Village of

LINDENHURST

DEVELOPING TODAY FOR TOMORROW

Village Welcomes New Trustee



Patrick Dickson

We wish to welcome Patrick Dickson to the Village Board. Patrick moved to Lindenhurst in 2015 with his wife Sue (who grew up on Northgate Road), and their then 3-year-old son, Ryan.

Patrick has served on the Lakes Commission for three years, as well as volunteering with the Village's ERIN program. He also created the "Rise Up for Grant" Adopt-a-Highway group that cleans up Sand Lake Road, the "GoGreen Lindenhurst" group, as well as participating in the Village's citizen's academy and the strategic planning committee.

Patrick spent 13 years in the Air Force repairing electronics. After getting his Journalism degree at the University of Connecticut, he spent 16 years as an editor at "Stars and Stripes", the hometown newspaper for service-members overseas, becoming Washington

Bureau Chief and Middle East Bureau Chief.

After graduating from Community College of Lake County, he became an X-ray technician for NorthShore University Health System. He currently works in Immediate Care, doing X-rays and patient care; including testing people for COVID.

Patrick has coached little league with LVTB, been involved with Boy Scouts and, with his neighbors, created Winterfest and Venetian Night on Lake Linden.

We are excited to have Patrick on our team.

Patrick takes Bill Anderson's position who, after 12 years as Village Trustee, has decided to step down. "The Village Board would like to thank Trustee Bill Anderson for his years of service to our community. Bill was a dedicated Village Trustee and we wish him the best in his future endeavors," says Mayor Dominic Marturano.

Event Calendar

* Due to on-going pandemic restrictions, events are subject to change. *

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

- Monday, May 31:
 Village Hall & Postal
 Substation CLOSED
 for Memorial Day
- Monday, May 31, 10

 a.m.: Memorial Day
 Ceremony; Veterans'
 Memorial/Village
 Hall, 2301 E. Sand

 Lake Road
- Wednesday, June
 2: Live Music in the Parks Concert Series begins (see page 4); the Spring/Summer Guide on www.lindenhurstparks.org has more details on this and other park distict events

2020 Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) Notification



Please go to <u>www.lindenhurstil.org/2020waterreport</u> to view your 2020 annual water quality report and learn more about your drinking water. This report contains important information about the source and quality of your drinking water during 2020.

If you would like a paper copy of the 2020 Annual Water Quality Report mailed to your home, please call the Village Hall at (847) 356-8252.

A Letter from your Lakes CommissionProtecting the Health and Appearance of our Lakes



Now that spring has sprung, many of us are longing to begin enjoying our lakes again! But let's not take our lakes for granted. Although many Lindenhurst residents appreciate our lakes, they often fail to realize that they can play an important role in keeping them healthy and beautiful. That's right, even if you do not live directly on the water, your habits can have an impact on the quality of Lindenhurst's lakes. People do not often realize that our lakes are part of a larger watershed. In case you're wondering, a watershed is a rather large area of land that drains and carries rainwater or runoff water into a lake, river or stream. So, the rainwater that drains from our lawns and driveways goes into our storm drains, and then, eventually, into our lakes. As you might imagine, this runoff water can be detrimental to the overall condition of our lakes, because it carries chemicals, nutrients, and sediment from the environment with it.

How can you contribute to the health and appearance of our lakes? Here are just a few simple, but important things you can do to help:

1. Clear leaves and grass clippings from your curbside. Why? Because when grass clippings and leaves are left on the street or curb, they can get into the storm drainage system, ultimately ending up in the lakes. All the nutrients the grass and trees take in during the summer end up in the lake, giving rise to algal blooms— impacting water quality and user experience, as well as costing the Village more in management dollars. If you live right along the lakeshore, you should take care to prevent the clippings from blowing directly into the lakes.

- 2. Avoid using phosphate fertilizers on your lawn. Why? Similarly, because the phosphorous is washed off lawns by the rains and ultimately flows into the lakes. Once again, this often results in the production of large-scale nuisance algal blooms that decrease the oxygen levels of the lake water. Low oxygen levels in the lake can lead to a large-scale fish kill. Like many communities, our community does not allow the use of fertilizers with phosphorous, but it is up to residents to confirm that the products they use are allowable.
- 3. Wash your car on/near a grassy area so that the excess water is filtered by the ground rather than running directly into the storm sewers and into the lakes. Better still, take your car to a carwash rather than washing it in your driveway and allowing phosphates and other chemicals into the watershed.
- Collect your pet's waste frequently. Uncollected pet waste can also be responsible for allowing significant amounts of phosphorous, and even pathogens, to be washed into the lakes.
- 5. Avoid feeding the geese. Just as pet droppings can add phosphorous and pathogens, so too can goose droppings.
- Capture water runoff with a rain garden and/ or a rain barrel.
- 7. Clean your fishing boat or kayak before launching. Cleaning your boat will help prevent the introduction and spread of detrimental invasive aquatic species that can travel from lake to lake by "hitching a ride" on boat hulls, trailers, props, paddles, or oars.

If you are interested in learning more about Lindenhurst's lakes, or if you have any questions about them, please go to the Lindenhurst Lakes Commission's website page at https://www.lindenhurstil.org/department/board.php?structure-id=18. For even more information, please consider attending a future meeting of the Lindenhurst Lakes Commission. Details about the meeting schedule can be found on the Village of Lindenhurst's website https://www.lindenhurstil.org/.

Linden Notes

Landscape Collection Began April 5

Groot landscape service began April 5th and runs through November 29th. Landscape waste includes grass, shrubbery, small tree limbs and weeds. Sticker service: Each sticker is \$3.40 and one must be affixed to each 32-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 \$165 annually. Residents may place up to four 32-gallon containers or Kraft style bags curbside each week; any additional containers would require a sticker. Stickers can be purchased at the following locations:

- Village Hall (2301 E Sand Lake Road),
- Walgreen's (399 S Route 45), or
- **Butera Finer Foods** (1500 E Grand Avenue).

For more information, please contact Groot at (847) 693-2700.

50/50 Programs

Lindenhurst offers reimbursement

to residents that have planted a tree, added shoreline buffer plantings or purchased a rain barrel and/ or compost bin.

- Program dollars will be dispersed by the Village to the homeowner after proof of purchase and residency.
- Households may participate one time during the Village's fiscal year (May 1- April 30).
- Residents must submit a receipt to Village Hall for reimbursement.
- First-come, first-served basis as budgeted funds are available.

Rain Barrel & Compost Bin:

This program will allow residents to be more sustainable by reducing residential water consumption or improving soil and plant life.

Up to \$75 for up to three rain barrels OR a compost bin (excluding sales tax, delivery, accessories, etc.).

Shoreline Stabilization:

Residents who own lake shore property are reimbursed 50% for acceptable shrubs and plantings that help preserve the shoreline and

water quality of the lakes.

Up to \$100 for plantings recommended by the <u>Illinois Environmental Protection Agency</u> (excluding sales tax, delivery, installation, etc.).

Tree Reimbursement:

Residents are reimbursed 50% of the cost of a single tree planted in their parkway or private yard.

Up to \$200 for an <u>acceptable tree</u> (excluding sales tax, delivery, installation, etc.).

Utility Bill Payment Options

Residents can take advantage of the Village's online utility bill system, at no additional cost. Residents can use InvoiceCloud to pay their utility bill, view the bill or receive paperless billing through the e-bill program. To register, visit www.lin-denhurstil.org and click "Pay Your Utility Bill" on the homepage, and click the link

https://www.invoicecloud.com/lindenhurstil.

Please contact Village Hall at (847) 356-8252 if you have any questions about on-line utility bill payments.

SPRING CLEANING TIPS - PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE REMINDERS Landscaping

Grass should not exceed 8 inches in height, and weeds are not permitted. The burning of yard waste is not permitted.

Shrubbery and trees should not encroach over public sidewalks, nor block the line-of-sight for roadway traffic.

Vehicles

No vehicle may be parked on the front lawn or obstruct a public sidewalk. Boats, RVs, and trailers have size and parking restrictions. All vehicles shall be operable, with current plates displayed. 2 AM to 6 AM street parking is prohibited.

Garage Sales

Only 2 garage sales are permitted within a calendar year, and may not exceed 4 consecutive days in duration.

Signs can not be affixed to lamp posts, fences, mailboxes, electric lights, utility poles, street signs, or public buildings.

Structure Maintenance

For prompt emergency response, display address numbers, a minimum of 4-inches high, using a color contrasting with its background. Keep trim and wall exteriors free from chipping/peeling paint and rotting wood. Maintain hand and guard rails.

Storage/Debris

All garbage must be sealed in a tight-fitting container, and may not be stored in front of the house. Receptacles, yard waste, and other items can be placed roadside after 6 PM the night before a scheduled pick-up, and must be removed by 8 PM the day of pick-up. Keep yard free of litter/debris. Store toys, bicycles, and tools inside. Remove animal waste regularly.



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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.

