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GORDON LARSEN AWARD WINNERS RECOGNIZED

Congratulations to our Gordon Larsen Business Achievement Award winners! The Village recognized the winning businesses at the Board of Trustees meeting on February 9.

Best Customer Service:

Image 1:27 Photography

Employer of Choice:

The Lakehouse Tattoo

Best New Business: Heaven's Best Carpet Cleaning of Northern Illinois

The Village received 158 nominations for 10 Lake in the Hills businesses during the 2022 award season. Each winning business demonstrated meaningful contributions to the quality and character of the Village's business community throughout the year. Nominations praised the winning businesses for their personable and attentive customer service, high levels of community engagement and positive working environments.

The Village recognizes businesses that embody the philanthropic and entrepreneurial spirit of Gordon Larsen, who was influential in shaping the physical and civic landscape of Lake in the Hills. Gordon Larsen believed in charitable businesses whose success was attributable to exemplary service to employees, customers, and the community.

"Sunset Fun" by Joanna Zapal

2022 Photo Contest Entrant

Enter the 2023 Photo Contest at lith.org/photocontest.

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A MESSAGE FROM VILLAGE PRESIDENT RAY BOGDANOWSKI

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Dear Residents,

I hope you're enjoying the first weeks of spring and looking ahead to a wonderful summer in Lake in the Hills. We eagerly anticipate the return of classic community events, including:

- **Run Thru the Hills** hosted by the Parks and Recreation Department on April 15
- The **McHenry County Century Ride** hosted by the People for Parks Foundation of Lake in the Hills on May 28

- The **Rockin' Ribfest** hosted by the Lake in the Hills Rotary Club from July 6-9

Over the past few months, new and familiar staff members have taken on key leadership roles. Ryan McDillon became the Director of Public Works in June 2022 and assumed responsibility for the overall leadership of the Public Works Department. Ryan previously served the Village as the Water Superintendent. I look forward to Ryan's success as he defines new goals and initiatives for the department, improves existing strategies and operations, and ensures essential services are provided to our community.

Trevor Bosack became the director of the newly reestablished Parks and Recreation Department in August 2022. He previously served as a Recreation Supervisor for the Village of Lake in the Hills from 2007-2014. Trevor earned his Bachelor's Degree in Park, Recreation, and Tourism from Michigan State University and his Master's Degree in Public Administration from Northern Illinois University. Before taking on this new role, Trevor served as the Assistant to the Village Manager for the Village of Hinsdale and previously held several

leadership roles supporting local municipalities. I've been pleased to see Trevor reinventoriate the department with new ideas and initiatives.

In December 2022, John Svalenka joined the Village of Lake in the Hills as the Director of Community Development. John has over 21 years of community development experience and previously served as the Senior Planner for the Village of Carpentersville. He holds a Bachelor of Urban Planning and Development from Ball State University and is a member of the American Institute of Certified Planners (AICP). John will elevate awareness of the rich business and development opportunities in the Village, serve as the primary staff liaison to the Planning and Zoning Commission, and manage the Village's comprehensive plan. I am eager to see the positive impact he will make.

With another exciting year ahead, I am pleased to continue serving the Village alongside our elected officials, board and commission members, and staff.

Ray Bogdanowski, Village President

FOOD SCRAP COMPOSTING PROGRAM

Flood Brothers Disposal offers a voluntary food scrap composting program to single-family residences throughout the Village during the yard waste collection season, April 1 through November 30. Residents who enroll in this program may mix food scraps with yard waste by placing them at the curb in a rigid, lidded container or a rented Flood Brothers 95-gallon yard waste cart. The program is available to all single-family residences at no additional cost unless residents choose to rent a yard waste container, which costs \$2.25 per month. Yard waste and food scraps are taken to a compost facility, where they are processed into compost and mulches. The compost and mulches are then used to fertilize soils and protect soils from erosion. Visit lith.org to find more information and an enrollment form.

PUBLIC WORKS OPEN HOUSE

Meet the Public Works team and learn about the department's operations at the Public Works Open House! Join us on Saturday, May 20, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Public Works facility, located one block south of the intersection of Haligus and Miller Road at 9010 Haligus Road.

Check out trucks, skid steers, tractors, loaders and other vehicles the department uses to maintain the Village's infrastructure. Take part in demonstrations and learn about our Water, Streets, Public Properties and Airport Divisions. The event will include tours of an adjacent water treatment facility. Visitors will receive a complimentary hot dog lunch.

Save the date and bring the family out for a fun day at Public Works! Please call Public Works at 847-960-7500 or visit lith.org to learn more about this event.



Gordon Larsen Business Achievement Awards



Image 1:27 Photography
Owner Shanna Zalud and family

BEST CUSTOMER SERVICE:

IMAGE 1:27 PHOTOGRAPHY owner Shanna Zalud specializes in maternity and newborn to age one photography. Zalud previously worked from her home until 2019 when she opened a studio in the Village of Lake in the Hills.

Nominations commended Zalud's helpful, professional service and her willingness to offer advice and exceed expectations. Her clients consistently receive high-quality photographs to enjoy for years to come as the result of her efforts to provide quality advice and guide clients during photo shoots.

A nominator wrote,

"We've had two different sessions now with Shanna and have our third session coming up. She's been beyond helpful, provides us with so many tips, is responsive, provides her suggestions and works so well with you. She was amazing with our newborn while taking his newborn photos."

Image 1:27 Photography is located at 9203 S. Illinois Route 31. Visit the studio's website at image127photography.com or call 224-622-9839 to get in touch.



The Lakehouse Tattoo
Owner Rob Downs with family, friends, and staff

EMPLOYER OF CHOICE:

THE LAKEHOUSE TATTOO quickly established a reputation for personable service, community engagement and quality work after opening in 2019. Owned by Rob Downs, the studio offers tattoo and piercing services. Nominations highlighted Downs' integrity, kindness to employees and efforts to create a welcoming, friendly environment that attracts both new clients and employees as the business continues to expand.

A nominator wrote:

"Robert Downs and his family have been outstanding members of the community. From supporting charitable organizations to being an outstanding tattoo artist and amiable person to all his employees, he is a family man of great integrity."

The studio was previously recognized with Gordon Larsen awards for Best New Business in 2019 and Best Community Service in 2021.

The Lakehouse Tattoo is located at 2120 W. Algonquin Road. Call 224-678-7272 or visit facebook.com/TheLakeHouseTattoo to learn more.



Heaven's Best Carpet Cleaning of Northern Illinois
Co-owners Kyle and Danielle Cullnan

BEST NEW BUSINESS:

HEAVEN'S BEST CARPET CLEANING OF NORTHERN ILLINOIS specializes in low-moisture carpet cleaning and provides full-service carpet, rug, upholstery and floor cleaning. Owned by Lake in the Hills residents Kyle and Danielle Cullnan, this mobile company offers cleaning services that are green-certified, eco-friendly and safe for people, pets and the environment.

In her award application, business co-owner Danielle Cullnan wrote:

"We have serviced so many amazing customers who refer us to their family, friends and neighbors...As we grow, we look forward to being involved in more ways...We love our town, and we are honored to service our community now and for many years to come."

Call the team at 815-333-6278 or visit northernillinois.heavensbest.com.

Nominate Lake in the Hills businesses for Gordon Larsen Business Achievement Awards at lith.org/gordonlarsen. Please reach out to the Administration Department at 847-960-7400 with any questions.

ELECTION INFORMATION

The Consolidated Election will take place on April 4. Early voting will be held at Village Hall, located at 600 Harvest Gate, from March 20 to April 3. All McHenry County residents are eligible to vote early at Village Hall. Visit lith.org/elections to find early voting dates and times. Dates and times are subject to change.

SHRED DAY

Shred Day will be held on Saturday, May 20, at the Public Works facility at 9010 Haligus Road from 9 a.m. to noon. Residents may bring two copy paper sized boxes of any documents to be shredded at no charge. AMS Store and Shred will transport the documents in locked totes and shred them at their facility at 13 Prosper Court. Learn more at lith.org/events.

PHOTO CONTEST

Take your shot! The Village of Lake in the Hills is holding its annual photo contest to find images that best capture life in Lake in the Hills. Select photographs will be featured on the Lake in the Hills website and in various Village publications. The contest is open to Lake in the Hills residents and non-residents. Visit lith.org/photocontest to view the rules and submit your photos!

Experience Lake in the Hills through Parks & Recreation



Home to beautiful parks and natural views, Lake in the Hills offers something for everyone to enjoy. Our Parks and Recreation Department invites you to experience Lake in the Hills by taking part in our engaging programs and visiting our exceptional parks and facilities. Embrace opportunities to make new friends, spend time outdoors, and learn new skills. If you see us out at Village parks with our Rec2U van, come join the fun! Drop-ins are welcome at most events.

Our seasonal program and event guides are now published online at recreation.lith.org. By publishing online, the Parks and Recreation Department demonstrates a commitment to environmentally friendly and financially responsible practices. Bookmark the link to return to the interactive guide throughout the seasons. Stay up to date on opportunities to enjoy recreation and explore our parks and facilities. Register for programs using the links within the pages of the guide.

SUMMER CAMP

Children make memories, build friendships, and enjoy exciting field trips, swimming days and fitness challenges in our summer camp programs. Preschool Camp keeps children ages 3 to 5 engaged over the summer as they prepare for kindergarten. FuntastiCAMP, designed for kids in grades K-7, offers opportunities for purposeful play and social fun. The Rec Crew: Counselor in Training program for kids and teens ages 11 to 14 helps participants build confidence and leadership skills as a junior counselor. Camp programs run from May 30 to August 11. Enroll now through our interactive program and event guide at recreation.lith.org.

SEASONAL JOBS

Our Parks and Recreation Department is looking for beach attendants and camp counselors to support our summer operations. Camp counselors will develop professional skills like leadership, interpersonal skills, critical thinking, problem solving, creativity and collaboration in our exciting FuntastiCAMP program. Our Public Works Department is seeking seasonal help with the day-to-day maintenance and repair of Village infrastructure including streets, rights-of-way, the airport, parks and other public properties. This is an excellent opportunity to learn about the Public Works field. Visit lith.org/jobs to view and apply for our seasonal roles.

PRESCHOOL ACADEMY

Children learn, play, grow and explore in Preschool Academy! Classes are designed to help children reach milestones, build social skills, and prepare for kindergarten. Enrollment is now open for our engaging preschool program, which now includes afternoon classes. Our three curriculum options serve children ages 2 to 5. The optional Spanish Enrichment program supports students who will follow the dual language path offered by surrounding school districts. Learn more and find enrollment options in our program and event guide at recreation.lith.org.



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RECREATION.LITH.ORG



Lynn Dillow Park, Jaycee Park and Avalon Park

PLAYGROUND REPLACEMENTS

A new playground is coming to Lynn Dillow Park, located at 4155 Spring Lake Drive, in spring 2023. The Parks and Recreation Department is excited to share that the new playground will incorporate inclusive design features including pour-in-place pathways, adaptive swings, a communication board, and an accessible ramp. The design features two sections of play equipment, one for ages 2 to 5 and one for ages 5 to 12, as well as a zip line and swings.

Jaycee Park, located at 61 Oak Leaf Road, and Avalon Park, located at 5395 Avalon Lane, are also scheduled for replacement in 2023 as they have reached the end of their service lives. The Village follows replacement criteria based on a 20-year industry standard and evaluates the condition of each playground. Using input from residents and the Parks and Recreation Board, our staff will kick off the replacement process by exploring potential playground designs and features.

The Village will donate the existing Avalon Park playground equipment to Kids Around the World. The Rockford-based nonprofit will refurbish the existing playground set and install it in a community abroad for children in need of a safe place to play. Kids Around the World generously removes and transports the playground equipment donations at no cost to the Village. Visit lith.org and keep an eye on our social media channels for playground replacement updates.

Upcoming Event Highlights

LOVE YOUR PARK SPRING CLEAN UP

Turn up to clean up! Neighbors, scout groups and volunteers, let's clean up our parks as part of our "Every Day is Earth Day" cleanup event. Pick a time to clean between Friday, April 21, and Sunday, April 23. Bring friends or pack up the whole family for a fun day spent helping our community! Sign up at recreation.lith.org.

RUN THRU THE HILLS

The Parks and Recreation Department will host the Run Thru the Hills (RTTH) 5K Run/Walk, 1-Mile Dog Walk, and Kid's 100-yard Dash on April 15 at 10 a.m. Join us to experience the natural beauty and charm of the hills that surround the four lakes within the eastern portion of the Village. Sign up at recreation.lith.org!



PROJECT UPDATES

Woods Creek Reach 12

AIRPORT EMBARKS ON IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

This year, the Lake in the Hills 3CK Airport has a robust construction schedule. Starting in late spring, the airport will replace all of its runway lighting with LED fixtures. In addition, windsocks will be installed to give pilots a quick glimpse of the local weather conditions. William Charles Construction of Rockford, Illinois, will perform the work, and Crawford, Murphy, and Tilly, Inc. of Aurora, Illinois, will provide construction and design engineering. Daytime runway closures are anticipated throughout the project's duration; however, the airport will be open in the evenings and on weekends.

The airport will also renovate a roof on one of its oldest hangars this summer and pursue bids for dedicated snow removal equipment.

A two-megawatt solar farm will take shape in 2023. The Village and representatives from Cenergy Power from Carlsbad, California, came to an agreement that will lead to the installation of an eight-acre solar farm on the south side of the airport. The farm will allow the airport to purchase power at a reduced cost and gain land rental revenue from areas not otherwise used for aeronautical purposes.

Lastly, the airport will upgrade its Automated Weather Observation System (AWOS). The existing system was installed in 2003 and has reached the end of its useful lifespan. Details on the planned system are still emerging; however, the airport will push for a certified system to allow pilots to fly in more diverse weather conditions. Presently, to land at the Lake in the Hills 3CK Airport, pilots must rely on certified AWOS systems based either in Dupage or Wheeling.

Visit lith.org/airport to find project updates and subscribe to the airport's e-newsletter.

WOODS CREEK STREAMBANK IMPROVEMENTS

Woods Creek will receive restoration improvements this year. The Reach 12 Restoration Project will stabilize approximately 1,000 linear feet of streambank and restore six acres of wetland adjacent to the creek to native conditions. The restoration will improve water quality by reducing silt and sediment buildup and establishing green infrastructure. The scope of work will include streambank restoration, stabilization and seeding of native vegetation. Reach 12 is located between Clark Avenue and Village Creek Drive. The Village previously completed streambank improvements in adjacent areas referred to as Reach 10 and 11. Please visit lith.org for project updates.

ROAD RESURFACING

The annual resurfacing project is a significant part of the Village's management of the road system. Funds from the Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) Fund pay for the pavement improvements. The project will create limited inconveniences when resurfacing is taking place. Please watch for signage that will alert you to the upcoming work. Contact the Public Works Department at 847-960-7500 with any questions.



McHenry County Pursues Improvement Projects

RANDALL ROAD CORRIDOR

The Randall Road Corridor Improvement Project is expected to begin in 2024. Engineering is underway and is scheduled to conclude this fall. The project will widen Randall Road from Acorn Lane to Alexandra Boulevard. In preparation for the Randall Road project, it is anticipated the McHenry County Division of

Transportation will be resurfacing both Pyott and Lakewood roads this summer. To learn more about the project, visit McHenry County's website at mchenrycountyil.gov.





In the Spotlight: Flood Safety and Preparedness

According to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, floods are the most common natural disaster in the United States. In the event of unusually heavy rainfall, the Village could be at risk for flooding. Prepare for a potential flood by familiarizing yourself with our area's flood risk, obtaining flood insurance and practicing preparedness.

FLOODWAY AND FLOODPLAIN INFORMATION

Residents may view aerial maps that show the designated floodway and floodplain areas within Lake in the Hills by visiting mchenrycountygis.org/Athena/ and viewing the flood zone layer information. Residents also may look up information pertaining to a specific property by visiting *Determine Your Flood Hazard* msc.fema.gov.

Any construction within these areas requires review by staff before the start of any project. Additional permits from other agencies may be required in addition to Village-issued permits. Please contact the Community Development Department by calling 847-960-7400 for answers to questions about flood locations.

FLOOD INSURANCE DISCOUNT

The Village achieved a Class 5 rating under the National Flood Insurance Program Community Rating System, which enables residents and businesses to access a 25% rate reduction on flood insurance policies for properties within the Village. Established in 1990, the Community Rating System rewards communities that surpass the minimum NFIP requirements to help residents prevent or reduce potential flood losses. The Community Rating System is a voluntary, incentive-based program. Property owners may access rate reductions when their local governments take preventative

actions to minimize possible flood damage. These actions include reducing risk to existing buildings, managing development in areas not mapped by the NFIP, protecting new buildings beyond the minimum NFIP protection level, helping insurance agents obtain flood data and helping residents obtain flood insurance. Please contact the Public Works Department at 847-960-7500 with any questions. Visit FloodSmart.gov to learn more about purchasing flood insurance.

PREPAREDNESS TIPS

To prepare for potential flooding around your home, the Federal Emergency Management Agency recommends that individuals store important documents in a watertight safety deposit box. Inventory household items and valuables and take photos or videos of each item. Save the records to submit with a potential flood insurance claim. Prepare your basement by installing a water alarm and maintaining a sump pump, along with a battery-operated backup pump. Clear your gutters of debris and elevate and anchor essential utilities.

While it is important to protect your belongings, prioritize your safety and your family members' safety in an emergency. Make a plan for emergencies and review the plan with members of your household. Practice evacuation routes and prepare an

emergency kit that contains non-perishable foods, cleaning supplies and water. Include pets in your plan and add necessary pet care supplies to your kit. Text 60156 to 888777 to receive emergency updates from the Village through Nixle, and visit lith.org/publications to find Village social media profiles to follow for updates. Keep a radio as part of your emergency kit so you can listen to the Emergency Alert System and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Weather Radio for alerts.

DURING A FLOOD

If flooding occurs, follow evacuation orders and safety warnings issued by the Village of Lake in the Hills through Nixle, online at lith.org, and on Village social media channels. Never walk, drive, wade or swim through flood waters. Do not drive around barricades. According to DHS, six inches of moving water can knock someone down, and one foot can sweep a vehicle away. If your car is trapped in rapidly moving water, stay inside. Only get on the roof if water rises inside the car. If you are trapped in a building, get to the highest level. Get on the roof only if necessary and signal for help once there. Avoid climbing into a closed attic, as you could be trapped by floodwater.

Visit ready.gov/floods for additional flood preparedness tips and resources.





New Facilities and Businesses Join the Village

The Lake in the Hills business community continues to grow with the opening of new businesses and senior living facilities. Learn more about our community's growth and shop local.

ARDEN ROSE SENIOR LIVING recently completed the first of three buildings at 700 E. Oak Street. The facility will offer "boutique" assisted living to 16 residents per building in spacious private suites. Visit ardenroseinc.com/senior-living for more information.

EDWARD JONES opened an investment office at 4581 Princeton Lane, Suite 123, in November 2022. Conveniently located to provide financial advice to local residents, the office can be found on the east side of Lakewood Road, just south of Ackman Road. For more information, call 847-594-4737 or visit the office on a weekday to speak with Janine Kerin.

MELODY LIVING expects the construction of its second building at 555 Harvest Gate to be complete in 2023. The new facility will offer 96 independent living units for residents ages 55 and up. The first building, completed in 2021, features 88 assisted living units.

TAQUITOS TACOS & DRINKS opened at 335 N. Randall Road in June 2022. The casual restaurant serves a wide selection of Mexican dishes such as tacos, burritos, quesadillas and quesabirrias. They also offer beer and tequila drinks, including margarita flights. Visit taquitosbar.com to view the full menu.

Contact the Community Development Department at 847-960-7400 or visit our website at lith.org to learn more about business and economic development in the Village of Lake in the Hills.



GARBAGE CAN PLACEMENT AND STORAGE

Residents may place trash containers at the curb no earlier than 6 p.m. on the day preceding their scheduled garbage and recycling pick-up day. Please use care and secure any loose items so light winds do not carry those items through the neighborhood. When not at the curb, containers must be placed at the rear or side of the home or in a fully enclosed area. Find additional information at lith.org.

Where can I store my garbage cans?

Help us keep Lake in the Hills beautiful and safe. Please remember to store garbage cans:

- ✔ **Inside of your garage,**
- ✔ **On the side of your home,**
- ✔ **Or in the rear yard.**
- ✘ **Please do not store cans in front of your home.**
- 👍 Garbage cans may be brought to the curb beginning at 6:00 p.m. on the evening before the scheduled collection day.

Municipal Code Section 13.02(D)

Learn more at lith.org



LAKE IN THE HILLS FOSTERS A SOLAR-FRIENDLY COMMUNITY

SolSmart is a U.S. Department of Energy program designed to recognize communities that have taken key steps to reduce barriers to solar energy use and foster the growth of local solar markets. The Village of Lake in the Hills became the first community in McHenry County to become a United States Solar Foundation SolSmart designated community four years ago. The Village updated zoning codes to be more solar-friendly, developed permitting guidelines, and received training on best practices for permitting and inspecting solar energy systems to support residents and businesses utilizing this clean energy resource. These actions led the Village to achieve the top classification of a "SolSmart Gold Community." Since that time, over 200 solar systems have been installed at single-family homes in the Village of Lake in the Hills. Visit liih.org to learn about solar system installations and permits and find links to helpful resources.

BUILDING PERMITS

Home improvement activity has remained strong throughout the Village despite challenges brought on by the pandemic, supply chain issues related to building materials and skilled labor shortages. Throughout our neighborhoods, property values remain strong. Village staff continues to work to uphold property values through the administration of a building permit program and the enforcement of property maintenance ordinances.

As a reminder, a building permit is required for construction, remodeling and system replacement work within a home. Visit liih.org to find building permit application forms and helpful information. A few examples of projects requiring a permit include:

- Installations or replacements of decks, hot tubs, swimming pools, retaining walls, solar panels, lawn sprinklers, patios, sidewalks, driveways, stoops, sheds, fences, windows or roofing
- Construction of a garage or gazebo
- Kitchen, bath and basement remodeling projects or other work that alters walls, fixtures, plumbing or electrical systems

Permit applications are available at liih.org/public-portal through our online public portal for the following projects:

- Water heater/softener system repairs and replacements
- Furnace and air conditioning system repairs and replacements
- Roofing and siding repairs and new material installations
- Stormwater management

Contact the Community Development Department at 847-960-7400 for further information and assistance.

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE

Establish and follow a routine maintenance plan to preserve the value of your home and property, avoid unexpected expenses, and protect the safety and value of surrounding properties in your neighborhood.

Follow these helpful reminders:

- Make plans to service lawn mowing equipment ahead of the growing season. Per Village ordinance, grass and weeds must never exceed eight inches in height throughout all yard areas and the adjacent right-of-way.
- Trim trees and bushes to limit damage to the roof and siding and prevent safety hazards. Low branches overhanging public bike paths and sidewalk areas obstruct views at street intersections. Ensure that your home's address is clearly visible from the street for first responders.
- Downspouts and sump pumps may not be installed in locations that would cause them to discharge any closer than six feet inside a lot's property lines. They must not cause a runoff issue for the public sidewalk, street or adjacent properties per Village ordinances.
- Pet owners are responsible for maintaining their property and keeping it free of excessive waste accumulation in any yard area. Dog waste must be picked up while walking dogs in any park or public place and properly disposed of in a waste receptacle.
- Boats, recreational vehicles, vehicles and trailers (all types) must be properly parked or stored at all times on a hard surface per Village ordinance. Parking on grass is not permitted.

To schedule a courtesy visit from a member of our staff or get answers to questions on property maintenance topics, please get in touch with the Village's Community Development Department staff at 847-960-7400. Find more information on property maintenance requirements at liih.org.



Photo taken by Alex Vucha

POLICE UPDATES

SIGN UP FOR NIXLE ALERTS AND TEXT-A-TIP

Have you subscribed to receive our Nixle text updates yet? Text 60156 to 888777 to receive community updates and real-time emergency alerts from the Lake in the Hills Police Department, Village Hall and Public Works Department on your phone. To receive advisory and community messages via email instead of via text message, text your email address to 888777.

Nixle can also be used to communicate directly with the Lake in the Hills Police Department for anonymous crime tipping. Simply text TIP LITHPD to 888777. You will receive a message informing you that you are connected to the Police Department. Then, send in your crime tip. You will receive a follow-up message that will confirm the tip was received. For more information, please visit lith.org/police.

REMINDER: PARKING ON SIDEWALKS IS PROHIBITED

Per the Illinois Vehicle Code, it is unlawful to stop or park a vehicle on a sidewalk (625 ILCS 5/11-1303). Parking on sidewalks is considered a

traffic violation and creates a safety hazard for area residents as they walk throughout subdivisions. If sidewalks are obstructed by improperly parked vehicles, people are forced to either walk in the roadway or onto other residents' property. Children playing in front yards or walking along the area may be obstructed from view

by improperly parked vehicles which creates a hazardous situation. Vehicles blocking sidewalk access also prevent neighbors that may be disabled or need assistance while walking from using the sidewalks. As a friendly reminder, please refrain from parking on sidewalks. Violations are punishable by a minimum fine of \$25.

SUBSCRIBE TO OUR E-NEWSLETTERS!



Stay in the know by subscribing to our email updates! We publish several newsletters including the Resident Insider, the Business Insider, the Lake in the Hills 3CK Airport Update, and Police Officer Recruitment and Employment News. Visit us at lith.org/publications and select "Subscribe to eNewsletters" to sign up for the newsletters you'd like to receive.

SAVE THE DATE: BIKE SAFETY EVENT

Save the date for a new bicycle safety class for children on June 3. The Police Department and Parks and Recreation Department will team up to offer the community an opportunity to learn about bicycle safety, the rules of the road and equipment. Stay tuned for event details and registration information that will be posted at lith.org and on the Village's social media platforms. If you have any questions, please reach out to the Police Department's Community Relations Division at 847-658-5676 or communityrelations@lith.org.

PROTECT YOUR VALUABLES

Crime can make its way into any neighborhood. Follow preventative measures to protect yourself, your home and your neighbors. The Lake in the Hills Police Department recommends that residents follow the "9 p.m. Routine" to protect their homes and valuables. Follow these tips each night before going to bed.

- Remove valuables from your car.
- Always keep your vehicle locked.
- If you park in a garage, close your garage door and lock all entry doors and windows to the garage.

- Park in a well-lit location if you do not park in a garage.
- Remove garage door openers from your vehicle that can be used to gain access to your home.
- Close and lock windows throughout your home.
- Turn on exterior lights.

Consider putting indoor lights on timers and installing motion-sensor lights along your home's exterior. Please keep upcoming vacation dates off social media to protect your home while you're away. If you see any suspicious activity, dial 911 to report suspicious noises, people or vehicles to the Lake in the Hills Police Department.

CIVILIAN RESPONSE TO ACTIVE SHOOTER EVENTS (CRASE) TRAINING

The Lake in the Hills Police Department will offer Civilian Response to Active Shooter Events (CRASE) Training on Thursday, May 18, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Irv Floress Safety Education Center at 1109 Crystal Lake Road. Civilian Response to Active Shooter Events (CRASE) is built on the three principles of avoid, deny and defend. This free two-hour training will discuss the history and prevalence of active shooter events, civilian response

options, medical issues, considerations for conducting drills, tips on controlling the body's physiological response to stressful situations and more. The training will help citizens better understand how first responders and law enforcement officers respond to active shooter events.

The Lake in the Hills Police Department is proud to partner with the community to help citizens gather tools to help them survive. Take the class to learn how you can take action to save your life and the lives of those around you when every second counts. Visit lith.org/police to learn more about CRASE training and other events hosted by the Police Department.



NATIONAL NIGHT OUT COMMUNITY COOKOUT

The Lake in the Hills Police Department invites community members to the National Night Out Community Cookout on Saturday, August 5, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Join us at the Police Station at 1115 Crystal Lake Road. Tour the police station, watch a live K-9 demo, meet "PC" the Patrol Car

Robot, and see and touch various police and fire vehicles. Meet the Police Department's tactical bike and traffic units and members of the Algonquin-Lake in the Hills Fire Protection District. Participants will also learn how to collect evidence, see the Flight for Life helicopter (if available) and try on fatal vision impairment goggles, among other activities. Hot dogs, chips and soda will be provided for lunch. Learn more about this exciting event at lith.org/police.



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Visit lith.org/publications for links to all of the Village's social media accounts.



VILLAGE OF LAKE IN THE HILLS

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VILLAGE BOARD MEETINGS

The Village Board of Trustees meets twice a month on the second and fourth Thursday at 7:30 p.m. They meet once during November and December on the second Thursday. The Committee of the Whole meetings are on the Tuesday preceding each Board meeting at 7:30 p.m. Residents are encouraged to attend and present matters at the Committee of the Whole meetings. Agendas for all meetings are posted on the Village's website, lith.org.



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PAPERLESS WATER BILLING

Paperless billing is available for your water bill. Easily access your bill from your email and receive it the day that it is created without the delay of mail. The online billing e-suite is private and secure. To enroll, visit lith.org/waterbill and click the "Access My Account" button. Next, click "Create User Profile" to create an account. Please have your account number from your water bill ready.

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Village Instagram:	@lakeinthehillsil
Village LinkedIn:	linkedin.com/company/village-of-lake-in-the-hills
Police Department Facebook:	facebook.com/LakeintheHillsPolice
Police Department Twitter:	@LITHPolice
Police Department Instagram	@lithpd
Airport Facebook:	facebook.com/lithairport



SPEAK OUT!

The Village of Lake in the Hills is pleased to respond to your individual questions, thoughts, and concerns. Please visit lith.org/contact-us to make an online submission, or contact us at Village Hall, Public Works, or the Police Department. You can also get in touch with us on social media and via Nixle by texting 60156 to 888777!

VILLAGE HALL

600 Harvest Gate
M-F 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
847-960-7400

POLICE DEPARTMENT

1115 Crystal Lake Road
M-F 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Non-Emergency: 847-658-5676
Emergency: 911

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