



Forest Lake Newsletter

Forest Lake Community Association

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Halloween Parade

Thanks go to Angie Schroedel, Kathy O'Halloran, Laura Tegtmeier, and Steve Norman for their hard work in making the Halloween parade and party the success that it was. Draculas, witches and princesses paraded around the neighborhood and later enjoyed snacks at the Community Center.

Breakfast With Santa

The Holiday season is fast approaching so mark your calendars for Santa's arrival at the Community Center. Forest Lake's "Breakfast with Santa" is scheduled for December 13. Santa will arrive at 9:00am, so come in time to enjoy juice and donuts with him. If you are a new resident, it is a great opportunity to meet your neighbors, as the event is open to all dues paying members. The cost is \$3.00 per child (accompanying adults free of charge). To reserve your spot, please call 847-438-3688. You must be a member to attend. Bring your beach pass to save time when checking in at the door.



Christmas - 1968

A Portion Of Your Dues Goes For...

...fish stocking. The lake was recently stocked with 100 – 10-16" northern pike; 150 – 6-8" walleye pike; and 100 – 5-8" largemouth bass. If you catch fish of this size, please return them to the lake. Additionally, we urge everyone to return all fish to the lake so you and others can enjoy catching them again.

Landscape Improvements

The planting bed around the sign at Quentin and Highland received some much needed renovation recently. Existing plants were dug up, new dirt was added, and the sedums replanted. Purple asters, yellow coreopsis, and blue spring-blooming scilla were added. The ornamental grasses were removed, to improve driver visibility at that intersection. Thanks to Maija, Mike, and Jim for helping in the effort to beautify that corner.

Be Sure You Have That Boat Sticker

Recently Illinois Conservation Department police visited Forest Lake and issued tickets for unregistered boats and boats with missing life preservers. If your pontoon, rowboat, paddleboat, kayak, canoe, etc. is not registered with the State and you do not have the proper number of approved life preservers, you are subject to a fine. Also, all boats operating after dark must have lights.

Waste Management

Ela Township has signed a contract with Waste Management and all unincorporated areas in the township are included. You should have received 2 bins, one for recycling and one for garbage. If the garbage bin is larger than your recycling bin and you would like a smaller one, call Waste Management (800/796-9696). There should be no extra charge for this (they will typically waive the "extra fee.") If you are over 65 you can also apply for a senior citizen discount. Ela Township's contract also eliminates our Tuesday summer pickup. Bill Krukenberg has reported to us at a recent meeting that the garbage trucks take a toll on the asphalt and with only one pickup in the summer, our streets will last longer.

Heron Creek

Heron Creek Forest Preserve is now open! At our last meeting Bonnie McLeod, of the Lake County Forest Preserve District, presented an overview of nearby forest preserves, the newest of which is Heron Creek, at the intersection of Old McHenry Road and Route 22. It has hiking, biking, and cross country ski trails, shelters, restrooms and picnic areas. Information, maps and a calendar are available for all forest preserves in Lake County at: www.lcfdp.org.

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They Are Here!

Unfortunately, gypsy moths have found their way west and were recently discovered in Forest Lake. They can strip your trees of leaves and stress a tree to the point that even the healthiest trees may die in two years. The best thing that you can do is look around your yard on the trunks of your trees and bushes, your lawn furniture and under your deck for their egg sacks. Remove them and destroy them. For additional information and pictures, visit the following websites:
www.urbanext.uiuc.edu/gypsymoth/photos.html
www.urbanext.uiuc.edu/gypsymoth/default.cfm

Also, Lake County is currently under gypsy moth quarantine--do not take plants or firewood out of Lake County.

Have You Seen Our Beaver?

We do have a beaver who has taken up residence in Forest Lake. He has been here throughout the summer and is looking forward to a wonderful winter. If you live on the lake and have small trees, consider protecting them with wire mesh.

FLCAMEetings

Are held on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30pm in the Community Center. Our 2008 annual meeting and elections to the board will take place immediately following the regular monthly meeting. Come and create "Change" you can believe in.

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Board Members:

Chair: Steve Norman (Dues) 540-8857
Vice Chairman: Steve Gray (Gov't Liaison) 438-7813
Treasurer: Maija Boriss (Landscape Beautification) 438-3114
Secretary: Brian Drommer 438-4989
Community Center Rentals: Tom Philippsen 540-8928

Danger! Thin Ice!

Don't forget to check the thickness of the ice before walking on it or allowing your children to walk on it. The ice should be at least 5 inches thick to support a small group of people on the ice. Drill a hole with a portable drill and check the depth. If it is not thick enough, stay off. The ice is thinnest at the mouth of the 3 streams that run into the lake. Be especially cautious around them. They freeze last and thaw first.

Community Center Rental

If you are interested in renting the Community Center for the Holidays, a birthday party, or that special event, call Tom Philippsen at 847/540-8928 and remember to attend the next meeting to finalize arrangements.

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Check out our website for a calendar, pictures and information about Forest Lake and topics of interest and concern to our residents.

Cat - Found

If your cat is missing, please contact Michele Kamradt at 847/438-5583 and identify.

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438-6224

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