

# Forest Lake Newsletter

Forest Lake Community Association P.O. Box 314 Lake Zurich, Illinois 60047 flcaonline.org

October 2019

## **October HOA Meeting**

Our October meeting will be held on October 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. All meetings are held at our Community Center on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of every month at 7:30 p.m.

## Halloween Parade

Get those costumes ready and join us October 19<sup>th</sup> for the FLCA Halloween parade. The parade will kick off at 1:00 p.m. from Steinken (South) Park and participants will parade though Forest Lake to the Community Center. The festivities are open to children 12 and under, and their parents (dues paying members only). A rain date will be Saturday October 26<sup>th</sup> and any changes will be posted on the FLCA Facebook page. Please contact <u>chair@flcaonline.org</u> to RSVP. Additionally, volunteers are always welcome! Events like this are only possible with the help from superstar community members. If you would like to lend a helping hand, please join us at the Community Center on October 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.



#### Boat Launch:

Following record-breaking water clarity through mid-July, the lake took a turn for the worse this summer and struggled terribly with blue green algae (BGA). BGA is nothing new to Forest Lake and has been present to some extent in the late summer months throughout the lake's recorded history. This year's BGA situation was exacerbated by the increasing population of zebra mussels in the lake, which are the second invasive species to appear in the lake in the last few years (the other being curly leaf pondweed in 2012). The main conduit for the introduction of invasive species into the lake is the boat launch. So, to keep other (even worse) invasive species from entering the lake, the Board will be implementing a boat launch inspection program. EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, the boat launch is

CLOSED to all external vehicles, trailers and boats (i.e., anything not stored at one of the parks). While the details of the program are worked out and until the program is implemented, boat launch access will be allowed only by contacting

<u>lakechair@flcaonline.org</u>. I know this may be an inconvenience for some, but it is IMPERATIVE to improving and maintain the quality of the lake. Thank you for understanding.

## 2019 Dues

Thank you to everyone who has paid their dues in 2019! A homeowner's lack of paying has a great impact on our community and our property values. Dues fund maintenance of the lake, parks, and community center. They also pay for snow removal and liability insurance. Those who are not current on their dues forfeit the use of the lake, beaches, parks, and community center. Please pay your dues!

### New County Board Representative

Lake County, District 10 representative Jessica Vealitzek invites all to voice their concerns, questions, and ideas at her upcoming open office hours. Meeting hours will be 6 - 7:30 p.m. October 14<sup>th</sup> at the Ela Area Library, Meeting Room A and 10 - 11:30 a.m. October 15<sup>th</sup> at the Fremont Library, Study Room 4.

## **Community Center Rental**

Our Community Center is available to rent for a minimal charge for dues paying members. If you need more space for a gathering, contact Steve Norman: 847-540-8857. The Community Center is located at 23489 N. East Rd. (the southeast corner of Forest Lake). You will find the rules to rent the center on our website: flcaonline.org.

### Must be the Season of the Witch

It's the season of raking leaves. Proper disposal of fallen leaves can benefit or cause detriment to our community. When disposing leaves this year please consider the following.

#### Good practices

Composting and mulching are good ways to turn unwanted leaves into high quality fertilizer for your lawn and garden. Bagging yard waste and disposing of it through curbside pickup will not add nutrients to your lawn but will also keep a surge of algae causing nutrients out of the lake's watershed. Forest Lake Community Association PO Box 314 Lake Zurich, Illinois 60047 CANNELL STREAM IL 600 094 CNTL 299 SPM DD 2







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## **Bad Practices**

Burning leaves has the largest negative impact on the lake. Burning leaves makes stored nutrients in leaves readily available without having to undergo the decomposition process. A surge of these nutrients in the lake could lead to excess algae and plant growth. Please do not burn leaves near the shoreline or curbside! Additionally, do not blow leaves directly into the lake or into the street! Leaves blown into the street will eventually find their way to the lake where they create a fine "muck" on the bottom.



#### Movie Night!

Thank you to all the families that attended our Kids Movie Night at the Community Center! We hope you all had a great time. Big thanks to Ted Anderson and his company Blue Wired Events for supplying and running the equipment for our THIRD ANNUAL MOVIE NIGHT. Ted and Tony Garry organized this wonderful event! And it is NO small task! They were supported by Julie Garry, Bud Fugitt, Dustin Knoll, Lynn Dwiel and Sue Lalowski. The movie "Sand Lot" was enjoyed by many Forest Lake residents and their friends. Hot dogs, popcorn, ice cream and water were on site for everyone's enjoyment!



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Chairman	Greg Dwiel	847-420-8802	Activities	Sue Lalowski	847-334-0181
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