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## Lake Bluff Letter

### Tomorrow's Headline Event



It's always nice here, but we're humble enough to only remind everyone *It's A Wonderful Life in Lake Bluff!* for just one month out of the year. We'll hope you join us tomorrow, Saturday December 2 on the Village Green to celebrate! Details are below.

Calendar Events - [View All](#)

[It's a Wonderful Life](#)

Saturday, December 2, 2017 - 12:00am

[Architectural Board of Review Meeting](#)

Tuesday, December 5, 2017 - 7:00pm

## Behind the Scenes: Marshall Field's Holiday Traditions

Thursday, December 7, 2017 - 7:00pm

### Village News

#### [It's A Wonderful Life in Lake Bluff on December 2!](#)



Join us Saturday, December 2 in downtown Lake Bluff as we kick off the holiday season!

Stop by for wonderful activities throughout the day!

**All day** Businesses open for holiday shopping.  
Raffle for tickets to Gorton Center's *"It's A Wonderful Life"* screening.  
See [BuzzOnTheBluff.com](http://BuzzOnTheBluff.com) for details.

**10 a.m. to 5 p.m.** Whitehead Studios holiday showcase & drawing for \$58 ornament (36 E. Center)

**11 a.m. to 4 p.m.** Lake Bluff History Museum Historic Christmas Home Tours

**11 a.m. to 1 p.m.** Holiday storytime, crafts & treats with the Library Elves at the Lake Bluff Library

**1 p.m. to 3 p.m.** Carriage rides sponsored by Lake Forest Bank & Trust

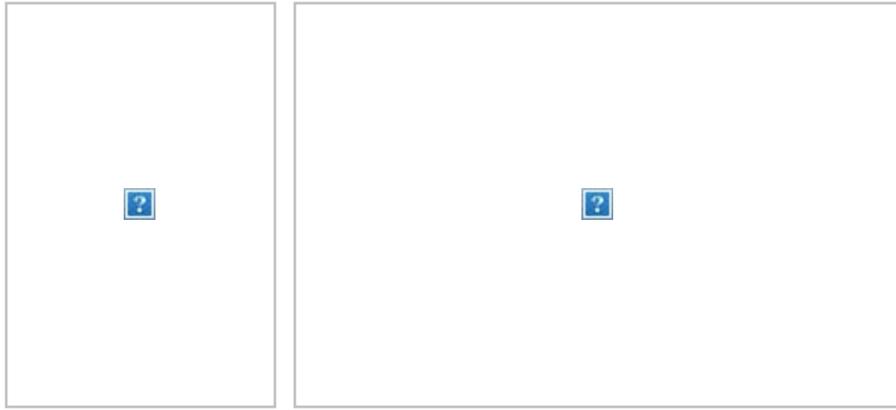
**1 p.m. to 5 p.m.** Reindeer on the Village Green

**1 p.m. to 4 p.m.** Visit with Santa Claus at the Lake Bluff History Museum

**3 p.m. to 5 p.m.** Lake Forest High School Holiday Brass Band performs

**4 p.m. to 5 p.m.** Strolling music by the Buckthorns





Come one, come all ... to the annual Pancake Breakfast with Santa at *Grace United Methodist Church on Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup> from 8am-11am*. Enjoy pancakes and sausage before visiting with Santa. Parents: remember to bring your camera. This event is co-hosted by the Lake Bluff Park District and Kiwanis.

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[CodeRED Changes Coming - Register or Update Now!](#)

Starting December 13, the Village's CodeRED emergency notification system will now text you from a different phone number (76993). Everyone currently registered with CodeRED will be transitioned to the new number. However, this is still a great time to register or update your information with CodeRED! [It only takes a minute - just click here.](#)

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[Lake Bluff Residents, lock your cars!](#)



Residents who don't lock their cars continue to be victims, and Lake Bluff Police officials again urge residents to take their keys and lock their cars. Gang-affiliated criminals have struck Lake Bluff and the North Shore throughout the summer. Often we find these auto-burglaries have one thing in common: **the car is left unlocked**. It takes less than 20 seconds to open an unlocked car, grab what is in plain view, check the usual hiding places for other items, and get away. **How long would it take you to lock your car?**

"We continue to see thieves take advantage of unlocked cars in our community," said Police Chief David Belmonte. "We have increased our night patrols and continue to work with other agencies to stop these criminals, but every car stolen this year had the keys left in it. We are making ourselves targets." The members of the Lake Bluff Police Department encourage these steps to **avoid being a victim**:

- Lock ALL your vehicle's doors and close every window.
- Do not leave valuables in your car.
- If you must leave valuable items in your car, place items out of sight.
- Call the Police Department to report ANY suspicious activities, persons, or vehicles.

Do your part by taking preventive action and spreading the word. You can make a difference.

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### 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 Committee of the Whole (November 27):

- Discussed the recent comprehensive plan adopted by the Central Lake County Joint Action Water Agency ("CLCJAWA").

#### Recent Village Board Meeting (November 27):

- Approved a Memorandum of Understanding to establish the Northern Illinois Benchmarking Cooperative (for local government performance metrics).
- **Property Tax Levy:** Conducted a public hearing regarding the levy; first approval to set the levy by ordinance; first approval to instruct the County not to set a separate levy for pay outstanding Village bonds.
- First approval of a corner lot side yard setback variation for 718 Sheridan Road (Marina Puryear).
- First approval of a updated special use permit and various

variations for 1 Sherwood Terrace and 915 Sherwood Drive (Chevy Exchange).

**Recent Sustainability and Community Enhancement Ad Hoc Committee (November 29):**

- Presentation by Howard Bennett regarding the first year of the Witchwood Community Garden.
- Presentation by Fire Chief David Graf regarding holiday fire safety.
- Made an updated recommendation regarding the proposed chicken and bee pilot programs.
- Reviewed upcoming meeting topics and cancelled the SEC's regular December meeting.

**Upcoming Architectural Board of Review Meeting (December 5):**

- A site plan application for 1 Sherwood Terrace and 915 Sherwood Drive (Chevy Exchange).
  - A sign permit application for 71 Waukegan Road (North Shore University Health System).
  - Review of the Board's 2018 meeting schedule.
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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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