Village of LINDENHURST

The Village of Lindenhurst Launches NIXLE Community Information Service

The Village of Lindenhurst has partnered with Nixle to implement its Community Notification System to alert residents in real-time for localized emergency situations and relevant community advisories.

Nixle was founded in 2009, and provides a mass communications hub built exclusively for government to provide secure, reliable, and relevant information to residents in real-time. Today, over 7,200 Agencies around the United States rely on Nixle for Community Engagement and Emergency Communications. Nixle's exclusive partnerships with NLETS, Google, and the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children allows local police departments nationwide to send immediate alerts and advisories, with unmatched data security and two-way information exchange. For more information, visit www.nixle.com.

- As a Lindenhurst resident, there are simple ways to register:
 - 1. **Text** "60046" to 888777 from your mobile phone
 - 2. Go to www.lindenhurstil.org and sign up via the Nixle Widget

Once registered, residents will receive a confirmation text to their mobile device. Residents may also customize their alert settings by going to www.nixle.com and creating a User Profile.

"New and innovative ways to better communicate with the public continue to evolve; and the Village of Lindenhurst believes this service will allow our community members to stay informed in the most convenient, reliable way possible", said Mayor Dominic Marturano.

"The service is secure, reliable and easy to use for our organization. This communication service will allow the Village of Lindenhurst to send important, valuable community information directly to residents using the latest technology. Messages may include road closures, power outages, construction alerts, emergency situations, as well as other relevant safety and community event information", the Mayor continued.

All alerts will be targeted geographically, allowing residents to receive localized, relevant alerts from the Village of Lindenhurst. Nixle Alerts can be sent via Text, Email, Web, and the Nixle Mobile App in an instant.

It is with programs and tools such as Nixle that the Village of Lindenhurst seeks to keep its residents informed and engaged in the activities of the community.



Community Calendar

Visit <u>www.lindenhurstil.org</u> for more details about all Village events:

- Thursday, November 22 Saturday, November 24: Village Hall
 Postal Substation closed due to Thanksgiving
- Saturday, December 1: Lindenhurst Park District Tree Lighting Ceremony, 4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. www.lindenhurstparks.org
- Wednesday, December 5, 4:00 p.m.: Deadline for Santa Letters, Lippert Community Center lobby, Santa's Mailbox (Make sure return address noted), <u>www.lindenhurst-parks.org</u>
- Monday, December 24: Village Hall closes at noon
- Tuesday, December 25: Village Hall & Postal Substation closed for Christmas
- Tuesday, January 1: Village Hall & Postal Substation closed for New Year's Day
- Friday, February 8, 6 8:30 p.m. Daddy Daughter Enchanted Fairy Forest, Lippert Community Center, www.lindenhurstparks.org
- Monday, February 18: Village Hall & Postal Substation closed in honor of Presidents' Day

Q: Does shopping locally have a direct impact on our community's economy?

From the Mayor's Desk In recognition...



Back in September, I was invited to a ribbon-cutting ceremony. This ceremony was different – we weren't celebrating a new business opening, but instead we were recognizing a huge accomplishment by two young ladies.

Two Girl Scouts, 6th graders Kaitlyn Leverenz and Jade Catania, decided to build a Little Free Library at the Lindenhurst Early Childhood Center, where Kaitlin and Jade met and became friends six years earlier. The girls earned the Silver Award, the highest award a Cadette can earn, by building their Little Free Library

from scratch.

Little Free Libraries are set up across the US where over 10 million books are shared annually.



Congratulations

Kaitlyn and Jade, and thank you for sharing your project with all of Lindenhurst!

As we come to the end of another year, the Village Board and I would like to thank our Village employees for all they have accomplished in 2018, and we'd also like to wish every resident and business a Safe and Happy Holiday Season!

THE DANGERS OF FEEDING WILDLIFE

It's hard to resist feeding the wildlife, but please don't — for their health and your safety.

Native animals need nature's diet to be healthy, not human "junk food". Well-intentioned handouts may cause disease, injury, and even death for the animals. Providing food causes them to become dependent on your offerings, and may result in aggressive behavior. It also encourages wildlife to congregate in large numbers; leading to territorial fighting, spreading of disease/viruses, and attracting their predators, such as coyotes, into our neighborhoods.

Animals you feed today may be killed as "pests" tomorrow.

Don't harm wildlife with your kindness; help them remain healthy, safe, and free.

Keep Your Cats Indoors

Aside from our Village Ordinance prohibiting cats (and dogs) from running-at-large, there are a multitude of reasons why cat owners should keep their pets indoors:

CAR ACCIDENTS
According to the
National Traffic
Safety Administration, 5.4 million cats are hit
by cars each year
in the United
States. More cats
are killed annually



than euthanized in U.S. shelters. And getting hit isn't the only car hazard. In cold weather, cats seek heat, and slinking under a car hood can be a feline version of an electric blanket — until an unknowing driver starts the car.

TOXINS & POISONS - A few licks of sweet-tasting antifreeze can kill a cat, unless it's a pet-safe product. Cats can travel through lawns and nibble on plants treated with pesticides, or that are toxic. Eating rodents that have ingested rodent poison can also kill a cat.

DISEASES & PARASITES - Feline AIDS, Leukemia, Distemper, upper respiratory infections, skin cancer; fleas, ticks, heartworm, ear mites, ringworm and other internal parasites can be spread by mosquitoes or contact with other wildlife.

WILDLIFE DANGER - Coyotes, foxes, wolves, birds of prey, all present a risk to cats.

NEIGHBORHOOD NUISANCE - Gardens used as litterboxes, scratches on cars, spraying of property all impact on the quality of life within your neighborhood.

KILLING BIRDS - Loose cats are estimated to kill 2.4 billion birds each year. Birds are especially at risk around homes with feeders and birdbaths.

ANIMAL CRUELTY - Sadly, people have been known to shoot cats with BB guns or arrows, poison, or kill them in the name of "sport".

LIFESPAN - Outdoor cats live an average of only 2 to 5 years, versus indoor cats which live to 17 years or more. Additionally, a healthier cat means less of an impact to your wallet.

So please be a responsible pet owner. Your cat, as well as your neighbors, will be extremely grateful.

Linden Notes

Landscape Collection Through Nov. 26 Landscape waste collection with the Village's contracted waste hauler, Groot, runs through November 26. Landscape waste includes grass, shrubbery, small tree limbs and weeds. Sticker service: Each sticker is \$3.25 and one must be affixed to each 35-gallon container or Kraft bag placed curbside each week. There is no limit to the number of containers that may be placed curbside with sticker service. Subscription service: This service is \$150 annually. Residents may place up to four 35-gallon containers or Kraft style bags curbside each week; any additional containers would require a sticker. Stickers can be purchased at the following locations: Groot's website (<u>www.groot.com</u>), at Walgreen's (399 S. Rte. 45), Butera Finer Foods (1500 E Grand Ave) or Village Hall (2301 E Sand Lake Rd). For more information, please contact Groot at (847) 693-2700.

Special "2 for 1" Leaf Program Groot will offer a special "2 for 1" leaf disposal program through November 26, where one sticker is good for the

disposal of two parcels of leaves. Leaves

must be placed in 35-gallon biodegradable yard waste bags. Residents with subscription service can dispose of six bags instead of four.

Utility Bill Payment Options

Residents can take advantage of the Village's on-line utility bill system at no additional cost. Residents can use the My Utility Account to pay or view their utility bill. To register, visit www.linden-hurstil.org and select the link "pay utilities" on the homepage. Visa, Mastercard and Discover credit cards are all accepted. To receive paperless billing through the e-bill program, contact the Village Hall at (847) 356-8252. Or, residents can download the Village of Linden-hurst app on iTunes or Google Play.

Tree Replacement Program

The Village offers a program to assist residents who wish to plant a tree. Under this 50/50 tree replacement program, the Village will reimburse residents who wish to purchase a new tree for their property or parkway area. The program parameters are as follows:

- Residents will be reimbursed 50% of the cost of a single, acceptable tree, excluding sales tax, delivery, installation, etc. up to \$200
- Program dollars would be dispersed by

- the Village to the homeowner after the purchase and planting of a new tree
- Households could participate once per year
- Residents can submit a receipt to Village Hall for reimbursement
- First come, first serve basis as budgeted funds are available
- A list of acceptable trees is available on the Village website

Shoreline Stabilization Program

The Village offers a lake-shore stabilization program for residents who own lake-shore property. Through this program, the Village will reimburse residents who plant acceptable shrubs and plantings that help to preserve the shoreline and water quality of the lakes. The list of acceptable plantings is taken from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency. This list is also located at www.lindenhurstlakes.com. Other guidelines include the following:

- First come, first serve basis as budgeted funds are available
- Eligible residents may be reimbursed 50% of their expenditure up to \$100
- Residents must submit a receipt to Village Hall that itemizes the acceptable purchase
- A list of acceptable shrubs and plantings is available on the Village website:

VILLAGE CODE REMINDER: Snowmobile Regulations

- Snowmobiles can only be operated on private property with the permission of the owner.
- Snowmobiles are not permitted on any public right of way or roadway, school grounds, Village or Park District property.
- Special rules apply for Lake Linden and snowmobile equipment requirements. Please call the Village Hall at (847) 356-8252 for more information.

Winter is (Almost) Here...

Which means it's time to remove snow. Please remember that the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) plows Grand Avenue and Route 45, and the Lake County Department of Transportation plows Sand Lake, Gelden and Grass Lake roads. All other public roads in Lindenhurst are maintained by Village snow removal crews.

Snowfall parking restrictions: To assist our snow plow



crews, there is no parking on any Village street when there is 1" or more of accumulated snow. The restriction applies until the streets have been cleared of snow. Violators may be towed. And please don't deposit additional snow onto the roadway from your shoveling or snow-blowing efforts. Following this proce-

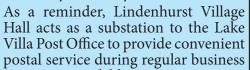
dure allows snow plow operators to quickly and efficiently remove snow.

Road Hazards: Though basketball nets are never allowed adjacent to our roadways, they pose a particular hazard to our plow drivers as they clear our streets. Please store them appropriately year around.

Holiday Reminders

In observance of upcoming holidays, Village Hall will be closed on the following dates:

- Thursday, November 22 Saturday, November 24
- Monday, December 24 (noon) & Tuesday, December 25
 - Tuesday, January 1
 - Monday, February 18



hours. Holiday stamps are available.

Groot will collect Christmas trees as part of regular refuse and recycling pickup through January 14th. Trees must be placed curbside with all decorations removed.



SHOP LOCAL

SHOP • THINK • BUY • LOCAL is an initiative sponsored by the Lindenhurst-Lake Villa Chamber of Commerce. The Shop Local Program is designed to create an awareness of the shopping and service opportunities in the Lindenhurst and Lake Villa area, and sends the message that buying goods and services from local retailers and service providers supports the local economy, creates jobs locally, and improves the local tax base.





Shop • Think • Buy

Local

Support our Community

The Lindenhurst-Lake Villa Chamber of Commerce reminds us that shifting our holiday shopping dollars to locally owned stores, restaurants and entertainment establishments, keeps thousands of dollars in the Lindenhurst and Lake Villa communities.

Don't forget to support our local establishments

on Small Business Saturday, November 24th. You'll help our community's local living economy.



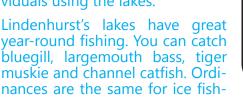
For more information on all Village programs, please contact Village Hall at (847) 356-8252.

Answer: Yes - by adding jobs, sales tax revenue, and local development.

Ice and Ice Fishing Safety Tips

Remember in the winter, moving ice can damage docks. Damaged and unrepaired docks are unsightly and unsafe. Docks and piers should be

maintained in a manner so they remain safe and are not hazardous to the environment or individuals using the lakes.



ing as they are for warm weather fishing:

- Lake use is only for residents and their accompanied guests.
- No bait fish (minnows) allowed.
- Catch and release (except for bluegill 25 per day.)

Heed these safety precautions when fishing on ice:

- Pay attention to the color of the ice; clear blue lake ice is the strongest.
- Cloudy, opaque ice holds the least amount of weight.
- Before going out onto the ice, walk along the shore in the area that you plan to fish to check for open water areas and areas of thin ice.
- Wear a personal flotation device.
- Always travel with others, preferably experienced ice fishermen.

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Village Board meetings are scheduled on the second and fourth Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m. at the Village Hall, 2301 E. Sand Lake Road. Please visit www.lindenhurstil.org for more information.

