

# The Forest View

## VIEWS FROM THE DESK OF...

As we say goodbye to summer, I've been reflecting on what a busy and successful season we had. From completing generational capital projects to dealing with logistical beach access challenges, including the public safety aspects of that project, to navigating updates to the City's Comprehensive Plan (among many others), City staff continue to ensure a high quality of life for current and future residents. The public may not always fully appreciate the effort that occurs behind the scenes to make Lake Forest such an amazing community, but that effort is not lost on me. I'm very proud of all that our workforce continues to accomplish and thank you for your hard work and dedication.

I also want to thank everyone who was able to attend last week's employee Think Healthy cornhole tournament. Although OCM didn't take home the title this year (our 2-1 record was still pretty strong), I really enjoyed

the event. As hard as we all work on a daily basis, it is important that we collectively find chances to unwind and interact across all departments in a light-hearted manner. I hope we continue to find additional opportunities in the future. A special thanks to Anthony Anaszewicz, Lauren French and Amber Campbell for their efforts in planning the successful event.

I hope everyone enjoys fall and all of the holidays that come with it. It is my favorite season of the year, even if the changing temperatures and earlier sunsets are a reminder of what is coming. As we get deeper into the football season, I'm sure you'll join me in saying Go Bears!

Take care,




THE CITY OF  
LAKE FOREST

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# BIRTHDAYS

Michelle Doshi	Library	10/04	Juan Ramirez	Police	11/12
Kim McCann	OCM	10/05	Jacob Rieper	Fire	11/15
Andy Rick	Fire	10/06	Dwight Davis	Police	11/18
Jim Santostefano	PW Sanitation	10/07	Troy Devries	Police	11/20
Ulises Castro	PR Cemetery	10/09	Charlie Franco	PR Cemetery	11/21
Emily Neal	Library	10/10	Lynn Krambeer	Library	11/22
Dave Tisinai	Fire	10/11	Christine Axelson	Library	11/22
Val Gonzalez	PR Rec	10/11	Chris Teresi	ComDev	11/24
Mike Mounts	Fire	10/14	Jose Diaz	PW Water Plant	11/28
Richie Paulsen	PW Building Maint	10/15	Mike Gallo	Fire	11/29
Tony Caringello	PW Streets	10/19	Brittni Wallace	PR Rec	11/29
Mary Webber	Library	10/21	Jason Olson	PR Rec	11/30
Doug Juhrend	PW Fleet	10/22	Rick Anderson	Police	12/01
John Eldridge	PR Rec	10/23	Chuck Kriens	Fire	12/04
Tara Purtell	Seniors	10/23	Rigo Coria	PR Forestry	12/05
Mike Strong	OCM	10/25	Miguel Camarena	PR Parks	12/08
Brett Marquette	Police	10/25	Jim Lockfeer	PW Admin	12/10
Rob Copeland	Police	10/28	Jeff Sulkin	Police	12/14
Michelle Friedrich	ComDev	10/29	Will Howard	PR Rec	12/14
Jill Becker	Seniors	10/31	Landon Luzar	PR Forestry	12/15
Sally Swarthout	PR Rec	11/01	Madeline Palenica	Police	12/15
Chrissy Stelter	Fire	11/02	Eric Krueger	PR Parks	12/17
Matt Signa	Police	11/02	Danny Edwards	PR Parks	12/18
Kim Kraus	ComDev	11/07	Joe Stanonik	Fire	12/18
Dan Martin	PW Admin	11/07	Joy Schmoll	Library	12/18
Kevin Hill	PW Fleet	11/09	Barb Lueder-Manetti	Police	12/20
Rob Monahan	Police	11/09	Nik Michl	PR Forestry	12/25
Lorie Rohrer	Library	11/09	Mark Krygeris	Finance	12/28
Angela Tappa	Police	11/11	DeSha Kalmar	HR	12/30
Dan Draeger	PW Water Plant	11/12	Zach Styx	Police	12/30
Dan Lainio	Fire	11/12	Amber Campbell	HR	12/31

## THE LIBRARY

### Caring for Others Series

To register for events: [lakeforestlibrary.org/care](https://lakeforestlibrary.org/care).

- Encouraging Your Children to Read at Home: September 16, 7pm
- Understanding Alzheimer's & Dementia: Sept. 19, 7pm
- Estate Planning for Children & Adults w/ Special Needs: September 24, 6:30 pm
- Healthy Relationships & Your Teen, October 14, 7pm

### New Employee

**Lauren Dittmer** joined the Library Facilities Team in May 2019, where she helps ensure the building and grounds are clean and functional. Outside of work, Lauren is passionate about environmental science, art, and studying finance.

### Volunteer Fest

Saturday, November 2, 11am–2pm

Bring the whole family to learn about local volunteer opportunities for all ages.

### Community Blood Drive

Nov 9, 10am–3pm Drop in or appointments!

To make an appointment, call 877.258.4825 or visit [lakeforestlibrary.org/vitalant](https://lakeforestlibrary.org/vitalant), Group Code 441D.

### Library Closings

Closing early at 5:00 pm on Wednesday, November 27

Thursday, November 28

Tuesday, December 24

Wednesday, December 25

Closing early at 5:00 pm on Tuesday, December 31

Wednesday, January 1



# NEW EMPLOYEES



**Jamese Scott** joins the Finance Department as the new Account Clerk. She enjoys attending football and basketball games at her sons' school.

Jamese has 8-year-old twins, loves taking road trips and spending time with her family and friends.



**Catherine Grey** is our new Youth Worker at CROYA.

Her hometown is Champaign Illinois, but she moved to Chicago after graduating from Bradley University.

Catherine loves doing outdoor activities and enjoys watching True Crime documentaries.



**Sam Sineni** has joined the Police Department as one of our three new Police Officers.

He enjoys working out, golfing and playing basketball.

Sam loves spending time with his wife, having family BBQs, watching movies and exploring new restaurants.



**Zachary Styx** is another new Police Officer. His background is in Journalism and IT, but following family tradition, Zach is drawn to public service.

He loves to spend time outdoors snowboarding, biking and camping/hiking. He also enjoys experiencing different cultures through music, travel and food.



Last but certainly not least, **Ashley Molinari** is our third new Police Officer. She spent 6 years in the Army Reserves with one tour to Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

Ashley loves doing just about anything with her dog Ruby and her family. She also enjoys working out, basketball and motorcycles.

## Please Welcome our New Employees!

## GROWING FAMILIES

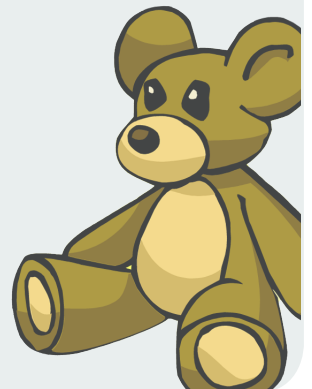
Sujay and **Michelle Doshi** (Library)  
Neil Sujay  
June 7

Alexandra & **Zach Amrein** (Fire)  
Vincent Baker  
July 2

Cynthia & **Juan Ramirez** (Police)  
Noah Levi  
July 5

Carlota & **Justin Green** (PW - Bldg. Maint.)  
Adrian  
July 14

Taralynn & **Steven Werchek** (Fire)  
Steven Kenneth  
August 27





# Employee BBQ



**1st Place  
Finance**



**2nd Place  
ComDev**



**3rd Place  
CROYA/REC**





# Conway Park Autumn Classic



# Cornhole Tournament







DATE	TIME	PLACE	WORK GROUP
<b>Thursday November 14</b>	7-8:30 AM	Public Safety	Police Fire Water Plant
	9-10:30 AM	CROYA	Recreation CROYA Cemetery
	11 AM-12 PM	Library Reed Room	Library
	1:45-2:45 PM	City Hall CM Conf Rm	OCM, Seniors, Water Plant
	3-4 PM	Public Safety	Police Fire
<b>Friday November 15</b>	7-8:30 AM	Public Safety	Police Fire
	9-10:30 AM	MS Training Room	Building Maintenance Engineering Fleet Sanitation
	10:30-11:30 AM	MS Training Room	Streets Water Utilities
	1:30-3 PM	MS Training Room	Parks Forestry
	3-4 PM	MS Training Room	Public Works Administration Finance/IT Community Development

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**ANY EMPLOYEE MAY ATTEND ANY OF THE ABOVE TIMES**

For a private conference with AFLAC contact Amber, ext. 3532 or Lauren, ext. 3531.

**! Be considerate of others. Arrive closer to the beginning of your scheduled time, NOT THE END. We may need to leave before you get seen.**