

SNOW PLOWING



DOWNTOWN VISION PLAN



MAILBOX REPAIRS



ST. PATRICKS DAY



A MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

Dear Residents,

Happy New Year! Many of you have various social media accounts and follow the Village of Lake Villa on Facebook, X, & Instagram. We use these social media accounts to communicate various information that may or may not be time-sensitive. Periodically the Village reminds residents of the leaf vacuuming and branch collection schedules, best recycling practices, Village events, and provides information on other Village services. The Village also releases time-sensitive information, such as inclement weather updates, road closures, changes to refuse/recycling collection, storm clean-up, information on water main breaks, and construction updates.



As we look forward to spring, make sure you add our 2025 events to your calendar. The St. Patrick's Day Parade will be on Saturday, March 15th this year, and is always a fun event for the whole family! Our Egg Hunt is on Saturday, April 12th with a rain date of Sunday, April 13th. The Memorial Day Parade is on Monday, May 26th. We have 3 Picnic in the Parks this summer. One on Saturday, June 28th, the second one on Saturday, July 19th, & last one on August 16th with a car show. Our Annual Celebration of Fall is on Saturday, September 6th with the ever favorite Fireworks. Lastly, our Holiday Parade & Tree Lighting will be on Saturday, November 29th. We hope you will join us for these events. For more updates on these events, please check our Facebook Page and Website.

For more updates on what is going on around the Village, follow my Facebook page @Mayor James McDonald.

Respectfully,

Jim McDonald
Mayor

GENERAL INFORMATION

DOWNTOWN VISION PLAN TAKES SHAPE

The Village's Downtown Vision Plan is nearing completion and will be ready to view later this month! This transformative plan sets an exciting course of revitalizing our downtown, envisioning a vibrant, welcoming hub for residents, businesses and visitors alike.

Over the past several months, the Village partnered with Better City, LLC, and Teska Associates to shape a Vision for Cedar Avenue and create a conceptual redevelopment plan for the Village-owned property at Cedar & Lake Avenues. The Vision Plan highlights key priorities, including public investments, beautification efforts, and wayfinding improvements designed to enhance walkability, boost downtown appeal, and improve parking solutions.

A heartfelt thank you to the residents, business owners, and property owners who shared their insights through online surveys and focus groups. Your feedback has been instrumental in shaping this vision.

The Village is excited to unveil the final Vision Plan and looks forward to working together to bring it to life. With your continued support, we can create a downtown that reflects the heart and spirit of our community. For more information, visit us online at www.lake-villa.org.



FRIENDS OF CEDAR LAKE

The Friends of Cedar Lake is a citizen-led initiative advocating for the preservation of Cedar Lake. The goal is to preserve its natural wonder by assisting Lake County in monitoring the health of the lake. All are welcome to attend meetings held at 7pm on the 1st Tuesday of each month at the Lake Villa District Library. The next two meetings are on February 4th and March 4th.

FOLLOW THE VILLAGE ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Like us on Facebook and follow us on X and Instagram for news and updates:



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RIGHT OF WAY & 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 the Village Hall. The Village will return in the spring to repair the damaged area that you have reported.

In addition, during the Village's snow and ice removal operations, mailboxes may be damaged from a direct hit of snow from a snow plow. The Village has a mailbox replacement policy for mailboxes that are damaged as a result of snow and ice removal operations. It is a \$50.00 max replacement cost. For more information, please call the Village Hall at 847-356-6100.

COFFEE WITH A COP

Join the Lake Villa Police Department at our new Dunkin' Location at 802 Tower Dr. on Tuesday, February 11, 2025 from 7-8:30am for a chance to meet the officers who serve our community. See you there!

WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND THE VILLAGE

SNOWPLOWING

During the winter, the Lake Villa Snow Operations team often work long extended hours - plowing snow and removing ice on roadways, parking lots, and sidewalks. Their goal is to ensure that all roads are safe for travel when winter weather hits. The Village's snow operations is not as simple as one would think and it requires a true team effort to meet the needs of residents and businesses. Here are a few snow-related things to remember as we are in the winter weather season:

1. **Do NOT push snow back into the street** - when removing snow from your driveway, please do not shove or plow it onto the public roadway. This creates a slippery and hazardous surface for traffic (Village Code 5-1-11).
2. **Be mindful of parking during and after snowfall** - After a minimum of 2 inch snow fall, parking is NOT PERMITTED on Village maintained roadways until snow has been cleared edge to edge.

Snow Removal Priorities:

When snow and ice removal needs to be prioritized during a large winter weather event, here's how the Village of Lake Villa prioritizes resources:

1. Village Streets - Village crews plow and clear nearly 60 miles of Village maintained roadways. IDOT is responsible for IL Rt. 83 and 132, and LCDOT plows Deep Lake, Grass Lake, Fairfield, Petite Lake, and Monaville Rd.
2. Village Parking Lots & Sidewalks - all platforms adjacent to tracks is the responsibility of Metra
3. Pedestrian Walkways around parks
4. Central Business District/Park Property Hauling of snow.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE & LUNCHEON



The Village's Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade will be on Saturday, March 15, 2025 at Noon. The Parade will kick off from Palombi Middle School. Immediately following the parade, The Village will be hosting a Corned Beef Luncheon at the Lake Villa VFW Post 4308. Please follow our Facebook Page and check our website for more information. If you are interested in being a part of the parade, please contact Corey Westman at cwestman@lake-villa.org or the application will be available on our website.

EGG HUNT



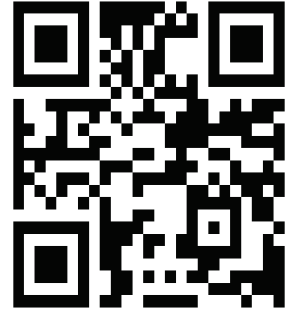
The Village's Annual Egg Hunt will be on Saturday, April 12, 2025 with a rain date of Sunday, April 13, 2025 in Lehmann Park. It will be broken up into age groups, 2 & under, 3-4 years old, 5-6 years old, & 7-8 years old. This event is FREE.

LEAD SERVICE LINE IDENTIFICATION INITIATIVE & SURVEY

The Federal Government mandated that municipalities must find out where lead services are located throughout the community to begin the process of eliminating them. Lead, unlike other drinking water contaminants, is usually not present in the drinking water source. It results from the distribution system or on-site plumbing itself. Lead gets into water at the tap when water corrodes lead in pipes, fixtures, and solder. The most impactful way to reduce the risk of exposure to lead in drinking water is to remove the lead service line that brings water to your home from the water main.

To find out if you have copper, lead, or galvanized steel service on your property, you can perform a test on the water service line where it connects to the water meter to determine the material of the water service line on your property.

The Village of Lake Villa is surveying all homes to identify existing lead service lines. Please complete the brief Water Service Line Material survey to determine the material composition of your water lines by using the QR code attached.



For further questions, please call the Village at 847-356-6100.

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VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING SCHEDULE

Village Board meets the 1st and 3rd Mondays
of each month.

February 3, 2025 @ 7:00pm
Tuesday, February 18, 2025 @ 7:00pm
March 3, 2025 @ 7:00pm
March 17, 2025 @ 7:00pm

VILLAGE HALL

Village Hall will be closed February 17, 2025 for
President's Day. Regular hours will resume the
next business day.



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