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## Lake Bluff Letter June 20, 2014

### Summer Street Resurfacing Program Commences

**June 20, 2014 Update:** During the week of June 16th the Village's contractor, Peter Baker & Son, Co., commenced with pavement grinding work as part of the Village's Roadway Resurfacing Project. Surface grinding will continue next week, weather permitting.

Earlier this year the Village Board approved a resolution appropriating \$490,000 (\$308,000 of which is from the IL Motor Fuel Tax) from the Village's General Fund to complete the scheduled Roadway Resurfacing Project during fiscal year 2014-2015. Consistent with the Village's 2016 Strategic Plan goals, the Village partnered with the City of Lake Forest to jointly bid the 2014-15 roadway resurfacing work. A joint project was prepared because it is believed a larger contract will result in lower unit prices for the work being performed in each community. The Village anticipates work to begin by Peter Baker and Son, Co. this summer to resurface all or portions of 10 streets in the Village. Streets are selected for repair based upon available resources and a survey taken in the fall of each year. Residents living on streets where resurfacing is scheduled will receive information before the work commences.

The roadways scheduled for resurfacing this year include:

<b>Street to be Resurfaced:</b>	<b>From:</b>	<b>To:</b>
Albrecht Drive	Waukegan Road	Carriage Park Avenue
Warrington Drive	South entrance of Green Bay Road	North entrance of Green Bay Road
Warrington Court	Warrington Drive	Westerly Terminus
Sanctuary Court	Sanctuary Lane	Easterly Terminus
Atkinson Road	Waukegan Road	Sanctuary Lane
E. Hawthorne Lane	Oak Terrace	150 ft. west of Oak Terrace
E. Sheridan Road Connector	E. Sheridan Road	Moffett Road
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## Event Calendar -

### Art Fair

Saturday, June 21, 2014 - 10:00 am

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Sunday, June 22, 2014 - 10:00 am

### Committee-of-the-Whole / Development & Downtown Committee Meeting

Monday, June 23, 2014 - 6:00 pm

### Village Board Meeting

Monday, June 23, 2014 - 7:00 pm

### Development & Downtown Committee Meeting Cancelled

Thursday, June 26, 2014 - 5:30 pm

### Farmers Market

Friday, June 27, 2014 - 7:00 am

### Antique Show & Block Party

Friday, June 27, 2014 - 5:00 pm

### Foodstock Concert

Sunday, June 29, 2014 - 4:00 pm

Glen Avenue	E. North Avenue	Terminus
E. Center Avenue (westbound lane)	Various full width patching	
Moffett Road	Various full width patching	

Additional information is available by contacting Village Engineer George Russell at 847-283-6884.

### **Independence Day Holiday Reminders**

As Independence Day falls on a Friday, the refuse, recycling and yard waste collections for the week of July 1<sup>st</sup> through July 5<sup>th</sup> will follow the regular collection schedule. In observance of Independence Day, non-emergency Village Offices will be closed on Friday, July 4<sup>th</sup>. Non-emergency Village Offices will commence with regular hours of operation (8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.) on Monday, July 7<sup>th</sup>. For questions during the holiday weekend, residents may contact the Police Department's non-emergency number at 847-234-2153.

### **Artists on the Bluff Host Summer Art Fair, June 21 & 22**

Artists on the Bluff, a local nonprofit organization dedicated to educating, supporting and promoting the arts is holding its annual Arts Festival on the Village Green on Saturday, June 21st and Sunday, June 22nd (10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.). Additional information is available at [artistsonthebluff.org/](http://artistsonthebluff.org/).

### **Start Your Weekends at the Lake Bluff Farmers Market**

Start your weekend at the Lake Bluff Farmers' market! Soon residents will have the chance to enjoy fresh fruits and vegetables, summer blossoms, and delicious baked goods, every Friday on the Village Green from June 13th through October 10th (7:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.). Visit [www.lakeblufffarmersmarket.com](http://www.lakeblufffarmersmarket.com) for more information, including a list of the 2014 season vendors.

### **Antique Auto Show and Block Party Liven Up Lake Bluff June 27**

On Friday, June 27 (from 5:00 to 9:00 pm) local collectors of antique automobiles will showcase their vehicles during the second annual Antique Auto Show and Block Party sponsored by the Lake Bluff History Museum and Lake Bluff Brewing Company. This year's event includes music provided by The Luxmen and promises to be bigger and better than the 2013 block party, at which the Museum "revealed" the restored Lake Bluff Ice Truck. There is no charge for the event. In case of rain, the event will be held June 28.

E. Scranton Avenue will be closed from Sheridan Road to Walnut Avenue to accommodate the cars, band, refreshment tent and participants during the event. Stroll down memory lane as you admire antique cars including a 1930 Model A, 1923 Model T and the 1931 Lake Bluff Ice Truck; enjoy refreshments provided by the Lake Bluff Brewing Company and tap your feet to the tunes of The Luxmen. Included among the vehicles on exhibit will be the restored 1931 Lake Bluff Ice Truck. The Lake Bluff History Museum and a team of volunteers provided the funding, expertise, time, talent and ingenuity required to bring this truck back to life. Opportunities to contribute to the restoration and ongoing care of this historic treasure will be

provided during the block party. As was done last year, individuals can fund restoration of "parts" of the truck, or provide for ongoing maintenance. In addition, the Museum will be selling prints of the Ice Truck by local artist Mark McMahon.

The Lake Bluff History Museum connects people with Lake Bluff's history by researching, organizing, and preserving artifacts relevant to Lake Bluff and its past and present inhabitants; sharing knowledge by telling stories of the people and the social history of Lake Bluff; and creating activities that bring history to life. Located at 127 E. Scranton Avenue, Lake Bluff, the facility is open Tuesday and Thursday from 1:00 to 4:00 pm and Saturday from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm, or by appointment. For information on Lake Bluff history, visit [lakebluffhistory.org](http://lakebluffhistory.org) or call (847) 482-1571.

Lake Bluff Brewing Company is proud to co-sponsor and support the Lake Bluff History Museum's annual block party for a second year in a row. The brewpub is located at 16 E. Scranton Ave. in downtown Lake Bluff.

### **Criterion Cycling Returns to Lake Bluff on July 19th!**

The Northwestern Medicine Lake Bluff Criterium and Block Party are back, Saturday, July 19<sup>th</sup>. The races will run from 10 a.m. until 8 p.m. The Block Party, produced by Friends of Lake Bluff Parks, will be 4 p.m. until 11 p.m. Local restaurants will provide a Taste of Lake Bluff on the Green, while live music with local talent, is staged in the Gazebo during the Block Party. Marco Colbert, a retired racer himself, and the creator and race director of this event in Lake Bluff, recently shared his views of the venue and racing

#### ***What is the structure of a Criterium, is it time or distance or both?***

A Criterium is a road race, on a closed race course, usually 1 mile or less in circumference. This year in Lake Bluff the course is 0.93 miles. In some races, the length of the race is determined by the number of laps in others it is by time. We are using the time method in this race. The women's shortest race will be 30 minutes, and is an amateur race. Pro Women will race 60 minutes, Pro Men will race 90 minutes.

#### ***What are the biggest challenges for a racer in this venue?***

Racers try to stay at the front, staying in the moment, and sharply focused. Things can happen very quickly. In the back there is "rubber-banding," where the pace slows down and speeds up dramatically. There is constant breaking and accelerating, which is more tiring. The ride is smoother at the front.

What other cycling venues exist nearby?

Road racers and Criterium racers can do two races every weekend around here, but few are of the quality of the Prairie State Series, of which the Lake Bluff race is a part. In Lake Bluff we are a National Criterium Calendar (NCC) race. There is only one other NCC race this summer in the area, which is in Glencoe in late May. That will bring a high caliber of professional men and women from around the world.

#### ***Do cyclists cross over from one style of racing to another?***

A Criterium is a short road race. Then there are long road races like Tour de France, are from point A to B, with a much bigger loop. The Prairie State Series, of which the Lake Bluff race is a part, has one big road race, each lap is 9 miles, in Willow Springs on July 23<sup>rd</sup>. Another type of racing is track racing at a velodrom (an indoor track cycling facility) which is highly specialized. There is one in Northbrook, and Kenosha and now one in Chicago. Another type of racing involves solo riders against the clock and is called time trialing. Mountain Bike Racing, is the sport of riding bicycles off-road, often over rough terrain, using specially designed mountain bikes. Mountain bikes share similarities with other bikes, but incorporate features designed to enhance durability and performance in rough terrain. Most mountain

bike riders don't cross over to road racing. In the fall there is Cyclocross. It is off-road, like mountain bike racing, and uses a special bicycle. This is growing faster than other cycling disciplines and growing popular in the Chicago area. It's like steeplechase on a bike, with obstacles, and riders on and off their bikes to navigate.

***Who are the superstars? How do people follow them?***

Last year the United Healthcare team came here, and is still a big contender on the men's side. Erica Aller on the women's side, is a very strong competitor. Laura Van Gilder is coming back, and she is always on the podium. Find more information at these websites: [www.Cyclingnews.com](http://www.Cyclingnews.com), [www.velonews.com](http://www.velonews.com) and [www.chicagobikeracing.com](http://www.chicagobikeracing.com).

***How big is Criterium racing the US?***

Criterium is a uniquely American style. Europeans don't really acknowledge it. It's intense, and fast, with lots of thrills and spills. We've perfected it and should be proud of it. It's very spectator friendly, with progress visible over multiple laps. Road Races not so much, as they pass by and aren't seen again. They go by and it's done. Track Racing at the Velodrome is also spectator friendly.

***When does the season run?***

The season starts in early March and winds down at the end of July, when riders start training for Cyclocross.

***How far in advance do teams plan their calendar?***

Some teams plan out their calendar 6 months in advance. They have only so much money for racing. They plan around the prestige of the races and their budget. Host housing where riders stay with local residents, helps teams and riders expand their total races, and connects local residents with cyclists. In the Criterium season there are a couple races every weekend, so racers decide at the last minute whether to go or not.

***What are the guiding organizations of the sport and how do they differ?***

The national federation of the sport is USA Cycling. They sanction most of the races. They license officials for the events, including junior and more senior. NCC is a racing calendar, designated by USA cycling, which recognizes 22 races for each season. Points are given based on performance, so riders strive to win as a team or as an individual, the NCC title for the year. The Lake Bluff Criterium is one of those exclusive 22 races.

***What attracts riders to Criterium racing?***

It's very competitive, intense, and fast. It's also a team sport, involving strategy. Teammates can be given roles to play, with assignments. One cyclist starts hard, so his teammate can draft. The rider who benefits from that drafting is later fresh, to sprint for the win. The rider feels validated, who leads, to position his teammate for the win, and feels a sense of accomplishment. It's hard for individuals to win, because teams can wear them out. The good teams will manage the sprints and not let a solo rider get out on a sprint at the end.

***How do members of teams find each other?***

It's a niche sport, with a small universe. Cycling clubs are a source of making teams. Sometimes it is age, or just if riders get along well.

***What are the differences between male and female categories in this sport?***

There are maybe 3-4 times more men than women. Prairie State is doing a program for women June 14-15 and there is a clinic in Chicago, June 14, to build interest. Also, in Crystal Lake on Sunday, June 15, will be two group rides for women, of 25 miles, and 45 miles in length. There are nice roads and beautiful scenery. We're creating with the Women's Cycling Association, and a couple pro women will be there. The purpose will be to help grow women's cycling. Beginner women and men are category 4, and there will be races for them that Sunday, June 15.

***If somebody decides they'd like to try Criterium racing, how***

### ***do they pursue that?***

You have to be comfortable with group riding. Perhaps join a cycling club. You need to get comfortable in a group, or a peloton. In the spring there are a few training races. In Chicago there is a training Criterium every week. Tune in to the road racing community. Find some mentors, who do racing, get tips, or hire coaching services. It's competitive, not recreational, not risk-free, and you need to accept the risk involved. You're going to lose some skin on the pavement sooner or later.

### **Village Board Approves Final Target Development Plan**

On January 30, 2013 the Village received a zoning application from Target Stores, Inc. and McVickers Development, LLC. (Petitioners) to amend the text of the Zoning Code establishing planned commercial development (PCD) regulations in the Village's Zoning Code and for the redevelopment of the of the former Shepard Chevrolet property located at 930 Carriage Park Avenue (Development).

The Plan Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals (PCZBA) considered the Development Concept Plan, Final Plan and special use permit (SUP) application at its meetings on February 20th, April 17th, and on May 7th, and recommended Village Board approval of the proposed Development Concept/Final Plan (Plan). On June 4th, the Architectural Board of Review (ABR) held a formal public hearing to consider the overall site plan for the Development, which also includes building elevations, materials, landscaping and signage. The Plan, as recommended by the PCZBA and the ABR, includes the following elements:

1. A 140,000 sq. ft. structure for large format retail operations and three outlot buildings providing space for retail, restaurant (with/without drive thru), bank (with drive thru) operations, and other certain uses on the 14 acre Development;
2. A Target building design with brick façade treatments, landscape features and a unique design "notch" located at the northwest corner of the building;
3. A formal signage package as recommended by the ABR;
4. The extension of Shagbark Rd., from IL Rt. 176 to Carriage Park Ave., providing the main access to the Development;
5. The vacation of public right-of-way along Carriage Park Ave. located in the south central area of the Development;
6. Various off-site traffic improvements consisting of: (i) turn lanes facilitating safe ingress and egress traffic movements on IL Rt. 176 and Shagbark Rd., (ii) pedestrian crosswalks across IL Rt. 176 at Shagbark Rd. and across the entrance to the Development, (iii) countdown pedestrian crosswalk signals at IL Rt. 176 and Shagbark Rd. intersection, and (iv) construction of a right turn lane on IL Rt. 176 at the Waukegan Rd. intersection;
7. A bicycle and pedestrian path system along the perimeter of the site that connects to the existing North Shore Bike Trail along IL Rt. 176, which will be dedicated to the Village;
8. Common areas that incorporate unique landscape features, seating areas and pedestrian pathways to enhance the pedestrian experience, as well as assist in facilitating safe pedestrian movements throughout the Development Site; and

9. A privately owned stormwater management system consisting of a 1.85 acre detention pond, rain garden and underground sanitary and storm sewer to serve the Development Site.

**Target Development Exhibits:**

[Planned Commercaill Development Plat  
Subdivision Plat  
Surveys](#)

[Demolition Plan](#)

[Truck Routing Plan](#)

[Grading Plan](#) [Stormwater Plan](#) [Erosion Plan](#)

[Utility Plan](#)

[Offsite Improvement Plan](#)

[Signage Plan](#)

[Landscape Plan](#) [Tree Preservation Plan](#)

[Photometric Plan](#)

[Plaza Plan](#) [Building Elevation \(1\)](#) [Building Elevation \(2\)](#) [Building  
Elevation \(3\)](#) [Sidewalk Plan](#)  
[Outlot Design Narrative](#)

[Traffic Study](#)

[Traffic Study Memorandum 1](#)

[Traffic Study Memorandum 2](#)

The Village Board approved first reading of the Target Development ordinance on June 10, 2013 and second and final approval on June 24, 2013.

Additional information is available by contacting Brandon Stanick, Asst. to the Village Administrator, at 847-283-6889 or at [bstanick@lakebluff.org](mailto:bstanick@lakebluff.org).

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