

# DIALOGUE

## MAYOR'S MESSAGE



As we approach the wonderful winter season in Lake Forest, we are reminded of the many things for which we are blessed. One of the most popular events is the kick-off to our Holiday Season, the annual Tree Lighting Ceremony in Market Square.

This annual tradition, which will be held on Friday, November 28, is a favorite event of residents, their families and former residents alike, and is probably one of the most beloved events in Lake Forest. It is a wonderful time to see neighbors, meet new friends, reconnect with old friends, and to enjoy the spirit of the season. Activities include ice sculpting, a visit from Santa Claus, refreshments and caroling with the Lake Forest High School Choristers.

During this season of giving, I also encourage residents to shop locally first, in our two business districts, as well as in the stores and services along North Western Avenue. All provide an abundant selection of high quality goods and services and friendly merchants who are eager to help make your holidays enjoyable.

Philanthropic generosity and volunteer organizations are the lifeblood of Lake Forest. Our residents work hard to support the City's efforts in preserving its natural beauty, patronizing local institutions, endorsing cultural arts, promoting civic pride and maintaining our standards of excellence. Giving to the community is one of Lake Forest's oldest traditions.

In 1927, 70 acres of land were donated by A. B. Dick and other residents with the restriction that **Deerpath Golf Course** would be used "for park purposes only and that no trap shooting would occur there. If it ever were to cease to function as a park or a public benefit, it should revert to the donors of the property."

In 1931, the two daughters of John G. Shedd, Mrs. Charles H. Schweppe and Mrs. Kersey Coates Reed (later Mrs. Stanley Keith), donated \$250,000 for a fully equipped **Lake Forest Library** building. Prior

to that time, the library was located on the second floor of City Hall, the current City Council Chamber. Mrs. Keith's son, John Shedd Reed, also contributed to the 1977 Library expansion project.

John "Archie" Stevenson made the first land donation to **Lake Forest Open Lands Association** in 1974. Formed in 1967 for the purpose of acquiring undeveloped land through tax-free gifts and bequests, Open Lands currently has over 800 acres of land under management, including 6 nature preserves, and continues to purchase undeveloped land for conservation.

**Lake Forest High School** was built in 1935 on property purchased by residents and donated to the City. It was a project of the Works Progress Administration (WPA) and designed by local architect Stanley Anderson to blend in with the surrounding estates.

Northwestern **Lake Forest Hospital** opened its doors in 1942 on 24 acres of land donated by the A. B. Dick family, which also raised the private funds to build it (621 contributions totaling \$800,000).

**Ragdale**, the residence designed by renowned architect Howard Van Doren Shaw for his family and later the home of his sculptor daughter Sylvia Haskins, was developed into a non-profit artists' community by Shaw's granddaughter, Alice Hayes, in 1978. Ragdale and its property were given to The City of Lake Forest, and the land and buildings have been leased to the Ragdale Foundation on a long-term basis.

The **deer sculpture** in Triangle Park originally stood at the 1870-built D. J. Lake private home located at 644 East Deerpath and was **then donated to the City by a subsequent owner. Lake was the only Lake Forest Association trustee, the secretary beginning in 1856, to build and live here.**

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## E-NEWS

Sign up to receive emergency notifications, the latest information on community events, construction updates and other news at [www.cityoflakeforest.com](http://www.cityoflakeforest.com). Click on the "Subscribe" button on the home page.

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The Lake Forest **Cemetery Gates** were given to the City in 1919 by Mrs. Finley Barrell to commemorate her young daughter, who drowned in the Illinois River in 1916.

With the extensive rehabilitation that **Market Square** has undergone over the last few months, it remains the "historic, iconic and inspired" destination for which it was planned. Market Square was designed and constructed in 1912-16, by the Lake Forest Improvement Trust, a private real estate organization. The Trust was made up of estate owners and local developer John Griffith, and was formed to create a new City Beautiful Movement town center. The fountain at its east end is dedicated to its architect, Howard Van Doren Shaw, and the flag pole at the Square's west end is a memorial to local veterans of World War I. When completed in 1916, Market Square cost \$750,000. Residents Robert Meers and John Coleman purchased Market Square from the Trustees in 1983 and donated the property's landscape to the City as a park. The Lake Forest Garden Club took the leadership role organizing Market Square 2000, the not-for-profit entity that partnered with the City for renovations and raised \$1.5 million for infrastructure and landscaping improvements.

This list is a very small representation of the philanthropic philosophy and history in Lake Forest. For ideas on how you may give back to the City of Lake Forest, please check our website under Lake Forest Life and click on Education and Community Links. If your organization is missing from the list, please let us know.

I wish each of you a very Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays and hope you and your families enjoy this beautiful season of giving in Lake Forest. I look forward to seeing you on November 28 in Market Square!

Donald P. Schoenheider



## SENSIBLE SALTING & PLOWING

The City is preparing for reduced road salting this winter in an effort to conserve resources and protect the environment. With proper application and appropriate timing, less salt is needed. The Public Works Department uses specialized weather forecasts to receive real-time readings of pavement temperatures and precipitation, and will be modifying salting procedures based upon that information.

Period	# of Storms	Average Tons/Storm	Total Tons
Normal Salting December 1 – January 15 (45 days)	15	110	1,650
Reduced Salting (75%) January 16 – February 15 (30 days)	9	83	747
Limited Salting (50%) February 16 – March 30 (45 days)	9	55	495
<b>Total</b>	<b>33</b>		<b>2,892</b>

Beginning January 16, only main streets as well as intersections, hills, and curves of side streets will continue to be salted. The same areas will be salted less beginning February 16.

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

At its October 6 meeting, the City Council rejected the State bid and authorized salt purchases through a sole vendor. When combined with reduced salt application, the City will save over \$100,000.



According to recent transportation studies, road salt was determined to be the most cost-effective and environmentally acceptable alternative. However, the City will continue to look at technological and environmental trends as they develop.

Additionally, based upon a survey issued to residents last winter, the Public Works Committee recommended a modified course of action for sidewalk snow plowing. To more effectively address the 103.75 miles of sidewalks, snow blowers will be used on sidewalks within 1/4 mile of schools and all sidewalks along the main streets, and snow plows will be used for the remaining. All sidewalks will be either blown or plowed after 2" or more of snowfall.

If you have any questions about either program, please call Dan Martin, Superintendent of Public Works, at 847.810.3561.





**OPERATION  
LIFESAVER**

**Look, Listen & Live**

## STEPPING UP TRAIN SAFETY

Lake Forest has the second highest pedestrian railroad fatality rate per capita in the Chicago metropolitan area. Resident Norman Carlson, Lake County's representative on the Metra Board of Directors, is leading efforts to change that statistic and to promote railroad safety along with the City through Engineering, Education and Enforcement. The City is promoting the mission of "Operation Lifesaver", a program

supported by a wide variety of federal, state and local government agencies, highway safety organizations, law enforcement, the nation's railroads and their suppliers. Operation Lifesaver's certified volunteer speakers give free rail safety presentations to people of all professions and age groups, and state coordinators are located in 49 states and the District of Columbia.

During a recent City Council meeting, Mr. Carlson emphasized the importance of *simply reminding residents to be careful around railroads*. "People should expect a train at any time on any track in any direction," he commented. "Even though, at the East Side Train Station, southbound trains normally travel on the east track and at the Telegraph Road Train Station, southbound trains normally travel on the west track, that situation can change, unbeknownst to the public." Other dangerous factors include:

1. Device Distractions: I-Pods and earbuds, cell phones.
2. People misjudging the speed of trains. Because trains are so large they give the impression they are moving slower than they actually are.
3. People mistakenly making the assumption that they can beat the train by crossing the tracks ahead of it.

Not all trains stop at Lake Forest train stations. The City has been working with local legislators, Metra, IDOT, and other affiliated agencies to institute an Amtrak stop at the Telegraph Road train station. Currently, several Amtrak trains travel through Lake Forest at high speeds without stopping. An Amtrak stop would add a safety benefit as well as a commuter benefit with service provided to and from Milwaukee and Chicago. The City has also received a \$2 million grant to construct a pedestrian underpass at that station and is diligently pursuing the capital needed for the project. An underpass would also help mitigate traffic congestion at the Telegraph/Everett Road intersection and enhance safety for the public and commuters. Preliminary engineering for the underpass is complete as funding is sought for this important endeavor in Lake Forest.



## TRAIN SAFETY TIPS

### Look Both Ways

Always expect a train from either direction. After a train passes, look both ways before proceeding.

### Don't Get Stuck on the Track

Before you cross in your car, be sure there is room on the other side to completely clear the tracks and do not shift gears while crossing the tracks. Trains overhang the tracks by at least 3 feet on each side.

### Get Out, Get Away

If your vehicle stalls at a crossing, get everyone out and far away immediately, even if you do not see a train. Call the emergency notification number posted on or near the crossing.

### If You See a Train Coming, Wait

Don't be tempted to beat a train. An approaching train may be closer and traveling faster than it appears.

### Trains Cannot Stop Quickly

The average freight train travelling 55 miles per hour takes a mile or more to stop. That's 18 football fields. If the locomotive engineer can see you, it's too late to stop the train.

### Watch for Vehicles that Must Stop at Railroad Crossings

Most states require school buses, commercial buses and trucks carrying hazardous materials to stop at every highway-rail grade crossing (state laws vary).

### Schedule a Free Presentation or Volunteer.

Visit [www.oli.org](http://www.oli.org) or call Operation Lifesaver, Inc. at 1-800-537-6224 to contact the Illinois Coordinator.

**"The Life You Save May Be Your Own."**



## DO YOU REALLY KNOW L.E.A.D.?

For the past 27 years, LEAD has worked with CROYA and the Lake Forest and Lake Bluff Police Departments to reduce underage drinking and substance abuse among youth.

LEAD, a Lake Forest based 501(c)(3) non profit organization, offers programming and educational seminars on topics including drug and alcohol prevention, prescription drug abuse, medical marijuana legislation, e-cigarettes and more. LEAD brings in well-known speakers, authors, and researchers, and develops programming that gives parents fresh ideas on raising kids, negotiating the teen/parent relationship and maneuvering through social media. In addition to parent programming, LEAD also works with middle school and high school youth to offer safe and healthy community activities, educational programming and a 24-hour community text hotline.

### CHOICES MATTER CAMPAIGN

By now you may have noticed new community messages around town calling your attention to reflect on choices that matter to the health of youth in the community. The campaign is meant to call attention to the influences and effects adults in Lake Forest and Lake Bluff have on youth. Adults often feel that they have no influence over youth, especially as they become teenagers. However, teenagers consistently report in both local and national surveys that their decisions are strongly influenced by the adults in their lives.

Community schools, in conjunction with LEAD and the SpeakUP! Coalition, have conducted the Illinois Youth Survey every two years since in 2006. The data from these surveys

provides Lake Forest and Lake Bluff the opportunity to work together to make changes that will improve the quality of life and wellbeing of our youth. To that end, LEAD encourages all community members to:

1. Talk to your kids! Having clear and regular conversations with your kids about alcohol and drugs is a significant protective factor and will reduce the likelihood that they will get involved with these substances. Not sure how to get started? Visit [www.choicesmatter.com](http://www.choicesmatter.com) for helpful hints and resources.
2. Discuss the Choices Matter Campaign. When you see one of the messages from the Choices Matter campaign (online, in print, in local retailers), consider talking about it with your kids. You'd be surprised how valuable a simple conversation in the car or during dinner can turn out to be.
3. Complete the Community Beliefs and Attitudes Survey created by the Speak UP! Prevention Coalition. Community youth are not only impacted by their parents, families and friends but also by other community members. Please complete the survey whether or not you have school age children. **The survey is available on the LEAD website at [www.leadingefforts.org/communitysurvey](http://www.leadingefforts.org/communitysurvey).** This survey will be conducted every few months to measure the effectiveness of the Choices Matter campaign. Your ongoing participation in this survey is strongly encouraged in the hopes that a measurable change can be created in the community's attitudes about underage drinking and substance abuse, thereby positively affecting the choices made by local teens.
4. Please utilize the prescription drug disposal box located in the lobby of the Lake Forest Public Safety Building at 255 W. Deerpath to dispose of your unused or expired prescription drugs. Properly disposing of your expired, unused, or unneeded prescription and over-the-counter medication will keep them out of the hands of your kids or any other kids that come into your home. Find more information at [www.speakupcoalition.org](http://www.speakupcoalition.org).

Check out LEAD's upcoming events and other important information at [www.leadingefforts.org](http://www.leadingefforts.org).



## LAKE FOREST FOUNDER'S COUNCIL

### The City of Lake Forest (1861) & Lake Forest College (1857)

The Lake Forest Founder's Council was established in April of 2014 to help facilitate and coordinate a collaborative, constructive and synergistic environment between the two long-standing institutions to address educational sustainability, economic/marketing opportunities, and public health/safety concerns. The focus of the Council is identifying new programs, approaches and opportunities that enhance residents' quality of life, inspire community vitality, improve the value of the community and make a meaningful contribution to educational excellence throughout Lake Forest. The Council meets on a quarterly basis. One of the projects the Marketing Committee is currently working on is an Off-Campus Living Resource Guide for students, including important phone numbers, information on trash collection, snow removal, fire safety and how to be a good neighbor.

## NEW POLICE FOUNDATION

The Lake Forest Police Foundation was recently formed as a 501(c)(3) organization to support the important work of the Lake Forest Police Department through the donation of funds, services, and equipment.

The role of the Foundation is not to supplant funding for basic law enforcement services, nor to reduce the responsibility of the City of Lake Forest in any way to commit the necessary funding for law enforcement services for its citizens. According to Police Commander Robert Copeland (Executive Director of the Foundation), "Programs like the women's self-defense class, the Citizens Police Academy, the annual senior picnic, the bike safety rodeo and other community events had to be cut back due to budgetary considerations. A lot of these programs are not necessary to our basic day-to-day operations, but they are programs that we love to do, getting the police officers more involved in the community."

This past June, the first meeting of the Lake Forest Police Foundation was held. The five-member, volunteer board came together with one objective: raising funds so the LFPD can develop and enhance its community programming, update vital equipment, continue specialty training and develop officer wellness programs.

Since then, the board has raised enough funds to purchase new automated external defibrillators for all the squad cars, the public safety building and City Hall. The board has also raised funds to restart the women's self-defense class, re-purpose an unused area in the police station into a dedicated defensive tactics room for classes and training, and funded the Citizens Police Academy alumni picnic. Current board members include residents Terry Rozdolsky, Jay McAweeney, Paul Burt, Steven Esposito and Rick Price, and the Foundation has raised \$80,000 since June of this year.

Future funding plans include police trauma kits, executive level training for supervisors, holding an annual Police Awards and Recognition Dinner for department employees, updating police officer recruitment abilities and enhancing employee development and training.

For more information, visit [www.lakeforestpolicefoundation.org](http://www.lakeforestpolicefoundation.org).



*Deputy Chief Karl Walldorf, Kasey Dunn Morgan,  
Chief James Held and Commander Robert Copeland.*

## *Don't let a Crook Ruin your Holidays!*

The Lake Forest Police Department offers friendly reminders for the happiest of holidays.

### *At Home*

- Even if you are only gone a few minutes, lock doors and windows.
- If out for the evening, turn on lights inside the house.
- If gone for the holidays, use an automatic timer to turn lights on and off in your house. Have someone shovel snow and pick up mail and newspapers and a neighbor park a car in your driveway from time to time.
- Test smoke detectors.
- Never leave lights lit on an interior tree when you are not at home.

### *While Shopping*

- Never park in an unlit area.
- Lock all packages in the trunk of the car.

### *Beware Con Games and Fraud*

- When someone asks for a donation, ask to see official I.D. for the organization.
- Give only to charities that you know.
- Don't ever give your credit card number over the phone.

Shop local when you can and support our local, safe and friendly businesses!

## CITY GIFT POLICY REMINDER

Please be reminded that City policy prohibits its employees, including refuse and recycling collectors, from accepting gifts (including cash). If you would like to thank an employee, please send a card or letter, which can be placed in the personnel file or make a donation to charity in the name of the employee or department. Often residents bring acceptable gifts, such as cookies or candy, to City buildings. Thank you for these goodies, which can be shared by all who work throughout the year to provide excellent City services.



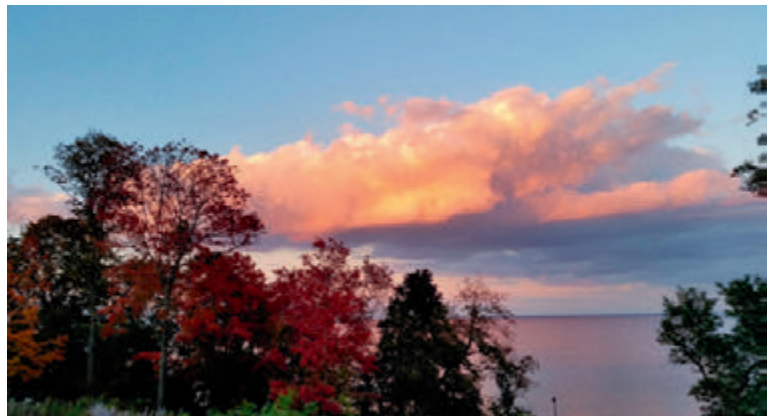
## FOREST PARK - A ROOM WITH A VIEW

The final phase of work is underway at your park, Forest Park, and will open with a mile of new pathways for all to enjoy, accommodating walkers, runners, strollers and wheel chairs through late fall and the winter months. During snowfall, the Ring Road will be cleared for pedestrian use but will remain closed to vehicle traffic until the final layer of asphalt is laid. Amenities such as lighting, benches, drinking fountains and bike racks will be installed next spring, along with some trees and shrubs that require spring season planting. The Ring Road will receive its final asphalt layer after the amenities are complete.

Visitors are able to wander in all directions to enjoy the wonderful lake vistas from the meandering path at the north end of the park to the bluff walk, or along the new path on Lake Road to the new woodland path, and the path above Seminary Ravine south of the parking area. All improvements will be complete by Memorial Day and a dedication will take place in June.

As a tribute to the community support, a donor board will be placed within the park and list contributors of \$1,000 or more. The Forest Park Project Board's goal is to have as many Lake Forest families and businesses as possible join in supporting the mission and recognized in perpetuity on the donor board for their gift of good stewardship and a vitally enhanced historic park for generations to follow. For more information on this community-wide project, please visit [www.forestparkproject.com](http://www.forestparkproject.com).

*Photos courtesy of Cliff Miller, Galen Gates and Chuck Myers.*





## HOLIDAY SANITATION SCHEDULE

### Christmas Eve and Day

City offices will be closed on Wednesday, December 24 and Thursday, December 25. There will be no refuse, recycling or yard waste collection on Thursday, December 25. Schedule for the week of December 22-26:

- Monday and Tuesday collections will remain the same.
- Thursday collection will move to Friday.
- Friday collection will move to Saturday.

### New Year's Eve and Day

City offices will be closed on Thursday, January 1. There will be no refuse, recycling or yard waste collection on Thursday, January 1. Schedule for the week of December 29-January 2:

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

Please call 847.615.4264 with any questions or to report a missed collection.



## REFUSE, RECYCLING & COMPOST CENTER

### Winter Operating Hours

Beginning December 1, the Compost/Recycling Center (located on the south side of Rte. 60 west of Waukegan Road) will be open on Saturdays only from 8 a.m.-3 p.m.

Residents may 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.

To use the Center, please display either a current Lake Forest vehicle sticker or a Lake Forest resident beach pass. Driver's licenses will not be accepted as proof of residency. No commercial contractor use of the facility is allowed.

Beginning December 1, yard waste collections will reduce to once weekly and will be collected on the same day as your recycling.

### Christmas Tree Recycling

During January, Christmas trees and wreaths will be picked up on regularly-scheduled recycling days at the curb. Please remove all lights and ornaments and do not put trees or wreaths in plastic bags. Trees should be cut into six-foot lengths.

### Holiday Waste

During and after the holidays, please flatten cardboard boxes and bag all loose wrapping paper and packing materials to keep them from littering the neighborhood.



*Thanks to Boy Scouts Troop 48, again this year, over 100 of Lake Forest's streetlight poles will be decorated on Thanksgiving morning.*

## LIBRARY NEWS

### New Media Lab

The Lake Forest City Council visited the Library this past fall to view the new Media Lab. This state-of-the-art facility offers residents a place to:

- Edit graphics, videos and music
- Digitize VHS tapes
- Record audio with a microphone or keyboard
- Scan photographs or slides

Lab assistants are available for instruction or troubleshooting. Space is limited and advance registration is required; bring your Lake Forest Library card and a photo ID.



### "Soon to Be Famous" Illinois Author Project

Are you a Lake Forest self-published author? Due to the overwhelming success of last year's project, a Soon to Be Famous Illinois Author will be selected by the Illinois librarians once again. Submissions of adult fiction will be accepted until December 15, and the winner will be announced in April of 2015. Please visit [www.soontobefamous.info](http://www.soontobefamous.info) for more information.

### DVD2GO

This winter, don't forget about the DVD2GO system, a self-service dispensing system featuring popular DVD movie titles, located at the Telegraph Road Train Station. Each library card holder may check out a total of three DVD movies, which are loaned for three days.



*For Dynamic Adults 50+*

**100 East Old Mill Road; 847.234.2209**

Reservations required for programs.

Explore educational opportunities, creative outlets, socializing, wellness and fitness classes and so much more at the venue that is redefining "aging gracefully"! The complete *Newsbrief*, the bi-monthly bulletin with the full schedule of activities, can be viewed at [www.dickinsonhall.com](http://www.dickinsonhall.com), or feel free to stop in for a tour of the facility and to pick up a membership application.

### Barry Bradford Lectures

Barry is a master storyteller and one of the favorite historians/speakers at DH. Free for members, \$10 for non-members.

**Friday, December 5, 10 a.m.: Looking Back, Looking Ahead 2014-2015.**

**Friday, January 9, 10 a.m.: Sid Caesar.**

### Men's Group (lunch and lecture program); \$15.

**Thursday, December 4, noon: Plans for the new Northwestern Medicine Lake Forest Hospital** presented by Matthew J. Flynn, Senior Vice President and CFO, Northwestern Lake Forest Hospital.

**New Year's Eve Champagne Brunch; \$15 for members, \$20 for non-members.**

**Wednesday, December 31, 11 a.m.**

**Bridge Class with Master Teacher Al Glick; \$51 for members, \$61 for non-members.**

**Tuesdays, January 6-February 17, 10 a.m.-noon.**

**Chinese New Year's Celebration; \$15 for members, \$20 for non-members.**

**Saturday, February 21, noon.** The Ling Ling Pao dancers will entertain with authentic dances presented with enchanting visual artistry and colorful costumes. Families welcome!

### Silver Sneakers Fitness Program

This great exercise program is free for members who qualify. Contact Audrey at 847.736.2671 or visit a class Monday-Friday, 9-10 a.m. Classes offered include: Cardio & Strength, Gentle Yoga and Strength & Balance.



## COMMITTEE REPRESENTING OUR YOUNG ADULTS

**CROYA (400 Hastings Road, Lake Forest; 847.810.3980)**

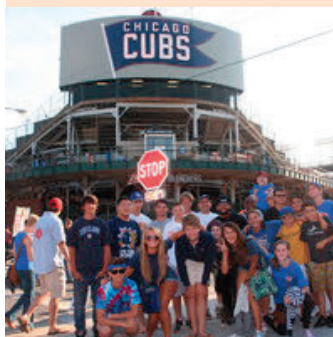
For 34 years CROYA has been serving the young adults (7th – 12th grades) of Lake Forest and Lake Bluff. CROYA successfully uses a group-process model where students are encouraged to develop, run, and evaluate their own programs. Together with specially trained staff, youth run more than 300 annual programs and meetings around themes like social events, leadership, community service, music, and emotional wellness.

CROYA continues to provide counseling services out of the CROYA Student Union facility through two public-private partnerships. CICP (Chicago Integrative Center for Psychiatry) in Lake Bluff offers a wide variety of clinical services including a substance abuse program at CAFRC (Children, Adolescent and Family Development Center). Family Service: Prevention, Education & Counseling, NFP in Highland Park, provides counseling services for youth and families through the GROW (Guidance, Resources, Outreach & Wellness) program, which offers a limited amount of fee-free services for need-based clients.

The CROYA Student Union is a multi-purpose facility capable of adapting to the ever-changing youth trends and youth-driven ideas. CROYA has something for everyone! Students are encouraged to explore everything CROYA has to offer. Come check out the recording studio, main-stage, DJ booth, multiple lounges, student store, and dance studio, to name a few. There are no memberships in order to participate in CROYA programs!

ACTIVATOR MUSIC ACADEMY is located in the lower level of the CROYA Student Union and offers a variety of music programs for youth of all ages. Private and Group classes are available for many instruments including drums, bass, guitar, voice and piano. Students have the opportunity to collaborate on live performances, recording studio projects and open mic jams on the Student Union stage. Side Door Studios, located on the lower level of the CROYA Student Union, offers singing, recording, and fun birthday parties. Contact Ami Crawford, Program Manager, at 847.810.3988 or [crawfora@cityoflake-forest.com](mailto:crawfora@cityoflake-forest.com).

Check [www.croya.com](http://www.croya.com) for detailed information on all the fun taking place at CROYA!



## RECREATION PROGRAMS & EVENTS

Sign up online at [www.LFRec.com](http://www.LFRec.com).



### Keepsake Ceramic Christmas Ornament Workshop

Monday, December 1, 4-5 p.m. at Stirling Hall, 60 E. Old Elm Road. For children in grades 1-5.

### Santa's Workshop

Saturday, December 6, 9:30-11:30 a.m. at the Everett Park classroom, 1111 Everett School Road. For children aged 4-7.

### Cookie Capers

Saturday, December 6, 1-3 p.m. at the Everett Park classroom. For children aged 6-12.

### Santa's Coming to Town

Saturday, December 6 and Wednesday, December 24. Imagine kids' faces when Santa comes knocking at the door! Contact the Rec Center at 847.234.6700 for information.

### Wreath-Making Workshop

Monday, December 8, 4-5:30 p.m. at Stirling Hall. For children in grades 1-5.

### Holiday Art Sale

Friday, December 12, 6-9 p.m. and Saturday-Sunday, December 13 & 14, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at Stirling Hall. Meet the artists and shop for hand-crafted unique and beautiful gifts.

### Self-Defense Training

Saturdays, December 13, January 10 or February 7, 3-5 p.m. at the Rec Center. For 8 year-olds through adults.

### Lake Forest Dance Academy's Holiday Performance

"Extrava-Dance-A"; Saturday, December 13, 4 p.m. at the Rec Center. Great holiday dance program and entertainment!

### Hooray for Winter

December 22, 23, 29 and 30, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Rec Center. for children 3-7 years old.

### Kinderhaven Preschool Academy Open House

Saturday, January 10, 2-4 p.m. at the Rec Center.

### Frost Fest

Saturday, January 17, 1-3 p.m. at West Park. Join us for fun winter family activities! Games, hot cocoa and bonfire.

### Dance Me a Story Camp to the music of "Frozen"

Monday, January 19 (no school), 1:30-3:30 p.m., at the Rec Center. For children aged 4-8.

### Dodgeball Classic on a School Day Off

Monday, January 19, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Rec Center. For children in grades 1-6.

### Summer Camp Preview Day

Saturday, February 7, 9 a.m.-noon at Deer Path Middle School. Learn about the Rec's fabulous summer camps and meet the staff.

### Summer Camp Registration Begins for Lake Forest residents

Wednesday, March 4, 8:30 a.m.

### March Madness

Friday and Saturday, March 6 and 7 at the Rec Center. For 3rd graders through adults. Sign up for the 2-Ball Competition or the 3-On-3 Basketball Tournament.

### Reptile Rampage

Sunday, March 8, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Rec Center.

For complete, detailed information and prices, please contact the Recreation Department at 847.234.6700 or [www.LFRec.com](http://www.LFRec.com).





## ICE SKATE AT WEST PARK

**Located at the corner of Green Bay and Woodland Roads**

The ice skating pond will be flooded once the temperatures stay below freezing, which is usually in early December. Hockey may be played in the designated hockey rink. Ice rink guards will be on duty during the following hours (weather-permitting):

Mondays-Thursdays: 3:30-9 p.m.

Fridays: 3:30-10 p.m.

Saturdays: 10 a.m.-10 p.m.

Sundays: 12 noon-9 p.m.

During school holiday breaks, guards will be on duty (weather-permitting):

Mondays-Saturdays: 10 a.m.-10 p.m.

Sundays: 12 noon-10 p.m.

The warming house will be open and lights turned on in the evening. Please note that on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve, the rink will close at 4 p.m. and will not be open on Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

For information on ice conditions, call the Hotline: 847.234.6702.



## SUMMER CAMP PREVIEW DAY

**Saturday, February 7, 9 a.m.-noon at Deer Path Middle School**

Meet the staff, ask questions and be rewarded for early registration! From specialty camps to traditional day camps, there is a summer camp for everyone

aged 3-14 years old. Kids aged 13-15 may be interested in becoming a Counselor in Training, where they will develop leadership skills and train for possible future employment as a camp counselor. Early registration will ensure your child's spot while you take advantage of discounted prices.

# HIGHLIGHTS

## NOVEMBER

**28:** The City's Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony beginning at 3 p.m. in Market Square. Live ice sculpting, a visit with Santa Claus, caroling with the Lake Forest High School Choristers and refreshments.

## DECEMBER

**5 & 6:** Holiday

Market at Elawa Farm, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., 1401 Middlefork Drive. [www.elawafarm.org](http://www.elawafarm.org) or 847.234.1966.



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Pickup at CROYA, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., 400 Hastings Road. [www.croya.com](http://www.croya.com) or 847.810.3980.

**7:** Lake Forest College Lyrica Concert featuring Axiom Brass Quintet playing music for the holidays, 3 p.m. at Lily Reid Holt Memorial Chapel, 555 N. Sheridan Road. [www.lakeforest.edu](http://www.lakeforest.edu) or call 847.234.3100 for tickets.

**7:** Holiday Market at Elawa Farm, 12 noon-4 p.m., 1401 Middlefork Drive. Silhouette portraits offered this day by appointment. [www.elawafarm.org](http://www.elawafarm.org) or 847.234.1966.

**13:** Santa & His Reindeer in Market Square, 12 noon-4 p.m.



## JANUARY

**6-27:** Women's Self-Defense Class presented by the Lake Forest Police Department and the Lake Forest Police Foundation, 7-10 p.m., Public Safety Building, 255 W. Deerpath. This class is taught by Lake Forest Police Officers and teaches women carefully selected defensive tactics which are tailored to your physical ability. The course is free to any female aged 16 and over who lives, works, or attends school in Lake Forest. For further information, please call Detective Wendy Dumont at 847.810.3819.



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## KEEP INFORMED

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Residents are encouraged to attend meetings of the City Council, Boards and Commissions. Meetings are held at City Hall unless otherwise noted. Dates are subject to change.

12/1, 1/5, 1/20, 2/2, 2/17 – City Council, 6:30 p.m.  
(including Finance Committee on 12/1, 1/20 and 2/17)  
TBD – Senior Resource Commission, 1 p.m., Dickinson Hall  
1/12, 2/9, 3/8 – Library Board, 7:30 p.m., Library  
1/19, 2/16, 3/15 – Parks and Recreation Board, 6:30 p.m.

1/6, 2/3, 3/2 – Building Review Board, 6:30 p.m.  
1/13, 2/10, 3/9 – Plan Commission, 6:30 p.m.  
1/25, 2/22, 3/28 – Zoning Board of Appeals, 6:30 p.m.  
1/27, 2/24, 3/23 – Historic Preservation Commission,  
6:30 p.m.

### 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

### 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

Located at the south side of  
Rte. 60 just west of Waukegan  
Road. Winter hours are in effect:  
Saturdays, 8 a.m.–3 p.m.

### CABLE TELEVISION

Comcast Xfinity:

City-17: City Meetings & Special  
Events  
TV-19: Public Access & Other Local  
programming  
A T & T U-Verse:  
Channel 99, Scroll to “Lake Forest”

City Council meetings are broad-  
cast live on City-17 at 6:30 p.m.  
on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of  
each month. City Council and  
other meetings aired on City-17  
can be viewed live at [www.lftv.org](http://www.lftv.org).  
Archived City meeting videos  
are posted online at [www.youtube.com/EnjoyLakeForest](http://www.youtube.com/EnjoyLakeForest).  
DVDs of  
televised City meetings are avail-  
able at Lake Forest Library, 360 E.  
Deerpath; 847.234.0636.

