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#### Dear Employees:

Summer has finally arrived with community events and activities in full swing. Festival and Fireworks was a smash hit with great weather, music and fireworks! Thanks to all who helped during the staging of the event. The Thursday night Concerts on the Square are going strong, as is the Farmer's Market. Lake Forest Day is right around the corner as well as ................. the BMW Tournament!

While these events can tax our staff and resources during the summer months, they contribute significantly to the sense of community that our residents enjoy. The provision of quality city services is a critical foundation for any desirable community, but to be truly special, there needs to memorable opportunities for residents to have fun and enjoyment. These moments would not be so memorable if not for your hard work and dedication. Thanks to all.

And I hope that you and your family will take time to enjoy the event we do for ourselves - the Family Picnic, featuring the 5th Annual Rib Cook-Off. If you haven't attended this event in the past, you have missed out on some of the best ribs you'll find anywhere! Think you have a great recipe? Contact Matt Goodman at ext. 3515 to register your team. The event is August 17 from Noon to 3:00 p.m. at Northcroft Park. I hope you and your family can attend as we work to contribute to our own sense of community.

Enjoy the rest of your summer!



### Birthdays...

Stuart Cox	PW - Bldg Maint	7/20
Mike Tiegs	PW - W/S Utilities	7/21
Crystal Edwards	Finance/IT	7/24
Matt Rausch	Fire	7/24
Randy Diekmann	Police	7/25
Kyle Roeder	PW - W/S Utilities	7/25
Pete Abel	PW - W/S Utilities	7/26
Kasey Morgan	Police	7/27
Diane Horn	Finance/IT	7/29
Nick Savel	Fire	7/29
Phil Alderks	P&R- Cemetery	7/30
Donna Dunn	PW - Admin	7/31
Lloyd Stout	PW - Streets/San	8/3
Todd Nahigian	CROYA	8/4
Biddy Boyer	OCM	8/5
Paul Pugliese	Fire	8/5
Jessica Linders	CommDev	8/9
Bob Wilkins	P&R- Parks	8/14
Misa Rivera	Police	8/16
Felicia Song	Library	8/21
Mike Whalen	CommDev	8/22
Rich Paulsen	P&R- Parks	8/22
Keith Maslon	PW - W/S Utilities	8/22
Andy Allan	Fire	8/25
Brian Miklovic	PW - W/S Utilities	8/26
Victoria Sergel	Library	8/28
Regina Kennedy	Library	9/1
Erik Huston	PW - Bldg Maint	9/3
Steve Huck	Police	9/4
Chris Garrison	Fire	9/6
Kaye Grabbe	Library	9/7
Teri Laurila	P&R- Admin.	9/8
Charlie Douglas	PW - W/S Utilities	9/10
Jeff Howell	Fire	9/11
Corey Wierema	P&R- Forestry	9/14
Mark Rockwell	CommDev	9/16
Bill Schelhas	OCM	9/16
Eric Globerger	Fire	9/17
Erik Kositzki	Fire	9/17
Larry Kenar	PW - Fleet	9/18
Terry Richards	Finance/IT	9/19
Patrick Issel	Fire	9/19
Rob Carmichael	P&R- Rec	9/24
John Gulledge	PW - W/S Utilities	9/24
Kristen Skiston	CROYA	9/25
Jim Held	Police	9/26

### Employee News



Jason Mitchell is the new member of the Forestry Section. He was an arborist for American Tree Care, Inc. prior to coming to Lake Forest.

Jason is married and has four children.

**Rob Brown** is now part of the Building Maintenance Section. Prior to joining the City, Rob was an electrician for Kirkegaard Electric.



He is married with two children. His hobbies include ATV, fishing and cars.



Police Officer **Bob Heelan** was recently awarded a Departmental Commendation for his involvement in a case where he assisted the Deerfield Police in locating and apprehending two armed robbery suspects.

Congratulations to Diane Horn (IT) on receiving PMI's Certified Associate in Project Management (CAPM)®. The CAPM® is a valuable certification for project practitioners and demonstrates understanding of the knowledge, terminology and processes of effective project management.

### News You Can Use

#### **Concealed Carry Law and City Employees**

This topic has been in the news a lot at both the State and local level. Now that it has been passed into law, some may have questions about how it will impact you as an employee if you do have a license to carry a concealed weapon.

Page 2 of the City's Personnel Policies under Purpose/Policy state:

"Weapons are prohibited on any City property or job site with the exception of sworn police officers ..."

Additionally, please note that section 65 of the new concealed carry law provides, in part, as follows:

"(a) A licensee under this Act shall not knowingly carry a firearm onto or into...(5) any building or portion of a building under the control of a unit of local government."

If you have any questions about our policy or the new law, contact DeSha Kalmar in Human Resources at ext. 3530.



### Reminder:

In Lake Forest cell phones must be "hands-free". Unfortunately, employees are sometimes observed talking on their cell phones without the use of a hands-free device while driving City vehicles.

Not only is this dangerous, but it is also illegal. The Police Department has been heavily enforcing this ordinance, so don't put a fellow employee in an awkward position by having to issue you a ticket.

#### **ICMA-RC** Update

Sev Meneshian has left ICMA-RC, and until he can be replaced, **Mark Garapolo** (Sev's boss and long-time advisor to the City) will fill in. Mark can be reached at 866/265-5127 or MGarapolo@icmarc.org.

## The Library's View



Retirement - Mary Farwell has retired from the Technical Services Department after 18 years of service. Mary worked with materials purchasing and processing; ordering thousands of books, CDs and DVDs. She also had a knack for locating missing books - something ap-

preciated by both the public and library staff. At the end of June the staff gathered for a farewell luncheon, sponsored by the Courtesy Committee.

#### Library Celebrates with the Blackhawks

Lake Forest Library celebrated with the rest of Chicagoland last month when the Blackhawks won the national championship. A sculpture in the Library's rotunda donned a Blackhawks' jersey to mark the team's win over Boston for The Stanley Cup. This limestone, bas relief sculpture by Oskar Hanson was installed in 1931 and overlooks the Circulation Desk. An inscription below the sculpture reads, "In memory of Kersey Coates Reed, eighteen hundred and eighty - nineteen hundred and twenty-nine - who was much loved in Lake Forest - where he lived - and who cared greatly for good books - this building has been erected." The archer's face is a likeness of Mr. Reed.





### Conway Park Relay for Life Team City Slickers

Thank you to all who supported us. We surpassed our goal of raising \$1,500 for the American Cancer Society. We hope more of you will join us next year. It was a great event!

