A MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

Dear Residents,

It’s hard to believe that we are at the end of summer already. I hope you had the opportunity to attend some of the awesome community events that were offered. It is always nice to see neighbors and friends enjoying the local summer festivities.

As the seasons change, our staff and volunteers are busy finalizing plans for our fall and holiday events. Here is a sample of what is coming up:

The Lehmann Mansion will be having “A Haunted Night at the Mansion” event. The event will take place on Saturday, October 29th from 5pm-10pm. There will be games, music, food, drinks and more. Tickets are on sale via the Lehmann Mansion website under the “Events at the Mansion” page.

The annual holiday parade and tree lighting along with Santa in the park will take place downtown on Saturday, November 26th beginning at 5pm.

The Lake Villa Historical Society will be hosting Breakfast with Santa at the Lehmann Mansion on Sunday, December 4th.

Details on these events are located within this issue, or will soon be available on the Village website.

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

Have a safe and healthy Fall,

Jim McDonald
Mayor
**FALL CLEAN UP**
Waste Management performs two yard waste collection programs within the Village at no extra charge. Below are the details of the programs.

**BRANCH PICKUP**
Waste Management collects branches on your normal garbage day. Branches must be bundled and tied together in no longer than four foot lengths and should not weigh more than fifty pounds. An unlimited amount of bundles may be placed at your curb for collection.

**LEAF VACUUMING**
Waste Management will pick up leaves weekly, beginning October 24th through December 3rd. Residents are asked to rake leaves to the curb by Monday morning, for pickup by Waste Management that week. Leaves must be raked to within five feet of the curb and should not be placed in the gutter or street. Leaves should be raked in a narrow long line with the back of the pile no further than 4 feet from the curb. No twigs/branches allowed in leaves. Please keep the leaf pile away from the mailbox. Leaves will be picked up weekly, but not necessarily on your trash pickup day.

Note: Dates may be adjusted based on weather.

**TRICK OR TREAT**
Halloween Trick or Treat hours will be on Monday, October 31st, from 4 - 7 pm.

**UTILITY BILL PAYMENTS**
Another easy way to pay your utility bill is by using our new utility billing system. Please visit the Village’s website at www.lake-villa.org online payments to pay your utility bill. This portal now allows you to create an account, add a credit card or e-check. You can also set up your account to receive reminders via text or email. Please call the Village if you need any assistance at 847-356-6100.

As a reminder, please remember to change the mailing address in your banks bill pay portal. They are no longer forwarding your payment from the old address to the new P.O. Box shown down below.

P.O. Box 7221
Carol Stream, IL 60197-7221

**“A HAUNTED NIGHT AT THE MANSION”**
The Lehmann Mansion will be hosting their first “Haunted Night at the Mansion”. The event is on Saturday, October 29th from 5-10pm. There will be food, drinks, a live DJ, games, and axe throwing. There is a costume contest. The winner will win a 65’ smart tv. Tickets are available on the Lehmann Mansion website.

**CALL JULIE**
Know what’s below. Call before you dig. Call JULIE at 800-892-0123 to ensure you don’t hit an underground utility.
GENERAL INFORMATION

VILLAGE OF LAKE VILLA APPOINTS NEW VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR

The Lake Villa Board of Trustees has welcomed Michael Strong as its new Village Administrator. The Village Board voted unanimously to appoint him to the position during their regular meeting on July 18.

“We are excited to welcome Michael Strong to the community” Mayor Jim McDonald said. “He is going to be a wonderful addition to the team and we look forward to working with him to enhance our Village services, pursue new economic development opportunities, and implement our newly adopted comprehensive plan.”

In his role, Strong is responsible for overseeing the daily operations of the Village, coordinating personnel functions, and setting operational goals established by the Village Board of Trustees.

He possesses over 10 years of local government experience in Illinois, where he most recently served as the Assistant City Manager in Lake Forest, Illinois overseeing the day-to-day operations of City Hall, including communications, administrative services, and office of the Clerk. Prior to working in Lake Forest, Strong worked for the Villages of Northbrook and Glen Ellyn. He holds a Master of Public Administration degree from Northern Illinois University and began work on August 15th, 2022.

Strong currently resides in Volo with his wife Christine and four children, Madison, Emma, Olivia and Mason.

“I’m extremely grateful for the opportunity to work with the Village Board, staff and community members of Lake Villa,” said Strong. “I look forward to helping the Board carry out its vision, supporting the staff, and exploring the many amenities and events that make Lake Villa such a welcoming family-friendly community.”

OPEN BURNING

Pursuant to Village Ordinance, open burning is prohibited within the corporate limits of the Village. The open burning ban includes leaves, yard waste, garbage and tires. Residents conducting an open burn in violation of this Ordinance may be ticketed.

RENTAL UNIT INSPECTIONS REQUIRED

Do you rent out your home or commercial building? To ensure that rental dwelling units are habitable and safe for tenants, a building and life safety inspection is required 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, please contact the Village at (847)356-6100.

SHORT TERM RENTALS

According to Village Code, Ordinance 10-4-5-3, states that the accessory use and or occupancy for a period of less than 3 months of a principal structure or accessory structure is prohibited in the Village of Lake Villa.

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WWW.LAKE-VILLA.ORG
HOLIDAY PARADE & TREE LIGHTING

NOVEMBER 26TH, 2022
PARADE STARTS @ 5PM
PARADE ENTRY FORMS WILL SOON BE AVAILABLE ON THE VILLAGE WEBSITE.

SAVE THE DATE

DECEMBER 4TH, 2022
BREAKFAST WITH SANTA AT THE LEHMANN MANSION HOSTED BY THE LAKE VILLA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

THE VILLAGE OF LAKE VILLA
www.lake-villa.org
65 Cedar Avenue
Lake Villa, Illinois 60046

Hours: Monday - Friday, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Village Hall (847) 356-6100
Village Fax (847) 356-6217
Police and Fire Emergency 911
Police Non-Emergency (847) 356-6106
Fire Non-Emergency (847) 356-2525

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VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING SCHEDULE
Village Board meets the 1st and 3rd Mondays of each month.
October 3rd, 2022 @ 7:00pm
October 17th, 2022 @ 7:00pm
November 7th, 2022 @ 7:00pm
November 21st, 2022 @ 7:00pm

VILLAGE HALL
Village Hall will be closed November 11th for Veteran’s Day and November 24th and 25th, 2022 for Thanksgiving. Regular hours will resume the next business day.

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