



THE FOREST VIEW

THE CITY OF LAKE FOREST

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Dear Employees:

Congratulations . . . we survived! The move of our municipal operations to a much-needed new home on Field Drive took a lot of hard work, creativity, communications, patience—all of which were in abundance during this project. The hard work of our City Councils and staff over the past ten years made it well worth the wait, and Lake Forest residents can share in our pride of this new facility.

On August 30, many of you joined in the fun at the new MS Open House for employees, retirees and their families. Thanks go to the Employee Activities Committee led by Carla Ward as they really came up with a winner! There was wonderful camaraderie, fun games, and lots of great food, including the first-ever Rib Cook Off with talented cooks providing incredible ribs. A big “Well done!” goes to Phil Alderks and his team for taking First Place prize for their delicious entry. (See lots of photos on pages 4-5.) More fun events are being planned down the road, so stay tuned.

As many of you may know, work on the FY2011 City budget has begun with the annual review of service and staffing levels, outside funding opportunities, and mandated expenses. While the City’s conservative financial practices have allowed us to remain financially sound, objectively planning for our future means that over the next several years close scrutiny must be given to how we do business.

To that end, a comprehensive process is underway to evaluate and prioritize all City services and identify them as either core (City mission-critical) or elective (enhance quality of life) and define their relative importance to the community. There is no question that some residents will be directly impacted by our “belt-tightening” and efforts to control operational costs, but we must continue to examine opportunities to increase program efficiencies and create more realistic expectations for the delivery of services.

At its October 19 meeting, the Finance Committee will discuss these “core vs. elective” services. We will then share with you results of their discussion as we continue through the annual budget process.

As we move forward, let’s stay positive and connected. Thank you.

Happy Birthday

Terry Richards	Finance	9/19
Todd Netherton	Fire	9/19
Chuck Gregory	Police	9/20
Rob Carmichael	P&R - Rec	9/24
John Gullledge	PW - Building Maint.	9/24
Jim Held	Police	9/26
Jim Gunn	PW - Forestry	9/27
Bob Zacher	Police	9/27
Lynn Gary	Police	9/29
Jim Fahey	Police	9/30
Josh Hucker	ComDev	9/30
Larry Spires	Police	10/1
Kathy Reinertsen	Finance	10/5
Andy Rick	Fire	10/6
Jim Santostefano	PW - Building Maint.	10/7
Mark Gattis	PW - Water Plant	10/11
Dave Tisinai	Fire	10/11
Bob Wolff	PW - Sanitation	10/14
Ken Haglund	Fire	10/14
Mike Mounts	Fire	10/14
Glenn Burmeister	Police	10/16
Scott Kaye	PW - Streets	10/16
Brian D'Sousa	Police	10/17
Tony Caringello	PW - Streets	10/19
Mary Webber	Library	10/21
Scott Mose	Police	10/22
Anne Bolotin	Senior Resources	10/23
Brett Marquette	Police	10/25
Rob Copeland	Police	10/28
Michelle Friedrich	ComDev	10/29
Bob Heelan	Police	10/31
Sally Swarthout	P&R - Rec	11/1
Matt Signa	Police	11/2
Brenda Skylling	Library	11/6
Rosie Haack	OCM	11/6
Dan Martin	PW - Building Maint.	11/7
Patty Miller	PW - Engineering	11/8
Rob Monahan	Police	11/9
Lorie Rohrer	Library	11/9
Angie Tappa	Police	11/11
Dan Draeger	PW - Water & Sewer	11/12
Dutch Lundy	P&R - Parks	11/14
Dan Kepple	PW - Forestry	11/17
Marilyn Smith	Police	11/18
Dwight Davis	Police	11/18
Troy DeVries	Police	11/20
Charlie Franco	PW - Cemetery	11/21
Denise Mytko	P&R - Rec	11/21
Lynn Krambeer	Library	11/22
Delores Mosesel	ComDev	11/22
Chris Teresi	ComDev	11/24
Ron Fontana	Police	11/26



Employee News

Jenny and **Brian Acello** (Sanitation) have a new addition to their family. Anna Bell Virginia was born on August 3, 7 lbs. 5 oz.

McCormick Day Camp Gets Storage Facility

A big THANK YOU goes to the folks in ComDev for putting in many hours to help build a brand new storage facility for the McCormick Day Camp. Rather than building a simple storage building, **Kent Yandell** thought it would be neat to construct something that is a bit more rustic. Boy, did he step up the to plate and hit a grand slam! Thanks to the initial efforts of **Cathy Czerniak** and **Megan O'Neil**, we were able to get this project off the ground. Kent and his crew erected a wonderful cottage house to serve as a storage facility as well as an office area. A big thanks also goes to **Mary Van Arsdale** and **Wendy McKiernan** for their support.



Green Team

Save Water! There are several reasons water is becoming a precious resource; one major factor is global warming. Today, one in five people do not have access to clean drinking water.

Simple Ways to Conserve Water at Home:

- Turn your faucet off while brushing teeth, shaving, washing or rinsing dishes. There's no reason to run the faucet to get hot water; get an electric tea kettle and heat it.
- Baths take 36 gallons of water, more than showers, and hand washing dishes can use more water than running a full low-water dishwasher every few days.
- If you have a lawn, water at night or in the very early morning hours on a timer.
- Clean your driveway and sidewalk with a broom, not a hose.
- Resist buying bottled water. If you carry a water bottle to work, get a stainless steel water bottle that will not leach plastic into your water. Never put plastic bottles in your freezer, or pour hot liquids into a plastic bottle; the plastics can leach into your drinking water.

Encourage water conservation within your departments!



Bob Raymond recycles packing boxes.



Mike Whalen helps organize ComDev



IT spent days doing all this wiring. Joe is still trying to figure it all out!



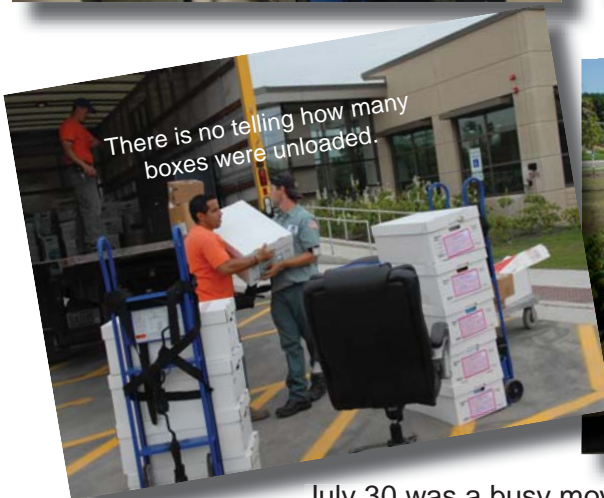
Getting the vending machines in the elevator was a real challenge! They were up to the task.



John Gullede & Jim Santostefano raised the flags - attention to details!



Becky Pocasangre & Donna Miklovic get Public Works set up.



There is no telling how many boxes were unloaded.



The sign is set. We are now officially here.



Carla Ward & Kamy Daddono bring more food for the cookout.

July 30 was a busy moving day. A cookout was held for all the workers.



Kathy Reinertsen dished out burgers to the hungry troup



Bob Kiely & DeSha Kalmar worked the grill.



Taking a moment to relax.



Rib Central



Team Forestry



"Ribs to Die For" from Team Cemetery took the trophy!

Team Fire took 2nd Place



MS Open House and Rib Cookoff

After a week of rain, the sun came out as employees, retirees and their families gathered at the new MS facility for an old-fashioned barbeque and rib cookoff. There was great competition and comraderie. Employees proudly gave tours of our beautiful new facility, kids young and old played games and, of course, everyone ate lots of food. A great day!

Team Sanitation



Team ComDev served breakfast to the ribbers



The Judges



Team IT



The Library's View

The **Annual Book Sale** is happening right now! Be sure to stop over at the **Lake Forest Recreation Center** for this fabulous event, held indoors for the first time.

- Friday, September 18, 9 a.m.–8 p.m.
- Saturday, September 19, 9 a.m.–5 p.m.
- Sunday (half price!), September 20, 9 a.m.–5 p.m.

Thanks to the Friends of Lake Forest Library for again organizing this amazing effort to reduce, reuse, re-cycle and stretch our dollars.

The Library will co-sponsor a **book discussion** with **LEAD** on Monday, September 21, 9:30–11 a.m. The book is The Parents We Mean to Be by Richard Weissbourd. The program will be held in the Activity Room of the Children's Library.

The Library will co-sponsor a **Writer's Theatre** presentation with Lake Bluff Library of *Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead* by Tom Stoppard, Tuesday, September 22, 7:30 p.m. This Page to Stage program will take place at Lake Bluff Library.

The Library welcomes **Don Wickersheim** to the Maintenance Department. Don lives in Kenosha, and loves biking with his boys, ages 17 and 18. He previously did stonework, including installation of marble in Lake Forest homes, and is very impressed with the beautiful craftsmanship of our historic building. Great to have you with us, Don!

Art work by Lake Forest resident **Kenneth Bennett** will be on display in the Library Art Room through October 30.

The Library will be closed on Friday, November 6, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. for staff training.

The Library is open on Veteran's Day, Wednesday, November 11.

The Library will be closed on Wednesday, November 25, at 5:00 p.m.

The Library will be closed on Thursday, November 26, Thanksgiving Day.

September is Library Card Sign-up Month; make sure you have one this fall!

News You Can Use



ICMA-RC Plan Administration Made Easy

ICMA-RC's newest Account Access enhancement allows you to view your transaction confirmations online, even if you have not signed up for ICMA-RC's electronic delivery service. You can view the available transaction confirmations by following these simple steps:

1. Log onto ICMA-RC's Account Access at www.icmarc.org.
2. Select the "Statements & Confirms" link under the "Statements & Confirms" tab.
3. Select the confirmation you wish to view. The confirmation you select will be displayed as a PDF document that can then be saved to your computer or printed. Like quarterly statements, the transaction confirmations are available in Account Access for a period of 18 months after they are generated.

You will still need to sign up for ICMA-RC's electronic delivery service if you wish to stop receiving transaction confirmations in the mail. After logging into Account Access, you can sign up for electronic delivery to stop having confirmations delivered via regular mail by following these steps:

1. Select the "Sign Up for Online Statements & Confirms" link under the "Statements & Confirms" tab.
2. Select the box next to "Confirmations" and click the "Submit" button.

Note that certain transaction confirmations, such as address changes, are not available for electronic delivery. However, most transaction confirmations are available via Account Access. You should select the "Contact Us" option located on each screen within Account Access if you need assistance.