

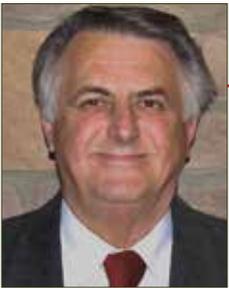


# Village of Island Lake

## NEWSLETTER & REC GUIDE



Photo By: Heather Wick



### From The **Mayor's Desk** Charles R. Amrich, Mayor

Many residents have contacted the office regarding the poor conditions of many of the village streets. This is something I am very much aware of and am working to implement a program to evaluate and fix the streets that need immediate attention. It is unfortunate that many of our streets fall into the disrepair category. For the past two years, we have concentrated on bringing the village finances back in order. Now we have to fix our roads. The roads that are in the worst condition will be resurfaced by prioritizing which ones will be done first as monies become available. A common comment made by many residents is "I pay high taxes and expect better roads". I appreciate hearing comments from our residents. To help our residents better understand, the Village of Island Lake receives approximately 8% of your tax bill. Those tax dollars received are used to provide police protection, snow plowing and

maintenance, and maintain our parks and lake. We have to stretch your dollars so we are able to get the most for your buck. As your elected officials, we will do our best to fix our deteriorating streets as soon as our finances allow. We appreciate your patience.

On a lighter note, I would like to thank all of the residents who have attended our bimonthly Village Board meetings. It is a good opportunity to voice your concerns, ask questions, better understand your local government, and get involved in your community. Our meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month at 7:30 PM at the Village Hall. We have a public comment at the beginning and end of each meeting in order to give our residents an opportunity to address our Village Board. I hope to see many of our residents at the upcoming community events planned for this summer.



## Police

David Walz, Acting Chief



## Fire Department

Mike DaValle, Public Education Coordinator

### Acting Chief of Police David Walz

I would like to introduce myself. Some of you may know me as a 26 year veteran of the Island Lake Police Department. Last August I was appointed to the position of Deputy Chief of Police by Chief Bero and have served in that position until now. Due to Chief Bero's medical incident I have been appointed by Mayor Amrich as Acting Chief of Police while Chief Bero recovers from his medical incident. Chief Bero's health continues to improve each day. I would like to thank the many well wishers for keeping Chief Bero in their thoughts.



In the coming months you will see some new faces patrolling Island Lake. Officer Samuel Jacobs recently has graduated from the Cook County Sheriffs Police Academy and is currently in our Field Training Program. Congratulations to Officer Jacobs! Also, the village this year has hired two additional officers to supplement the police department. Officers Sean Harring and Officer Christopher Reese will attend the Cook County Sheriffs Police Academy beginning in April. Good luck Officer's Harring and Reese.

It is that time again to remind everyone that the 2015 village vehicle stickers are now required on vehicles registered in the village. Enforcement for failure to display the current village vehicle sticker has begun.

With the warmer weather approaching, be reminded that the village has many roads that do not have sidewalks and the motorists, bicyclists and pedestrians must share the roadway and be respectful of each other.

Also please continue to make safety and security a top priority at home. Remember to lock your car doors, home and garage doors when retiring for the evening. The Island Lake Police Department will continue to do our part to assist Island Lake residents in keeping their properties safe and secure. Also be a good neighbor and watch out for each other. Please report any suspicious activities to the police.

As always the Island Lake Police Department is here to serve and protect. Please call us or stop by if you have any concerns or questions.

### Spring and summer safety tips from Wauconda Fire

- Test your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors, change batteries immediately if needed.
- Ensure you have an emergency preparedness kit in case of incidents such as power outages and flooding.
- Practice your family's fire escape plan so everyone knows what to do in case of an emergency
- Windows should be checked to ensure they open and close properly, in case they are needed as an exit
- Make sure your address numbers are up and visible from the street.

### BBQ Safety tips:

- All barbeque grills must only be used outdoors — using grills indoors or in enclosed spaces is not only a fire hazard, but it exposes occupants to toxic gasses and potential asphyxiation.
- Always position the grill well away from combustible objects — buildings, fences, deck railings and landscaping can easily and quickly ignite.
- Get your grill cleaned and serviced. Check all propane tanks and lines for leaks and damage.
- Never leave a lit grill unattended.
- Always use long handled grilling utensils and heat resistant oven mitts to avoid exposure burns from heat and flames.
- Periodically remove grease build-up in catch trays to prevent it from igniting
- There is no burning of any kind allowed within Village Limits

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact Public Education Coordinator Mike DaValle (847) 526-2821

## Building & Code Compliance

Wayne Schnell

The Department of Building and Code Compliance was created to keep our village safe and healthy. Our staff plays a key role in keeping issues on track, processing permits and conducting inspections, all of which take priority but we will also take time to handle nuisance complaints and settle neighbor disputes.

We are urging homeowners and business owners the importance of property maintenance which will lead to positive economic development. Vacant and neglected structures/property which do not have an expeditious plan for sale or occupancy will be targeted per our ordinances.

We are committed in our service to the residents.

Please visit our FB site at Island Lake Code Compliance.

## Public Works

Brian Bartnick



We would like to welcome Jeff Jackson as a new employee. With the arrival of spring, this department is gearing up for a very busy season. Many projects are on the horizon this year. We will also be involved with several other projects, including cleaning up from the previous winter, sweeping village streets, and repairing damage done to lawns from snowplowing. Among the above items, we will be repairing numerous roadways and sidewalks, cleaning/rebuilding storm sewer basins.

### Call JULIE before you Dig!

If you're getting ready to work on a spring and/or summer project which involves digging—don't forget to call 811 for utility locates before you begin to dig!

#### What is JULIE?

JULIE stands for Joint Utility Locating Information for excavators.

#### Purpose

JULIE Inc. provides Illinois excavators and underground utility owners with a continuously improving, one-call message handling and delivery service committed to protecting underground utilities and the safety of people working or them.

You'll know what's below by the different flags, stakes or paint.

-  Red - Electric
-  Yellow - Gas, oil or petroleum
-  Orange - Communications
-  Blue - Potable water
-  Purple - Reclaimed water, irrigation
-  Green - Sewer
-  White - Proposed excavation
-  Pink - Temporary survey

### Wood Chips:

Lastly, do not forget wood chips are available to all Island Lake Residents across Converse Park. Don't forget to bring your shovel, as you will have to load them yourself.

Lastly, should you have any questions, comments, and yes even complaints please feel free to contact us at 526-8767. Public Work Staff will be more than happy to address your concerns.

## Water Dept

James Anderson

We would like to welcome Jeff Jackson as a new employee to the Water Department. In the time that he has been employed with the Water Department he has proved to be an asset to this department.

#### Update Water Meter Reading System

The water department staff will be updating the old equipment located on the exterior of the homes at Fox River Shore subdivision, please be aware that this is an ongoing project, each home is different base on the style of the water meter, for some homes you will receive a notice, to request access to the water meter, the resident will have to call the Water department to set up an appointment, for others this can be done outside and residents do not need to be home while the change are made.

#### New Water Main Project

The Water Department has hired Rooney Consulting Inc. to begin the engineering design for this project. 1025 lineal feet of 12" diameter water main on Burnett Road, and approximately 870 lineal feet of 8" diameter Water main on Burnett Road, Hillside Drive and Ralph Court.

The new water mains are needed to replace aging mains that do not meet today's minimum size requirements and to provide water main looping. By supplying water from two or more directions, water capacity is increased for situations of large demand i.e. fire flow, irrigation etc. and the water quality is greatly improved as well. The construction of the project will begin during the 2015 summer season.

#### Fluoride Commendation

For the twentieth consecutive year, the Water Department has been awarded with a certificate of commendation for achieving the highest standard of compliance in accordance with the Illinois Fluoride Act. The commendation was provided by the Illinois Department of Public Health. As stated by Director Dr. LaMar Hasbrouck. "Water fluoridation reduces tooth decay by about 25 percent over a person's life". "We applaud those communities that maintain levels of fluoride in their water systems and encourage them to continue their efforts."

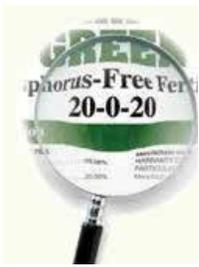
#### Winter

For all of those that shoveled out snow buried fire hydrants, we extend our appreciation. It's a tough task to keep up with!



# Lake Management

First and foremost, we at the LMC want to acknowledge a great loss for the Village of Island Lake. Teresa Ponio, our Village clerk and friend. She was always there for our committee and for some of us personally. She will be dearly missed.



Springtime is that time of year the leaves come out and the grass is green!! Right? Not always! In order to make that lawn lush, many like to add fertilizer. Did you know adding a fertilizer with phosphorus directly impacts our waterway? It even feeds the duckweed and other weeds in our lake. PLEASE do your part in helping by purchasing a fertilizer that is Phosphorus free. Even those of you that live a ½ mile or even ¾ of a mile away from the

lake, that phosphorus still uses the watersheds in our area to make its way to the lake! When you purchase a fertilizer, there are three numbers on the bag. For example: 14-12-10. The first number is the percent of Nitrogen (This makes your grass grow great). The middle number is the amount of phosphorus. A nutrient, (Not good for our Lake). The third number is the percent of potassium, another nutrient.

The middle number should read ZERO (0), when you purchase a phosphorus free fertilizer. So the next time you purchase fertilizer for your lawn, please think about our lake.

**You can make a difference!**

The LMC has several items on the "list" for this upcoming year:

The largest is our **Duckweed dilemma** we have here in our lake. The duckweed gets worse and worse every year. Its not all blamed on what is coming into the lake, as much as what is already here. Each miniscule little tiny green leaf you see floating on the water had two (2) roots attached to it. After the leaf dies, these roots fall to the bottom and then two (2) more come up... Then 4, then 8 then 10, so on and so on. This number is literally in the billions. Duckweed can easily multiple 2 – 3 times in less than a week with the right conditions.

The LMC, Public works and volunteers diligently removed tons of duckweed from our waters last year. This was a tremendously physical task that painstakingly didn't make a visible difference. We looked into every other option available, reaching out to the Army Corps of Engineers, Health Department, IDNR the EPA and of course our Aquatics team that help control our other invasive weeds now. The determination is that we cannot use chemicals for the treatment of duckweed. Its just not feasible because of the nature of our lake, or financially with no guarantee. Simply put, our lake has a input (Mutton Creek) and a discharge (The Spillway). When you put the "medicine" in to take care of the duckweed, it simply goes out over the spillway and is also diluted with the incoming water loads.

All of our research and input have led us to a company called WeeDoo. WeeDoo is based out of Florida, and they have designed

a small boat specifically geared towards the harvesting and removal of duckweed and algae.

This machine has a conveyor on the front with specific size holes. The conveyor collects the duckweed (And Algae) bringing it directly onto the boat into bags. It will be a long tedious process, but we feel this is the only solution for the control of duckweed. As an advisory committee, the LMC has presented to the Board of Trustees a budget that includes the purchase of the WeeDoo. It also runs off of two electric motors and is GREEN both literally and figuratively speaking. No Chemicals have to be used for the duckweed removal in our lake. We will keep you posted with the WeeDoo!

Another project the LMC is looking to complete this year, is the installation of 30-50 Artificial Fish Habitats. Making them from plastic and anchored with concrete will let them last for generations to come. Vegetation is a important part of the fishery in our lake as it produces spawning habitat, places for small fish to hide, predators to feed, shade in the summer and structure to relate to in the winter that is otherwise only found near shorelines but freeze up.



There will be many benefits to adding the artificial structure. We also anticipate adding artificial spawning beds to certain locations that will be protected areas during the spawning season. This will help our fishery grow naturally.

## 2-Stroke Motor Phase out

2-Stroke motors are very damaging to any lakes and waters in the country. The 2-stroke motor uses gas and oil mixed together. This oil comes out in the exhaust from the outboard motor, which in turn directly injects chemicals (Oil) into our waterway. (Unlike the emissions and environmentally friendly 4-stroke motor, which does not mix gas with oil). The standard across the country is to implement a plan that phases out 2-stroke motors from our lake



all-together. This plan takes effect immediately with the 2015 boating season. You can still use your 2-stroke motor, however, they will be phased out over the next 7 years (this keeps it fair for those who currently have 2-strokes now). By April 2022 Island Lake will be 100% 2-Stroke motor free.

However, we encourage you to change over to a 4-Stroke motor before hand. Look around!! 4-Stroke motors have been out for decades already. You might find one at a great price and help Island Lakes water quality at the same time!!

Lastly, we have several acknowledgments to address.

**New Stone Seawall's by Local Island Lake Business  
Schaal Contracting**

We would like to thank Schaal Contracting for working within our budget and installing over 100ft of rip-rap shoreline protection at Park Beach and Briar Beach. The stone seawall will prevent future erosion of the shoreline, it is a natural look making it aesthetically pleasing while at the same time providing a natural habitat for fish and other aquatic species.



**Pontoon Boat Tour's on Island Lake**

The Lake Management Committee and the Historical Society had a very successful season of Pontoon tours around Island Lake this summer; so successful in fact they made the newspaper!

We would like to give a special Thank You to the boat owners and operators who have donated their time this past summer making the tours such a great success: Bob Carpenter, Sam Cicero, Dan Curtiss, Harold England, Patti Fugle, Larry Giampa, Judy Ivins, Trevor Mock, Steve Rugg, Sue Stinton, Carol Wiesbrach & Linda Wolff. If you are interested in a tour for the upcoming 2015 season or would like to volunteer, please contact Liz Nelson at (847) 609-9050 or email at LizzNelson@Me.com

Revised fishing regulations will be posted ASAP. With help from the IDNR fisheries biologists, the creel limits have been adjusted to their recommendations after the final fish study was concluded. Please follow these creel limits with harvesting fish from our waters, and please report any type of abuse on Island Lake, especially overharvesting.

Thank you for taking the time to read this lengthy portion of the newsletter.

Please be safe and have fun this summer!!

***Focusing on the health, viability and enhancement of  
Island Lake for future generations.***

ISLAND LAKE SLOT AND DAILY CREEL REGULATIONS		
PER ORDINANCE # 1473-13		
The following size, slot and daily creel regulations apply to harvesting fish from the waters of Island Lake:		
SPECIES	DAILY LIMIT	SIZE
NORTHERN PIKE	1 (ONE)	MINIMUM 24"
MUSKELLUNGE	CATCH AND RELEASE	CATCH AND RELEASE
LARGEMOUTH BASS	2 (TWO)	One (1) Under 14" & One (1) Over 18"
LARGEMOUTH BASS SLOT LIMIT 14" to 18" are PROTECTED AND NON HARVESTABLE		
SMALLMOUTH BASS	CATCH AND RELEASE	CATCH AND RELEASE
BLUEGILL	15 (FIFTEEN)	MINIMUM 7"
CRAPPIE (ALL TYPES)	10 (TEN)	MINIMUM 9"
PERCH	10 (TEN)	MINIMUM 8"
WALLEYE	2 (TWO)	MINIMUM 16"
CATFISH (ALL TYPES)	3 (THREE)	MINIMUM 15"
HARVESTING OF CARP FROM ISLAND LAKE IS ENCOURAGED		
A PERSON FOUND TO BE IN VIOLATION OF THIS CHAPTER SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING MINIMUM FINES: \$100 for the 1 <sup>st</sup> Offense- \$200 for the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Offense and \$750 for the 3 <sup>rd</sup> Offense and each offense thereafter.		

## Emergency Management

Calvin Clay

### Hello Residents & Friends,

Now that winter is behind us, let's start thinking about spring and the warm weather. With spring showers come May flowers, and unfortunately storms too. Start thinking of a safety plan if you don't have one, incorporate a plan if severe weather approaches our area. Remember a safe shelter is the most important, take immediate shelter when severe weather is reported, listen to the weather channel/radio for up to the minute weather report. Listen for sirens, this means immediate danger is approaching fast. Have a meeting place established where family members meet if displaced, a phone number of a family member/friend to communicate everyone's safety. Have flashlight's ready and if needed, candles (use caution where placed).

Have a supply of bottled water just in case. Shelter-tips: seek shelter in basement, for non-basement structures move to a closet away from doors & windows. Check on family, friends and neighbors during severe weather threats to assure their well being.

With summer in full swing, let's enjoy the hot weather and remember to apply sun block especially during bright sunny days. Keep an eye out for small children & pedestrians now that school is out & residents will be out-doors/walking & riding bikes enjoying the weather.

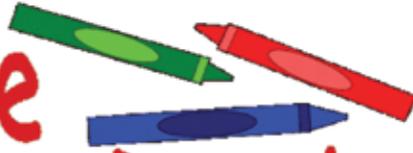
On behalf of the Village of Island Lake Emergency Management Agency, I want to thank our volunteers for their dedication and support. As a reminder our Emergency Management Meetings are held the fourth Wednesday of the month at the Village Hall at 7:00pm. Volunteers are welcome, we ask that you commit and remain active as a member by taking part in training exercises and support our Village functions.

The EMA Team supports our Police, Fire and Public Works Departments within our specific training protocol. Our mission is safety and having the proper training to support our Village.

I would like to thank you for reading these safety tips. Have a Safe Summer!!

- \* **Keep your Smoke Detectors & Carbon Dioxide Detectors with new fresh batteries.**
- \* **Remember to Drive Safely.**

# Creative Playtime Preschool



## Registration For Fall 2015 Classes

*Registration Forms available at Village Hall or Creative Playtime Office*

For visitation appointments or additional information

Call 847.526.8795

or

email: [preschool@voislk.com](mailto:preschool@voislk.com)



**Register now for our 2015-2016 school year!!**

We are currently accepting registrations for 2015-2016 classes. For a complete listing of our programs, please visit our website: [www.villageofislandlake.com](http://www.villageofislandlake.com).

Our preschool is conveniently located in the Village Hall and has been serving the surrounding community for the past 25 plus years. We offer classes for your 2 & 3 year old and Pre-K children. Our programs provide high quality preschool enrichment, taught by certified teachers. At Creative Playtime, your child will be provided a warm, caring and nurturing environment while receiving a well rounded education.

For more information on classes or to schedule an appointment please call 847-526- 8795 or email [preschool@voislk.com](mailto:preschool@voislk.com).

Stop by and see why so many have chosen Creative Playtime Preschool for their child's first Educational Experience!

# 4th of July Annual Family Picnic

Trustee Mark Beeson and Tina Loos

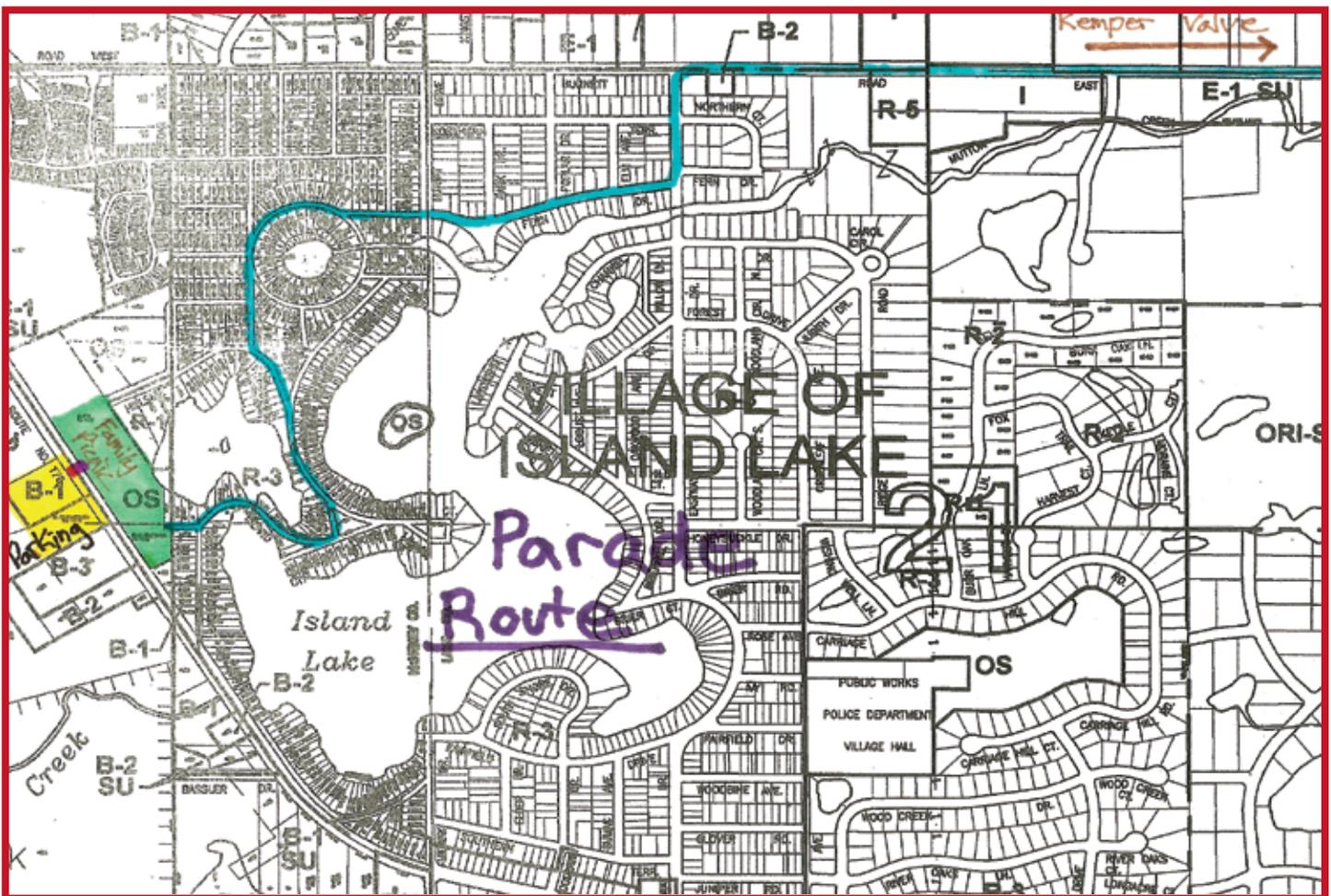
The 4th of July Annual Family Picnic will be at Veterans Memorial Park (by the helicopter) from 11am – 2pm. The event follows the parade. Parking is at Watertower Park and the police will escort your family across Rt. 176. There will be free hotdogs, soda, water, popcorn, games & prizes, crafts and a sand dig with prizes in the beach sand. There will also be music by DJ Wayne and pony rides and more. Plenty for the kids to do. If it's a hot day bring your swim suits. Last year was a blast and we look forward to seeing you all there. Take the time to get to know some of your neighbors and village staff that attend. Any questions, call the village office or Trustee Mark Beeson at (847) 650-8410. Special thanks to Tina and her family and friends that volunteer to pull off this event. They make it happen.

# 4th of July Parade

Trustee Mark Beeson

The 4th of July Parade will start 10:00 am at the east end of Burnett Road from Kemper Valves parking lot and travel down to Eastway Drive and through the North and West sides of Island Lakes residential streets around the lake ending at Veterans Memorial Park around 11:00 am where the villages annual free Family Picnic will run from 11:00 – 2:00 pm. The village would like to give special thanks to the Island Lake Chamber of Commerce for greatly assisting in pulling off this parade. If your company, club or organization would like to participate in the parade, please contact them at [www.islandlakechamber.org](http://www.islandlakechamber.org) [info@islandlakechamber.org](mailto:info@islandlakechamber.org) (847) 604-4522.

You may also sign up in advance at the village hall. Please take note of the new parade route in it's 2nd year on the attached map and look for a place to park and walk a short distance to the parade route. For example: you could park at Watertower Park and go through Veteran Memorial Parks entrance to catch the end of the parade route by Dorothy Beach and along the water bridge with great views of the lake. Bring a couple lawn chairs and some bags for your kids to catch the candy and follow us to the free Family Picnic at Veterans Memorial Park.



# Dinner Dance Fireworks Fundraiser

**SATURDAY  
APRIL 18, 2015**

**7:00 - 11:00 PM  
Westridge Banquet Hall  
Island Lake**

Come on out and enjoy,  
dancing, dining and donate to  
the Lakefest Fireworks Show  
scheduled for  
July 25, 2015



**\$25 per person**, if paid in advance at the Village Hall by April 17th  
**\$30 per person at the Door**

**Includes:**

- Buffet Dinner with Carving Station & Chocolate Fountain*
- One Free Drink Ticket (Beer & Wine Only)*
- DJ Wayne (Variety Entertainment)*
- Live Auction*
- Non-Formal*

*Children 13 - 17 years old must be accompanied by an adult.*

**Wauconda Township**  
Serving The People First

## Recycling Extravaganza

**3rd Annual**  
Saturday, June 6, 2015  
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**505 W. Bonner Road  
Wauconda, IL 60084  
847-526-2631**

**Free Green Event**  
Brought to you by  
**Wauconda Township**

**Document Shredding!**

**ACCEPTING:**

- Electronics
- Cell Phones
- Bicycles
- Batteries,
  - Car
  - Alkaline
  - Rechargeable
  - Sealed lead acid
  - Wet cell style
- Propane Tanks / 20- 40 lbs.
- Prescription Drugs
- Oil & Anti-freeze (not mixed)
- Shoes (no ice skates or roller blades)
- Eye Glasses
- Hearing Aids
- Used American Flags
- Light Bulbs
- Sharps (medical needles)
- CDs, DVDs, & Cassettes
- Styrofoam (clean & dry)

**NOT ACCEPTING:**

- Furniture
- Paint
- Gas
- Large Appliances

## Village of Island Lake Dinner Dance

Name \_\_\_\_\_ No. of People \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Apt \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ St \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Return this form to the Village of Island Lake with payment.  
For information please contact Mark Beeson at 847-650-8410

## Historical Society of Island Lake

Many Island-Lakers fondly remember the pontoon boat tours that were offered in the past in conjunction with our annual Lakefest celebration. Historical Society member Liz Nelson, who also is a member of the Lake Management Committee of the Village of Island Lake, led the drive to bring them back, and the revived boat tours have become the success of the year.



The tours, which last about an hour, feature long-time resident Dona Willard as historical guide and reveal interesting facts about the lake, highlighting the properties and dwellings connected with the history of Island Lake, and information about the wildlife and ecology of the area. Residents, many of whom interestingly have never been on the lake, and visitors to the town enjoy a boat ride around one of the most scenic lakes in the area. Thanks to our volunteer boat owners Bob and Donna Carpenter, Sam Cicero, Dan Curtiss, Harold and Anne England, Patti and Ron Fugle, Larry Giampa, Judy Ivins, Trevor Mock, Steve and Edith Rugg, Sue and Jeff Stinson, Carol Wiesbrach and Linda Wolff. We couldn't have done it without them. We are already planning next summer's tours!

***Want to learn more about early Island Lake? Join the Historical Society of Island Lake - a dedicated group of long-time and new residents and their children, who reside in the area or out of state. All are interested in historical research and collection and preservation of memorabilia and documentation about our town. Our members receive a quarterly newsletter featuring lots of old pictures and memories. Dues are \$10 per year per person, \$15 for families, and only \$5 for seniors. Please contact Connie Mascillino at 847-526-5049 or e-mail @ mccm46@att.net, or Dona Willard @ 847-526-3408 or e-mail @ donawillard@comcast.net for more information.***

## Island Lake Women's Club Makes a Difference

The Island Lake Woman's Club, serving our community for over 70 years, continues to "make a difference" every day, planting and maintaining two of the entrance gardens to the Village of Island Lake, supporting local schools and libraries, and the Wauconda/Island Lake Food Pantry. Affiliated with the General Federation of Women's Clubs, our donations help to support the Heart Fund, Smile Train, Heifer International, and the Salvation Army.



### ***Members Dona Willard, Ann Murray, and Kay Kolacki make a delivery to the Lake County Pet Food Pantry***

Since the founding of our club in wartime in 1943, our members have particularly supported our active military, veterans and the USO. Recently we have added to our long list of charities Canine Companions, and Soldier's Best Friend. All of our members are animal lovers and owners, and realize that pets can certainly "Make a Difference" to our wounded heroes. We also make frequent and generous donations to the Lake County Pet Food Pantry, where the needy can obtain pet food and supplies at no cost, and keep pets with their families and out of shelters.

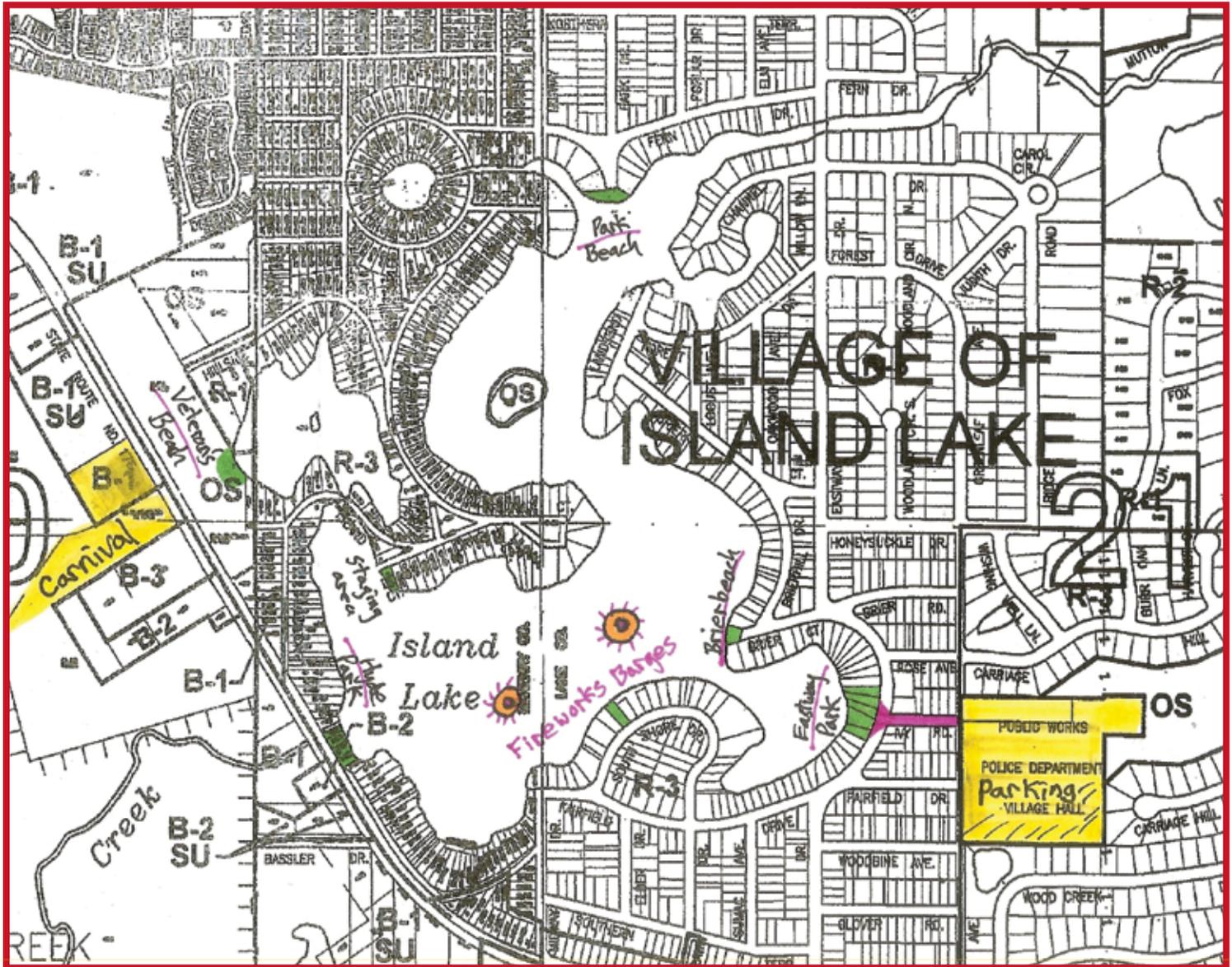
If you want to help us "Make a Difference" and are interested in learning more about the club or attending a luncheon meeting, please call Juel Olmsted at 847-526-8741, or Dona Willard at 847-526-3408 or donawillard@comcast.net. Meetings are on the second Thursday of the month in the Island Lake Village Hall. Luncheon is served at 12:00 P.M. followed by the day's program.

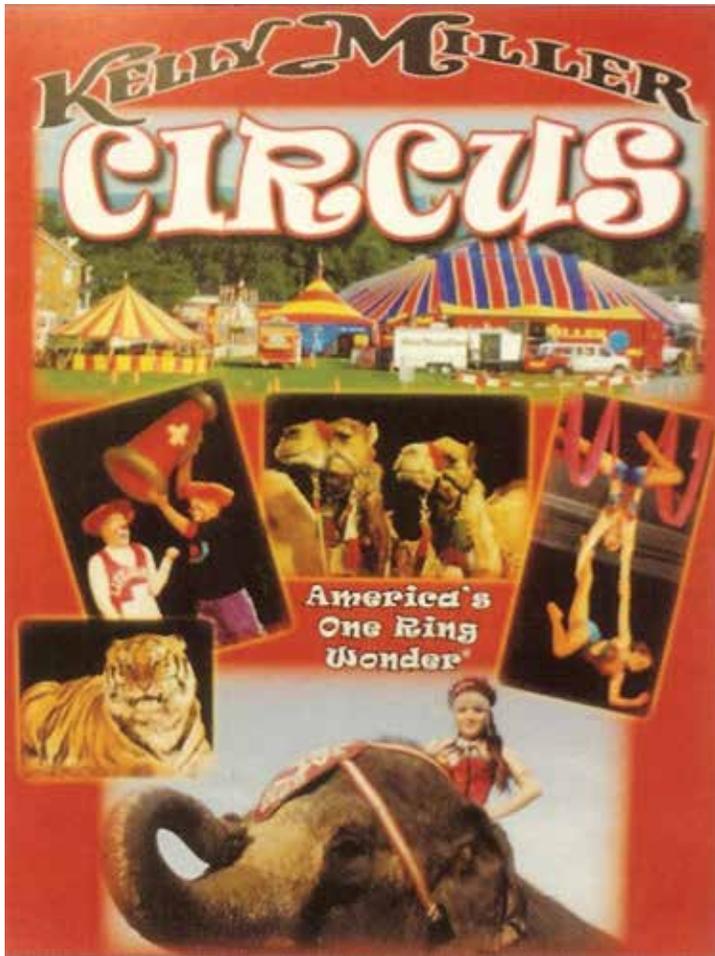
# Lakefest Fireworks and Carnival July 24th to 26th

Trustee Mark Beeson

This years Lakefest is going to be the best one in a long time. We are moving it to Watertower Park where you will find the Skinner Amusements Carnival Friday, Saturday and Sunday. On Friday the 24th we will have the Carnival , Lions Club Beer Tent and Live music. On Saturday the 25th we will have the Carnival, Lions club Beer Tent, Live Music, Hotrod Car Show, Craft Faire, and the night time Grand Fireworks show over beautiful Island Lake. Sunday will be the Carnival only. Please see the lake area viewing map. There are areas for public viewing (marked in green). Make special note of the Village Hall parking where you can walk down Ivy Road (marked in pink) to Eastway Park for excellent viewing. It is important that you reach out to your fellow neighbors for advice on good viewing of the Fireworks Show. They have been shot from

the same GPS locations for many years and can be seen from many additional locations outside of the marked areas on the map. So come bring your friends and out of town guests for a weekend of fun filled amusement rides, music, food, hotrods, crafts, games and prizes, and adult libations topped off with a Grand Fireworks Show over the lake. All proceeds from these events help to pay for the Fireworks as well as other fundraising efforts and events. If you wish to help by donating to the fireworks and events fund, or wish to take part in volunteering to this event, please contact me at 847-650-8410. We could always use the help to carry on the good times. Feel free to be a part of it. It's through volunteers that we raise the funds for additional events like Free Concerts in the Park and the 4th of July Free Family Picnic and more. Thank you to all those that make these wonderful family events happen. You can register your hotrod at the show grounds or contact [www.CarShowsCruiseNights.com](http://www.CarShowsCruiseNights.com). Craft faire participants can register at the village hall or contact Lori Tanzillo the Recreation Director. Also you may check the village website for all event information.





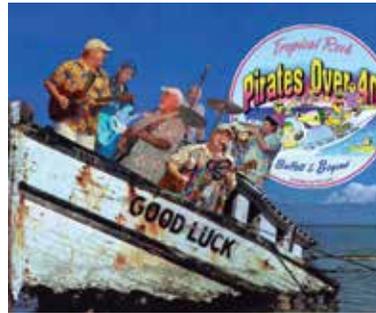
## Circus is coming to town September 26th

Trustee Mark Beeson

The Kelly Miller Circus will arrive in Water Tower Park early morning Saturday, September 26th and will be putting up their big top with elephant power around 9:00 am if you wish to watch. Show times will be at 2:00 and 5:00 pm. All tickets will be available at a reduced price at the village hall on Greenleaf Ave. Advanced purchase tickets are \$6.00 for children and \$12.00 for adults. Tickets purchased on circus day at the circus will be \$8.00 for children and \$16.00 for adults, so buy them early at the village hall. There's tons of fun for kids and adults. Elephants, tigers, zebras, camels, llamas, ponies, and more. There's animal rides of all kinds and thrilling acts galore, so we hope to see you there. The proceeds from this event help to fund the Island Lake Lakefest and Fireworks show, so come help support that event by taking advantage of this family fun spectacle.

## Concerts in the Park

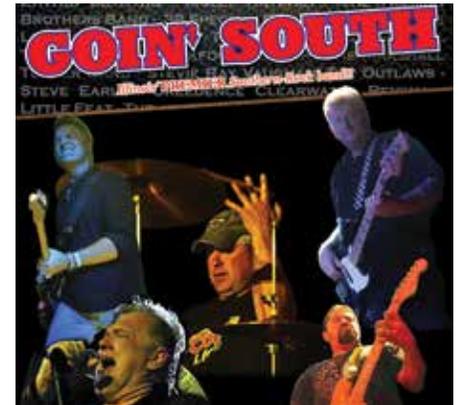
Trustee Mark Beeson



We are throwing 3 FREE concerts at Converse Park on the second Friday night from 7-9 pm on June 12th – July 10 – August 14th. We are featuring "Pirates over 40" (Jimmy Buffet style, so wear your Hawaiian shirts) in June,

a 12 pc band "Brass From The Past" ( Motown, R&B and Chicago jazz) in July and "GoinSouth" (country rock) in August. These are all family friendly and children are encouraged to come. They are also for the adults to enjoy themselves, so they are BYOB. Feel free to bring your favorite libations (wine and beer are allowed) and/or food, snacks,

chairs and a blanket. Get out and enjoy the fresh air with your friends and neighbors dancing the night away. All residents and out-of-towners are welcome. Thank you to our generous financial sponsors Greg and Debra Jenkins and Jewell Events Catering.



We're always looking for donations to fund these free concerts, so please call me - Trustee Mark Beeson at (847) 650-8410 and we will gladly display your banner and mention your company or names multiple times throughout the shows.



**Brass from the Past**

## Senior's Club

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The Island Lake Area Senior's Club meets at the Senior Center at the Island Lake Village Hall. Meetings are held the 2nd Tuesday of the month. Doors open at 11:30 am and meetings begin 12:30 pm. We welcome guests to attend a meeting and meet members. The Island Lake Seniors Club membership is only \$18 a year and is for those that are 55 and older. Each monthly meeting has a theme. Come to a meeting or a "Let's Eat Out" event!

If you would like more information - contact: Catherine Christensen (262)237-2961

## 2015 Senior Club Meetings Second Tuesday of each month begins at 12:30 PM

Apr 14	Let's Make a Deal
May 12	Mini Sub sandwiches-Members pay
June 9	Celebrate all Members Birthdays
Jul 14	Indoor Picnic-Members pay \$2.00
Aug 1	Installation of New Members
Sep 8	Club's 35th Anniversary-Cake served
Oct 13	Catered Lunch-Members pay
Nov 10	White Elephant Sale
Dec 8	Christmas luncheon

## 2015 LEO (Let's Eat Out) Third Wednesday of each month begins 12:30 PM

Apr 15	Firewood, McHenry
May 20	Golden Corral, Algonquin
Jun 17	Dockers, Fox Lake
Jul 15	Applebee's, McHenry
Aug 19	Olive Garden, McHenry
Sep 16	Wauconda Cafe, Wauconda
Oct 21	Kief's Reef, Island Lake
Nov 18	Twigs, Wauconda
Dec 16	J&D Sports, Wauconda

## Wauconda Township News

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Glen Swanson & Lisa Knight

Senior Yard Clean Up is scheduled for May 9th 8am to noon – call anytime to offer your services as a volunteer or to schedule your yard work.

Tai Chi classes are held every Wednesday 9am to 10am in the hall.

A weekly Games and Card Player's Club meets Thursdays from 12:30pm to 3:30pm at the township hall. Pinochle, Sequence, Dominos are just a few of the games played. Drop in and bring a friend.

Dancing with Norm is a slow paced, non-stress line dancing class held in the hall every Friday 9:30am to 11am.

The Senior Transportation Department is dedicated to helping seniors (M-F 8am-4:30pm) sixty years and older who live in Wauconda Township and the Nunda Township section of the Village of Island Lake get to doctor, dentist, and beauty appointments. Trips to local grocery stores are provided on Thursdays and Fridays. This is a free service, donations appreciated. Call 1-847-526-8688 to register and receive a monthly calendar/schedule.

Spring and summer plans include The Citadel Theater to see the comedy "Don't Dress For Dinner", a "Broadway and Blues" performance with chicken dinner will be featured on a trip to White Fence Farm, High Tea in Long Grove, and a trip to the Botanic Gardens.

Please RSVP to Lisa Knight, Senior Advocate at 1-847-526-1800. Any other information please call 1-847-526-2631

## Chamber Corner

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Kathy Reiland, ILACC President



The Island Lake Area Chamber of Commerce is proud of our members and their contributions to our community. Supporting these businesses supports the economy of our village.

3D Bowl/ Sideouts	Happy Tails Ranch
Abcor Garage Door Service	Interstate Battery
Able Alarm Assistance	Lake Immediate Care & Clinic
Accelerated rehabilitation Center	Lakeland Dental
Allstate Insurance	McDonalds
Any Kut	Ryan & Company Realtors
Attention to Detail	Snap Fitness
Auto Body	State Mobil
Bella Luke's	State Road Auto
Chiquita Food & Liquor/Westridge	Svaras Roofing Inc.
Banquets	The Learning Tree
Classy Pups Pet Grooming	Timmermann's Ranch & Saddle Shop
Culvers	TTC Landscaping
Custom Classic Auto & Collision Repair	US Citgo
Earn Extra Money	Vickie's Learning Center
Fifth Third Bank	Village of Island Lake
First National Bank of McHenry	Wauconda Area Library
Gental Dental of Island Lake	Wauconda Community Bank
Gold Leaf Tatoo	Wauconda School District 118
Gypsy Glen K-9 Kastle	Young Scholars Child Care Center

## ISLAND LAKE DATES TO REMEMBER:

April 18	Dinner Dance
May 20	Island Lake's "Faye Nelson Day" <b>Happy 100th Birthday Faye!</b>
June 1	Softball tryouts for "Al Schmidt Girls Softball" – contact the Rec Dept
June 12	Concert in the Park "Pirates Over 40"
June 12-14	Village wide garage sales
July 4	Happy Independence Day – Village Parade and Picnic
July 10	Concert in the Park – "Brass from the Past"
July 24-26	Lakefest Carnival
July 25	Fireworks at Dusk on the lake
August 14	Concert in the Park "Goin' South"
August 16	Cornfest



**Happy 100th Birthday Faye!**

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# COMMUNITY DIRECTORY

## EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Fire and Police	911
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## NON EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Wauconda/Island Lake fire	847-526-2821
Island Lake Police	847-526-2100
Lake County Sheriff	847-549-5200
McHenry County Sheriff	815-338-2144

## VILLAGE HALL

Village Hall	847-526-8764
Mayor Charles Amrich	Ext. 111
Clerk/FOIA Officer Jen Gomez	Ext. 106
Trustee Beeson	Ext. 130
Trustee Sciarrone	Ext. 135
Trustee Keith Johns	Ext. 133
Trustee Cermak	Ext. 132
Trustee Morris	Ext. 134
Trustee Burke	Ext. 131
Bldg & Code Official, Wayne Schnell	Ext. 108
Public Works	847-526-8767
Water Dept	847-526-1954
Parks & Recreation	847-526-4851
Creative Playtime	847-526-8795
Calvin Clay, EMA	Ext. 105
Ken Wick, Lake Management	Ext. 104

## COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTERS

Lake County	847-360-6600
McHenry County	815-338-2040

## TOWNSHIP GOVERNMENT CENTERS

Wauconda	847-526-2631
Nunda	815-459-4011

## UTILITY COMPANIES

Comcast	866-594-1234
ComEd	800-334-7661
First Energy	800-977-0500
J.U.L.I.E	800-892-0123
NICOR	888-642-6748
Northern Moraine Wastewater Reclamation District	847-526-3300
AT & T	800-244-4444
Waste Management	800-796-9696
SWALCO	www.swalco.org

## SCHOOLS

Cotton Creek	847-526-4700
Robert Crown	847-526-7100
Matthews Middle School	847-526-6210
District 118	847-526-7690
McHenry District 15	815-385-7210
McHenry District 156	815-385-7900
SEDOL	847-548-8470
McHenry Special Ed	815-344-4048

## LIBRARIES

McHenry Area Library	815-385-0036
Wauconda Area Library	847-526-6225

## ORGANIZATIONS

Boy Scout Troop 90, John Nielsen	847-462-8425
Boy Scout Troop 76, Brian Ciesil	brianciesil@comcast.net
Bulldog Youth Sports	bulldogyouthsports.org
Cotton Creek Marsh/McHenry Cnty Conservation Dist	815-338-6223
Girl Scouts, Sherri Sorenson	847-487-5228
Historical Society	847-526-5049
I.L. Area Chamber of Commerce	847-604-4522
I.L. Seniors, Catherine Christensen	262-237-2961
I.L. Woman's Club, Juel Olmsted	847-526-8741
Lakes Youth Athletic Association (Baseball, Football, Girls' Softball)	847-604-0270
Lions Club( Hot line/Voice mail)	847-604-1709
Lioness Club, Betty Skvarenina	847-639-6658
VFW/Lakeland Memorial Post 2486 - Barry Desfor	847-487-9732
Wauconda Area Youth Soccer	847-526-4167
Wauconda American Legion Post 911	847-526-9718
Wauconda Township Senior Services	847-526-8688
Wauconda/Island Lake Jaycees	224-993-9693
Wauconda Area Youth Soccer Club Hotline	847-526-4167
Venturing Crew 2090:Dave & Julie Ryman	847-487-1079

## HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATIONS

Highwood Lakes, Cindy Richartz	815-344-5005
Nantucket, Donna Smith	815-337-1656
Newbury, Jean DeBraccio	847-263-6102
Pine Ridge, Tom Baldocchi	847-526-6242
Prairie Woods, Rick Cowart	847-526-8992
Rolling Oaks, Don Riddel	847-487-9582
Southport, Jean DeBraccio	847-263-6102
Walnut Glen, Lieberman Mgmt Services	847-459-0000
Water's Edge, Norma Lass	815-459-1222
Westridge Town Homes, Donna Smith	815-337-1656
Westridge, BP Services, -Carol Loveridge	779-552-8719

# Victory Gardens

Spring is a magical time of year for gardeners. It is time for a tonic of fresh air and contact with the soil. It is companionship with fellow gardeners and nature. If you have not rented your plot, stop by Village Hall. For \$25.00, you will receive all of the above plus a bountiful harvest from organic soil. A family may rent two plots. Since the last expansion, it is hoped that all 46 plots will be productive.

The growing season starts on April 25th. "Lend a Hand" on May 2nd from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. All gardeners and volunteers help renew the plots with a fresh dose of new soil. The walking paths will be maintained by adding mulch. It is a great way to end Earth Day Week; making our gardens a welcoming, safe place for family and friends. Stop by and lend a hand from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Meet your fellow gardeners. You may also rent a plot that day. Happy planting!

The growing season will end with a cleanup day scheduled in fall on Oct 24th.



## Victory Garden Guidelines Island Lake, IL. – Spring 2015

1. A fee of \$25 will reserve your plot. At the end of the season, \$10 will be refunded when your plot is cleaned out.
2. The garden plots will open the date of the annual Arbor Day Celebration. Plots may be kept planted until Oct. 24th.
3. The plants in each garden plot are to be kept within the bounds of the plot to keep paths clear. Plants with vines are not to extend beyond 18 inches onto a pathway and are to be trimmed accordingly.
4. Weeds are to be kept under control in a garden plot and immediate area surrounding the plot. The plot may be forfeited, with no refund, if it is not maintained. Plots are expected to be kept as weed free as possible.
5. Fertilizer, insecticides and weed repellants cannot be used that will in any way affect other plots.
6. The garden plot and surrounding area will be kept clean of trash and litter.
7. No pets are allowed in the garden.
8. If you are unable or no longer want to keep up your garden plot, or need help, please notify the Village Clerk so that we can arrange help or give the plot to someone else.
9. Water is available to all gardeners from the large drum located next to the garden. Please do not over water or leave the spigot running.
10. Gardeners must only pick their own crops unless given permission by another gardener.
11. Children must be supervised in the garden
12. No alcohol or tobacco products are allowed in the garden.
13. Dead/diseased plants, weeds, and other plant material should be removed off the site. During harvest season, bulk waste is to be put in yard waste bags, properly closed, and placed by the water tank for Public Works removal.
14. The garden plots are located within a public park. Participants plant and maintain at their own risk. The Village is not responsible for theft, plant damage/ loss, or vandalism. Gardeners are encouraged to report incidents to the Police Dept. ( 847-526-2100 )

If you have other concerns or problems, please notify the Village Clerk, [jen.gomez@voislk.com](mailto:jen.gomez@voislk.com) or (847-526-8764 X 106), or Mark Beeson at [mark.beeson@voislk.com](mailto:mark.beeson@voislk.com) (847-650-8410).

## Victory Garden Registration

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ Apt \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ Email address \_\_\_\_\_

I have read the guidelines and will abide by them. Make checks to: Village of Island Lake. (Keep your receipt)

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# Village of Island Lake

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Hours of Operation  
Monday thru Friday 8:00am - 4:30pm  
Saturday 8:00am - 12:00pm  
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## Village of Island Lake Meetings

Village Board Meetings are held on the second and fourth Thursday of every month. All meetings begin at 7:30pm unless otherwise posted.

Planning and Zoning Commission Meetings are held on an as needed basis on the third Thursday of every month at 7:30pm.

Lake Management Committee Meetings are held on the first Thursday of every month at 6:30pm .

Emergency Management Agency Meetings are held on the fourth Wednesday of every month at 7:00pm.

Police and Fire Commission meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:30pm.

***All meetings are held at the Village Hall unless otherwise posted.***

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On January 26, 2015, Teresa Ponio passed away. Clerk Ponio served the Village proudly and is greatly missed.