

# The Acorn



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## Summerfest 2012! Saturday, August 11 Beach Park

Yup, we erred with the date on the last Acorn. Mea maxima culpa!

Here is the (possibly flexible) schedule for the day's events:

- ♦ 7:00 a.m. Fishing Derby
- ♦ 9-10 a.m. Rental drop off-volunteers gratefully welcomed for set up
- ♦ 12:00 noon Catering drop off and lunch begins
- ♦ 1:00 p.m. Cardboard boat race
- ♦ 2:00 p.m. Water balloon toss kicks off other games
- ♦ 5:00 p.m. Dinner or general noshing
- ♦ 7:00 p.m. Clean up begins
- ♦ 8:30 to 10:00 p.m. Movie at the Beach

**ENJOY YOUR DAY AT THE BEACH WHILE MINGLING WITH YOUR NEIGHBORS!**

## Lake County reports....

After days of hot, dry weather and increased water demand, groundwater levels across Lake County are low. For households served by wells, (as Oak Terrace is) it is extremely important everyone conserve water by limiting its use. Increased water demand, combined with lack of replenishment from rainfall, can cause fluctuations in groundwater levels in the County's shallow aquifers, which are not immediately replenished by rainfall, and will only recover over time. Many communities have instituted restrictions on watering lawns and washing cars, to ensure there is an adequate supply of water for drinking, bathing, cooking and fire protection.

For well owners experiencing low water pressure issues or sputtering (air mixing with water) in any of your fixtures (faucets, toilets, etc.), you should stop using the water and contact your local well contractor to avoid running the well dry and burning out the pump. For additional information, contact the Lake County Health Department's Water Well program at: 847-377-8020.

Lake County recently launched a new process for enforcing nuisance violations in unincorporated Lake County, including tall grass and weeds, junk and debris, noise complaints, as well as animal care and control violations that occur across the county. To report a possible violation, call Lake County's Nuisance Hotline at 847-377-4444.

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## Issues at Beach Park

Unfortunately, there are items that need our attention. The Life Ring was stolen from the park and needed to be replaced at a cost of \$117 and volunteer time to purchase and install. Two life jackets were stolen from one of the boats. Kids on the docks who are rummaging in the boats or goofing around in the water with life jackets (as was witnessed and challenged once) need to be called out, or called in to the Sheriff's Dept.

There have been reports of unruly kids (boys mostly it seems) some of whom unleashed an obscene verbal tirade on a resident who questioned their right to be there. All of us residents, particularly those of us who live near the park, or those going by in their boats, need to be proactive around this and call the Sheriff's Dept., if we see questionable behavior, to NIP THIS IN THE BUD. But—please don't put yourselves in any kind of jeopardy when doing so.

On the whole though, things have been going very well in the park, except for these few incidents.

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## New Business.....

For the Board to tackle. Invasive plant life is becoming a problem in the lake and channel, in addition to zebra mussels which were apparently brought in by a visiting boat. Also on the agenda is the replacement of the channel bubbler system, and the silt that is drifting into the channel.

## Pin # Consolidation

Here's some bare bones information for consolidating pins if you haven't already: Map Services of Lake County: 847-377-2373. online at: <http://www.lakecountyil.gov/Mapping/Pages/Default.aspx>. The Board is now, by law, required to collect dues from each individual lot, unless they are consolidated. The pros and cons of consolidating have been discussed for a goodly while at Board meetings. The bottom line is that if you intend to consolidate and do not do so fairly soon you will receive a dues bill for each lot at the end of the year.

## Oak Terrace Board Meetings

Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month (except for January and December) at 7:00 p.m., at the Countryside Fire Department on Midlothian Road, south west of 60/83.

Turn west at that junction and you'll see the fire station on your left just beyond the shopping plaza. Enter through the side main door and take the stairs or elevator to the second level conference room. The building is handicap-friendly. All residents are welcome.