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Mayor's Message

As I write, Fall is announcing itself with a 40 degree temperature drop and gusty 25 knot winds which, reflexively, brings forth a myriad of winter planning and preparation thoughts for the home front. For the attractive, strongly-built house that is our City, planning and preparation comprises a very large part of what the Mayor, City Council, City

Manager and senior City staff do every day.

Presently, City Council and City staff are finishing up the Fiscal Year 2020 Capital Budget, to commence May 2019. This budget and the City's Operating Budget are prepared using detailed and thorough processes refined over many years. For capital budgeting each year, much like on the home front, there are many more projects and priorities than there are funds available to spend. This work itself is plenty challenging for all involved, long before managing any outlays for non-budgeted items requiring repair. A good example is the landslide of a portion of the bluff above the North Beach Access Road this past summer that needs regrading and stabilization before reopening this northern entrance to the Lake Forest Beach we all enjoy. As for other capital expenditures such as stormwater management, Lake Forest Library, and sanitary sewers, City Council is working towards a Capital Budget solution that is in the best long-term interests of citizens, both financially and functionally. However, in the case of the north Beach access, the optimal long-term solution involves relocation of a portion of this Beach gateway and therefore bears a challenging cost. Several funding sources, including some private donations, are being utilized in combination to effect the right long-term answer, as decided at the Council's October 15 meeting.

Speaking of planning and preparation, the six-month process to define, find, and appoint the next Lake Forest City Manager is well underway. In July and August, the City's recruitment consultant, GovHRUSA, held individual meetings with the Mayor and with Council members, staff members, former mayors of Lake Forest, Caucus leaders, board and commission chairs, and many citizens. These meetings helped develop the position announcement and recruitment brochure, both of which were posted on the City's website on August 30.

The position announcement was also posted on multiple professional association websites and on social media. The recruitment brochure has been widely distributed across the U.S. to more than 1,000 knowledgeable and experienced city managers potentially interested in this opportunity. And GovHRUSA responded to numerous managers wanting to discuss the Lake Forest position at the International City and County Management Association conference in late September.

Over 70 applications were received by the October 1 deadline, and the process proceeds on schedule for the appointment to be made by the Mayor with City Council approval this December. The new City Manager will start work in late January 2019.

After 20 years of strategic thinking and detailed planning regarding the best long-term structure for top-quality provision of ambulance and fire services for Lake Forest residents and those in surrounding communities, in September, The City of Lake Forest, the Village of Libertyville, and Knollwood's Rockland Fire Protection District legally combined these life safety services to form a more cost effective, higher quality organization for the long run. Discussions are also underway with The Village of Lake Bluff to join this collaboration to share in its lower cost structure and larger resource base to provide prompt, highest quality medical and fire services long into the future. Particular congratulations and thanks are due to Lake Forest Fire Chief Pete Siebert, Libertyville Fire Chief Rich Carani, City Manager Bob Kiely, and Trustees Dan Rogers and Bob Grum of the Rockland Fire Protection District for their sustained, even courageous, efforts to overcome long-standing customs and practices in order to seize the future through collaboration.

Another collaboration engendered by Lake Forest is the restructuring of the Metra passenger service schedule to/from Chicago and Telegraph Road Train Station in west Lake Forest. Convening Metra, other local communities, citizens, and employers in the business, educational, and healthcare sectors, a pilot program for an improved commuter schedule has been designed by these constituents, and approved by Metra. Startup of the program is expected in January 2019. Included in phase one is a morning express to Lake Forest from Chicago weekday mornings, and the addition of two inbound trains in the heart of the afternoon rush hour. Increased ridership will make these changes permanent and lead to further schedule improvements and frequency, such as the phase two plan to install a universal crossover switch north of the Telegraph Road Train Station in two or three years.

As always, please monitor the City's website for events and activities taking place across our community. The Recreation Department, in particular, has wonderful seasonal activities for families and individuals of all ages.

I look forward to seeing many of you at the Christmas tree lighting the day after Thanksgiving with the program and music starting at 3 p.m. in Market Square.

Happy Holidays to All,

Rob Lansing, Mayor



City Council Action



Below is a summary of recent actions taken by the Lake Forest City Council. To view agendas, minutes and videos of meetings, visit cityoflakeforest.com and click on the Quick Links menu at the top of the home page or search for "Agendas and Minutes" on your device.

September 4, 2018

- Approval of a Comprehensive Plan Working Group. The Group will be advisory to staff in developing a draft update to the Waukegan Road Business District of the Comprehensive Plan.
- Approval of a Final Plat of Subdivision and Amendment to the master Land Transfer Agreement with Lake Forest Open Lands Association for the McCormick Ravine.
- Approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement between The City of Lake Forest and The City of Highwood regarding shared water plant operator services.
- Approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement between the City, the Rockland Fire Protection District, Village of Libertyville and the Libertyville Fire Protection District for Fire and Ambulance Service.

October 1, 2018

- Two new Police Officers were sworn in.
- Approval of a Contribution Agreement with Lake County Partners regarding the Establishment of a pilot program and installation of a Universal Crossover on the Metra Milwaukee District North Line (see article on page 7).
- Approval of ratification of authorization for an Open Space Land Acquisition and Development grant program at South Park. As identified in the City's Parks Master Plan, the tennis courts and batting cage will be replaced and a fitness station, basketball court and bocce court will be added. Several trees will be planted and woodland management is planned for the northwest edge of the property.

- Catherine Lemmer, Library Director, provided an update on the Lake Forest Library dome and building projects.
- Approval of recommendations from the Building Review Board on 2 residential and 1 commercial properties.

October 15, 2018

- A Proclamation for the History Center's (formerly the Lake Forest-Lake Bluff Historical Society) Grand Opening was read and the City Council congratulated the organization on its achievements in maintaining the community's history.
- Approval of alternative design options and funding approaches related to Forest Park and the North Beach Access road (see article on page 5).
- Final Approval of an ordinance granting the renewal of a non-exclusive cable television franchise agreement with Comcast.

Thanks for the Memories!

After 28 years as your City Manager, I have decided to start a new chapter in my life. It has been an honor and privilege to serve you over the years and it has been incredibly rewarding working with so many dedicated and caring elected and appointed officials.

I am proud to say that many wonderful improvements have taken place over the past 28 years, and much of that credit goes to the hard-working, highly-professional City staff. I am confident their success will continue well into the future.

Lake Forest is a very special place. I am truly blessed to have had the opportunity to call it home.

Bob Kiely



Thanks for Giving.



Gorton Community Center



Ragdale



Lake Forest Library



Market Square



Elawa Farm



Forest Park

We are a community that gives back. A city of philanthropy and foundations. All over town, there are organizations achieving great things, non-for-profits working with corporate good neighbors, and unique private-public partnerships performing wonders. If charity begins at home, welcome home to Lake Forest.



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North Beach Access Road Project Update

At its October 15 meeting, the City Council unanimously approved a plan to re-route the North Beach Access Road after last summer's bluff failure. Even though the approved option is more expensive, the Mayor and Aldermen firmly believe that the favored plan is the right thing to do and that many philanthropic residents in Lake Forest will contribute to the cause.

What Happened: This past May and June, Lake Forest and the region experienced the heaviest rains for these months on record, which caused flooding and ground oversaturation. On June 26, the City closed the Boardwalk at the beach due to significant movement on the bluff, determining that it was unsafe. The next day, a bluff slide occurred adjacent to the North Beach Access Road, removing an area approximately sixty feet wide from Forest Park's table land down to the roadway

below. Thankfully, no one was injured, but the road has been closed ever since.

Background: The City has been monitoring the bluff from the South Beach Access Road to the North Beach Access Road since 2016. In March of 2017, the City Council reviewed bluff stability reports and developed risk and watch areas. Inclinometers were installed along the bluff and boardwalk areas to measure movement on the bluff. After the June incidents, an ad hoc Bluff Advisory Committee was formed to work with the City and help determine the various options available for repairing or reconstructing the road. In September, the City Council was presented with 3 different repair options and timelines for each.

At its October 1 meeting, the City Council approved final consideration of two options, pursuant to competitive bidding and timelines. One option considered involved bluff re-grading, the loss of 30 feet of table land at Forest Park, the removal of all the vegetation on the bluff and transplanting 31 trees and shrubs -- at an estimated cost of \$970,000.

The favored option involves a reconstruction of the North Beach Access Road so that is not directly adjacent to the bluff, reducing the impact of the project to the removal of all the vegetation on the bluff at an estimated cost of \$1,985,000. Construction would take place as soon as weather permits in the spring of 2019, with equipment staged at the north end of the beach. The estimated construction completion date is mid July 2019. At *Dialogue* press time, over \$200,000 has been privately raised to help cover the cost difference between the two options. Should you have an interest in donating to the North Beach Access Road Project, please contact your Aldermen (see page 16 for information).

Update: The City Council had great discussion at both its October 1 and October 15 meetings on the subject, reviewing Forest Park improvement history, bluff and ravine monitoring, the natural aspects of the landscape, restoration options, construction impacts, and beach operations. Mayor Rob Lansing stated "I solidly believe we will raise the majority of the difference...and we are doing what is in the long-term best interest of Lake Forest from many perspectives."



The City wants your input! Come to the "Big Boardwalk Think" on Saturday, November 17, 10 a.m. at the Beach

Due to public safety issues, the Boardwalk along the bluff will be removed in late November. The City is working with engineers to come up with plans and costs for a new one to replace it in a new location. It will be ADA compliant, whereas the old Boardwalk was not. Please join us in the South Pavilion to brainstorm, discuss and sketch out different options and locations for a new Boardwalk.

Photo by Kathy Govas

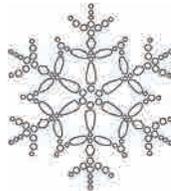
Salting and Plowing

This winter, the City will continue with its reduced road salting policy in an effort to conserve financial resources and help protect the environment. With proper application and appropriate timing, less road salt is needed. The Public Works Department uses specialized weather forecasts to receive real time readings of pavement temperatures and precipitation, and adjusts the City's salting procedures based upon the latest information.

Families with new and younger drivers should emphasize the importance of exercising caution when traveling on snow-packed streets.

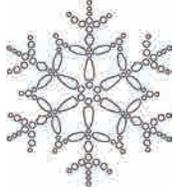
According to recent transportation studies, road salt was determined to be the most cost-effective and green option available. The City continues to look at technological and environmental trends as they develop.

Sidewalks: To most efficiently and effectively remove snow from the 103.75 miles of Lake Forest's sidewalks, snow blowers and mechanical brooms will be used on sidewalks within 1/4 mile of schools and all sidewalks along the main streets. The remaining approximately 50% of the City-owned sidewalks will be either snowblown or plowed after 2 inches or more of snowfall.



Decorative Boulders or Stones: If not situated properly per City Code, boulders and stones may be dangerous to all vehicles using the roadways, including snow plows. Please be reminded that:

- Decorative boulders or stones may be placed on the public parkway for the purpose of preventing damage to the parkway
- Such boulders or stones shall be no less than eight inches in diameter, and shall be placed at least 18 inches from the roadway edge. The photo below, taken at the corner of Sheridan Road and Spruce Avenue, shows correct placement.



If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Becky Pocasangre at 847.810.3543.



Holiday Collection Schedule

Christmas Eve and Day City offices will be closed on Monday, December 24 and Tuesday, December 25. There will be no garbage, recycling or yard waste collection on Tuesday, December 25, and the following schedule will be in effect for that week:

- Monday collection will remain the same
- Tuesday collection will move to Wednesday
- Thursday and Friday collection will remain the same

New Year's Eve and Day City offices will be closed on Tuesday, January 1. There will be no garbage, recycling or yard waste collection on Tuesday, January 1, and the following schedule will be in effect for that week:

- Monday collection will remain the same
- Tuesday collection will move to Wednesday
- Thursday and Friday collection will remain the same

For more information, please call the Sanitation Section automated phone system at 847.615.4264.

City Gift Policy Reminder: City policy prohibits its employees from accepting gifts (including cash). If you would like to thank an employee, please send a letter or make a donation to charity in the name of the employee or department. Often, residents bring acceptable gifts, such as food that can be shared, to City buildings. We appreciate your thoughtfulness!

Lake County Reverse Commute Initiative at the Telegraph Road Train Station: Great news for everyone!



Since the introduction and success of the Sunrise Express reverse commuter train service on the Metra North Line at the East Train Station in 2004, the City has been exploring opportunities to improve commuter service on the Metra Milwaukee North Line at the Telegraph Road Train Station.

Currently, there is a gap in train service at this station. Morning outbound express trains and late afternoon/evening inbound trains are not conveniently scheduled for commuters, residents or families wishing to take this train line into Chicago.

At its October 1, 2018 meeting, the Lake Forest City Council approved a \$100,000 total expenditure over the next two years to undertake Phase I of the Lake County Reverse Commute Initiative (a pilot program), to launch in January 2019. The entire project is designed to accommodate Lake Forest residents and businesses as

well as Lake County residents and businesses. The proposed new schedule is pictured below.

Phase I: Enhanced Scheduling including a northbound Sunrise Express train and better southbound express service in the evening.

Phase II: Installing a universal crossover switch north of the Telegraph Road Train Station to provide fluidity and flexibility.

Phase III: Implementing the final schedule which will close some of the afternoon gaps in train service and optimize the existing express train service.

A private-public partnership has been created to undertake the Lake County Reverse Commute Initiative including Metra, IDOT, Canadian Pacific, Lake County, Lake County Partners, The City of Lake Forest, and multiple employers and neighboring communities within a five-mile radius of the Telegraph Road Train Station. If the pilot program is successful, the City would be asked to contribute up to \$400,000 towards the installation of the universal crossover, which would represent approximately 10% of the total construction cost. Metra states that the partnership will work on an agreement to divide the \$4.75 million cost of the crossover, with \$2.7 million expected to come from private sector employers, \$1 million from transit agencies and \$1 million coming from local governments, including those in Lake County.

The City of Lake Forest is working with local corporations to help fund this exciting opportunity. For updates, please check cityoflakeforest.com.

Potential Phase I Express Schedule - *not final*

New Sunrise Express	
	New
Chicago Union Station	5:35 am
Western	5:44
Healy	5:49
Grayland	5:52
Mayfair	5:54
Forest Glen	5:57
Edgebrook	6:01
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Lake Cook	6:14
Deerfield	6:18
Lake Forest	6:25 am

New Southbound Afternoon Service			
	New	Existing	New
Lake Forest	5:09	--	5:30
Deerfield	5:15	5:17	5:36
Lake Cook	5:18	5:20	5:39
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Edgebrook		5:41	5:52
Forest Glen		5:44	5:55
Mayfair		5:47	5:58
Grayland		5:49	6:00
Healy		5:52	6:03
Western	5:42	5:58	6:09
Chicago Union Station	5:56	6:11	6:22

Refuse, Recycling and Compost Center Info

Beginning December 1, yard waste collections will reduce to once weekly collection. Your yard waste will be picked up on the same day as your recycling. Yard waste must be placed in biodegradable brown paper lawn and leaf bags, and a City of Lake Forest yard waste sticker must be affixed to each yard waste bag. The City of Lake Forest yard waste stickers can be purchased at City Hall (220 E. Deerpath), the Municipal Services Building (800 N. Field Drive) 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. Yard waste may not be placed at the curb prior to 24 hours before the scheduled pickup.

Holiday Pickups

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.

Christmas Tree Recycling

During January, Christmas trees will be picked up on regularly scheduled recycling days at the curb. Trees must be free of all lights and ornaments and cannot be placed in plastic tree bags. Please cut your trees into six-foot lengths.



Compost/Recycling Center

Winter Operating Hours in Effect

Beginning December 1, 2018, 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, 8 a.m. – 3 p.m.**

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.

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.

Lake Forest Cemetery News



Fall Clean up

Annual fall clean up begins October 15. All summer decorations, pots and annuals are removed at this time. From October 15 through November 30, the Cemetery staff will collect leaves and 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.

Holiday Decorations

Orders are now being taken for evergreen grave blankets and wreaths for placement by the Cemetery staff. The costs are \$100

per grave blanket for adult and \$50 for an infant or in-ground cremation sites. Evergreen wreaths are also available for \$50 and include the stand. These seasonal grave decorations, designed by a local florist, are placed by the Cemetery staff around the first week of December and then removed in the spring. To place orders, please call the cemetery office at 847.615.4341.

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. Please contact the Cemetery Sexton at 847.615.4341 to tour the available interment options..



Community Forum

“Solar Energy”
Wednesday, February 6,
7-8:30 p.m. at Gorton
Community Center
400 E. Illinois Road

A new Illinois law has made it easier for Lake Forest residents and businesses to benefit from solar energy. New programs and incentives are available for both rooftop solar and Community Solar, where interested customers help fund a solar installation and in return, get credits on their electric bills.

The Lake Forest Collaborative for Environmental Leadership (LFCEL) is excited to host a community engagement forum on Solar Energy and invites you to come and learn about how you can take advantage of solar energy at your own home from City planners and subject experts. Please join us for this educational session on solar energy!



Online Enhancements Underway

As noted in the Fall *Dialogue*, the City is implementing a new Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) system with its chosen business partner, BS&A. Implementation is ongoing with the first core financial modules having gone live on October 1 and other applications continuing through January 2019.

Residents will notice enhancements to both the water billing and permitting processes. Utility billing is currently scheduled to go live this November, so please look for additional information on the City website and in messages included on the utility bills themselves. Online payment options will change, necessitating a new registration process, but residents will see an enhanced online experience and revisions to the utility bill itself.

In December, the City will begin implementation of the new building permit and inspection modules. This will be a first step in updating and streamlining these processes. There will be a period of transition as we move from the current systems toward full implementation of the new software. Once fully operational, residents and contractors will be able to check the status of projects and schedule inspections online. Internally, the new system will allow improved tracking of building plans under review and offer other benefits to help continuously improve service to our customers. Thank you in advance for your patience as we put new processes in place.

Look for more information and log-in Instructions in coming months at cityoflakeforest.com. We look forward to improving your online experience.





360 E Deerpath; 847.234.0636

To see all Library programs, visit lakeforestlibrary.org.

Chicago Series

Reminisce about Marshall Field's at Christmas, explore the St. Valentine's Day Massacre using virtual reality, and enjoy an architecture lecture about designing a Chicago home, all during our special Chicago series. Events run from December 1–6. Register for one or all by visiting lakeforestlibrary.org/chicago.

The Debut of the "Deep Freeze Read"

Lake Forest Library and Lake Bluff Public Library are proud to present a new, joint winter reading program called Deep Freeze Read. This "One Book, Two-Community" program kicks off in January and brings together Lake Forest and Lake Bluff with the purpose of enhancing non-fiction literacy and inspiring discussion around real world issues. This inaugural year, join us in reading *The Death and Life of the Great Lakes* by Dan Egan. Book-related events in January and February include a "High Seas" movie series, a lecture on green energy, and a talk about environmental stewardship, all culminating in an author visit on March 6. For event registration and details about program partners, visit deepfreezeread.org.

"With Love, from your Library" returns this February!

Show your library card around town for great deals and discounts. Details and a list of participating businesses will be available in mid-January at lakeforestlibrary.org/love.

Skype with author Marianne Malone

Author Marianne Malone joins the Reading Rangers Book Group via Skype on Wednesday, February 20 at 7 p.m. We'll get the inside scoop on her "Sixty-Eight Rooms" series, which takes place in the miniature Thorne Rooms at the Art Institute. Reading Rangers is a book group for 2nd–5th graders, but fans of all ages are welcome to attend during this special "Meet the Author" event. Register at lakeforestlibrary.org/68rooms.

Please Note: Library Closings

Friday, December 7: late opening at 1 p.m.
Monday, December 24
Tuesday, December 25
Monday, December 31: close at 5 p.m.
Tuesday, January 1

Friends of Lake Forest Library FYI

The Friends of Lake Forest Library is a group of dedicated supporters and library enthusiasts. It is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization that works to support the mission and services of Lake Forest Library, as well as to engage in related educational, charitable, and cultural activities.

The Friends raise funds through book sales, Friends memberships, and your monetary and book donations. Since its founding March 21, 1976, the Friends have raised over two million dollars. These funds help maintain and enhance Library programming, the historic building, the Library's extensive fine arts collection, and more. To make a donation, please visit lakeforestlibrary.org/give. Thank you!

Fire Department News



Drones

The Lake Forest Fire Department reminds all residents that drones are illegal at emergency scenes. The Police and Fire Departments recently responded to an incident on a local

highway where a drone was being used by a private citizen to see what was happening. Based on the patient's condition, a helicopter was called to the scene for transportation to a trauma center. The drone almost interfered with the helicopter's approach, which could have had catastrophic results. Fortunately, the drone operator was found and the drone was secured before the helicopter needed to land. The entire Police and Fire Departments appreciate everyone working together to help keep all of us safe.

CPR Classes

The Fire Department has begun offering CPR classes. If you are interested in becoming CPR certified, please contact Lieutenant Mike Mounts at mountsm@cityoflakeforest.com or call 847.810.3881.

DICKINSON HALL

Programs, Activities & Services for Adults 50 or Better!

For Adults 50+

100 E. Old Mill Road; 847.234.2209

Stop in for a tour of beautiful Dickinson Hall, pick up a membership application, and meet our welcoming staff and friendly members! Learn about the great parties, interesting lectures, educational opportunities, creative outlets, fitness classes and fantastic excursions. We host events to suit every taste and schedule. Dickinson Hall is the go-to place for support and advice for healthy aging and is your local community center for ages 50+. Reservations are required for all Dickinson Hall programs. Please check dickinsonhall.com for detailed information and to view the bimonthly *NewsBrief*, containing the full schedule of activities.

November

Thursday, November 15, noon - Thanksgiving Celebration: We'll have all our favorite treats including roast turkey with all the trimmings. Sit back with a slice of pumpkin pie and enjoy that upbeat group of singers and dancers, *The Musical Revue!*, as they reminisce with a wide selection of hits from the Big Band era.

Friday, November 30, 1 p.m. - Tree lighting Party: This will be a relaxing afternoon brimming with hot chocolate, seasonal treats, bingo and festive music. The Bell Choir from the First Presbyterian Church of Lake Forest will enchant you with their amazing skills and get us into the holiday spirit as we officially light our tree.

December

Thursday, December 13, noon - Holiday Party: You'll be greeted by Hal's Belles Recorder Group as you enter Dickinson Hall. Enjoy a glass of wine and appetizers followed



by a delicious luncheon and dessert. We'll all love the Lola Bard Holiday Carolers as they stroll through the room in authentic Victorian costumes, taking requests - from traditional carols to festive pop holiday favorites - to make spirits bright.

Friday, December 28, 11 a.m. - New Year's Eve Bash: Come to Dickinson Hall to 'Ring in the New Year' early with a glass of champagne and a delicious brunch as we count down to 12 noon on our last day of 2018 together. The beautiful and talented blues music sensation, vocalist Ivy Ford, is returning to entertain us as we bid a fond farewell to 2018 and welcome 2019!

January

Firefighters Chili Party: Come and keep warm with us with a



hot bowl of chili, corn bread and all the fixings as prepared by Lake Forest's bravest! Join us for this feel-good community event to help shake off the winter blues!

Social Services

Janet Fryer, Senior Advocate, is available Monday-Friday to support older adults in the community. There is no charge for her services. If you are age 50+ and living alone, Janet offers a monthly opportunity to share the triumphs and challenges of life with a group of friendly fellow travelers. Janet can be reached directly at 847.810.4678.

No longer driving? We can help with your transportation needs!

If you're no longer driving, eligible residents may request transportation from the Senior Car program. Friendly, professional drivers are available to drive in the 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, rides are offered to Jewel and Mariano's. The Senior Bus now takes riders to different locations including Hawthorn Mall, Walmart and Target. Please call Tara Purtell at 847.234.2209 for further details.

LAKE FOREST'S 35TH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TREE *lighting* CEREMONY



FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2018

Don't miss this holiday tradition for the entire family brought to you by the Friends of Lake Forest Parks and Recreation Foundation. Enjoy an evening of live entertainment, warm drinks, carolers, and Santa! This free community event will be held at Historic Market Square in downtown Lake Forest.

Visit www.FriendsLFPR.org for more information.

Schedule of Events:

1:00 pm

Holiday Movie shown at Gorton Community Center
Contact Gorton for more information at 847.234.6060.

3:00 pm

Live Ice Sculpting Performance by Art Below Zero
Holiday Arts and Crafts for Children

3:30 - 5:00 pm

Meet Santa Claus in Market Square

4:30 pm

Caroling by Lake Forest High School Choristers

5:00 pm

LFDA Holiday Performance

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Recreation Center Highlights

Northwestern Lake Forest Hospital Holiday Boutique at the Rec Center Gymnasium

Thursday, November 15 (10 a.m.-4 p.m.), Friday, November 16 (10 a.m.-6 p.m.) and Saturday, November 17 (10 a.m.-3 p.m.)

The Hospital's Annual Holiday Boutique is a community favorite, showcasing beautiful and unique gifts for all ages from over 30 vendors from around the country. All proceeds benefit the extraordinary health care provided by Northwestern Lake Forest Hospital. For further information, please visit Northwestern Lake Forest Hospital's website or call the Philanthropy Office at 847.535.6111.



"Cocktails with Santa and Mrs. Claus" at the Northcroft Park Pavilion Friday, December 7, 7 p.m.

Location: 1365 S. Ridge Road, Lake Forest. For ages 21+, this is a great evening of cocktails and hors d'oeuvre with Mr. and Mrs. Claus, complete with a DJ, photo booth and more! Tickets are \$75 per person, and may be purchased at FriendsLFPR.org. This party is brought to you by the Friends of Lake Forest Parks & Recreation Foundation.



"Dinner with Santa"

Saturday, December 8 and Sunday, December 9

The Northcroft Park Pavilion will be transformed into Santa's Workshop for this magical event! Decorate cookies, help Santa's elves create holiday toys, and listen to Santa Claus read a Christmas story. Dinner will be served and Santa will take special time to visit with each family. Purchase your tickets early!

Location: 1365 S. Ridge Road, Lake Forest.

Two Seatings on Saturday: 4-5:30 p.m. or 6-7:30 p.m.

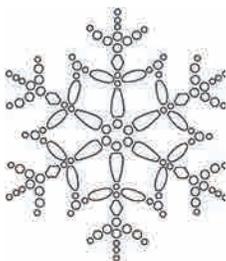
Two Seatings on Sunday: 2-3:30 p.m. or 4-5:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$30 per person, and may be purchased at FriendsLF-PR.org. This family event is also brought to you by the Friends of Lake Forest Parks & Recreation Foundation.

Stirling Hall Annual Holiday Art Sale

Friday, December 7 and Saturday, December 8

Location: 60 E. Old Mill Road, Lake Forest. All ages will enjoy this great opportunity to purchase hand-crafted gifts for the holiday season. A portion of all sales helps support Stirling Hall Art Center.



“Winter Dance Spectacular” Saturday, December 8, 4 p.m.

Location: Rec Center Gymnasium at 400 Hastings Road, Lake Forest. Join the Performance Companies of Lake Forest Dance Academy as they present a holiday show for all ages with swing-dancing Santas, a Rockette-style kick line and much more! Tickets are available at the door for \$5; bring the family!



“Santa’s Calling” (for children aged 3-10) Wednesday, December 12, 6-8 p.m.

Let your children experience the joy of hearing Santa’s voice and watch the magic of the holiday season fill their hearts. Santa will be making his annual phone calls to children to find out what is on their lists and to spread some Christmas cheer. Please note that this program is for Lake Forest residents only. \$10 per call; register at LFRec.com.

“Camp Preview Day” Saturday, January 12, 9:30 a.m.-12 noon

Location: Deer Path Middle School Cafeteria, 95 W. Deerpath. This event will give families a sneak peek at all of the wonderful summer camp opportunities available through Lake Forest Parks & Recreation. Meet staff, ask questions and more. From specialty camps to traditional day camps, there is something for every child. Save up to 10% on selected camps if you register on Camp Preview Day!

“Daddy-Daughter Winter Ball” (for girls aged 5-12 and their dads) Saturday, February 9, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Location: Rec Center Gymnasium at 400 Hastings Road, Lake Forest. Fathers and their young princess (or princesses) are invited to attend the Winter Ball. The Gymnasium will be transformed into a beautiful castle, providing a magical night of dinner, dancing and crafts. Please register at LFRec.com. This event is sponsored by Forest Orthodontics & Pediatric Dentistry.



Do you know about the After School Enrichment Program?

The program takes place at Everett School, Monday-Friday after school - 6 p.m. and is geared to children in Kindergarten through fourth grade. The After School Enrichment Program allows children to enjoy recreational activities in a safe, caring environment. It is designed to promote the development of new friendships, the discovery and strengthening of physical capabilities, exploration of the classroom and natural environments, as well as cooperative team centered learning. Each week includes the exploration through art, athletics, science exploration, wood working, STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) and cooking. To learn more about this great program, please contact Christine Faudel at 847.810.3660.



Committee Representing Our Young Adults

YOUTH PROGRAMS (7TH – 12TH GRADES)

FOR LAKE FOREST AND LAKE BLUFF

Student Union Drop-in Hours: M-F 3:30-5:30 PM

Middle School Youth Meetings Tuesdays at 4 PM

High School Youth Meetings Wednesdays at 7 PM

High School Spring Retreat, 3/15-17



Visit CROYA.com for updates on our events!
400 Hastings Rd., Lake Forest | (847) 810-3980

Elawa Farm

1401 Middlefork Drive; 847.234.1966

To see all events and programs, visit elawafarm.org.

Annual Holiday Market

November 30, December 1 and 2; 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Come shop for Frasier Fir trees, fresh holiday greens and wreaths, home-made Gingerbread Houses, artisan gifts and more!

Take & Bake

Beginning Saturday January 12, this popular shopping and dining experience from Elawa's kitchen returns. Order by

Wednesday, pick, up on Friday. Elawa's "Take & Bake" makes entertaining a snap!



Gorton Community Center

400 E. Illinois Road; 847.234.6060

To see all events and programs, visit gortoncenter.org.

Chris White Trio Holiday Concert

Friday, December 14, 7:30 p.m.

Join Chris White and his trio for a "Charlie Brown Jazz" Christmas Concert featuring the holiday music of Vince Guaraldi, better known as "the Peanuts composer". The Chris White Trio will delight the senses as they entertain everyone right into the holiday mood with these well-known favorites. Don't miss this special holiday evening out on the town with no holiday stress attached! \$20 in advance.

Gingerbread House Decorating Party

Sunday, December 16, 1-3 p.m.

Celebrate the magic of the season and decorate a tasty treat for the family. Let your creative juices flow as you turn your freshly baked house into an edible masterpiece. Get in the holiday spirit and have some quality family time while designing your house, sipping hot chocolate and listening to lively sounds of the season. \$60.

Empty Nester Series – Healthy Living with

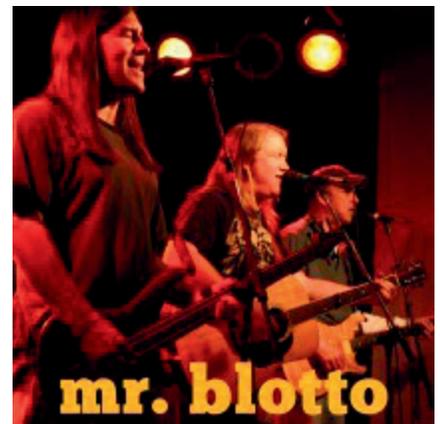
Sharan Tash; Wednesday, January 16, 10 a.m. or 6 p.m.

Proper movement without pain is the key to living an optimal healthy lifestyle. Join Sharan as she teaches men and women about optimum functional health and fitness facts and nutrition for a long life. It doesn't matter your age, size or fitness level, exercise and health are for everyone. Free!

Mr. Blotto LIVE In Concert

Saturday, February 2, 8-10 p.m.

Gorton brings you a Winter Jam Party with the all-time favorite band Mr. Blotto as part of the Live Concert Series. Grab your friends and come prepared to revel, reminisce and rock and roll right next door. \$15-20.





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City Council Meetings, 6:30 p.m.: 12/3, 12/17, 1/7 (a workshop meeting at the Municipal Services Building), 1/22 (due to the holiday and immediately following the Finance Committee meeting beginning at 6:30 p.m.), 2/4 and 2/19 (due to the holiday).

Building Review Board Meetings, 6:30 p.m.: 12/5, 1/2 and 2/6 at the Municipal Services Building.

Plan Commission Meetings, 6:30 p.m.: 12/12, 1/9 and 2/13.

Historic Preservation Commission Meetings, 6:30 p.m.: 12/26, 1/23 and 2/27.

CALL 847.234.2600 FOR ALL CITY DEPARTMENTS

Postage-free mail to all City departments and City officials can be deposited in the white drop boxes on Bank Lane north of Westminster and in the Telegraph Road Train Station parking lot.

CITY HALL

220 East Deerpath
Open 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.,
Monday-Friday

MUNICIPAL SERVICES CENTER

800 North Field Drive
Open 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.,
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.-10 p.m., Monday-Friday
8 a.m.-6 p.m., Weekends and
Holidays

COMPOST/RECYCLING CENTER

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

Hours until November 30:
Saturdays, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
Sundays, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Hours after December 1:
Saturdays, 8 a.m.-3 p.m.

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Comcast Xfinity:
City-17: City Meetings
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Channel 99, Scroll to "Lake Forest"

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