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## Lake Bluff Letter

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### Farmers Market

Friday, September 25, 2015 - 7:00am

Village News

### [Join the Lake Bluff History Museum for Upcoming Events!](#)

The following are upcoming events by the Lake Bluff History Museum:

- Distinguished Lake Bluff Home Awards - The 2015 Distinguished Home Awards will be presented at a reception on September 20, 2015 from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., in Lake Bluff Village Hall. Following the Distinguished Home Awards presentation, museum representatives will unveil the restored mural of explorers Marquette and Joliet installed in its new home in the Village Hall Boardroom;
- Tour Crab Tree Farms Arts and Crafts Collection - The Lake Bluff History Museum will host a tour of Crab Tree Farm on October 10, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. The tour features the Crab Tree Farms Arts and Crafts Collection, housed in five buildings on the property located at 982 Sheridan Road, and lasts approximately 90 minutes; and
- Tour Historic East Lake Bluff - The Camp Meetings, Chautauquas, Artists and Anarchists docent-led walking tour in east Lake Bluff will take place on October 4, 2015. Multiple tour groups leave from the Union Church (525 East Prospect) at 15 minute intervals with the first tour group leaving at 1:00 p.m. and the last tour departing at 1:45 p.m. Tickets cost \$10.00 and may be purchased online at [lakebluffhistory.org](http://lakebluffhistory.org) or in the Lake Bluff History Museum

during museum hours: Tuesday and Thursday from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

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### Fall Semi-Annual Collection Information

The upcoming semi-annual collection program is scheduled for Wednesday, October 7, 2015 (for the Monday collection route) and Wednesday, October 14, 2015 (for the Tuesday collection route). This program provides residents the opportunity to dispose (free of charge) of large items not picked up as part of the normal refuse collection. Items or containers are to be placed at the edge of the curb on your respective collection day. If you have any questions regarding collection requirements please contact Groot at 847-404-7668.

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### Village Approves Commercial Solid Waste Hauling and Recycling Program Ordinance

On Monday, September 14, 2015 the Lake Bluff Village Board approved an Ordinance that will authorize the Village to initiate a commercial franchise program which (if ultimately enacted) may help control costs for local businesses, increase recycling, and reduce greenhouse gases associated with collection from non-residential locations.

In 2014 the Illinois State Legislature passed Public Act 98-1079 ("Public Act") which amends the authority of municipalities to enter into exclusive franchise contracts for waste and recycling services for local businesses and institutions. Under the Public Act, municipalities can no longer enter into a commercial waste and recycling contract with one service provider without first conducting a three year study of recycling participation rates. On September 14, 2015 the Village of Lake Bluff ("Village") Board of Trustees amended the Village's Municipal Code establishing a Commercial Solid Waste Hauling and Recycling Program ("Program"). Through this Program, the Village moves toward attaining one of its 2016 Strategic Visions, Environmental stewardship enhances the national beauty of the community, by commencing with a three year study period to: (i) increase recycling, (ii) reduce costs to recycle, and (iii) to better control the negative impacts associated with waste hauling (e.g. number of days for collection, number of collections, fuel-type used in collection vehicles, etc.).

During the study period, commercial waste haulers serving businesses in the Village must report (every six months) the number of commercial accounts that are recycling. If after the end of the three year study less than 50% of the commercial account are recycling, the municipality may issue a request for proposals for an exclusive commercial franchise. However, if 50 % or more of businesses in the Village are participating, Lake Bluff cannot establish a commercial franchise with a single waste hauler unless the participation rate falls

below the 50% threshold for two consecutive reporting periods (or 12 consecutive months). According to the Solid

Waste Agency of Lake County ("SWALCO"), a typical Lake County municipality without a commercial franchise has a business recycling participation rate of approximately 25%. Additionally, as a single commercial franchise would impact competition between commercial waste haulers, it is anticipated that businesses will start a recycling program.

As a requirement of the Public Act, municipalities that adopt the Program must report the recycling rate supplied by the licensed commercial waste haulers. By partnering with SWALCO, SWALCO will publish the recycling participation rate of Lake Bluff businesses on its website (swalco.org).

For additional information visit lakebluff.org, or please contact Brandon Stanick, Assistant to the Village Administrator, at 847-283-6889.

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### [Visit the Village Green on October 3, 2015 for Rib Fest!](#)

Mark your calendars now! The Village is pleased to announce on October 3, 2015 all residents are invited to the Village Green for some barbeque fun at the annual Rib Fest.

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### [Street Closures for September 26th's Block Party](#)

The next Block Party is scheduled for September 26, 2015 (5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.) located on E. Scranton Avenue (between Sheridan Rd. and Walnut Ave.). The street will be closed from 3:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

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### [SWALCO Offers Mobile Household Chemical Waste Collection Event](#)

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In the event that Meeting Agenda links do not properly function, subscribers may find agendas posted on the Home Page at [www.lakebluff.org](http://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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