

Lake Forest City Manager Announces Plan for Retirement

His letter to the City Council:

After 27 years of putting my community first, it is now time that I shift my priorities and put my family first. I hereby announce my retirement from The City of Lake Forest, IL, effective Wednesday, January 30, 2019.

In 1990, Mayor Charlie Clarke and the City Council took a chance on a young but passionate local government professional when they selected me as their new city manager. After being offered the position, I vividly recall announcing, "I am going to Disneyworld!" Since that day the journey has been magical and memorable. I have been extremely blessed to have worked with so many wonderful mayors, aldermen and women, board and commission members and most of all, City staff.

The community is extremely fortunate to have a world-class, professional, and highly committed staff. I take great pride knowing what they have accomplished over the years and how they strive each day to make Lake Forest a better place. They made me a better City Manager and a better person which makes leaving them a difficult and emotional decision.

During these past 27 years, I have come to appreciate that the community is comprised of so many smart and caring individuals, the vast majority who want nothing but the very best for present and future generations. While their voices have occasionally been drowned out by a vocal few, in the end their collective wisdom prevailed. This is why the public hearing/decision-making process, while messy and sometimes divisive, is the foundation that sustains Lake Forest's timeless character, traditions, quality of life and spirit of volunteerism.

I would be remiss if I did not also recognize the Caucus for all their hard work and dedication to the community. They are committed to ensuring that the best and brightest in the community are identified and placed in positions to help the City grow and prosper.

I greatly appreciate all the confidence, respect, and trust the community has afforded me over the past 27 years. It is easy to succeed when you are surrounded by so many talented and caring people. But the time has come for me to open a new chapter in my life and maybe, just maybe, tell my three grandkids "We are going to Disneyworld!"

A Forester Forever.....



Bob Kiely
City Manager

To the employees: Thank you for all your support and service through the years.

BIRTHDAYS

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| Tom Minarik | PW - Fleet/Eqpt | 07/01 | Misa Maj | Police | 08/16 |
| Matt Penar | Fire | 07/02 | Felicia Song | Library | 08/21 |
| Kathryn Wellington | Library | 07/03 | Keith Maslon | PW - W&S | 08/22 |
| Pete Siebert | Fire | 07/05 | Rich Paulsen | P&R - Parks | 08/22 |
| Carolynn Gaylord | ComDev | 07/06 | Mike Whalen | ComDev | 08/22 |
| Chris Roberts | Fire | 07/07 | Andy Allan | Fire | 08/25 |
| Tyler Saieg | Police | 07/07 | Brian Miklovic | PW - W&S | 08/26 |
| Scott Norman | P&R - Rec | 07/14 | Victoria Sergel | Library | 08/28 |
| Leslie Walton | CROYA | 07/14 | Regina Kennedy | Library | 09/01 |
| Joe Tomasello | PW - Streets | 07/15 | Rich Brija | Fire | 09/03 |
| Jeff Wierema | PW - Water Plant | 07/18 | Erik Huston | PW - Bldg. Maint. | 09/03 |
| Stuart Cox | PW - Bldg. Maint. | 07/20 | Steve Huck | Police | 09/04 |
| Mike Tiegs | PW - Water Plant | 07/21 | Matt Kluchka | Fire | 09/06 |
| Crystal Edwards | FIT - Finance | 07/24 | Teri Laurila | P&R - Admin. | 09/08 |
| Steve Hill | PW - Water Plant | 07/24 | Charlie Douglas | PW - Water Plant | 09/10 |
| Matt Rausch | Fire | 07/24 | Corey Wierema | P&R - Forestry | 09/14 |
| Kyle Roeder | PW - W&S | 07/25 | Mark Rockwell | ComDev | 09/16 |
| Pete Abel | PW - W&S | 07/26 | Eric Globberger | Fire | 09/17 |
| Jamie Nixon | HR | 07/26 | Erik Kositzki | Fire | 09/17 |
| Anthony Caraballo | PW - W&S | 07/29 | Aaron Kruchko | Police | 09/17 |
| Nick Savel | Fire | 07/29 | Larry Kenar | PW - Fleet/Eqpt | 09/18 |
| Phil Alderks | P&R - Cemetery | 07/30 | Patrick Issel | Fire | 09/19 |
| Todd Nahigian | CROYA | 08/04 | Rob Carmichael | P&R - Rec | 09/24 |
| Biddy Boyer | OCM | 08/05 | John Gulledege | PW - Water Plant | 09/24 |
| Paul Pugliese | Fire | 08/05 | Troy Reeves | FIT - IT | 09/25 |
| Jessica Linders | ComDev | 08/09 | Jim Fahey | Police | 09/30 |
| Dave Miniscalco | Police | 08/15 | Josh Hucker | ComDev | 09/30 |

THE LIBRARY

2018 Lake Forest Reads: Ragdale book

Join us in reading A Piece of the World by Christina Baker Kline as part of the sixth annual Lake Forest Reads: Ragdale program. Stay tuned for details about book-related programs at the Library and throughout the community in September and October, including events with Christina Baker Kline on October 25 and 26.

Lake Forest Reads: Ragdale is presented by Lake Forest Library, in partnership with Ragdale, Lake Forest College, and the Friends of Lake Forest Library. Lake Forest Book Store is the official bookstore of Lake Forest Reads: Ragdale. This One Book, One Community program is an opportunity for everyone in and around Lake Forest to read one book by a writer affiliated with Ragdale, with the purpose of fostering literacy, a culture of reading, and a sense of community. We look forward to reading with you!

120 years of Lake Forest Library

Join us 1:00–3:00 pm on July 3 to appreciate the history and heritage of the Library.

GO Lake Forest

The Library is participating in the initiative to get moving and make healthy choices. Macaroni Soup Active Music for Kids is July 5 at 2:00 pm. Hooray for Bollywood ... Let's Dance is Thurs, July 19 at 7pm.

43rd Annual Book Sale

September 13–16

Lake Forest Recreation Center, 400 Hastings Rd

Library Closings

Tues, July 3 (closed early at 5:00 pm)

Wed, July 4

Wed, August 1 (closed during LF Day parade hours)

Mon, September 3

Closed Sundays May 27–Sept 2

NEW EMPLOYEES



Ulises Castro joins the Cemetery as a Maintenance Worker. He was previously a seasonal maintenance worker in the Parks department.

Ulises has a wife and 2 daughters. He likes watching soccer and spending time with his family.



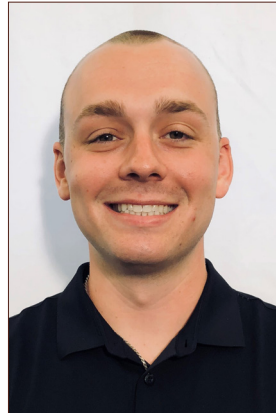
Kim Kraus is an administrative assistant with Community Development. Kim was previously with the City before moving to Denver. She recently moved back and has been working part-time in ComDev.

Kim enjoys boating and spending time with family.



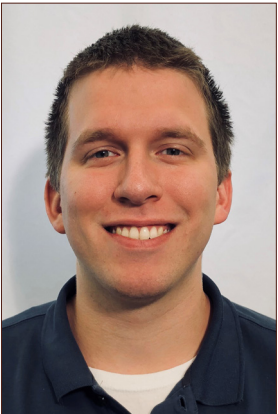
Nick Michl is the new Maintenance Worker in the Forestry Department. He previously worked with Brightview as a Crew Leader.

He enjoys camping, running & playing with his 9-month-old son.



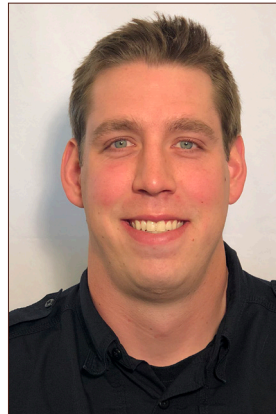
Matt Allen joins the Police Department as a Police Officer. He previously worked for the Chicago Cubs as a safety and security officer and received his Bachelors degree in Criminology/Human Relations at the University of Iowa.

He likes working out, golfing, playing softball and spending time with his family.



Tyler Saieg is another new Police Officer. He previously worked at Point Blank in Naperville. Tyler received his Bachelors degree in Criminal Justice at Carthage College.

Tyler enjoys cars and hockey.



Zachary Amrein is now a Firefighter/Paramedic with the Fire Department. He was previously a Paid on Premises Firefighter for the City. He also played baseball for ISU where he got his Bachelors degree in Criminal Justice.

Zach enjoys watching football and playing baseball.



Juan Ramirez joins the Police Department as a Police Officer. Juan was previously with the Marine Corps and the Chicago Police. He received his Associates degree in Law Enforcement through Harper College.

Juan is married and enjoys weight lifting and going on long motorcycle rides.

Promotion, Congrats!



Ron Gramer was promoted to Fleet Supervisor. Ron had been a mechanic with the City since 2005 and has been the Assistant Fleet Supervisor for the last couple of years.

Please congratulate Ron when you see him!

2018 Dodgeball Tournament!

2018 Champs: Police!

