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Turn Your Clock Ahead for Daylight Saving Time

Don't forget to turn your clocks ahead one hour this Saturday night in observation of daylight saving time. Also, during this time, the Lake Bluff Fire Department encourages residents to replace batteries in smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. Members of the Fire Department will install new smoke detectors or service existing devices as a free service to interested residents. To schedule a visit please contact Nancy Gusterine at 847-234-5158.

Village Board Will Conduct Budget Public Hearing, 3/11/13

On March 11, 2013 the Village Board will conduct a Public Hearing on the Tentative Annual Budget for the fiscal year commencing May 1, 2013 and ending April 30, 2014. Copies of the Tentative Annual Budget will be available for public inspection in advance of the meeting at Village Hall (40 E. Center Avenue), the Public Safety Building (45 E. Center Avenue), the Lake Bluff Library (123 E. Scranton Avenue) and online at lakebluff.org. Following the Public Hearing the Tentative Annual Budget may be further revised and passed without any further inspection, notice or hearing.

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For questions regarding the budget process or the Tentative Annual Budget document, please feel free to contact Finance Director Susan Griffin at 847-283-6890.

Stonebridge Conservation Area Forest Restoration Activities

Event Calendar -

Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting Cancelled

Monday, March 11, 2013

Finance Committee Meeting

Monday, March 11, 2013

Village Board Meeting

Monday, March 11, 2013

Architectural Board of Review Special Meeting

Tuesday, March 12, 2013

Historic Preservation Commission Meeting Cancelled

Wednesday, March 13, 2013

Senior Resources Commission Meeting

Thursday, March 14, 2013

The purpose of this notice is to advise the owner of the Stonebridge Subdivision (located along Green Bay Road) will recommence restoration of the 10.3 acre conservation area on February 18, 2013. The following information provides details about the planned restoration work and a general update regarding the subdivision project.

When the Stonebridge Subdivision project was approved by the Village in November 2006, the development agreement included the creation of a 10.3 acre conservation area at the eastern end of the site and included the requirements for a complete restoration of the conservation area. This conservation area includes all of the wooded area extending east to west between Green Bay Road and the original estate house, and from the north property line of the site to the south property line. The 10.3 acre conservation area also includes the original pond visible from Green Bay Road.

In the spring of 2012 the current developer of the Stonebridge Project, The Roanoke Group, awarded a contract to Pizzo & Associates, an ecological restoration company from Leland, Illinois to perform the initial phase of the forest restoration work. The first phase of the work included the removal of all of the understory buckthorn and honeysuckle and other non-native plants and understory shrubs. The work will also include the removal of the majority of the fallen trees and the removal of trees from the perimeter of the conservation area determined by the Village's tree consultant, Urban Forest Management, to be hazardous or diseased.

During the week of February 18, 2013 The Roanoke Group will commence with the second phase of the conservation area forest work. Roanoke has hired Canopy Tree Specialists, a local tree company that will be working under the direction of Urban Forest Management to remove all of the diseased and undesirable tree species throughout the conservation area forest. The planned removal includes an estimated 220 existing ash trees, all of which either have or are expected to become infected with Emerald Ash Borer.

Removal of the diseased, invasive, and other undesirable species is necessary to reestablish a healthy oak/hickory forest. Currently, due to tree density and the significant number of invasive species, no oak seedlings and very few hickory seedlings have been found on the site by Urban Forest Management. Subsequent work requirements include the planting of 150 new trees of selected species, as well as forest floor native plantings, including such species as trillium, wild geranium, and may apples.

During this phase of the work the tree removal contractor will be permitted to work 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, and 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Saturdays. However, the operation of chain saws, chippers, heavy equipment, and any other type of tool or equipment, shall be limited from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, and 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Saturdays. No burning of removed material will be permitted during this phase.

As far as the overall project is concerned The Roanoke Group continues to rework the original development proposal which was presented to the Village's Joint Plan Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals (PCZBA) on November 28, 2012. At the current time it is estimated that a revised development proposal, developed in consideration of comments received at the November 28th meeting, may be scheduled for a meeting of the PCZBA in the near future. Updates are available by [clicking here](#).

For questions, please contact Village Engineer Geroge Russell, at 847-283-6884.

Provide Input at Community Forums and Help Shape Lake

County's Future

The Lake County Board wants to know what's important to you so its strategic plan represents the community's priorities. Lake County is holding five community forums to engage in meaningful dialogue with residents and stakeholders. You can help shape important policy and budget decisions, as well as influence where the County will focus its resources. The Lake County Board will thoughtfully consider this input as it develops its long-term strategic plan. You have a voice in this process!

Open Houses are scheduled from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. where County residents will be able to visit informational displays, ask questions, and learn about County services and programs. The Community Forums are scheduled to start at 7:00 p.m.

Community Forum Dates:

Tuesday, March 12th

Lake County Health Department
3010 Grand Avenue, Waukegan

Wednesday, March 13th

Lakewood Forest Preserve
27277 N. Forest Preserve Rd Wauconda
(IL Route 176 & N. Fairfield Rd)

For more information

visit lakecountyil.gov/communityforums/Pages/Default.aspx

In the event that Meeting Agenda links do not properly function, subscribers may find agendas posted on the Home Page at www.lakebluff.org. All Board and Commission [Meeting Minutes](#) are generally approved at the next regular meeting and posted on the website the following day.

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