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Lake Bluff Letter

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Public Safety Day

Saturday, September 16, 2017 - 11:00am

Plan Commission & Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting

Wednesday, September 20, 2017 - 7:00pm

Farmers' Market

Friday, September 22, 2017 - 7:00am

Lake Bluff Brewing Company Block Party

Saturday, September 23, 2017 - 5:00pm

Recent Board and Committee Actions

For more information, visit the Village's [meeting packets and videos page](#). Agendas and meeting materials are typically available the Friday before a meeting; videos within a week after the meeting; and minutes after they are approved at the next meeting of the public body. Not all meetings are recorded on video.

Recent Village Board Meeting (September 11):

- Proclaimed September 26, 2017 as National Voter Registration Day;
- Accepted an informational report and presentation from the Committee Representing Our Young Adults (CROYA) Manager Todd Nahigian regarding CROYA programs;
- Appointed Jill Danly to the Architectural Board of Review;

Appointed Law Firm of LaLuzerne & Smith to the office of Village Prosecutor;

- Appointed Bettina K. O'Connell to Lake Bluff Village Finance Director;
- Approved a sign exemption request for Whitehead Studios at 36 E. Center Avenue;
- Honored the public service of Village Prosecutor William Franks;
- Entered into a contract with TGF Enterprises, Inc for snow plowing services for certain Village streets and parking lots;
- Entered into a construction contract with Hoerr Construction for the Village of Lake Bluff 2017 Sanitary Sewer Lining Project;

**Recent Historic Preservation Commission Meeting (September 13):
CANCELLED**

**Upcoming Plan Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting
(September 20):**

- A public hearing regarding a special use permit application for Chevy Exchange (1 Sherwood Terrace and 915 Sherwood Drive)
- A public hearing regarding a variation for 511 East Prospect Avenue, which the PCZBA has the authority to grant
- A conceptual workshop regarding possible development at 15 E. Washington Ave
- A public hearing regarding a variation at 718 Sheridan Road

Village News

[Help Our Schools Help Hurricane Harvey Families](#)

Many families in the Houston Independent School District have been devastated by the catastrophic flooding caused by Hurricane Harvey. Lake Bluff's elementary and middle schools are collecting donations of new and unused clothing, shoes, underwear, socks, uniforms, school supplies, canned food, and bottled water that can help Houston students recover and prepare for the coming school year. Please, consider dropping off a contribution at either campus.

[Printable Flyer \(PDF\)](#)

[Join us for a Public Safety Open House on September 16](#)

The Village of Lake Bluff invites residents and visitors to attend a Public Safety Day Open House on September 16, 2017, from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., at the Public Safety Building (45 E. Center Avenue). Each year, Public Safety Day demonstrates the complex work performed by emergency responders to save lives and execute essential services for the public. The Village's Police, Fire, and Public Works Departments each provide fun activities and education to prevent emergencies.

During the event, first responders will demonstrate a small room fire, emergency scuba diving, and a helicopter landing at Artesian Park. A free corn roast will complement free food and refreshments provided by the Metropolitan Emergency Support Service (MESS), a volunteer run nonprofit organization that provides support to on-scene emergency personnel.

Other Public Safety Day activities include: fire extinguisher training for adults; fingerprinting; children's events; and a vehicle and equipment showcase.

[Upcoming History Museum Events](#)

The Lake Bluff History Museum (lakebluffhistory.org) is hosting two exciting events soon:

- **[Tour Crab Tree Farm Arts and Crafts Collection](#)**. *September 23, 10:00 a.m. and 1 p.m., 982 Sheridan Road.* Crab Tree Farm was built in 1910, after fire destroyed the original farm buildings. The buildings were designed and built, by Architect Solon Beman, as a model dairy farm for Grace Durand. Durand was a successful businesswoman who was trained in agricultural science and well known for her modern methods of dairy farming. The farm buildings have undergone extensive renovation since Durand's time and now house the finest collection of Arts and Crafts furnishings in the country. Tickets cost \$35 and can be purchased at the Museum or by mail (order form available online).
- ***Camp Meetings, Chautauquas, Artists and Anarchists - Tour Historic East Lake Bluff.*** *October 1, 1 p.m., 525 East Prospect Avenue.* This docent-led tour covers much of the area developed in the late 1800s by the Camp Meeting Association and provides history on the Camp Meetings, the Chautauqua Movement, and a period in the early 1900s when Lake Bluff was a destination attracting an eclectic mix of writers, poets, musicians, artists and anarchists. Multiple tour groups leave from the Union Church, 525 East Prospect, Lake Bluff, IL, at 10 to 15 minute intervals with the first tour group leaving at 1 pm. The tour is approximately 90 minutes in length. Tickets cost \$10 and can be reserved by calling (847) 482-1571 or by e-mailing tickets@lakebluffhistory.org.

[Accepting Applications: Police Officer](#)

The Village of Lake Bluff is now accepting applications for Police Officers. A full list of qualifications can be found at the application website: [Apply Now! Police Officer](#). Applications will **only** be accepted via the website.

[Flooding Q&A with Village Engineer Jeff Hansen](#)

On Wednesday, July 12, the Village of Lake Bluff experienced a significant rain storm that has been estimated as a 140-year storm by Lake County. The Village saw about 7 inches of rain in less than 10 hours. This resulted in flooded basements and the closure of many local streets such as Green Bay Road and highways including Route 176 and Route 41. Due to the scale and damage of the storm, the State of Illinois and Lake County declared an emergency. The Federal government may also declare the July 12 storm to be a natural disaster. This exceptional rain storm was followed by two other significant rain events occurring on July 20 and August 3. More flooding occurred in the Village due to the saturated ground and high intensity of rainfall, although it was not as damaging as the July 12 storm.

[Read More](#)

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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