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Lake Bluff Letter October 4, 2013

Event Calendar -

Historic Preservation Commission Meeting Cancelled

Wednesday, October 09, 2013

Farmers' Market

Friday, October 11, 2013

Columbus Day Holiday Reminders

Please be advised during the Columbus Day holiday, refuse, recycling and yard waste collections will remain the same during the week of October 14th. Also, Village Hall will remain open on Monday, October 14th (8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.).

October is Fire Prevention Month

In conjunction with Fire Prevention Month, the Lake Bluff Fire Department is asking all residents and businesses to change their smoke detector batteries. To assist in preventing fires and keeping Lake Bluff families and homes safe, the Fire Department would like to remind residents to:

- Test smoke detectors at least once a month and replace batteries if the detectors do not sound;
- Install smoke detectors on every level of the home and outside each sleeping area;
- Replace smoke detectors approximately every 10 years as their sensitivity is greatly diminished; and
- Periodically clean smoke detectors using a vacuum attachment to remove particles that may interfere with proper operation. If you have an alarm service take the alarm out of service during the cleaning to prevent a false alarm.

Additionally, volunteer firefighters will be available to discuss fire prevention and home safety practices with children and parents during the annual PTO Pumpkin Festival on October 19th. For information concerning Fire Prevention Month in Lake Bluff or the Fire Department's Smoke Detector Program, please call 847-234-5158.

Lake Bluff Trick-or-Treats on October 31st, 4:00 to 7:00 p.m.

The Lake Bluff Police Department invites trick-or-treaters to stop by the Public Safety Building (45 E. Center Avenue) for another Lake Bluff tradition - the annual hotdog roast! On October 31st during trick-or-treat hours (4:00 to 7:00 p.m.), Police Department personnel with help from their families, will cook hot dogs and serve potato chips and refreshments. Hot dogs are limited, so plan to come early!

On Halloween armies of ghosts and goblins will descend on Village neighborhoods! The Lake Bluff Police Department offers the following safety tips to help prepare these frightening creatures for a safe and candy-filled Trick-or-Treat experience:

- Walk on the sidewalk, not in the street;
- Look both ways before crossing the street to check for vehicles;
- Only cross the street at designated crosswalks;
- Do not hide or cross the street between parked cars;
- Wear light-colored, reflective-type clothing or affix reflective tape to costumes or treat bags to increase visibility;
- Carry a flashlight with fresh batteries;
- Visit homes that have inside and outside lights illuminated;
- Accept treats at the door and never enter someone's home;
- Use face paint rather than masks or items that will cover a child's eyes. If a mask is worn, ensure that the eyeholes are large enough that the child's vision is unobstructed;
- Be cautious of animals and strangers;
- Have an adult inspect trick-or-treat candy before children eat it. Do not eat candy if the packaging has already been opened;
- Teach children how to obtain help or how to call 9-1-1 if they have an emergency or become lost;
- Discuss appropriate child behavior when celebrating Halloween;
- Take extra care to remove tripping hazards on private property;
- Always keep Jack O' Lanterns away from drapes, decorations, or areas where children will be standing or walking; and
- Stay in groups that are under adult supervision.

Fall Semi-Annual Collection Information

The fall semi-annual collection program provides Village residents an opportunity to dispose of items such as mattresses, furniture and barbecue grills (without propane tank) that are not picked up as part of the normal refuse collection. The semi-annual collection schedule is determined by regular collection dates; Pickup for Monday's refuse collection route is Wednesday, October 2nd and Tuesday's refuse collection route is scheduled for Wednesday, October 9th. Residents are reminded that all items are required to be placed at the curb no earlier than 4:00 p.m. the day prior to the collection. Please [click here](#) for more information or contact Groot (877-404-7668).

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Landscape Waste Reminders

Autumn has arrived and the leaves are falling fast. To assist residents in the proper disposal of leaves, brush and other landscape waste this season, the Village offers the following disposal guidelines:

- Bundle or bag landscape waste in a Kraft-type paper bag (available at home improvement stores everywhere) no larger than 32 gallon capacity or 50 pounds in weight;
- Individual pieces of brush and/or branches are not to exceed 6 inches in diameter;
- Bundle waste to ensure it does not exceed 2 feet in diameter and 4 feet in length overall or exceed 50 pounds; and
- Ensure bundled waste is securely tied with only twine as plastic, metal or rope ties are prohibited at compost sites.

The Village encourages residents who use professional landscapers for yard maintenance to share these guidelines with the crew members.

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