](#), according to a statement from the village.

Citizen of the year award recipient Jill Brickman was nominated by William and Mary Lee Attea and others for her charitable work at churches, food pantries and other organizations throughout the community, according to her nomination letters.

"Through all of Jill's activities in the community, she is an affable champion for Glenview and those who call it

- Director of The Grove Steve Swanson was nominated by Michael McCarty, Glenview Park District executive director, for "his dedicated service to the Glenview Park District and decades of giving back to this community," according to his nomination letter.
- Chris Falcon and Ebrahim Valliani were nominated by Glenview Fire Department Deputy Chief Paul Klicker and Glenview Police Department Deputy Chief of Police Stefan Johnson "in recognition of their insight, leadership and efforts of commitment toward the Glenview community," according to their nomination letter.
- Irene Overman Kreer was nominated by Linda Kreer Witt and other community members for her service on the Glenview Public Library Board of Trustees and various school boards, according to her nomination letters.
- Helping Hands of Glenview, which supports the elderly and disabled, was nominated by Thomas and Samantha Smith for helping "thousands of Glenview's needy seniors and disabled residents," according to the nomination letter.

Youth of the year award recipient John Schurer, a Glenbrook South High School senior, was nominated by GBS Principal Lauren Fagel and other administrators for his leadership skills and volunteer efforts, according to his nomination letters.

"John volunteers a tremendous amount of time to the Titan Community. He is gracious with his time, and he is positive for every moment he is present," Fagel wrote.

Public safety award recipient officer David Maize was nominated by Glenview Police Department Chief of Police William Fitzpatrick for his actions during a Nov. 16, 2016, call to aid an unresponsive 83-year-old man, according to his nomination letter.

Maize lowered the man to the floor and began providing care, which paramedics later stated opened the man's airway and restored blood flow to the brain, saving his life, the letter said.

"Officer Maize is commended for his professionalism, swift response, and quick thinking contributing to the positive outcome of this service call," Fitzpatrick wrote.

Public service award recipients Jennifer Merjilla, Aileen Payoyo, Milton Tupy, Charlie Tejada and Steven Dochterman were nominated by Fitzpatrick, according to their nomination letter.

On Feb. 14, 2016, Glenview police officers responded to an activated burglar alarm at Vilin's Food and Liquors, 501 Milwaukee Avenue, according to the letter. The offender tried to run away twice, but the five citizens worked together and "displayed such an act of bravery in confronting, chasing and containing the offender" until police arrived, according to the letter.