



Forest Lake Newsletter

Forest Lake Community Association
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Breakfast with Santa

This year Breakfast with Santa will be held on Dec. 7th at 9:00am. The cost is \$3.00 per child. Make your reservations before Dec. 7 by calling Laura at: 847-438-3688. This event is for members only. Parents must stay with their children.

New Board Members

We have a few openings on the Forest Lake Board. All members are invited to attend our meetings that are held on the second Tuesday of every month at 7:30 at our Community Center at 23489 N. East Road.

Budget

The 2014 budget was presented and discussed at the November meeting. After a few adjustments, the board will vote on approving the budget at the December meeting.

Dues Notices

The dues notices have been sent out. If you have not received one, notify Steve Norman at 847-540-8857 and he will see to it that you get one in the mail. It makes it easier for us if you pay your dues promptly. Thank you in advance.

A New Rail

A new pedestrian guardrail has been installed on the retaining wall on Quentin Road between Ravine Drive and Old Barn Lane. Thank you to Diana O'Kelly, our Lake County Board representative for answering one phone call and seeing to it that it was installed. It is now safer to walk along Quentin Road.

Elections

After the December 10 board meeting, starting at 7:30, the annual meeting will be held. Board members will be elected from each of the three sections in Forest Lake. Come and listen to the platforms of those who are running and vote for the person who will represent your section.

Thin Ice

Always check the thickness of the ice before you or your children walk on it. It has to be at least 5 inches thick and not grey before it is safe. The ice thickness will vary from place to place, especially at the inlets and dam where the moving water keeps it thin. Just because you

see someone else on the lake doesn't mean that it is safe for you. Remember that you are responsible for your and your family's safety. Anything left on the lake doesn't go away unless it is picked up. If you see any bottles, trash, hooks, etc... please pick them up or they will sink when the ice melts.

Halloween Parade

Our Halloween Parade was a great success again this year. Thank you to Laura Tegtmeier and everyone else who helped organize it and make it the success that it was and thanks to the Lake Zurich Fire Dept. for leading the parade with a fire truck and crew.

Flooding on Pepper

Bill Kruckenberg, Ela Twp. Road Commissioner, and Ela Township have completed a study of the area contributing to the flooding on Pepper Lane. It was found that the existing storm sewer is undersized. Over twenty years ago, (probably when sewers were put in) a 6" clay tile was replaced with an 8" PVC pipe. This was the maximum size the road district was allowed. The design process for a larger pipe has been started and a grant has been applied for. The Army Corp. of Engineers must approve a much larger pipe. The rough estimate for this project is \$300,000.



FLCA Community Center 23489 N. East Rd

Help Mark the Roads

Ela Twp Hwy Dept. would like to thank those who put out markers for the winter plowing. It is extremely difficult for the snowplow drivers to see the edge of the roads during a heavy snow, especially when a strong wind is blowing. You can mark the edge of the road with a reflector on a

stake. This prevents them from plowing your lawns. Reflectors can be purchased from True Value or Home Depot.

Community Center Rental

Our community center is located at the intersection of East and South Roads in the southeast corner of Forest Lake (address: 23489 N. East Rd.) and is available for rental to all paid Association members.

The rental fee is \$185.00 and there is a refundable \$250.00 deposit. Prospective renters must appear at an Association Board meeting at least one month prior to the event and payment (both rental and deposit) are due one month prior to the rental. The deposit check is not cashed, but held until after the event and the facility is inspected and clean-up is found to be acceptable. Rental includes use of the building, the parking lot, basketball court, park and baseball diamond for the day. The building has two bathrooms (one of which is fitted for the handicapped), a full wet bar and a full kitchen with appliances. There are no pots, pans, silverware, utensils, etc. Twelve folding tables (which seat eight) and 100 chairs are also included. Take a pictorial tour of the facilities on our website: flcaonline.org. For reservations call Steve Norman at 540-8857.

Proper Runoff

FLCA has recontoured Steinken Park to force rainwater away from the sand beach and large boulders have been added to protect the sand beach from being washed into

the lake. This spring, native grasses and other native plants will be placed on both sides of the sand beach to prevent erosion and help limit access to geese. The native grasses and plants will not be mowed and will be limited to 10ft. from the water's edge.

Tip of the Hat

In addition to the work the Board has done and is currently doing to stabilize the shoreline and prevent erosion at the beaches, we'd like to single out individual lakefront homeowners who have helped to protect their shorelines in the last few years by installing boulders, seawalls and plantings. A "tip of the hat" goes to (in no particular order):

- Nick and Sondra Leonard
- Todd and Karen Thomas
- Bob and Jean Foltin
- Fred and Amy Scheu
- Carol Passalacqua
- Mike and Amanda Schroeder
- Raymond Baluk
- Gordon Mclean
- Steve Ludwigsen and Sue Lalowski
- Arkady and Natalya Poltorak
- Steve and Megan McDowell
- Jim Kueck

Shoreline stabilization prevents erosion and reduces the accumulation of sediment in the lake. A stable shoreline is the most significant contribution a lakefront property owner can make to the overall quality of the lake. Please feel free to contact the lake committee if you have questions about restoring your shoreline or creek bed.

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