# VILLAGE OF FOREST VIEW NEWSLETTER SUMMER 2022







Summer Greetings!

Yeah! Summer is finally here. It was a long cold winter. So nice to see the flowers and trees coming to life. My pansies, iris and peonies are already in bloom.

The Village office now has a book exchange in the foyer. However, you do not need to leave a book. If something looks interesting, please feel free to take and pass on to a friend. The Park District also has a book exchange set up in the park.

As you know, the Village purchased a "chip scanner" which is kept in the Police Dept. The scanner only works if you register the chip. We had an incident of a lost dog that had a chip but there was no updated information on the owner, so we had no way to contact them. Once your pet is chipped, please ask your Vet how to go about registering your info.

Please sign up for Code Red if you have not already. This can be a great safety and informative feature for you and your family. Also, check out new form for residents who live alone-not just for seniors.

Don't forget to purchase your vehicle stickers. Check out the new design.

As always, please feel free to contact me with any concerns, comments, ideas etc.

I want to wish everyone a safe and fun-filled 4th of July.

Warm Regards, Village President, Nancy L. Miller

#### SOMEONE YOU SHOULD KNOW



#### POLICE CHIEF STEVE STELTER

Police Chief Steven Stelter was sworn in on February 22<sup>nd</sup> and began working the next day. When asked what he likes most about his job, Chief Stelter stated "being a Chief of Police is having the ability to make appropriate and positive changes within a department. I really enjoy bringing positive change which in turn lifts moral of the employees. I also enjoy building and enhancing officer's careers and making them the best they can be."

After graduating high school, Chief Stelter enlisted in the United States Army and served for three years in the Military Police Corps. After being discharged, he was employed with DuPage County Sheriff a few months later. Then, over the next 15 years he attended night school and earned his Master's Degree in Public Safety Administration from Lewis University. He also graduated from Northwestern University School of Police Staff and Command and attended the FBI National Academy in Quantico, Virginia.

Chief Stelter began his law enforcement career in 1979 with the DuPage County Sheriff's Office and worked there for 28 years. He rose through the ranks from patrol officer to Lieutenant and Deputy Director of a State Police Auto Theft Task Force. He retired in 2007 when he became the Chief of Police for the Village of Brookfield. He was there for 8 years until he accepted a position with the Westchester Police Department as the Chief of Police. He was at Westchester for four years and went to the Village of Indian Head Park as the Chief for two years until joining us here at Forest View.

During his career in DuPage, he was fortunate to receive a wealth of training. Chief Stelter was also, on the SWAT Team for thirteen years and was one of the lead instructors in regards to self defense, room entry, less lethal munitions and ballistic shield. He has taught at the Suburban Law Enforcement Academy at College of DuPage in areas of traffic stops and building searches. While assigned to the State Police Task Force, he instructed investigators in basic auto theft, vehicle identification and surveillance techniques.

Chief Stelter is very committed to his family and loves spending time with his 8-year-old grandson, mostly playing sports. He is a sports enthusiast and enjoys golf in the warm weather, watching the White Sox and any team playing against the Cubs and basketball in the winter.

Chief Stelter mentioned, "I am very thankful to Village Administrator Mike Dropka, Village President Nancy L. Miller and the Board of Trustees for giving me the opportunity to work here in Forest View. I am enjoying my time here and I'm looking forward to moving the police department forward in our quest to keep the Village as safe as we possibly can. I want to let the residents know that I am always open to meeting them and please do not hesitate to reach out to me in any way or for any reason.

Welcome Police Chief Steven Stelter. We are very lucky to have your leadership and guidance. Thank you for your service.



# FROM THE VILLAGE OFFICE...

#### **BUILDING PERMITS**

You will be fined \$100.00 plus double the cost of the Building Permit if you start work without obtaining a Building Permit. NO EXCEPTIONS.



A building permit must be obtained <u>prior</u> to the construction, alteration/remodel or repair of any house/property whether doing the work yourself or by a contractor. Permits are needed for, but not limited to, the following: alterations involving moving or adding walls, basement finish-out, electrical and plumbing work, HVAC work, shed, fence, deck, patio, roof, driveway, window replacement, siding, solar panels, swimming pool. <u>If you're not sure if a permit is required, please call the Village Office at 708-788-3429</u>. Some building permits require a fee, however many projects there is no fee at all for the permit.

Permits are required to ensure that the work adheres to Forest View Building Codes. Also permits can guarantee that a contractor is insured and bonded and the homeowner is protected from fraud.

#### Before You Dig, Call (or Click) JULIE

If you are planning an outdoor project, call JULIE before you dig to avoid injury and/or damage to underground utilities. Simply call 811 or 1/800/892-0123. The call is free and so are the services. Call center representatives are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Or you can log on to <a href="https://www.illinois1call.com">www.illinois1call.com</a>

#### **Building Commissioner**

We are excited to welcome Joshua Brniak as our Building Commissioner. Joshua will be available for our residents......

Wednesday 12:00 pm – 4:00 pm
Thursday 8:00 am – 9:00 am Code Enforcement
Thursday 9:00 am – 10:00 am
Saturday by appointment

#### **GARAGE SALES**

Spring/summer cleaning in many cases means garage sales. Just as a reminder, sales are limited to two (2) per household per year. There is no fee to hold a sale, but a permit is required. Permits should be obtained at the Village Office three (3) days prior to the planned sale. Sale hours are limited between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. and sales cannot last more than three (3) consecutive days. Regular items found around the house are allowable in garage sales; however, arts and craft items are not. All advertisements must be removed from the parkway within 24 hours of the completion of the sale, and at no time are signs to be placed on street light poles, stop signs or parking signs.

We Hope our Residents enjoyed their Easter Surprise & had a Blessed Easter Sunday.







#### Safe Haven Baby Drop Off

The Village of Forest View is a Safe Haven Baby Drop Off Location. We have two signs posted, by the Fire Department.

There is nothing more tragic than hearing a story about a baby being found abandoned in a dumpster. Feelings of desperation and hopelessness lead mothers to take a step so drastic. They feel alone and helpless. It is critical for any woman who finds herself in this frame of mind to know that there is a safe alternative: Safe Haven Baby Drop Off.

Safe Haven laws allow a mother to surrender her baby anonymously at designated locations. The mother can surrender her baby safely without having to worry about being prosecuted for abandonment. These laws have been enacted in all 50 states.



#### **DESIGNERS**

Forest View Residents, we are asking for your help in designing our new Village sign celebrating our 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. All drawings will become property of the village and we may use different parts of different designs to create our new sign. Have Fun and drop your ideas off at the Village Hall or email your submission to lvogt@forestview-il.org





The Village Hall parking lot / back door is a MEETUP SPOT for internet purchases. The area is under 24-hour surveillance.



Share Food Share Love Food Pantry has been approved to expand its services to include the Village of Forest View.

The Pantry is open Tuesday evenings from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm and Saturday mornings from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm.

More information is available at <a href="https://www.sharefoodsharelove.com">www.sharefoodsharelove.com</a>
You can contact the Pantry @ 630-347-5390
9030 Brookfield Avenue, Brookfield IL



PLEASE NOTE: The Village Office will be closed on Monday, July 4th in observance of Independence Day and Monday, September 5th in observance of Labor Day. Have a safe holiday!

# FROM THE VILLAGE OFFICE...

#### ANNUAL DOG LICENSE



We would like to take this opportunity to remind all residents that per Village Ordinance all dogs must be registered annually with the Village Office and wear an upto-date dog identification tag. The annual fee of the dog license/identification tag is \$1.00. To obtain a license, owners must show proof of a current rabies vaccination. No more than three (3) dogs are allowed per residence.

To make it both *easier to remember* and *more convenient*, dog licenses and vehicle stickers are being sold the month of June.

So, no matter when you registered/purchased your dog license/tag in calendar year 2021, you are required to purchase a 2022-2023 tag by June 30, 2022.

If you haven't purchased a current 2022-2023 dog license, please be sure to stop by the Village Office soon! Failure to purchase a dog license in June each year will result in a \$50.00 citation per dog for being in violation of Village Code.

FOR FASTER SERVICE BE SURE TO BRING YOUR FILLED-OUT FORM WITH YOU.



#### **VEHICLE STICKERS**

All vehicle stickers for 2022-2023 are <u>due on</u> <u>June 30, 2022</u> and are to be displayed on your windshield no later than July 1, 2022.

The vehicle sticker price for a passenger car is \$10.00; senior citizens 65 and older the fee is \$2.00 (one per household). Stickers purchased after due date, an increasing monthly late penalty will be imposed. Vehicles not displaying a current village sticker as of July 1<sup>st</sup> are also subject to enforcement action. Stickers may be purchased at the Village Office Monday thru Friday during the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

If during the year you purchase another vehicle, please remember to stop by the Village Office to transfer or purchase a sticker, whichever the case might be.

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The Drop Box is

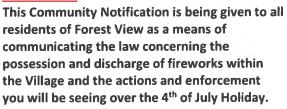
available for water bill payments, police ticket fines, and other Village business, located by the back entrance (parking lot side) of the Village Hall. Please do not put cash in the outside box. Payments dropped in the box must be by check.

#### POLICE DEPARTMENT

#### **CALL 9-1-1 FOR ANY EMERGENCY**

For all Non- Emergency situations, you can still call the Forest View Police Department @ 708-788-0318 Monday—Friday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. for assistance. If you need assistance after hours, you will be transferred or directed to dispatch.

#### 4th of JULY



For the Safety and Wellbeing of our residents, the Forest View Police Department will be enforcing state and local fireworks ordinances.

The Illinois Pyrotechnic Use Act (PUA) bans the sale, possession and use of all consumer fireworks that can be bought illegally in some states such as firecrackers, bottle rockets and roman candles. Possessing, selling and using consumer fireworks may be punishable by a fine.

Novelty fireworks, such as sparklers, snakes, party poppers and caps are not regulated but are available for retail purchase in Illinois. Young children should be supervised when using sparklers, which can reach temperatures of up to 1800 degrees Fahrenheit. The sparkler wire also presents a serious danger because of the high temperature of the wire during and after use.

Forest View residents can call 911 or the nonemergency police number at **708-458-2191** (use your best judgement) to report excessive use of illegal consumer fireworks.

Our goal is to keep fireworks out of the hands of children, reduce the number of fireworks-related injuries and fires, and curtail the illegal possession and discharge of fireworks.

Have a Safe, Happy 4th of July!

#### MOVE OVER LAW SCOTT'S LAW

With the rise of state troopers killed on the side of the road, Scott's Law is being more strictly enforced.

While drivers may be familiar with the Move Over Law as it applies to emergency vehicles and maintenance workers, many do not know that in Illinois, this law was expanded January 1, 2017 to require passing drivers to slow down and change lanes when approaching ANY vehicle with hazard lights flashing. Drivers who fail to comply with Move Over Law face serious penalties.

Should you be stranded on the side of the road with your hazard lights on, the Move Over Law is intended to protect ALL OF US.



# FREE - VACATION HOUSE SECURITY CHECKS

Welcome to summer! This is the time that most people take vacations. Remember to make sure that your house is secure and that either your mail is stopped, or that someone can collect your mail until your return, and make arrangements to have your lawn cut. Also, put your house lights on timers, and have neighbors keep an eye on your house. Another safety precaution, do not post travel plans on Facebook or post vacation pictures while away. Please inform the police department when you are leaving and returning and we will do physical checks of your home. Or, if you prefer, we can just do drive-by surveillance. Please stop by the police department to let us know your preference.





#### Happy Graduation to all our 2022 Graduates.

Now that summer is here we want to get out and enjoy the nice weather. We still need to keep safety in mind. One of the things I would like to talk about is fire pits. I know a lot of residents have them or are thinking about getting one for the yard. Here are a few things to keep in mind with fire pits:

- 1) Never leave it unattended. An adult should be present when the pit is lit and burning.
- 2) Don't allow other adults or children to play around the pit. Someone can fall into the area of the pit and get hurt.
- 3) Have your garden hose close to the pit when its burning. Extinguish the fire when you are done with it.
- 4) Allow time for it to cool before starting clean up. Hot ashes will cause secondary fires.

Fireworks are illegal and please follow the police guidelines. Be cautious when allowing the use of sparklers. They are a novelty firework typically given to children, but they burn at 1800 F. When placed against clothing or skin, it can cause serious injuries. Please watch your children with them, and leave the fireworks to the professionals. Let's be safe and have a good Fourth of July.

Forest View Fire Department

#### FIRE DEPARTMENT OPEN HOUSE























#### **LAWN MAINTENANCE**

Homeowners can help keep our community neat and attractive and reduce harborage areas for unwanted rodents by regularly mowing their lawns. Please refrain from mowing/diverting the grass into the street as it will clog up the storm sewer system.

#### PLEASE ADVISE YOUR LANDSCAPER

Please advise your landscaper...... **DO NOT** rake or blow your leaves into the street. When it rains, this clogs up the sewer inlets and flooding can result. Therefore, please advise your landscaper to place leaves in a garbage can with a Compost Sticker (available at the Village Office free of charge) affixed to the can or to bag the leaves in paper yard waste bags.

#### **PARKWAY TREES**

Parkway trees are village owned, Therefore, property owners are prohibited from trimming their trees. Please contact Public Works if you have any concerns with your tree. Our contact number is 708-788-3429.

Later this summer in to early fall, Bluders Tree Service will be trimming every parkway tree in town. We will be providing a heavy trim making sure all the branches are 13-15 feet above the curb, 8 feet over the sidewalk and all crossing branches are removed. This includes any dead branches, branches touching your roof, and branches that are rubbing against one another causing an open wound with infection to possibly set in and killing a portion of the tree.

We also have approximately 25 more trees to remove that are either in decline (soon to be dead) or suffered damage from the last storm making the tree un-safe to remain.

#### **CCR REPORT**

CCR Reports were published in the Des Plaines Valley Newspaper. Copies of the report are also available upon request.

#### **SIDEWALKS**

Later this summer, we will have a contractor in town to replace sidewalk squares that have a 1 ½ inch or greater trip and fall hazard. More than likely, we will lower this number to less than 1 inch of deflection and replace

those as well. Thus far, we located 85 squares to be replaced.

#### **ROAD PAVING**

In late summer, we will be opening bids to re-pave 2 roads in town. Depending on cost, we are currently planning on paving Home Ave and leaning towards the 4600 block of Kenilworth. Our plan is to pave every year going forward and hopefully secure some grant monies to assist in this project. This paving project will include replacing failed curbs and curbs that have been paved over in past years. Replace any failed sub-base, basins and any other piece of infrastructure within the roadway that does not appear to be capable of lasting the life of the new roadway.

#### **SEWER PROJECT**

In the very early Spring, we televised the entire sewer system throughout town so we can see if any needs are to be addressed going forward. Our direction here in Public Works, is make sure we are staying pro-active and keeping the fine qualities of life everyone enjoys.

As you probably have noticed, we have been aggressively out replacing sewer catch basins, replacing fire hydrants that were not functioning as we liked and also repairing any water leaks that were found during a town wide leak survey. We will be starting main line work soon, which will require another 20 plus excavations to make sure our residents have reliability with sewer and water service.

#### **WATER METERS**

We will be installing new water meters within our commercial/industrial area of town. We will be adding what is called an MXU unit to these new meters as well as the entire residential portion of town. This upgrade will allow us the ability to eliminate any human error, provide better service to our residents with catching a toilet leak long before the bill comes so you're not stuck with a much larger bill because a toilet was running using large amounts of water. We hope this project will kick off in the early fall as well.

Please be on the look out for information from the Village of Forest View asking for our staff to access your home to install this MXU unit. The hook up will only take a few minutes.

As always, if you have any questions, please contact us here at Public Works so we can provide you the best direction possible.



As summer approaches, we will be enjoying graduations, barbeques and summer parties. ComEd would like to share some important information regarding mylar balloons.

Mylar balloons seem like a cute and shiny decoration, but don't be fooled. One loose balloon can pose a hazard to the electrical system.

When metallic balloons, also known as Mylar balloons, contact outdoor power lines or electrical equipment, their metallic properties can cause a surge of electricity that may result in a power outage or fire.

Metallic balloons have caused more than 40,000 customer interruptions this year across communities ComEd serves. In the last five years, they have caused nearly 400,000 customer interruptions with 58 percent of the incidents occurring in Chicago. High concentrations of outages were near hospitals, parks and cemeteries.

ComEd encourages customers to help reduce power outages caused by foil balloons and ensure safety by following these tips:

- Keep balloons secured and attached to weights at all times.
- Properly dispose of metallic balloons by puncturing them to release helium that otherwise could cause them to float away.
- Never touch a power line. Do not attempt to retrieve a balloon or toy that is entangled in an overhead power line. For assistance, call ComEd at 1-800-334-7661.
- Always assume power lines are live.
   Keep yourself and your belongings at least 10 feet away from power lines.



We want to help protect you from scammers that attempt to impersonate Amazon. Remember these important clues so that you can identify scams and keep your account and information safe:

- 1. Never feel pressured to give information (such as your credit card number or account password) over the phone, especially if the call was unexpected. Scammers may try to use calls, texts, and emails to impersonate Amazon customer service. If you're ever unsure, it's safest to end the call/chat and reach out directly to customer support through the Amazon app or website.
- 2. Never pay over the phone. Amazon will never ask you to provide payment information, including gift cards (or "verification cards", as some scammers call them) for products or services over the phone.
- 3. Trust Amazon-owned channels. Always go through the Amazon mobile app or website when seeking customer support or when looking to make changes to your account.
- 4. Be wary of false urgency. Scammers may try to create a sense of urgency to persuade you to do what they're asking. Be wary any time someone tries to convince you that you must act now.

Sincerely,

Amazon

#### How Music Affects Memory in Those with Dementia

Most people aren't connected to music the way <u>Tony Bennett</u> is, but virtually everyone has songs they love. And music can reengage a person with <u>dementia</u>.

"When my father was in hospice in the last weeks of his life, he had been unable to speak for a while and wasn't responding to us," says Daniel Potts, MD, FAAN, a neurologist at VA Tuscaloosa Health Care and author of *A Pocket Guide for the Alzheimer's Caregiver*. "We're a singing family, so we called everybody who used to sing with us. Most of them came, and we just sat around his bedside and sang...and he sang with us. We'll never forget that."

Over the past two decades, a substantial body of research has demonstrated that music in all its forms arouses, stimulates, and organizes many areas of the brain. "Songs of personal meaning stimulate memories, even for people who have trouble accessing their memories, because of the various ways networks that form information in the brain get recruited," says Concetta Tomaino, DA, executive director and co-founder of the Institute for Music and Neurologic Function in New York City. "Imaging studies have shown that there is an area of convergence in the medial prefrontal cortex [a region that holds onto and retrieves memories] that lights up in the brain when we hear music that's important to us.

"Music that's personal has many elements that help us recall information. It affects us emotionally, it connects us to people and places, and we tend to relive it and listen to it many times throughout our lives, which strengthens those connections even more," Dr. Tomaino says.

In a study published in *Brain* in 2015, European researchers examined a group of people with <u>Alzheimer's disease</u> by using brain imaging technologies and compared them with young, healthy participants. The scientists found that the areas of the brain that encode musical memory show very little damage in Alzheimer's.

And researchers at the University of Utah, who published their results in the *Journal of Prevention of Alzheimer's Disease* in 2019, found that playing personally meaningful music for people with Alzheimer's disease stimulated those areas of the brain and improved mood. "We had patients and their families identify music they liked. Then we used an MP3 player to develop a playlist and asked them to listen to it over several weeks," says Norman L. Foster, MD, FAAN, professor of neurology at the University of Utah and one of the lead authors of the study. They then used functional MRIs to see which regions of the brain were activated when patients listened to their favorite music.

They found that several key regions of the brain—including the visual network, the salience network (regions that decide which stimuli deserve our attention), the executive network (which performs high-level cognitive tasks such as reasoning and problem-solving), and the cerebellar and corticocerebellar network pairs (for visual attention and working memory)—showed significantly higher-level functional connections. "Language and visual memory pathways are damaged early as the disease progresses, but personalized music programs can activate the brain, especially for patients who are losing contact with their environment," Dr. Foster says.

That kind of reconnection produces tangible results. Music & Memory, a nonprofit organization in Mineola, NY, helps nursing homes and family caregivers create and manage playlists. A study published in the *Journal of the American Medical Directors Association* in March 2020 found that the Music & Memory program significantly reduced the need for anti-anxiety, antipsychotic, and antidepressant medications in nursing home residents. It also led to significant declines in aggressive behavior, depressive symptoms, pain, and falls.

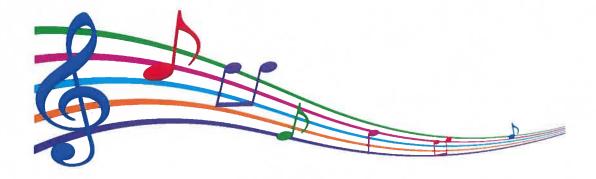
To make the most of the power of music for someone with dementia, consider these four expert-recommended strategies.

**Make it personal.** Find out what music is meaningful to the person, says Dr. Potts. Songs from the "reminiscence bump"—between the ages of 10 and 30, when emotion tends to be heightened—have extra staying power. "Those songs really stoke the autobiographical memory," Dr. Potts says. (This is why general "music therapy" groups in long-term care facilities may not be as helpful; if people listened to different types of music when they were younger, they might not respond to the same music.)

**Participate.** "In our support groups, we find that it isn't just putting on music that people like; it's also engaging with them—singing along, keeping the beat with them," says Jonathan Graff-Radford, MD, division chair of behavioral neurology at Mayo Clinic in Rochester, MN. "See which songs trigger more engagement—people may clap their hands, sing, or tap their feet—and then play those songs more frequently and eliminate ones that don't seem to do the trick."

**Add it to the routine.** "Don't just play the music once in a while; make it a regular part of their days," Dr. Graff-Radford says. "But avoid overdoing it, keep the volume at an appropriate level, and take a break if they seem to be overstimulated."

**Use it strategically.** "Music can be very helpful when the person gets difficult or is agitated," says Dr. Tomaino. "Don't fight with the person; instead, find a piece of music and see if you can engage the person." Dr. Tomaino remembers a couple who loved big-band and swing music and used to go out dancing. After the wife was diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease, she became obstinate when it was time for bathing and personal care. To budge her from the chair, her husband would put on a Duke Ellington album and extend a hand as if asking her to dance. She recognized that and would take his hand, and he'd gently dance her over to the bathroom. "It's the context, the feelings, the personal connections embodied in music that stay with us forever."







#### Things you didn't know about Bananas

Bananas contain 3 natural sugars – sucrose, fructose and glucose combined with fiber. A banana gives an instant, sustained & substantial boost of energy.

Research has proven that just 2 bananas provide enough energy for a strenuous 90-minute workout.

**Depression**: Many people feel better after eating a banana. This is because they contain tryptophan, a type of protein that the body converts into serotonin, know to make you relax and improve your mood.

**PMS**: Forget the pills-eat a banana. The vitaminB6 it contains regulates blood glucose levels, which can affect your mood.

Anemia: High in iron, bananas can stimulate the production of hemoglobin in the blood thus helping in cases of anemia.

**Blood Pressure**: This unique fruit is extremely high in potassium yet low in salt. The USFDA has allowed the banana industry to make official claims for the fruit's ability to reduce the risk of high blood pressure & stroke. Eating bananas as part of a regular diet can cut the risk of death by strokes by as much as 40%.

**Brain Power**: Research has shown that the potassium packed fruit can assist learning by making students more alert.

**Constipation**: High in fiber, including bananas in the diet can help restore normal bowel action, helping to overcome the problem without resorting to laxatives.

**Heartburn**: Bananas have a natural antacid effect in the body, so if you suffer from heartburn, try eating a banana for soothing relief.

**Smoking & Tobacco Use**: Bananas can help people trying to give up smoking. The B6 & B12 they contain, as well as the potassium & magnesium found in them, help the body recover from the effects of nicotine withdrawal.

So, a banana really is a natural remedy for many ills. Compared to an apple, it has 4x the protein, 2x the carbohydrates, 3x the phosphorus, 5x the vitamin A & iron. Twice the other vitamins & minerals plus rich in potassium.

Maybe we should change the well-known phrase so that we say, "A banana a day keeps the doctor away".



### **Village President's Recipe Pick for Summer**

Here is another recipe given to me years ago by my friend, Tina (Dabrowski) Rigler. Another fast and easy one that is perfect for warm weather. It's one of Tanner's favorites.

1 box of Pasta -- Your preference-Zita, Shells, Penne, Farfalle, Rigatoni etc.

I can of black olives

Italian Dressing - - I use Lou Malnati's. You can buy at any of their locations.

1 carrot

1/4 Sweet Vidalia Onion

Cook pasta preferably al dente – drain and cool

Drain olives and cut in thirds

Chop 1 carrot or a few baby carrots into very small pieces

Chop 1/4 sweet onion very fine

Combine and mix approx.. 1/3 -1/2 cup dressing – to your taste

Salt and pepper to your taste.

THAT'S IT! The best part is you don't have to worry about a mayo salad going bad on hot days.

Be creative-experiment.

You can change the veggies to your preference as well. I'm thinking broccoli cut small would be very tasty. We really like the Lou Malnati's dressing too as opposed to regular Italian.



## Remember When.....

# Two Receive Eagle Awards

Two Scouts of Troop 337 were presented the Eagle award at ceremonies held recently at the Home School, 44th sc. and Home ave.

They were Leonard J. Poletto, the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Poletto, and Robin Sladek, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Sladek.

The presentation of colors was

by the color guard of Troop 337, consisting of Richard Carl, Robert Hood, Charles Schultz and Jeff Synak.

The invocation was given by Scout William Hood.

The welcome address and recognition of guests was made by Charles Schultz, assistant scoutmaster. The ceremony was conducted by William Hood,

scoutmaster; Donald Coates, assistant scoutmaster, and Scout William Hood, Joseph C. Kolar, advancement chairman for the Blackhawk District, made the presentation of the award.

Scout Victor Dantino of Troop 337 gave the Scout benediction. Refreshments were then served by the Scout Mothers of Troop 337.



A proud mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. John Sladek admire the Eagle award presented to their son, Robin (left) at an Eagle court of awards for Troop 337 held recently. Also present were Scoutmaster William Hood (second,

right) and Joseph C. Kolar, advancement chairman (right). The other Eagle candidate was Leonard J. Poletto, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Poletto.



The Eagle Scouts and their sponsors recently had an Eagle Scout Recognition dinner in La Grange. The scouts and their sponsors are (from left to right): Leonard J. Poletto, troop 337: George L. Fargo, president of For-

est View; George Rench, president of Stickney; Robin Sladek, troop 337; Emil Vacin, mayor of Berwyn and Mike Lesak of troop 60. (LIFE Photo)

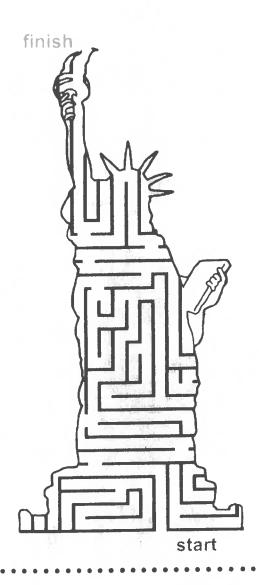
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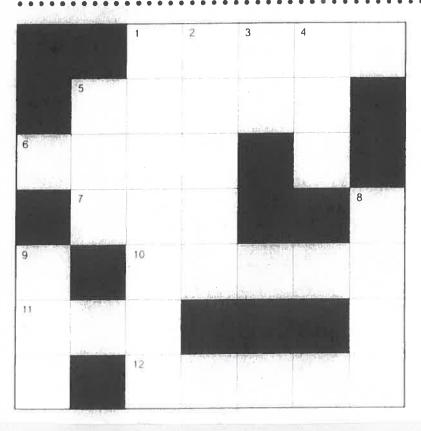
The statue of Liberty, quite possibly the most famous symbol of American freedom, has been welcoming immigrants to the United States since October 1886. Find your way from the pedestal to the torch, and remember to celebrate your freedoms this Independence Day



did you

The Statue of Liberty's torch was the first piece to be assembled in 1876. The original torch was replaced in 1984 after replacing the interior lights over the course of many years had caused severe structural damage. The current torch is made of copper and covered in 24-karat gold leaf which is lighted from the inside by a floodlight. The original torch is located in the monument's museum lobby.





# voice of youth puzzle

# The 4th of July

#### **ACROSS**

- 50 of these on the United States flag
- 5. The President's of the Union address
- 6. The red planet
- 7. A deep hole
- 10. Part of a bike you work with your feet
- 11 Highest card in the deck
- 12 Bee's defense

#### DOWN

- 13 of these on the United States flag
- 2. A sense that involves your tongue
- 3. Preposition
- 4. , white and blue
- 5. Fluid that flows from a tree
- 8. "You're a Grand
  Old
- 9. Symbol of our nation Uncle \_\_\_\_



## "LAUGH OUT LOUD"



#### A Frickin' Elephant

Jake is 5 and learning to read. He points to a picture in a zoo book and says, "Look mama! It's a frickin' elephant!"

Mama takes a deep breath..."What did you call it?"

"It's a frickin elephant, mama! It says so on the picture!"

And so it does ....

"African Elephant"

Hooked on Phonics...isn't it wonderful!?



#### LOST

An older man approached an attractive younger woman at a shopping mall. "Excuse me, I can't seem to find my wife. Can you talk to me for a couple of minutes?"

The woman, feeling a bit of compassion for the old fellow said, "Of course sir. Do you know where your wife might be?"

"I have no idea, but every time I talk to an attractive young woman like you, she seems to appear out of nowhere".



Dear paranoid people who check behind their shower curtain for murderers, if you do find one, what's your plan?

You only need 2 tools in life-WD-40 and duct tape. If it doesn't move and should, use the WD-40. If it shouldn't move and does, use the duct tape.





















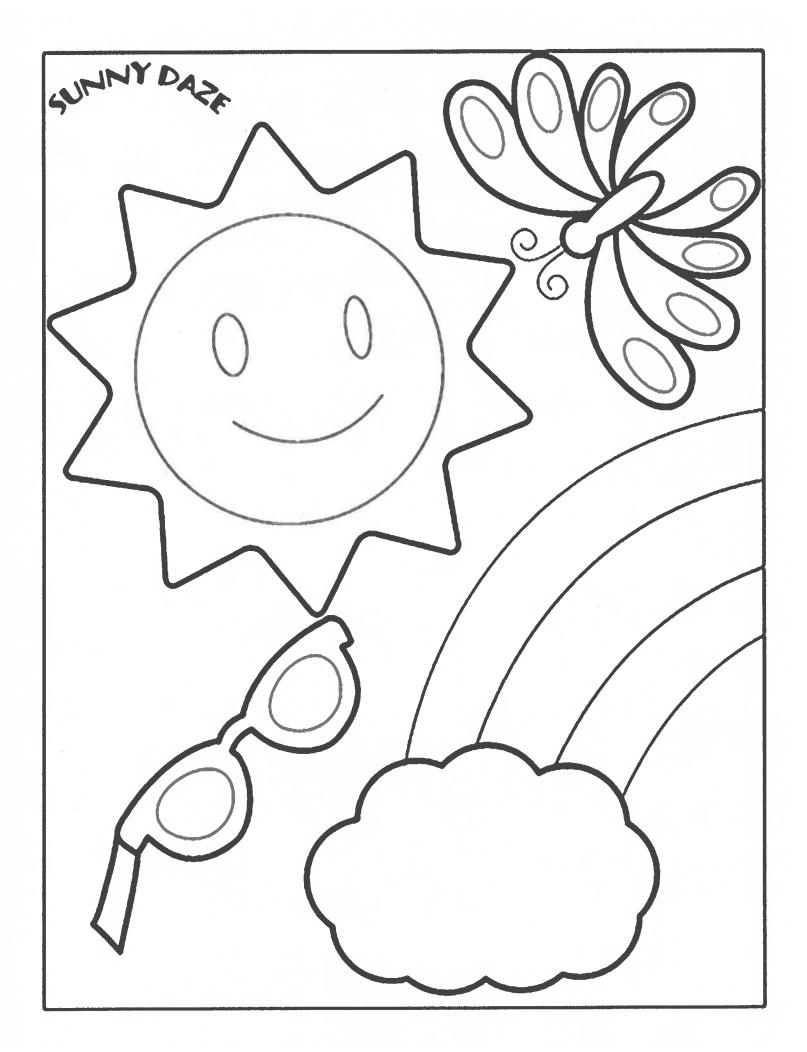
# THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR LOCAL ARTISTS FOR MAKING THE ARTIST CORNER LOOK SO BEAUTIFUL. WE ARE SO PROUD TO DISPLAY YOUR GORGEOUS ARTWORK.

















\*\* The Board meets in the Municipal Building on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month and the meetings begin at 7:00 P.M and are open to the public.\*\*

#### February 22, 2022

The televising and cleaning of sewer, sanitary and waterlines began on January  $12^{th}$ . The project will last about 2 more weeks for the residential section, and then they will move on to doing  $51^{st}$  and  $47^{th}$  Streets. We will then be able to analyze the condition of our system and make repairs or replacements as needed.

Working with Hancock Engineering on the Wenonah Project. This project will extend the sewers from 46th and Wenonah to go under the railroad tracks and then turn west to connect into Harlem Avenue. This is similar to the Grove Avenue project that was completed a few years ago to alleviate flooding. BNSF, CN, ComEd, Kinder Morgan and MWRD need to issue easements for the project. Village Administrator Dropka is happy to report that in the past month we have received three out of the five easements needed and is hopeful that work can begin this Spring. The money for this project is coming from MWRD and has been earmarked for us.

Village Administrator Dropka stated that he has been working with ComEd to get an easement from them and transfer the corner of 49<sup>th</sup> and Central over to the Village. The Village would then transfer the property over to Fed Ex so that they can install a stoplight on this corner. Village Administrator Dropka stated that this will both assist Fed Ex in getting their trucks out of their yard, and also be pivotal in the future by allowing the Village to further annex land west of Central Avenue which is

now unincorporated Cook County and is all industrial – further enlarging our tax base.

As previously discussed the levee is not complete and still needs work done to it. Conversations with Hancock Engineering and the Army Corps of Engineers has been restarted. The Forest View System is made up of three segments, Phase 1, Phase 2, and HASMA berm. Only Phase 1 is complete and was a joint project with the US Army Corps of Engineers. There are no plans to do a concrete levee and what you see North of 47<sup>th</sup> street is the final product. The other two segments were inspected the previous year and are not active but hopefully Phase 2 can be rehabilitated soon. Phase 2 of the levee work will be 47<sup>th</sup> Street south of HASMA. There is a plan to do this work as a joint project with US Army Corps of Engineers. Currently we have draft agreements with CN, BNSF, and ComEd and hope to wrap up negotiations by summer.

Thursday February 17<sup>th</sup>, four (4) inches of snow blanketed the area. It took three (3) Public Works Employees a total of 8.5 hours, to clear away the snow. An estimated 10-12 tons of salt was applied in the Village.



#### March 8, 2022

All municipalities must produce a plan on how we will replace the lead water pipes by 2027. Later in the spring we will work with Hancock Engineering to confirm where the existing lead water lines are located. Village Administrator Dropka is requesting to get the Project Plan approved and make it onto the Intended Funding List (IFL).

Fire Chief Jones is in the process of finalizing the dates in April for the three live burns training that is a division wide drill. We will be sending our employees to the training at the Woodridge Burn tower. The training is conducted by our staff.

#### March 15, 2022

Officer William Margalus received a Life Saving Award.

#### March 22, 2022

Village Administrator Dropka received a call from Senator Villanueva. She is putting \$100,000 in House Bill 64 from the Build Illinois Bond Fund to the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity for a grant to the Village of Forest View for costs associated with capital improvements.

Forest View Fire Department will be attending a Statewide Terrorism Task Force Major Drill in Naperville. The Fire activity and Tactical Rescue training will be on April 6<sup>th</sup> and a combined Police and Fire training session on April 7<sup>th</sup>.

#### **April 12, 2022**

Police Chief Stelter received approval to purchase five (5) new video cameras for the marked patrol vehicles assigned to the police department.

Approximately seventy-five (75) people attended the State of the Village meeting on March 31, 2022 and we received good

reviews regarding the event. We will continue to have this annual report as it promotes good communication with the residents.

The Board received a copy of the SB1734 document, which passed the General Assembly on Friday. This bill will give the village the authority to annex the corner of 49<sup>th</sup> Street and Central Ave. The Village will continue to work with FedEx on the other documentation needed

#### **April 26, 2022**

Chief Stelter informed the Board that the Forest View Police Department has applied to join the West Suburban Major Crimes Task Force (WESTAF) and was voted in unanimously. WESTAF was formed to assist police departments in cases when serious crimes occur and when departments do not have the manpower, resources, or experience to handle such a crime.

Fire Chief Jones is planning on two Open House events this year at the Fire Station. The month of May is Emergency Medical Safety (EMS) Month therefore they will be holding a small Open House on May 20<sup>th</sup>. He stated that October is Fire Prevention Month, and his department will be planning a larger scale Open House event.

Chief Stelter presented a Commendation for Excellence to Officer Ahmad Collins for his actions in pursuing armed car jackers and after a short foot pursuit Officer Collins apprehended two of the offenders solo.



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Berwyn Police Department
6401 31st St., Berwyn, IL 60402

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Free for first 100 pets. Cats and dogs welcome. Rabies tags are \$6 each. Pet owners must keep dogs leashed and cats must be in carriers.

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