# Summerlakes Sun

The Newsletter of the Summerlakes Homeowners' Association

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# **FACILITY HOURS**

(Summer, June 1st-Sept. 7th)

Monday - Friday 9:00 AM - 9:00 PM Saturday 11:00 AM - 9:00 PM Sunday 11:00 AM - 9:00 PM

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ANNUAL FAMILY PICNIC SECRETARY MESSAGE CLOTHING EXCHANGE PARKS & WETLANDS CORTEK RECYCLING SCOUT NEWS

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Waste Management refuse stickers are available at the Clubhouse for \$3.34 per sticker

This MonthAnnual
Family Picnic
July 19th, 1-5p.m.



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# Summerlakes Annual Family Picnic Sunday, July 19th 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.

DELICIOUS PIG ROAST (Smith Farms)

(serving time approx. 2:00 p.m.)

**AMUSEMENTS** 

BALLOONS/FACE PAINTING

**SNO-CONES** 

RAFFLES & MORE!



LIVE MUSIC BY THE GENERATION GAP BAND -Rock, Blues, Brit Invasion & More!

Food Items, Drinks, & Raffle Tickets will be sold at a minimal cost.

BYOB - There will be a designated area for beer and wine consumption.

If you would like to have an information booth at the picnic, or donate a raffle prize, please give Mickie a call! Volunteers Welcome!!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS~FUN FOR EVERYONE~BE THERE OR BE



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# A MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY

-It's difficult to believe that July is here. The weather has been so cool and wet that it seems we have been stuck in a never ending April-or fast forwarded to October. Given the uncooperative weather it is a pleasant surprise to stop by the Clubhouse and realize that our staff has been able to get so much accomplished. The grass is cut (and is continuing to be cut; if our mowing crew hasn't gotten to your neighborhood yet they will soon). Flower beds have been weeded, bare spots in the lawns reseeded, and other projects have been completed in preparation for the family picnic on July 19th. And of course the pool is open-at least when it isn't raining.

-From time to time we get letters from homeowners about concerns they have or problems they would like the SHA Board to address. When we can solve a problem we do, but there are very definite limits as to what we *can* do.

Every homeowner should have a copy of the SHA Bylaws and these are also available on the SHA website. If there is a violation of these bylaws then yes, the Board can very likely address the matter, so do feel free to contact us. There are times when we have trouble getting a property into compliance as quickly as we would like. Sometimes it is that the property is held by an out of state owner who is difficult to contact, or has been foreclosed on by a bank, or sometimes an owner is just stubborn. Please don't assume that homeowner concerns are being ignored if there is no immediate response.

-Some problems though are simply out of our control. For example, the SHA Board cannot do anything about traffic/parking violations. That is a matter for the police. Another matter we cannot address is noise control. Depending on the exact nature of the noise this is a matter for either City Code Enforcement (construction, early morning or late night yard work, etc.) or the police (loud parties, barking dogs, etc.).

-It has also been brought to our attention that some of our homeowners have not been able to keep up with their own maintenance issues. In response to complaints, notices have been sent pointing out violations of SHA maintenance rules. One of the most prevalent violations this year has been clogged gutters resembling 'planters'. Besides being unsightly these 'gutter bushes' prevent rain water from draining safely away. One homeowner discovered that her blocked gutters had caused water to get underneath the shingles and had damaged her roof decking. Please take a few minutes to check your property and address any issues before they become bigger problems. And while you are outside please take a few minutes to drain anything holding water-those mosquitos don't need any additional breeding locations, especially since some mosquitos in DuPage County have tested positive for West Nile Virus.

**GREEN THUMBS!** Walking through Summerlakes it has become apparent that we have some talented gardeners in our neighborhood. Ideas for some of our flower beds around the Clubhouse and front sign would be welcomed, and the long suffering plants in our hot tub room could certainly use some help as well.



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**SKUNKS!** Apparently it has been a great year for raising baby skunks. Most evenings the odor of skunk wafts through the neighborhood. Even more disturbing than the unpleasant odor is the fact that skunks often are rabid. Please do not leave food out to feed them, or any other wild animals. And of course secure all garbage containers. If you or your pets do happen to get sprayed by a skunk, this shampoo is an effective remedy made from common household ingredients:

#### **De-Skunk Shampoo**

1 quart hydrogen peroxide

1/4 cup baking soda

1 to 2 teaspoons of liquid soap (shampoo, dishwashing liquid, etc.)

Mix these ingredients thoroughly but DO NOT place in a closed container; it will explode if kept in a bottle, jar, etc. Use immediately as a shampoo/body wash.

Enjoy the rest of the summer, and we'll see you at the picnic!!

Jeanne Tassotto Secretary, SHA Board



July 2015							
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
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5 Rental 12-5	6	7	8	9 Board Meeting 7:00 p.m.	10	11	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
19 Family Picnic 1:00-5:00	20	21	22		24	25	
26	27	28	29	30 Architectural Meeting 7:00 p.m.	31		

#### **OUR PARKS & WETLANDS**

Summerlakes Residents,

June has been an exciting month for outdoor education at the Warrenville Park District. Bedrock Earthscapes, LLC has completed their first prescribed herbicide application within the Ferry Creek Wetland at Summerlakes Park. These professionals are attempting to help get rid of the invasive plant species found within the area, to allow for native species to flourish. These invasive species include Phragmites, Purple Loosestrife, Reed canary Grass, and Cattails (pictures below). I am very happy to report that there have been no signs of wildlife being harmed during, or after this process. We have also placed two permanent interpretive signs along the pathways at Summerlakes Park as well. These signs describe the various plant and animal species that may be found within the park, and provide a few interesting facts about each one. So be on the lookout for these signs and keep your eyes open for these species within the park.

Students from Clifford Johnson Elementary helped plant a small Bur Oak tree that I think will be a fantastic addition to our park as it matures. The students should be very proud of themselves for making the park look better, and taking steps toward helping the environment.

Lastly, I would like to remind all of you that we will be hosting another restoration workday at Summerlakes Park on July15th at 9am. This is a great opportunity to spend a couple of hours outside, and learn some neat facts. I hope to see you there and please enjoy the rest of your summer and please get outside.

Adam Dagley
Recreation Supervisor/ Parks Technician
<a href="mailto:adamd@warrenvilleparks.org">adamd@warrenvilleparks.org</a>

#### **Purple Loosestrife**



Cattails



**Phragmites** 



**Reed Canary Grass** 



# Summerlakes Children's Clothing Swap Meet

WHEN: Saturday, July 25th from 11a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

**WHERE**: Summerlakes Homeowners' Association Clubhouse

3S020 Continental Drive

Get your children ready to go back to school this Fall!

# **HOW WE WORK IT:**

**DONATE:** Donations can be dropped off Monday through Friday the week prior (July 20-24). This gives us time to sort and tally. All clothing and shoes go in grocery store sized plastic bags. Please put your name on each bag.

SHOP: Each bag of your donated gently used children's clothing and shoes earns you 1 bag at the swap meet.

# We need your donations of gently used:

children's clothing (newborn - 14/16) children's shoes and boots coats, hats, and gloves sleepwear

swimwear

**⇔PLEASE:** Dirty, ripped clothing will not be accepted. Please consider what you would want your own children to be seen in.

During the last hour of the sale, additional bags are \$1.00 each if you wish to purchase more than you donated.

For Questions or more information contact: Mickie at 630-393-3033 or Cindy at cindybeth@gmail.com

# **SCOUT NEWS!**

A great big THANK YOU! goes out to Boy Scout Troop 514. They recently spent a lovely May afternoon cleaning out the lake at the Summerlakes Clubhouse. Eleven scouts participated, and all together they gathered 13 (5 Gallon) buckets of trash from around the lake, cleared the spillway of logs, branches and other debris, removed the enormous and heavy cut log from the inlet across from the Clubhouse, received minor sunburns, and even cooked out afterwards. Their most interesting finds of the day? - Three balls (1 softball), a bicycle tire tube, a dead hedgehog, and a capped hypodermic needle. Largest log of the day? - a 20' log from behind the pool area, an 18' log from the spillway, and a 14' log from the spillway.

Summerlakes was pleased to give these scouts the opportunity to complete this service project for us, and boys, you're welcome to come back anytime to do it again! Thanks again for a job well done!



The cooking under the pavilion was terrific - the food was even tasty!



How many Scouts does it take to pull a log out of the lake??



Group photo with the 20' long log.

# Things are

We are offering a

**FREE Comparative Market Analysis** 

AUCT	29w780	Hurlingham Ct.	
ACTV	29w722	Stevens Ct.	\$109,999
PCHG	2s447	Cynthia Dr.	\$123,500
CLSD	2s647	Wembly Dr.	\$113,900
CLSD	30w146	Wildwood Ct.	\$124,900
PENDING	2s670	Hampton Dr.	\$144,900
CLSD	30w150	Linden Sq.	\$154,900
ACTV	30w035	Wembly Dr.	\$155,000
CLSD	30w060	Lakeview Dr.	\$165,000
CLSD	30w170	Branch Ave.	\$190,000
PENDING	2s621	Wembly Dr.	\$194,500
ACTV	2s648	Wildwood Ct.	\$200,000
PENDING	2s091	Salem Ct.	\$204,900
PENDING	2s140	Lynn Ct.	\$239,000



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### Motions of Board of Directors Meeting June 11, 2015

*Motion:* To approve the May meeting minutes as written. All Ayes. *Motion:* To approve the May financial report as written. All Ayes.

*Motion:* To approve up to \$1,000. for fencing around the pool heaters. All Ayes.



NEXT BOARD MEETING July 9, 2015 7:00 p.m. NEXT ARCHITECTURAL MEETING July 30, 2015 7:00 p.m.

If you are interested in serving on the Board, please contact Mickie at 630.393.3033. Meetings are held on the second Thursday evening of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Annex building.

# **RECYCLING EVENT A SUCCESS!**









Thank you to **Cortek Recycling Solutions** for coming out for a weekend recycling event on June 20th & 21st. Residents were given the opportunity to drop off their un-used recyclable items. The pictures above show a partial load - by the end of the two days the entire truck was full of recycling items of all kinds! If you missed the event, Cortek will have a drop box at the Family Picnic on July 19th, so you can drop off your recyclables then.

**LOST & FOUND** - There is already quite an accumulation of clothes, towels and swim items left at the pool this year. If you are missing something please go through the boxes and claim your belongings. At the end of the month all unclaimed items will be donated.