



News from the Village of Round Lake Beach

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Cultural & Civic Center Grand Opening set for February 17

Saturday, February 17

"Welcome to the Center" Public Grand Opening

10:00 am to noon

Don't miss the Official Ribbon Cutting at 10:00 am and then enjoy tours, refreshments, performances from local schools and special entertainment for families.

Bring your historic photos

At the Grand Opening, the Cultural & Civic Center Foundation will also be creating an historical archive of the Round Lake Area by preserving oral stories and memories of the Round Lake Area. Please bring your historical mementos and memories as we will have scanners set up to copy them for future displays.



Beach receives OSRAD grant

The Village of Round Lake Beach received \$162,700 from the state of Illinois' Open Space Land Acquisition Development grants to develop the Cultural & Civic Center Park on Hook Drive. The project includes walking trails, a shelter overlooking Hook Lake, a fishing station and the installation of native plants.

The addition of this planned parkland space will add to the beauty and uniqueness of this Center which will serve the residents of Round Lake Beach and surrounding regions.

Carbon Monoxide detectors required

Effective January 1, the State of Illinois is requiring carbon monoxide detectors to be installed within 15 feet of all sleeping rooms in all dwellings. This Act applies to single-family homes, duplexes, townhouses, apartments, hotels and motels.

There are various types of detectors. They include:

1. battery powered
2. plug in with battery backup
3. direct-wired to building electric with battery backup

There also are combination smoke and carbon monoxide detectors.

Homeowners are responsible for the installation of the detector. If you own or occupy a rental unit, the installation is the landlord's responsibility.

If you are going to hard wire the detector, a building permit may be required. Consult with the building department for requirements.

A copy of the act is available at www.ilga.gov.

From the Mayor

2006: A Year in review



Richard H. Hill
Mayor

hard to fill the few vacancies

Happy New Year Round Lake Beach! We continue to have several new businesses move into town with more on the way. We are working

we have in town. This makes your shopping and dining trips shorter and brings more revenue to the village, park district, school and fire department helping to keep taxes lower and services higher.

Let's take a moment to review 2006. The Village invested more than \$2.5 million in our water, sewer and street projects in each of the last four years and we plan the same this year. The former Frank's Nursery and Crafts building was finally released from the bankruptcy claim and is now an Office Depot. Cub Foods was sold to Garden Fresh to keep within the anti-trust laws after their supplier was sold to another grocery conglomerate.

Our new Cultural & Civic Center is now open. It has an indoor stage and an outdoor stage for many family events, a room large enough to hold up to 550 people for all sorts of gatherings both business and personal and is the new home

of the Round Lake Area Chamber of Commerce as well as the Improv Theater group and Peartree Catering.

To preserve our environment and enhance the recreational qualities of our namesake lake, Round Lake, we are undertaking a dredging project that is 20 years in the making. The two channels at the north end of the lake will be dredged. Round Lake Beach bought the 6.68 acres north of the Village Hall from the Round Lake School District to deposit some of the dredging materials. The silt has been tested and has no environmental concerns. Eventually this area will become more fields for the kids. Without the dredging, the silt will continue to back up into the lake and eventually turn our high quality lake into a swamp. It will enhance fishing, boating and other recreational uses of the lake for all our residents.

I hope your new year is looking as good as the village's.

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Phone numbers

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9-1-1

Police non-emergency
(847) 270-9111

Police Records
(847) 546-2127

Public Works
(847) 546-8752

Economic Development
(847) 546-2351

J.U.L.I.E. (before you dig)
(800) 892-0123

Waste Management
(800) 796-9696

email:
inquiries@rlbeach.org.

Pace shuttles link trains & businesses

Three new Pace Shuttle Bug routes link the Vernon Hills and Buffalo Grove Metra stations on the North Central line with 11 Lake County business. The new routes provide morning and evening rush hour service. They include:

Route 580: Vernon Hills Metra Station to Townline Road serving American Hotel Register, Rustoleum and Medline.

Route 581: Buffalo Grove Metra Station to Lincolnshire serving Hewitt Associates, Staples/Quill, ACCO, Zenith, Eagle Test Systems and ITW Switches.

Route 582: Buffalo Grove Station serving Discover Financial and Baxter Healthcare.

For more information on the Shuttle Bug Program or for schedules, go to the Pace website at www.pacebus.com.



News you can use

Thank you to local children

Special thanks goes to the children from Round Lake Area schools for their artful



decorating of holiday trees that lit up the Village Hall lawn. The trees were donated by Home Depot and decorated by students from Beach Elementary, Village School, Murphy School, St. Joseph's School, Indian Hill, the Early Education Center, Ellis School and Peppermint Stick Pre-School.

Meeting Schedule

Finance Committee, first Monday of the month, 6:00 pm

Economic Development Committee, first Monday of the month, 6:30 pm

Public Works Committee, third Monday of the month, 6:00 pm

Public Safety Committee, third Monday of the month, 6:30 pm

Council Meeting, second and fourth Mondays of the month, 7:00 pm

Christmas trees

Recycle your trees by leaving them curbside on Wednesday, January 3, or Tuesday, January 9. These are the only two days Waste Management will be picking up Christmas trees. Please make sure all tinsel, lights, garland, stands and any other decorations you may have on your tree are off.

Please do not place trees in plastic bags. Waste Management will not pick them up. If you have questions on trees or trash, please call Waste Management at (800) 796-9696.

Moving?

Just a reminder: if you are moving please contact Public Works at (847) 546-8752 three weeks before you move so they can inspect your meter. After the meter inspection is completed and passes, then please make an appointment for your occupancy inspection by calling (847) 546-8919.

Shoveling snow

When shoveling or plowing snow from your driveway, please pile the snow to the left side of your driveway (facing your house). This will help prevent snow accumulating again on your driveway when snow plows come through your neighborhoods.

Rebuilding Together

Low-income families, disabled or senior residents in need of repairs to their home may apply to the Building Department for the Rebuilding Together program. For more information, please call Phil Senn at (847) 546-8919.

Mailboxes

Please make sure your mailbox posts are securely anchored into the ground. Public Works will not be responsible for post damage incurred by snow plowing operations.

Lakes Commission

Find out more about the Round Lake Commission and see what their plans are for Round Lake. Go to the Village website at www.villageofroundlakebeach.com.

Life Line screenings

The Round Lake Area Park District is hosting a health screening for area residents on Monday, January 22, at the Sport Center across the street from the Round Lake Beach Village Hall. Life Line Screening will be offering ultrasound screenings for the prevention of stroke and vascular disease.

The non-invasive, painless ultrasound screenings take about 10 minutes each. The three vascular tests are offered for \$45 each or all three for \$109. An osteoporosis screening costs \$35 and can be combined with the others for \$129.

Preregistration is required. Please call (800) 324-1851.

Community Events and Activities

Beach Fest is back

Beach Fest is back this year and it will be bigger and better. Mark your calendar for July 6, 7, & 8. The Fest will be held on the grounds of the new Cultural & Civic Center and will have more free family fun than before. Watch for more details!

Frosty Foot race

Join the fun on February 25, for the Round Lake Area Park District's 5K Frosty Footrace at the Sports Center. Pick up race packets at the Fitness Center before the race on February 23, or February 24, or on the day of the race at the Sports Center. The race begins at 11:00 am and costs \$20 for adults. All proceeds benefit Senior fitness programs.

Do You Have Home Repair or Home Improvement Needs?

Help is available for homeowners dealing with all kinds of repair and improvements including electrical, plumbing, heating, water, sewer, windows, roofs, making your home handicap accessible, and more. The Affordable Housing Corporation of Lake County, a nonprofit community agency, helps eligible homeowners with low-cost financing. Depending on your circumstances, you may be eligible for one or a combination of the following:

- ✓ A 0-% interest loan, usually no more than \$30,000, with no payments due until you

Scholarships available

Three \$2,000 college scholarships are available for seniors who reside in Round Lake Beach and who are graduating high school in 2007. Applications are available through the Round Lake Area Chamber of Commerce. Call (847) 546-2002 for more information.

Murder Mystery event Valentine's Dinner & Dancing

Try something unique for Valentine's Day at the new Cultural & Civic Center. Improv Playhouse will present "Love You to Death" on February 10. Contact David Stuart at (847) 968-4529 for more details

sell the home, transfer title, or get a cash-out refinance.

- ✓ A 15-year fixed loan of up to \$25,000 with an interest rate typically less than half of what is offered by the marketplace.
- ✓ A handful of grants are available for those with lead-based paint hazards or with very limited income.

AHC even provides free technical assistance to insure the work is done properly by reputable contractors. For more information, log onto www.ahclc.org or call (847) 263-7478.

Doing a good deed

Building department inspector Margaret Sparr receives a plaque of appreciation



from Mayor Rich Hill at a recent meeting. Margaret discovered a resident whose home was in dire need of repairs. Cory Shuler and Carrie Sue Genengals from Shuler Construction donated the materials and time to make the repairs.

Village Officials



Mayor
Richard H. Hill



Village Clerk
Sylvia Valadez



Trustees
Jerry Mattingly
(senior trustee)



Gina Miosi



Judy Armstrong



Larry Mount



Susan Butler



Tom Smith