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E-News

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Mayor's Message

Dear Neighbors,

Fall is upon us, rung in by the Friends of Parks and Recreation-sponsored, rather watery Fall Festival, and the less soggy Bagpipes and Bonfire celebration sponsored by Lake Forest Open Lands. In

spite of the weather, all who attended had great fun.

We also enjoyed the new for 2019 annual Lake Forest "Then & Now" Auto Show at the Telegraph Road Train Station. This event was sponsored by the Lake Forest Lake Bluff Chamber of Commerce. We had a cool but dry fall day, with over a hundred rare and interesting automobiles, and hundreds of visitors. It was a huge success, and I'm sure it will be even bigger next year! These three signature community events are privately sponsored, with just a bit of support from the City. They are wonderful examples of the extraordinary spirit of community and philanthropy that Lake Foresters share.

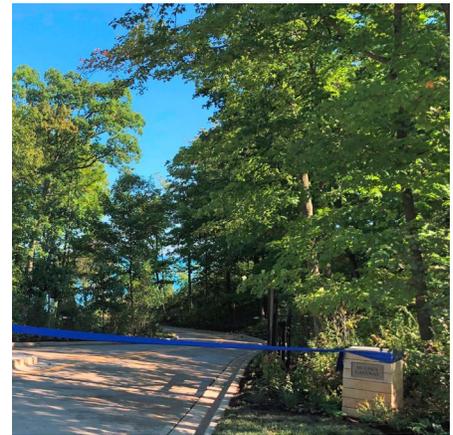
I've commented before that Lake Forest is a City of many treasures. Most of these treasures, save for the natural beauty of the place, have been created and sustained by the generous philanthropy of all who live here. The Beach, Gorton, Dickinson Hall, Ragdale, Stirling Hall, Lake Forest Symphony, the Library, Northwestern Lake Forest Hospital, Elawa Farm, the Wildlife Discovery Center, the History Center, Forest Park, Market Square, Lake Forest Open Lands, and the newly opened Hughes Gateway to our beach were all funded either totally privately, or through Public/Private Partnerships. As Bishop George Rassas, the long serving former Pastor of St. May's Parish, is fond of saying: "We are blessed, and we are generous."

For those of us lucky enough to reside here, the extra few minutes it takes to get to and from Chicago is well worth it. And we have faster access to O'Hare Airport than just about any other North Shore town. Despite all that Lake Forest has to offer, we all are aware of the soft Lake Forest real estate market. While not unique to Lake Forest, it is of course concerning. The City continues to endorse the "Welcome Home" initiative, which has been well-received in the community and beyond. But, promoting the benefits of Lake Forest is something we all can do. I would encourage those of you who are active on social media (Instagram, Facebook, and the like) to consider sharing the unique and special features of Lake Forest through those avenues. I recently learned of one member of our community who reportedly has 50,000 Instagram followers! We should all help promote our town, and your posts

may find their way to future home buyers and residents of Lake Forest. I'd also encourage you to follow and engage with the City's Instagram account ("@cityoflakeforestil," <https://www.instagram.com/cityoflakeforestil>) and Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/CityofLakeForestIL>) to stay up to date on City issues and also continue to spread the word about our special community.

The Holidays are here! Please plan to attend the annual Tree Lighting Ceremony with your family on the day after Thanksgiving – Friday, November 29th. This is another signature Lake Forest event sponsored by the Friends of Parks and Recreation. And go see *Elf, It's a Wonderful Life, Home Alone* and a host of other holiday classics at Gorton in the ensuing weeks. If you haven't seen a film at the state-of-the-art John and Nancy Hughes Theater at Gorton, you are missing a real treat. Finally, be sure to shop Lake Forest this Holiday season. Many of our local retailers have their own online presence. Go to their web sites and skip the Amazon middleman!

Have a wonderful end of fall and a joyous Holiday season.



Hughes Gateway

Thank You!

Thanks to all who attended the September opening of the Hughes Gateway to the beach. There have been questions about whether or not it is still possible to make a tax-deductible contribution to the project, and the answer is YES!

Donations may be made before December 31, 2019, and donors giving \$1,000 and more will be acknowledged on a plaque near the base of the north road at the beach.

To make a contribution, please contact Sally Swarthout at 847.810.3942 or swarthos@cityoflakeforest.com.

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2020**

In March of 2020, households across the U.S. will receive an invitation to respond to the 2020 Census. Every household will have the option of responding online, by mail, or by phone. It is important to our community that Lake Forest obtains a full and complete Census count.

The distribution of more than \$675 billion in federal funds, grants and support to states, counties and communities are based on census data. Grant dollars help to support infrastructure projects like roads, sewers and sidewalks; community amenities including bicycle paths, and programs which provide funding to support housing at moderate and more affordable prices.

“The City of Lake Forest has a fairly successful track record as a recipient of federal and state grant-funded initiatives and projects. Our success is directly linked to gathering this data,” comments Mayor Pandaleon.

The results of the 2020 Census will be used to evaluate and, as determined to be appropriate, redraw the boundaries of the congressional and state legislative districts and locally, to adjust ward boundaries to account for population shifts.

The Census Bureau does not publicly release your responses in any way that could identify you or your household. By law, your responses cannot be used against you and can only be used to produce statistics. Please participate!



Call 211 to get connected to social services. As of September 24, anyone in Lake County who needs help finding health and human services can call 211 and get quickly connected to available resources. The 211 service, provided by United Way of Lake County, is a free, confidential information and referral helpline that will enable Lake County residents to get the help they need 24 hours a day, regardless of the language they speak or where they live.



When you call 211 or text your zip code to 898211 from anywhere in Lake County, you will be connected to an expert navigator who will guide you to critical health and human services, including counseling, housing and shelter, food programs, healthcare and mental health services, addiction and problem gambling support, transportation, and much more.

The Lake County Board contributed a portion of the funding for the new 211 program, allocating \$80,000 in video gaming revenue, which is generated from video gaming in the unincorporated areas.



Gift Policy Reminder

Please be reminded that City policy prohibits its employees, including refuse and recycling collectors, from accepting gifts (including cash). If you would like to thank an employee, please send a card or letter, which can be placed in the personnel file or make a donation to charity in the name of the employee, department or City of Lake Forest. Often residents bring acceptable gifts, such as cookies or candy, to City buildings. Thank you for these goodies, which can be shared by all who work throughout the year to provide excellent City services.

Christmas Tree Recycling

During January, Christmas trees will be picked up on regularly scheduled recycling days at the curb. To be collected, trees must be free of all lights and ornaments and should be cut into six-foot lengths. Trees in plastic bags will not be collected.



6 Holiday Hazards to Avoid

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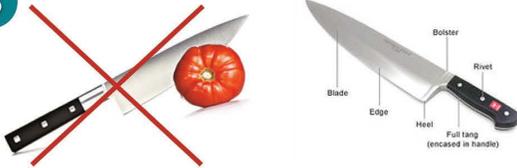
Don't stand on chairs, desks or other furniture. Always use a proper step stool or ladder.

2



Don't place mistletoe, holly berries, Jerusalem cherry and other poisonous plants within reach of children.

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Don't use a dull blade. It requires more pressure, which increases the potential for injury.

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Don't post if you are traveling or going to be away from home on social media.

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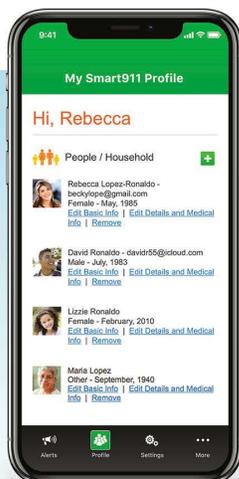


Don't let your Christmas tree dry out and become a fire hazard. Pick a fresh tree and keep it hydrated.

6



Don't burn or throw gift wrap in the fireplace. Recycle your gift wrap instead.



Holiday Safety Tip: Sign Up for Smart911®

Download the **Smart911 App** or go to **Smart911.com** to create your own Safety Profile. Give 9-1-1 valuable information about yourself, family members, your home, pets and vehicles that will automatically display on the call taker's screen when you dial 9-1-1. It's private and secure and you control what information is in your profile. These details can save crucial seconds or even minutes during an emergency. Questions? Call Barbara Lueder-Manetti at 847.810.3801.



Smart911.com™

LFPD Holiday Tips

Package Theft Prevention

As the holiday season approaches, it is a good time to continue the conversation about package theft. Although packages are stolen from front porches throughout the year, there is an uptick in the crime around the months leading to Christmas. As more consumers utilize online shopping and have gifts shipped to their homes, thieves will have more opportunity to steal packages from front doors.

The crime is very simple and can be performed in a rapid few seconds. While some thieves may follow delivery trucks on their routes, most often package thieves randomly drive around residential neighborhoods looking for packages left at the front door.



Although modern technology, like security cameras and video doorbells, increases the odds of apprehending package thieves, the Lake Forest Police Department encourages everyone to prevent the theft in the first place.

There are several tips citizens can follow to reduce the chances of losing their packages to a criminal looking for a quick score:

- Sign up for delivery notifications. You can receive notifications by text, email, or phone.
- Don't leave delivered mail or packages unattended.
- Ask for a tracking number. This number allows you to track your package, gives you a delivery time window.
- Consider using an alternate shipping address.
- Arrange to have a neighbor or friend who is home during the day receive the package.
- Have the package delivered to your work address if that is a possibility

- Ask to have your package delivered to a retail store so you can pick it up at your convenience.
- Have the package held for pick up at the Post Office, if the package is sent through the mail
- Try to customize the delivery. Many delivery companies allow customers to specify the rear door, or back porch as a place to safely leave their packages.
- Have a storage box where deliveries can be placed and the box locked until you arrive home.
- Request a signature be required so that the package is delivered to a person and not left unattended.
- If you are out of town for a length of time, use the USPS Hold Mail service and have a friend or neighbor check your house daily for any package deliveries you might have forgotten.

If you are aware that a package was stolen, please report it to the Lake Forest Police Department by calling 847.234.2601.

Vacation Watch

Flying south for the winter or just taking a well-deserved vacation? Please remember that homeowners may notify the Police Department when their home will be vacant for an extended period of time (5 days or more) due to vacation or other circumstances. Simply go to lakeforestpolice.com, download the Vacation Watch Form (located in the documents section on the page), complete and send the form to the Police Department. Or you can call the non-emergency number 847.234.2601 to speak with the Police Records section. Be prepared to give the following information:

- Your name, address and telephone number
- Dates of departure and return
- What lights will be left on
- The name, address and telephone number of any one who has a key for your house or who will be checking on your residence.





LAKE FOREST PARKS & RECREATION

holiday & winter FUN GUIDE

November

NOV 21-23 NORTHWESTERN LAKE FOREST HOSPITAL HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE LAKE FOREST REC CENTER GYM • VARIOUS TIMES

Get your holiday shopping done at this great event! Proceeds benefit the Women's Board of Northwestern Lake Forest Hospital. For times and more info, visit www.lfh.org/womens_board.

NOV 29 TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY MARKET SQUARE • 3:00 PM - 5:30 PM

Don't miss this holiday tradition for the family brought to you by the Friends of Lake Forest Parks and Recreation Foundation. Enjoy live entertainment, warm drinks, carolers, and a visit from Santa!

FREE!



December

DEC 6-7 STIRLING HALL ANNUAL HOLIDAY ART SALE STIRLING HALL ART CENTER • VARIOUS TIMES

FREE!

This is a great opportunity to purchase hand-crafted gifts for the family during the holiday season! A portion of all sales helps support Stirling Hall Art Center. Come on out and show your support. For more info, visit www.LFParksandRec.com.

DINNER WITH SANTA • DEC 7 & 8 • TWO SEATINGS A DAY

Sip cocoa, help Santa's elves create holiday toys, and listen to Santa Claus read a Christmas story to the children. Dinner will be served and Santa will take special time out to visit with each family.

LOCATION:

Northcroft Park's Enclosed & Heated Pavilion

TIMES:

Seating One: 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

Seating Two: 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

FEES:

Tickets are \$32 per person. Buy tickets at FriendsLFPR.org!

DEC 14 WINTER DANCE SPECTACULAR LAKE FOREST REC CENTER GYM • 4:00 PM

Join the Performance Companies of Lake Forest Dance Academy as they present a holiday show for all ages with swinging Santas, a Rockette kick-line, and so much more! Tickets \$5 at the door.





DEC 14-15 **CLAUS' COACH**
WEST SIDE TRAIN STATION • TIMES VARY

Take a voyage to the North Pole on the Metra train! Listen to Mrs. Claus read a book, sip chocolate milk, play elfen games, and sing holiday carols. *Please call the Rec Center for availability.*

DEC 14 & 24 **SANTA VISITS**
LAKE FOREST HOUSEHOLDS • VARIOUS TIMES

Imagine the smiles on your children's faces as Santa comes knocking on your door for a special visit! Staff will contact in advance with a scheduled visit time. Use code 10390202 at LFRec.com.



DEC 18 **SANTA CALLING**
LAKE FOREST HOUSEHOLDS • 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Let your child experience the joy of hearing Santa's voice! Santa will call find out what is on your child's list and spread some cheer. Use code 10390203 at LFRec.com.



FREE!

DEC 18 **GO LAKE FOREST HOLIDAY LIGHTS STROLL**
MARKET SQUARE CHRISTMAS TREE • 5:00 PM

Get in the holiday spirit and join us as we stroll along the most decorated streets in Lake Forest! We will walk for about 30-45 minutes admiring the all the lights and beautiful holiday decorations.

January

JAN 11 **KINDERHAVEN PRESCHOOL ACADEMY OPEN HOUSE**
KINDERHAVEN, LAKE FOREST REC CENTER • 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

FREE!

Are you interested in a preschool that emphasizes a Reggio philosophy, art, and compassion? If you are, then come see why Kinderhaven Preschool Academy is the place for you!



SUMMER CAMP PREVIEW DAY • JAN 25
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

FREE!

Get an exclusive sneak peak at all of the wonderful camp opportunities that exist for your child for the summer of 2020. Meet staff, ask questions, participate in camp activities, and even have the opportunity for early registration incentives.

LOCATION: Deer Path Middle School Cafeteria
CONTACT: John Eldridge, Program Manager, 847.810.3940
NOTES: No pre-registration needed.



February

FEB 8 **DADDY & DAUGHTER WINTER BALL**
LAKE FOREST REC CENTER GYM • 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM

The Lake Forest Parks & Recreation Department invites fathers and their young princess or princesses to attend our Winter Ball. The gymnasium will be transformed, providing a magical night of dinner, dancing, and crafts. Use code 20340303 at LFRec.com.



Residential Developments

Development, redevelopment and investment in our community continues. Here are some highlights of recently completed, ongoing and upcoming development activity.

Kelmscott Park: a new residential development located on Western Avenue (north of Laurel Avenue) on the 10-acre former City Municipal Services site, is nearing completion. Three apartment buildings with a total of 110 rental units are complete and occupied, the first of two condominium buildings is complete with half of the units sold, and seven of the twelve single family homes are complete or under construction.

Westleigh Farms: pictured below, a single family residential subdivision located on the south side of Route 60, west of Ridge Road, has experienced considerable activity over the summer. The common areas - the private road, the resident lodge, maintenance building and plantings in the central open area that overlooks the pond, are nearing completion. Several homes in the development are completed and others are under construction.



Willow Lake: a town home development located north of Route 60, off of Field Court, is nearly built out. There has been significant construction in this development over the past year. The floor plans of the units con-

tinue to be refined in response to the needs of today's buyers.

McKinley Road Condominiums: construction of the second building in the new development located on the east side of McKinley Road, across the street from the east side train station, is underway. The first building, with eleven market-rate and two affordable units, is completed and occupied. Consideration of the third and final phase of the project is in progress. Like the Kelmscott Park development, this project brings increased density and housing options into the Central Business District.

For more information on development activity or to be included on the interested parties list for specific projects or initiatives, please contact Catherine Czerniak in the Community Development Department at czerniac@cityoflakeforest.com or 847.810.3504.

From the Fire Department

“Falling Back” and “Springing Ahead” time changes are good reminders to test detectors.

The Lake Forest Fire Department recommends having smoke detectors on every floor of your home. On levels where there are bedrooms, there should be a smoke detector in every bedroom and in an area no further than 15 feet outside that room.

Carbon monoxide (CO) detectors should also be installed on every floor and within 15 feet of sleeping areas (they do not have to be in every bedroom). Please contact your alarm company first if your home is monitored by an outside service.

	<u>SMOKE</u>	<u>CO</u>
EVERY FLOOR	YES	YES
WITHIN 15' OF BEDROOMS	YES	YES
EVERY BEDROOM	YES	NO

The Fire Department will be hosting its popular Citizens Fire Academy this coming spring. It will run on Tuesday evenings from April 7-May 19, 6-9 p.m. at the Public Safety Building, 255 W. Deerpath. Please contact Deputy Chief Kevin Cronin for more information at 847.810.3865 or cronink@cityoflake-forest.com.

Are you interested in learning CPR? Did you know that the Lake Forest Fire Department offers classes to our residents? Please contact Lt. Michael Mounts for more information at 847.810. 3881 or mountsm@cityoflakeforest.com.

Would you like the Fire Department to attend your special event? Firefighters are happy to stop by your block party, give a presentation to a group, or host tours. If interested, please give Division Chief Mike Gallo at 847.810.3866 or gallom@cityoflakeforest.com.



Holiday Collection Schedule

City offices will be closed on Monday, December 24 and Tuesday, December 25 for the Christmas Holiday. There will be no refuse, recycling, or yard waste collection on Tuesday, December 25, and the following schedule will be in effect for the holiday week (December 24-28):

- Monday collection will remain the same
- Tuesday collection will be on Wednesday
- Thursday and Friday collections will remain the same

Also, City offices will be closed on Tuesday, January 1 for New Year's Day, and there will be no refuse, recycling, or yard waste collection on that day. The following schedule will be in effect for the holiday week (December 31 – January 4):

- Monday collection will remain the same
- Tuesday collection will be on Wednesday
- Thursday and Friday collections will remain the same

For further information on refuse collection services, or to report a missed collection, please call the Sanitation Section automated phone system at 847.615.4264.



When are My Pickup Days?

Go to <https://www.cityoflakeforest.com/city-government/departments/public-works/sanitation/> and type in your address.

Refuse, Recycling & Compost Center

Effective December 1, yard waste collections will reduce to once weekly and will take place on the same day as your recycling pickup. Yard waste must be placed in biodegradable brown paper lawn and leaf bags. A City of Lake Forest yard waste sticker must be affixed to each yard waste bag. These stickers can be purchased at the Municipal Services Building (800 N. Field Drive), City Hall (220 E. Deerpath) and at various local businesses. Please place all yard waste bags at the curb with the affixed yard waste sticker facing the street. There cannot be any contaminants such as planter containers, dirt, sod, or refuse material mixed with the yard waste material. All yard waste must be placed at the curb by 7 a.m. and may not be placed at the curb prior to 24 hours before the scheduled pickup. Thank you!

During and after the holidays, please bag all loose wrapping paper and packing peanuts to keep them from littering the neighborhood, and flatten cardboard boxes.

Winter Hours at the Compost Center

Beginning December 1, operating hours at the Compost/Recycling Center (located on the south side of Rte. 60 west of Waukegan Road) will be open for resident use only on Saturdays from 8 a.m.-3 p.m.

Residents may drop off yard waste, unwanted household items, metal cans, glass, plastics (#1-#7), newspapers, magazines, corrugated cardboard and office paper for recycling. Unacceptable items include appliances with CFCs, asbestos, batteries, paints/chemicals, tires and food waste.

Did you know? The City of Lake Forest has a Textile and Shoe Recycling Program. Please reference <http://swalco.org/189/Acceptable-Unacceptable-Items> for a list of acceptable and unacceptable items. Also, please note that pairs of shoes should be attached to each other with shoe laces or rubber bands.

Residents using the site must display a current Lake Forest vehicle sticker on their vehicle windshield. Driver's licenses will not be accepted as proof of residency. No commercial contractor use of this facility is allowed. For further information, please call the Sanitation Section at 847.615.4264.



Student Union Drop-In Hours: M-F, 3:30-5:30 p.m.

Middle School Youth Meetings (7th-8th grades):

Tuesdays, 4 p.m.

High School Youth Meetings: Wednesdays, 7 p.m.

Volunteer Opportunities:

- Poinsettia Sales, October 16-November 20
- Poinsettia Pickup and Deliveries, December 6 & 7
To order poinsettias, please call 847.810.3980 by November 20!



Sign up for the CROYA monthly E-Newsletter by sending an e-mail to CROYA@cityoflakeforest.com. Visit CROYA.com for all updated information.

Activator Music Academy

Activator is the music school at the CROYA Student Union, offering any affordable music lessons to local youth and adults. Activator also operates the CROYA Recording Studio, CROYA Live

Performance Venue, and CROYA's annual music events like Battle of the Bands, Lake Forest Day Jam and Super Jam. For more information, contact Nick Cvijovic, Music Manager through email: activatoracademy@gmail.com or call 847.810.3988 (office), 847.322.8374 (cell).



DICKINSON HALL

Programs, Activities & Services for Adults 50 or Better!

100 E. Old Mill Road; 847.234.2209

Stop in for a tour of beautiful Dickinson Hall, pick up a membership application, and meet the welcoming staff and friendly members. Winter may be on its way, but don't stay home alone! Come in and sample the great parties, interesting lectures, educational opportunities, creative outlets, fitness classes and fantastic excursions. You'll see old friends here and make new ones. Dickinson Hall is the go-to place for support and advice for healthy, happy aging and is your local community center for ages 50+.

Reservations are required for all Dickinson Hall programs. Please check www.DickinsonHall.com for detailed information and to view the bi-monthly *NewsBrief*, containing the full schedule of activities.

Social Services

Janet Fryer, Senior Advocate, is available Monday-Friday to support older adults in the community. There is no charge for her services. Janet can be reached directly at 847.810.4678.

On Our Own Group: If you are age 50+ and living alone, Janet offers a monthly opportunity to share the triumphs and challenges of life.

No longer driving?

Eligible residents may request transportation from the Senior Car program. Friendly, professional drivers are available to drive in local area on weekdays from 8:45 a.m.-3 p.m. for appointments, errands and visits to Dickinson Hall. Rides are \$3 each way, with a reduced fare of \$2 for those who qualify

for the Benefit Access Program. On Thursdays, Dickinson Hall offers rides to Jewel and Marianos. And, the senior bus now takes riders to different locations including Hawthorn Mall, Walmart and Target. Please call Tara Purtell, Transportation Coordinator at 847.234.2209 for further details.



360 E Deerpath; 847.234.0636

To see all Library programs, visit lakeforestlibrary.org.

The Rise and Fall of Theranos and Elizabeth Holmes

Saturday, December 7, 10 a.m.

Dr. Leslie Goddard will give an illustrated lecture about the breath-taking rise and shocking collapse of Theranos, the multi-billion dollar blood testing company founded by Elizabeth Holmes. The program will include an exploration of the research in John Carreyrou's best-seller *Bad Blood: Secrets and Lies in a Silicon Valley Startup*. Registration is requested.

Mini Mindfulness for grades K-4+

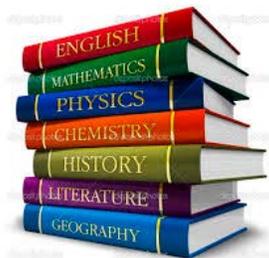
Thursdays, 4-5 p.m. on December 12, January 30 and February 27. Lani Gerszonovicz from Banner Day Camp will teach powerful, fun and engaging A-Z mindfulness strategies that can be practiced almost anytime and anywhere. Registration is requested.

Commemorating 100 Years of Women's Suffrage

Enjoy a series of events in January and February, including a living history portrayal of suffragist Alice Paul, a book discussion of *The Woman's Hour: The Great Fight to Win the Vote* by Elaine Weiss, and a film series presented by the League of Women Voters-Lake Forest/Lake Bluff Area. Event dates and details may be found at lakeforestlibrary.org/suffrage.

Exam Escape for Grades 9-12

December 14-18. Study in the new Teen Space at the Library. Snacks provided! Details and times at lakeforestlibrary.org/exam-escape.



Self Defense Class for Teens

Date TBD. Learn strategies for personal safety including threat awareness concepts and realistic self defense techniques from the Lake Forest Police Department.

Blind Date with a Book Returns for All Ages

January 14-February 14. Discover a book you might never have picked out for yourself. The librarians hand select high-quality books and audiobooks you may have missed and wrap them up as a surprise just for you. Was your blind date book a match or a dud? Let us know for a chance to win! Stay tuned for details at lakeforestlibrary.org/blind-date.

Library Closings

Tuesday, December 24

Wednesday, December 25

Tuesday, December 31 at 5 p.m.

Wednesday, January 1



Lake Forest Cemetery

Annual Fall Clean-up goes through November 30. All summer decorations, pots and annuals are removed at this time. The Cemetery Staff asks that new decorations be limited during this time as they may be damaged by equipment or cause injury or damage to the equipment. If you have questions regarding decoration guidelines or the fall clean-up season, please contact the Cemetery office at 847.615.4341.

Orders will be taken starting in November for evergreen grave blankets and wreaths to be placed at gravesites by Cemetery staff. These seasonal grave decorations are placed by the Cemetery staff around the second week of December and then removed in the spring. To place orders, please call the Cemetery office.

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Beautiful and Timeless

Lake Forest Cemetery, located at the north end of Lake Road, has a variety of ground burial and Memorial Wall spaces available for purchase. Listed on the National Register of Historic Places, the Lake Forest Cemetery continues to offer a beautiful and dignified resting place for the residents of Lake Forest. Residents are encouraged to visit the cemetery to experience its beauty first-hand. To learn about the various interment options available and arrange a no-obligation tour, contact the Cemetery office.

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Police and Fire employees are covered by locally-managed pension funds, with approximately 650 police and fire pension funds throughout the State.

Both the Lake Forest Police Pension Fund and the Lake Forest Fire Pension Fund are governed by a separate Pension Board made up of five members – two active fund employees, one retiree and two Mayoral appointees (residents of Lake Forest). The Pension Boards are tasked with administration of pension benefits and investments. Under State law, the City must fund an amount actuarially determined each year to fund the projected cost of the pension benefits not covered by active employee contributions and investment income.

The State has traditionally required that police and fire pension liabilities be funded by a date – once 2020, revised to 2033 and revised again to the current deadline of 2040. This arbitrary fixed funding date ignores the long-term nature of pension obligations and creates unrealistic funding requirements as the deadline approaches, so the State has twice extended the funding deadline.

Recognizing that the current strategy under State Statutes is not fiscally sustainable and meaningful pension reform by the Legislature is unlikely, the City established a Pension Subcommittee of two City Council Members, the City Manager and the City's Finance Director. The Pension Subcommittee was tasked with developing a new approach to funding the City's public safety pension funding obligations.

With the assistance of the City's independent actuary and in consultation with the Police and Fire Pension Boards, a plan has been developed that will ensure Lake Forest can sustain these funding obligations over the long term.

While the City is encouraged that the Governor has created a task force on pension funding, it will chart its own path rather than wait for the State to resolve the issue. It should also be noted that recent recommendations to consolidate the police and fire pension funds for investment purposes only does nothing to resolve the State, Chicago and Cook County pension obligations.

Information on the City's approach to funding pension obligations can be found on the City's web site at www.cityoflakeforest.com/city-government/departments/fi-

nance/pensions. Questions may be directed to Finance Director Elizabeth Holleb at hollebe@cityoflakeforest.com or 847.810.3612.

A Lake Forest Treasure: 1857 Original Map Finds Safe Home

In 2014, the original 1857 Lake Forest map turned up in an old frame. City and County records showed that it was replaced in 1895 by a new drafting by County surveyor James Anderson, Jr., son of a town founder. The much-worn 1857 original was released to the City, a relic of the town's founding to be displayed. The frame dated from that period and it may have hung in 1899-completed City Hall until some point when it went into storage.

Further study in 2018 by map expert and Lake Forest College alumnus George Ritzlin determined that the map itself is mid-19th century and that it is highly unlikely that any other copies survive of this first-generation surveyed version of this apparently largest (of that time) American railroad garden-city suburban, artistic-layout plan.

The map, worn out from use by 1895, was stabilized by Chicago conservators in 2014-15 and returned to the City, and again in its frame put on display in a City Hall conference room. But the lines of the plan are already very faint, the exposure to light even there posed risk to this artifact of considerable not just local but national importance. With no local suitable fire and theft secure location, also with strict temperature and humidity control, the decision to transfer the map to Newberry Library will be determined. There, the map collection with a center for cartography, was endowed by the late Lake Forest resident Hermon Dunlap Smith in the 1960s, including many other local maps.

The Lake Forest Preservation Foundation will fund the cost to make copies suitable for display for both the City and for the History Center, employing the high-resolution scans created in 2015 by the conservators while the plan was out of its frame.

Pending City Council approval, the original 1857 Lake Forest Hotchkiss Plan will go to Chicago's Newberry Library Map Collection for Stewardship. Copies of this treasured map will be made for local display.

Contributed by resident, Historian and Archivist Arthur Miller

Winter “is the time for comfort, for good food and warmth, for the touch of a friendly hand and for a talk beside the fire; it is the time for home.” -Edith Sitwell

Now and November

Ongoing “Studio 509 Second Saturday: Share your holiday special” at the History Center of LFLB; bring in your favorite photos, share your favorite traditions; 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at the History Center; lflbhistory.org.

Through January 31 “James L. Lockhart Nature Art Show & Sale”, in the Katherine Bell Hale Gallery at the History Center of LFLB; lflbhistory.org.

29 Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony in Market Square; festivities begin at 1 p.m. through 5 p.m. when the lights are set aglow; friendslflpr.org.

December

4: “Kids Only Holiday Shop” at Gorton; 2 p.m. is Sensory Shopping Hour, 3-6 p.m. is the Boutique. Children aged 4-10 get to shop without mom or dad. Santa’s Helpers will escort your child throughout the boutique, visiting tables filled with items which are priced at \$10 and lower (including tax) from local vendors and talented artisans; gortoncenter.org.

5: “First Thursdays: Sundance Shorts Tour” at Gorton, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; gortoncenter.org.

6-8: Elawa Farm’s Holiday Market; 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; features unique holiday gift items, home-made Gingerbread Houses and more; elawafarm.org.

6: “Justin Wade Tam & Angel Snow: Unplugged” at Gorton; 7:30 p.m. Doors Open, 8 p.m. Show. Justin Wade Tam, lead singer of Humminghouse, pairs with Angel Snow for an amazing acoustic concert featuring folk and Americana music in the intimate Stuart Community Room; gortoncenter.org.

7: PASTA Performs “’Twas the Night Before Christmas - A Musical Holiday Play” at Gorton; 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. in the John & Nancy Hughes Theater; gortoncenter.org.

8: “From Stage to Screen: *Oliver!*” at Gorton, 4 p.m.; Take your family to see *Annie* on Citadel’s stage and then come to Gorton for *Oliver!*, winner of six Academy Awards, including Best Picture and Best Director; gortoncenter.org.

12: “Charlie Brown Christmas Jazz with the Chris White Trio” at Gorton; 7:30 p.m. Enjoy the live holiday music of Vince Guaraldi, better known as the “Peanuts Composer” in the John & Nancy Hughes Theater; gortoncenter.org.

15: Gingerbread House Decorating Party at Gorton; 1-3 p.m.; gortoncenter.org.

17: “Fa-La-La Film Fest: Elf” in the John & Nancy Hughes Theater at Gorton; 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. A movie full of Yuletide Cheer, Elf is a spirited, good-natured family comedy featuring Will Ferrell’s charming performance as one of Santa’s biggest helpers; gortoncenter.org.

20: “Fa-La-La Film Fest: It’s a Wonderful Life” in the John & Nancy Hughes Theater at Gorton; 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. The holiday classic to define all holiday classics; you won’t want to miss it on the big screen! Visit gortoncenter.org.

27: “Fa-La-La Film Fest: Die Hard” in the John & Nancy Hughes Theater at Gorton; 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. The many imitators and sequels of this movie have never come close to matching the taut thrills of the definitive holiday action classic; gortoncenter.org.

28: Warren Miller Entertainment, capturing winter sports in film since 1949, presents “Timeless” in the John & Nancy Hughes Theater at Gorton; 1 and 5 p.m.; gortoncenter.org.

January

24 & 25: “MountainFilm” in the John & Nancy Hughes Theater at Gorton; MountainFilm is a documentary film festival that showcases non-fiction stories about environmental, cultural, political and social justice issues that matter. Along with exceptional documentaries, the festival goes beyond the film medium by bringing together world-class athletes, change-makers and visionary artists for a multi-dimensional celebration of indomitable spirit; gortoncenter.org.

31: “Trivia Night”, 6:30 p.m. at the History Center of LFLB; This event sells out! Register at lflbhistory.org.

February

1: “Chicago Scots Burns Supper”, 7 p.m. at the History Center of LFLB; lflbhistory.org.

1: “Griffin House” at Gorton; 8 p.m. in the John & Nancy Hughes Theater; enjoy this Gorton favorite Nashville-based singer/songwriter perform live; gortoncenter.org.

7-9: Oscar Shorts Weekend in the John & Nancy Hughes Theater at Gorton; Animated and Live Action Shorts will be screened; gortoncenter.org.





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(immediately following the Finance Committee meeting beginning at 6:30 p.m.), 2/3 and 2/18 .

Plan Commission Meetings, 6:30 p.m.: 12/11, 1/8 and 2/12.

Building Review Board Meetings, 6:30 p.m.: 12/4, TBD and 2/5 at the Municipal Services Building.

Historic Preservation Commission Meetings, 6:30 p.m.: TBD, 1/22 and 2/26.

Call 847.234.2600 for all City Departments

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Monday–Friday

Municipal Services Center

800 North Field Drive
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Monday–Friday

Cemetery

1525 N. Lake Road
Open 8 a.m.-8 p.m.,
May-September; 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., October to April

Cemetery Gate House
520 Spruce Avenue
Call 847.615.4341 for appointment

Public Safety Building

(Police and Fire Departments)
255 West Deerpath
Call 911 for all emergencies
Lobby Hours:
8 a.m.-6 p.m., Monday-Saturday

Compost/Recycling Center

1381 W. Kennedy Road (located at the south side of Rte. 60, west of Waukegan Road)
Winter Hours:
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