

Forest Lake Newsletter

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Lake Committee Receives Conservation Award

Each year the Frank Loftus Lake Stewardship Award is given by the Illinois Lake Management Association to one person or group "in special recognition of exemplary commitment and dedication to Illinois lakes." Our very own lake committee received it this year for its efforts over the last several years, highlighted by the curlyleaf management plan that has resulted in a marked increase in the water quality of Forest Lake. Congratulations go out to Nick Leonard, Joe Wachter and team for winning this prestigious award.

You can find more information at: http://www.ilma-lakes.org/frank-loftus-award

Phosphates in Fertilizer

Once again we are asking those who use fertilizers to select those without phosphates, as phosphates are harmful to the lake. They cause undesirable plants to grow at a much faster rate in lakes and streams. If you live in Forest Lake's watershed, use of phosphates results in uncontrolled weed and algae growth in the lake. If you do not live in Forest Lake's watershed, the phosphates will wash downstream and cause weed growth in other streams and rivers. Non-phosphate fertilizers are readily available at most garden centers and hardware stores. If you have a lawn service, request that they use non-phosphate fertilizers.

Goose Lines Are Up

Retractable goose lines have been installed at all beaches to prevent geese from entering the beaches and parks. It is important that these be replaced when you leave the beach. This will help eliminate goose droppings and will help keep our beaches and lake clean. If you see that one is down, please replace it.

Run For The Troops

Please join us on July 4th for our 3rd Annual Forest Lake Run for the Troops! All proceeds will benefit Operation Support Our Troops, a 501(c)3 non-profit organization that provides comfort and care at home and away to active duty military, families and veterans. This wonderful organization is also dedicated to supporting wounded service members, families and veterans through various programs.

Registration will begin at 7:00am, with the race beginning at 8:00am. There will be a 5K run and a 1K family walk. Each participant will be required to fill out a

waiver prior to the race, which will be available during check-in. You may make a donation online or bring a check made out to Operation Support Our Troops the day of the race. Suggested donation is \$25 per runner or family (tax deductible). To donate online, please go to http://www.osotamerica.org/donate/. If you choose to donate online, please bring a receipt the day of the race for proof of donation.

Kids are invited to take part in the race. There will be a medal ceremony at the conclusion of the race for the top 3 men, women, girls and boys in the 5 K Run. We will also have a flag raising ceremony, DJ, and activities for the kids at the Community Center.

We are excited to announce that there will be some great prizes raffled off during the race. Gift certificates to restaurants, movie theaters, spa packages, sporting tickets and more! Tickets will be available the day of the race for \$5 each, 3 for \$10, or 10 for \$20. 100% of proceeds will benefit Operation Support Our Troops. Please remember to bring cash the day of the race or checks payable to Operation Support Our Troops.

A HUGE thank you to the Forest Lake Community Association for sponsoring this year's event. This allows us to give 100% of donations to Operation Support Our Troops. Thank you!!

Information is also available on our website www.flcaonline.org

Conceal and Carry

Weapons of any type are not allowed on any of our properties including parks, the lake, and the Community Center. If you observe anyone with a weapon, please call the Lake County Sheriff.

Budget

The 2014 budget was presented and passed. It is posted on our website, www.flcaonline.org.

Dues Notices

By now everyone should have received their dues notices. If, for some reason, you have not, please contact Steve Norman at 847-540-8857. Mail a check made out to Forest Lake Community Association to PO Box 314, Lake Zurich, IL 60047. Dues are used to maintain our lake, beaches, parks, and community center, as we get no government funding.

2014 Easter Egg Hunt



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Big thanks go to Annie Vormittag and her helpers Greg, Jim, Susie, Roy, Sara, Mike, Chuckie, Patty, and Angie, for all the planning and executing of the Annual Easter Egg Hunt! Pictures are posted on Facebook for everyone to enjoy. A great time was had by all and we missed the hail storm!

To insure the safety of swimmers and cut down on the erosion of the shoreline, the Board has voted that all of Forest Lake be designated a "no wake" zone. Larger boats and more powerful motors create wakes that can be dangerous.

If you are swimming, be aware that boat operators have trouble seeing you, especially in the evening. We encourage swimmers to wear an orange headband when outside the buoyed areas. Boaters Beware: The buoys are only a guide for children and less experienced swimmers. The entire lake is open to swimming. Be watchful for swimmers in any part of the lake at any time of the day.

Website

Our new website is up and running thanks to Pat Lynn. It is updated regularly and contains pictures, publications, documents and many other items. Check it out and tell your neighbors about it. www.flcaonline.org.

Community Center Going Green

In order to save energy and lower maintenance costs, the incandescent lights in the Community Center are being replaced with LED bulbs.

No Wake Zone

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