

## VILLAGE VIEWS

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### *Message from the Mayor*

Dear Reader,

Another year, another set of great memories. This year really flew by. From our parades, through our new community events, and right into our holiday season; Lake Villa had a very busy year. Some of those great memories included our unique St. Patrick's Day Parade, a fun Celebration of Summer, the Miss Lake Villa Pageant, a variety of cooking and painting classes, and Lehmann Mansion's popular Live Music in the Parks concert series.

On top of all the fun, Lake Villa continued to grow in 2016. We welcomed new businesses to the downtown area. With the development of a Tax Increment Financing (TIF) and Business District, new commercial developments are possible. The Village became a full member of the Central Lake County Joint Action Water Agency (CLCJAWA) and our Lake Michigan Water Project continues in its progression.

Lake Villa has much to be thankful for. Please be safe and considerate this holiday season. Included in this edition of Village Views are a few holiday shopping and holiday safety reminders. If you are interested in helping those in need this holiday season, the Lake Villa Township Food Pantry is accepting donations of frozen turkeys, hams, fruits, and vegetables. The Lake Villa Township Food Pantry appreciates all donations and help in supporting local families in need. Canned goods, cereal, and boxed food items along with paper and plastic bags for the food pantry are welcome year round. The Village also collects donations for the Food Pantry at every Village event.

What truly makes each year special are our residents. Your participation, commitment, and passion make all of our community events and efforts worth it. The Village of Lake Villa is lucky to have such wonderful residents. Without you, Lake Villa is just a dot on a map. Thank you, for making Lake Villa more than a place. Thank you, for making Lake Villa an amazing home. Each of us at Village Hall is honored to serve you and we eagerly look forward to the excitement, joy, and opportunities the New Year brings!

Happy Holidays,

Frank Loffredo  
Mayor

## AROUND THE VILLAGE

### **“A FAIRYTALE COME TRUE” PRINCESS LUNCHEON**

Tickets are on sale for this magical event at historic Lehmann Mansion. Come join Miss Lake Villa, and her court, for a very special lunch and enjoy some special activities. Events include: a Royal Lunch, Tiara and Goody Bag, Royal Arts and Crafts, a special photo keepsake, and more!

The Princess Luncheon is Saturday, March 11, 2017. Tickets for the event are \$25 and are expected to sell out quickly.

For ticket purchases and for more information, please call Village Hall at (847)356-6100.

### **RIGHT OF WAY AND MAILBOX REPAIRS**

From time to time, the snow plows may damage turf in the right of ways. With varying temperatures in the winter months there may be some ground frost. This makes the right of ways more susceptible to damage. If this happens in your neighborhood, please call Village Hall. The Village will return in the spring to repair the damaged area that you reported.

In addition, during the Village’s snow and ice removal operations, mailboxes may be damaged either from a direct hit from a snowplow. The Village has a mailbox replacement policy for mailboxes that are damaged as a result of snow and ice removal operations. For more information, call Village Hall at (847)356-6100.

### **BREAKFAST WITH SANTA AT LEHMANN MANSION**

Come join the fun with the Lake Villa Historical Society’s Pancake Breakfast and visit with Santa. There are many activities for kids including storytellers and a balloon artist. Lehmann Mansion is located at 485 N. Milwaukee Avenue (Rte 83) in Lake Villa.

Date: Sunday, December 4th, 2016

Time: 8am-12pm

Tickets: \$8 (Age 3 and under free)

### **HOLIDAY PARADE & TREE LIGHTING**

Join us, at Lehmann Park, for Lake Villa’s Annual Lighted Holiday Parade and Tree Lighting Ceremony on November 26, 2016. Further activities will take place at the Lake Villa Metra Station following the Tree Lighting Ceremony.

Parade Line-Up (participant):

4:00pm at Palombi School

Parade Start Time:

5:00pm at 133 McKinley Avenue, Lake Villa.

### **RENTAL UNIT INSPECTIONS**

To ensure that rental dwelling units are habitable and safe for tenants, a building and life safety inspection is required. This inspection must happen before a new tenant can occupy the rental unit. This effort includes the owners of these units obtaining a certificate of occupancy from the Village of Lake Villa. For more information, contact the Village at (847)356-6100.

### **POLICE DEPARTMENT PROGRAMS**

The Police Department offers a Neighborhood Watch Program; interested residents should call (847) 356-6106 for more information.

The Police Department offers crime prevention meetings for communities. Further information can be obtained by calling (847) 356-6106 and asking for a crime prevention officer.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### VILLAGE HALL

Village Hall will close on the following dates and reopen for normal hours on the next business day:

December 23rd - 26th, 2016

January 2nd, 2017

### WASTE MANAGEMENT HOLIDAY INFO

**The week of December 25th:** Waste Management will pick up garbage one day later than regularly scheduled.

**The week of January 1st:** Waste Management will pick up garbage one day later than regularly scheduled.

Waste Management will pick up Holiday Trees from **January 3 through January 13, 2017** at no additional charge from all residential households.

All decorations (stands, tinsel, ornaments, etc.) must be removed from trees in order to be collected. Please, do not place trees in plastic bags. Waste Management will not pick-up trees in plastic bags.

### METRA SERVICE

The Village is on the North Central Line with weekday service from Antioch to Chicago. Visit [www.metrarail.com](http://www.metrarail.com) for schedules and additional information. To fund the maintenance of the parking facilities and the Metra station, the daily parking fee is \$1.75. The North Central Line, which services Lake Villa, is also a, O'Hare Transfer line. You can reach both Chicago and O'Hare on the same train route.

### E-BILLING

To receive an electronic bill instead of a paper bill, please call Village Hall at (847)356-6100, or send an email to [webmaster@lake-villa.org](mailto:webmaster@lake-villa.org) to enroll. When emailing your request, please include your name, account number, and home address.

You can also view your utility bill and your utility billing history online at [www.lake-villa.org](http://www.lake-villa.org). To access your account, you will need your account number. While online, you may also pay your utility bill via a credit card. Residents and business own-

ers may also sign up for auto debit to have your bill automatically debited from your account on the due date.

### ON STREET PARKING

The Village Code prohibits on street parking during 2 or more inches of snow. This will help the Village be more efficient in clearing Village Streets and will help ensure safety by minimizing the people and vehicles on the street.

### SNOWPLOWING

Keep in mind that as the plows come by, snow is diverted to the curb to the right side of the plow. Snow may accumulate in the end of driveway approaches as the plow truck passes by. Please do not shovel this snow back into the street because snow that is shoveled into the street can freeze and cause dangerous conditions. When shoveling your driveway, place the snow onto your yard or the parkway to the right side as you face the street. That will help prevent the snow from being pushed back into your driveway.

### WINTER DRIVING TIPS

Residents are urged to use caution when driving during winter months due to snow and ice causing hazardous road conditions. Always allow yourself extra travel time knowing that a slower speed is necessary for safety.



## HOLIDAY SHOPPING TIPS

### Stay Alert

During the holidays, crowded shopping centers and parking lots can be prime locations for thieves looking to take advantage of distracted shoppers. So stay aware of your surroundings while shopping. Overloading your arms with packages can limit your visibility and motion, making you an easier target for would-be thieves.

Help prevent your vehicle from being stolen by always locking your car. Never leave your car unoccupied with the motor running or with children inside.

Park in a well-lighted space, and be sure to lock the car, close the windows, and hide shopping bags and gifts in the trunk.

### Surf Safely

Only enter personal information on secure sites - web address beginning with "https" and featuring a padlock symbol in the status bar. Never enter your drivers license or Social Security Number online (neither is typically required to make a purchase).

### Enjoy the Season!

Last but not least, don't let holiday stress get the best of your holiday spirit. Make time to get together with family, friends, and neighbors.

For more tips, visit [www.lake-villa.org](http://www.lake-villa.org)

### THE VILLAGE OF LAKE VILLA

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#### Village Officials

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### VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING SCHEDULE

December 14th, 2016 @ 8:00pm

December 28th, 2016 @ 8:00pm

January 11th, 2017 @ 8:00pm

January 25th, 2017 @ 8:00pm

Village committee meetings precede each regular board meeting and start at 7:00pm



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