

# WELCOME TO LAKE ZURICH, ILLINOIS

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## RESIDENT GUIDE TO YOUR NEW HOME



*At the Heart of Community*



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It is my pleasure to welcome you, on behalf of the Board of Trustees (Dan Bobrowski, Mary Beth Euker, William Riley, Marc Spacone, Roger Sugrue, and Greg Weider), our Village Manager Ray Keller, Village staff and our fellow residents, to our unique and diverse 7.18 square mile community. Lake Zurich is a warm, close-knit community with a population of over 6,000 families and 20,000 people, conveniently located in southwest Lake County, about 30 minutes from O'Hare airport and 45 minutes from the Loop in downtown Chicago.

Lake Zurich is a vibrant, safe community with an assortment of good housing, quality schools, and convenient access to health care, a safe and secure water supply and one of the best community libraries in the state.

Lake Zurich's award winning schools boast exceptional academic standards, secure learning environments, and a wide variety of extra-curricular activities such as service organizations, sports teams, and fine arts.

The Lake Zurich area is also host to an abundance of sports clubs, civic, and arts organizations for adults and children, as well as 32 village-owned parks and 22 playgrounds that include two public beaches to meet all your outdoor activity needs, as well as the Sprayground at Paulus Park for parents to take their little ones. Lake Zurich residents flock to our annual festivals, parades and celebrations such as the Alpine Carnival in July, Independence Day Celebration, Water Lantern Festival and Jack O'Lantern World. In recent years, we have added a highly successful Farmers Market in Paulus Park each Friday in warm-weather months and a wildly popular one-day Rock the Block music fest/street dance in September.

Lake Zurich has emerged as a prime area for economic development with a great mix of businesses and a pro-business climate. In Lake Zurich, you will find a vibrant retail environment, robust industrial park, ready, able and highly educated workforce, easy access to markets, and a pro-active, business friendly municipal government with leadership that understands your needs and will work with you.

- ★ Visit our website at: [lakezurich.org](http://lakezurich.org)
- ★ Like our Facebook Page: [facebook.com/VillageOfLakeZurich](https://www.facebook.com/VillageOfLakeZurich).
- ★ My Mayor's Facebook page [facebook.com/TomPoyntonForLakeZurich](https://www.facebook.com/TomPoyntonForLakeZurich).
- ★ Sign up for the Village's e-newsletter Benchmarks at [Lakezurich.org](http://Lakezurich.org)

## WELCOME TO THE VILLAGE OF LAKE ZURICH!

Tom



**TOM POYNTON**

**MAYOR**

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## HISTORY

The Village of Lake Zurich is located in southwestern Lake County approximately 37 miles northwest of downtown Chicago. The Village is an established residential community which traditionally served as a market center for surrounding rural areas and, earlier in the 20th century, as a popular summer resort. The population has increased by more than five times since 1960, as the Village has shared in the economic growth that has come from an expanding Chicago metropolitan area. Lake Zurich has developed into a community with above-average wealth and Settlers first came to the area in the 1830's. George Ela settled in the area of Deer Grove, not far from Cedar Lake (now Lake Zurich) in 1935. Seth Paine, a Chicagoan, came to the area in 1836, and built a number of commercial establishments in what is now downtown Lake Zurich. New England farmers and German immigrants followed, and the Village was incorporated on September 29, 1896.

The Village grew slowly after its incorporation. The Palatine and Lake Zurich and Wauconda Railroad was built in 1910, but the line was discontinued in 1920. Rand Road (now U.S. Route 12) was paved through town in 1922, and helped establish Lake Zurich, with its rural setting and 250-acre lake, as a summer resort community. The east-west State Route 22, which also runs through Lake Zurich, was constructed in 1927. Population growth accelerated after World War II, with the Village's population increasing from 850 in 1950 to 3,458 in 1960, and further to 4,082 in 1970, 8,225 in 1980, and 14,927 in 1990 (up 81.5% from 1980). The 2000 Census reported a population of 18,104 up 21.3% from 1990.

The Village's municipal neighbors include North Barrington to the west, Deer Park to the south, Kildeer to the southeast and east, and Hawthorn Woods to the north. Transportation links include U.S. Route 12 and State Route 22, and freight rail service by the CN Railroad. Commuter train service to Chicago is available in Barrington, five miles from Lake Zurich. O'Hare International Airport is approximately 30 miles from the Village. According to the 2020 Census Lake Zurich's population is 20,054.

The Village is a non-home rule community that operates under the management form of municipal government. Lake Zurich is governed by a President and a six-member Board of Trustees. All are elected at an at-large basis in non-partisan elections to overlapping four year terms. The Board and President are charged with (among other things) setting policy, passing ordinances, adopting the budget and hiring the Village Manager. In turn, the Village Manager oversees the day-to- day operations of the Village.





## OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

**MAYORS OFFICE** ★ **847.540.1683**



— **Mayor:** [Tom.Poynton@LakeZurich.org](mailto:Tom.Poynton@LakeZurich.org)  
**Address:** 980 Old Mill Grove Rd.  
**Cell Phone:** 847.207.1745

**Family & Resident Information:**  
\* Resident since 1984  
\* Vietnam era veteran of U.S. Army  
\* Married to Jan. Children: Tracie, Kim and Chris

**VILLAGE CLERK** ★ **847.438.2535**



— **Clerk:** [Kathleen.Johnson@LakeZurich.org](mailto:Kathleen.Johnson@LakeZurich.org) | 847.438.2535  
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## THE VILLAGE BOARD



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— **Trustee: Greg.Weider@LakeZurich.org | 847.913.3575**  
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## VILLAGE CONTACTS

**VILLAGE HALL** • **847.438.5141**



**Village Manager:** [Ray.Keller@LakeZurich.org](mailto:Ray.Keller@LakeZurich.org) | 847.540.1693

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**Water Billing:** [Linda.Kaminski@LakeZurich.org](mailto:Linda.Kaminski@LakeZurich.org) | 847.438.5141 Ext. 7204

The Office of the Village Manager exists to coordinate the activities of the operating departments by facilitating the work necessary to carry out the policies established by the Village Board. This coordination of departmental activity strives to provide quality public services in the most cost effective way to support the Village's Mission...

*To provide our residents and businesses with exceptional quality municipal services. We will achieve this through strategic planning, fiscal responsibility, and transparent, accessible, and responsive municipal leadership and staff. This will result in continually improving quality-of-life and return on investment for all stakeholders in the community.*

Village Hall is located downtown at 70 East Main Street. Should you have questions or concerns regarding any of the Village's services, or suggestions on how we can improve the quality of life in Lake Zurich, please do not hesitate to contact the Village Manager's office at 847.540.1684.

**PUBLIC WORKS** • **847.540.1696**



**Public Works Director:** [Mike.Brown@LakeZurich.org](mailto:Mike.Brown@LakeZurich.org) | 847.540.5066

**Assistant Director:** [Steve.Paulus@LakeZurich.org](mailto:Steve.Paulus@LakeZurich.org) | Ext. 8017

**General Services:** [Mike.Cernock@LakeZurich.org](mailto:Mike.Cernock@LakeZurich.org) | Ext. 8008

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Public Works crews ensure the foundation of Lake Zurich is strong by providing infrastructure maintenance, utility services, storm water management, facility and park maintenance, and other crucial services such as snow and ice removal, refuse and recycling, and fleet maintenance. You will often see Public Works "out in the field" performing important work to keep our Village running strong. Public Works facilities are located at 505 Telser Rd.



## PARK & RECREATION ★ 847.438.5146



- **Park & Recreation Director:** [Bonnie.Caputo@LakeZurich.org](mailto:Bonnie.Caputo@LakeZurich.org) | 847.540.5068
- **Rec. Supervisor, Early Childhood & Day Camp:** [Jenna.Stanonik@LakeZurich.org](mailto:Jenna.Stanonik@LakeZurich.org) | 847.719.2462
- **Rec. Supervisor, Aquatics, Dance & Independent Contractors:** [Elke.Kadzielawski@LakeZurich.org](mailto:Elke.Kadzielawski@LakeZurich.org) | 847.540.5075
- **Rec. Supervisor, Guest Services:** [Marisa.Boynton@LakeZurich.org](mailto:Marisa.Boynton@LakeZurich.org) | 847.438.5146

The Parks and Recreation Department is proud of our community and the services we offer. Lake Zurich has 32 parks, 22 playgrounds, two public beaches, preschool facilities, dance and multi-purpose studios, picnic shelters, athletic fields, a skate park, nature preserves, and special events year-round. Our current program brochure is online at [LakeZurich.org/parkandrec](http://LakeZurich.org/parkandrec). Our offices are located at 200 S. Rand Rd.

## FIRE DEPARTMENT ★ 847.540.5070



- **Fire Chief:** [David.Pilgard@LakeZurich.org](mailto:David.Pilgard@LakeZurich.org) | Ext. 1101
- **Deputy Fire Chief:** [John.Kelly@LakeZurich.org](mailto:John.Kelly@LakeZurich.org) | Ext. 1107
- **Deputy Fire Chief:** [Joe.Christopherson@LakeZurich.org](mailto:Joe.Christopherson@LakeZurich.org) | Ext. 1103
- **Deputy Fire Marshal:** [John.Wiecek@LakeZurich.org](mailto:John.Wiecek@LakeZurich.org) | Ext. 1502

The Lake Zurich Fire Department has a long history and takes great pride in the work performed by our professional and dedicated staff. Our focus is on protecting your health and safety. We are a full service safety provider that specializes in fire suppression, medical services, specializes team responses, community risk reduction and emergency management. As Fire Chief, I am responsible for ensuring the safety of our community. It is my honor and pleasure to serve Lake Zurich and the surrounding Rural Fire Protection District. We have four stations with our main station at 321 S. Buesching Road.

## POLICE DEPARTMENT ★ 847.719.1690



- **Chief of Police:** [Steve.Husak@LakeZurich.org](mailto:Steve.Husak@LakeZurich.org) | Ext. 6116
- **Non-Emergency Dispatch:** 847.438.2349
- **Deputy Chief:** [Robert.Johnson@LakeZurich.org](mailto:Robert.Johnson@LakeZurich.org) | Ext. 6134
- **Deputy Chief:** [Colin.Gaffney@LakeZurich.org](mailto:Colin.Gaffney@LakeZurich.org) | Ext. 6122
- **Management Assistant:** [Stephanie.Steiner@LakeZurich.org](mailto:Stephanie.Steiner@LakeZurich.org) | Ext. 6112

As the Chief of Police, I am honored to serve the Village of Lake Zurich. Policing is a rewarding opportunity and all of our officers are dedicated to providing excellent service. The Lake Zurich Police Department is focused on proactive community partnerships aimed at



providing the best solutions and positive outcomes for problems we face together as a community. As Chief, I am committed to developing innovative approaches to collaborate with our community so we can share information in meaningful ways. The Police Department is located at 200 Mohawk Trail.

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT • 847.540.1696



**Community Development Director:** Sarosh.Saher@LakeZurich.org | 847.540.1754

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**Permit Coordinator:** Janice.Higgins@LakeZurich.org | 847.540.1696

**Building Services Supervisor:** Mary.Meyer@LakeZurich.org | 847.540.1760

**Planner:** Colleen.McCauley@LakeZurich.org | 847.540.1759

The general purpose of Community Development is to preserve and enhance the quality of life in the Village of Lake Zurich through proper planning, and the administration and enforcement of the Village's Comprehensive Plan, zoning, building and property maintenance codes. Specific responsibilities include the review, approval and issuance of permits and inspections for all construction projects. Through the Village Planner, staff is responsible for guiding applicants through all phases of the development and approval process. The department also provides staff assistance of the Planning and Zoning Commission.

## LAKE ZURICH DEMOGRAPHICS

### POPULATION

19,759

### MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME

\$135,211

### HOUSING UNITS

7,173

### MEAN TRAVEL TIME TO WORK

29.8 Minutes

### NUMBER OF POLICE OFFICERS

33

### NUMBER OF PARKS

32

### LAND AREA

6.77 Square Miles

### MEDIAN HOME VALUE

\$443,000

### PERSONS PER HOUSEHOLD

3.09

### BACHELOR'S DEGREE OR HIGHER (AGE 25+)

58.3%

### NUMBER OF FIREFIGHTERS

53

### NUMBER OF BUSINESSES

2,500



## BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

The following is a list of commissions and committees that are filled by residents. If interested in volunteering, call Village Hall.

**Board of Fire & Police Commissioners:** This is a three-member commission scheduled to meet the third Tuesday of every month at 5:30pm. This commission is responsible for the hiring process, discipline and termination of sworn fire and police personnel.

**Community/Police Advisory Committee:** This is a seven-member committee scheduled to meet the second Wednesday every three months at 6:30 pm. This committee acts as a liaison between the community and the Police Department, addressing concerns brought forward by residents. These concerns include traffic related issues, village ordinances, or neighborhood problems.

**Firefighters Pension Board:** This is a five-member Board scheduled to meet once every three months on a Wednesday at 8:00 am. This Board has the duty to control and manage the Pension Fund, investment policy and the review of various types of pension applications of the sworn personnel on the Fire Department.

**Park & Recreation Advisory Board:** This is a seven-member Board scheduled to meet the second Tuesday of every-other month at 6:30 pm. The purpose of this Board is to serve as a liaison between residents and the Village Board on all matters related to the development and operation of recreation programs, playgrounds, facilities, parks, and to make recommendations to the Village Board.

**Planning & Zoning Commission:** This is a seven-member commission (plus one alternate member) scheduled to meet the third Wednesday of every month at 7:00 pm. The PZC is responsible for long-range planning for the Village and making recommendations to the Village Board on development issues and proposals.

**Police Pension Board:** This is a five-member Board scheduled to meet the second Tuesday every three months at 8:00 am. This Board has the duty to control and manage the Pension Fund, investment policy and the review of various types of pension applications of the sworn personnel of the Police Department.

**Tree Commission:** This is a five-member Board scheduled to meet the first or second Tuesday each month at 6:30 pm. This commission is responsible for the maintenance, inventory, and growth of our urban forest.

## WATER & SEWER BILLING INFORMATION

- \* To setup water/sewer service, please visit [LakeZurich.org](http://LakeZurich.org) and fill out a Utility Billing Application (also found at end of Guide)
- \* All utility accounts are billed on a monthly cycle.
- \* Effective January 1, 2024 the water/sewer rate is \$2.347 per 100 gallons.
- \* Each bill is based on a minimum of 2,000 gallons, so it will be at least \$46.94.
- \* If you would like to have your bill paid electronically, you can sign up for auto-payment online at [LakeZurich.org](http://LakeZurich.org). You will need to register through InvoiceCloud to setup autopay.
- \* If you need help with any of this, please contact Village Hall at 847-438-5141.



- \* The payment will be deducted from your account on the due date noted on the bill.
- \* The Village offers a senior resident(65+)/disabled discount to those who qualify. The discount is \$14.24 off your monthly bill. Applications for the discount are available at [lakezurich.org](http://lakezurich.org). Please provide a copy of your Driver's License or State ID with the application. A copy of the application can also be found at the end of this guide.

The Village of Lake Zurich's present water source is ground water provided by six wells drilled into the ground. Five of the six wells have Ion Exchange Treatment Facilities to remove the impurities present in the water. The sixth well does not have Ion Exchange Treatment Facilities and is on an emergency-only-use status. The effluent - treated well water - is blended with raw well water at a ratio of approximately 73 percent treated water to 27 percent raw well water to produce finished water that meets EPA's requirement for radium and a water hardness similar to Lake Michigan water.

Every year the Village publishes a Consumer Confidence Water Quality Report. This summarizes the quality of the water that is provided and how it compares to the Environmental Protection Agency standards. The Village consistently meets all drinking water health standards.

## REFUSE & RECYCLING CURBSIDE PICKUP

- \* The Village contracts with Lakeshore Recycling Systems (LRS) for weekly collection on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.
- \* Each residence has a once a week refuse and recycling collection on the same day, along with yard waste collection (limit of 15 bags).
- \* New residents should call LRS at (847) 381-9300 to schedule service and ask billing questions.
- \* Billing is handled quarterly directly by LRS, not the Village.
- \* Refuse Options (Effective September 1st, 2024)
  - \* Plan A \$26.99/month for 95-gallon cart
  - \* Plan B \$25.85/month for a 65-gallon cart
  - \* Senior Plan (Large) \$24.29/month for a 95-gallon cart
  - \* Senior Plan (Small) \$23.27/month for a 65-gallon cart
- \* Monthly costs above include both refuse and recycling costs.
- \* A discount of 10% off any cart size is available for senior residents aged 65 and older.
- \* Carts should not be placed by the street before 7 pm the night before pickup or after 7 am on the pickup day.
- \* Carts should be placed with the handles facing your house. When not at curb, store carts so they are not visible from the street.
- \* Electronic waste is accepted free of charge to residents at the LRS facility on Old Rand Rd in Wauconda, with a limit of one TV or monitor per visit and up to 5 other smaller electronic items.
- \* Lake Zurich participates in community recycling programs for clothing/textile, shoe, electronics and pharmaceutical recycling. Contact Village Hall at (847) 540-1684 for details.
- \* As part of the Village's contract with LRS an annual e-waste collection event will take place each July. Subscribe to Benchmarks, the community e-newsletter, to be alerted of the event.



# VILLAGE ORDINANCES

## — BEACH AND LAKE USAGE

- \* No watercraft may be moored or operated on the lake of Lake Zurich without first obtaining and displaying a Lake Watercraft Maintenance and Use Permit from the Lake Property Owners Association of Lake Zurich and paying a required fee.
- \* For parks near the water, swimming is only allowed in the designated beach areas when a lifeguard is on duty. Paulus Park beach admission is by season pass or daily fee. Breezewald Park beach is a free residents-only beach.
- \* Lake Zurich residents only have the opportunity to launch non-motorized watercrafts from Paulus Park for a nominal daily fee or season pass. Watercrafts include: Kayaks, Canoes, Paddle Boats, Windsurfers, Row Boats, and Long Boards. Inflatable crafts are not permitted. All crafts need to stay in the No Wake area of Lake Zurich, wear a PFD, carry a whistle for emergencies, and review the rules of the lake.

## — BLOCK PARTIES

- \* An application for a Block Party must be submitted fourteen days before the intended date to the Village Manager's Office. Applications can be found on the Village's website or call Village Hall at 847-540-1684. Block parties are fun and build community bonds, but these neighborhood events should not extend past 9 pm.

## — CURFEW

- \* Applies to anyone under 17 years of age. Saturday and Sunday from 12-6 am and Monday through Friday from 11 pm to 6 am.

## — HOUSE MAINTENANCE

- \* Display address numbers using a color contrasting from their background, a minimum of 4-inch- high numbers.
- \* Keep trim and wall exteriors free from peeling paint and rotting wood. Re-paint/re- stain and replace rotting wood when necessary.
- \* Maintain handrail and guard rails.

## — OUTSIDE STORAGE AND LANDSCAPING

- \* Outdoor storage is not allowed. Outdoor storage may include construction materials and yard tools.
- \* Maintain yard free from litter/debris. Clean animal waste regularly.
- \* Maintain lawn so it does not exceed 8 inches in height.
- \* Maintain shrubbery and trees so as not to encroach over public sidewalk.



## **PETS IN THE PARKS**

- \* We welcome man's best friend here in Lake Zurich. Just as a reminder for the safety, convenience, and enjoyment of all, dogs are to be kept on the paved paths and leashed. Owners and possessors caught with dogs off leash or caught not cleaning up after their dogs are subject to a fine of \$250 - \$500. Please note that if a special event is being held at a park, dogs shall be excluded on those dates.

## **SIGNS RESTRICTIONS**

- \* Signs are not permitted on the parkway, which is the area between the sidewalk and the street.
- \* Garage sale, election, for sale/rent, community event and sporting club signs are allowed on private property with certain size restrictions as noted on the Village website.
- \* Garage sale signs – display on the day of the sale/s. Limited to two garage sales per year.
- \* Election signs – the Village prohibits the placement/display of election signs in the parkway (area between the sidewalk and the street)
- \* For sale/for rent – not more than one sign per frontage (corner lots allowed 2 signs).

## **SNOW RESTRICTIONS**

- \* Typically, plowing operations begin after snow accumulation of 1-2 inches. Depending on weather conditions and information from the Village's weather forecasting service and weather radar system, snow/ice removal operations may begin sooner.

## **RESIDENTIAL PERMITS**

- \* Please visit the Community Development page on the Village website to see a list of residential construction projects that require a Village issued permit before construction can begin. The various permit application forms, handouts and requirements are available to download.
- \* Please contact Community Development with any questions regarding establishing a home-based business (residential occupation) or regarding any other residential permits.
- \* Please be aware that:
  - \* Swimming pools over 2 feet in height require a building permit and have additional safety requirements.
  - \* Sump discharge must be at least 10 feet from all property lines. Changes in site drainage may require a building permit.

## **VEHICLE REGULATIONS**

- \* No vehicle may be parked on the front lawn or obstructing public sidewalk. Boats, RVs, trailer and other vehicles have restrictions on where they may be parked dependent on their size. Refer to Village requirements or contact Community Development for details.
- \* Vehicles shall be operable and display current license plates.
- \* Parking prohibited on all village streets between 2am - 5am.



## — WASTE - LARGE OBJECTS & BULK ITEMS

- \* A weekly bulk item is included, which LRS will collect free of charge. One bulk item per week. Item must weigh less than 50 pounds and be shorter than 4 feet in length. No construction materials or chemicals are allowed.
- \* Appliances cannot be disposed in landfills. LRS will collect your old appliances left curbside and properly dispose of them. Residents will need to call LRS in advance to schedule appliance pick-up. Only \$10 per appliance.
- \* LRS offers household back-door collection for residents who would like the added convenience of not transporting the carts to the curb each week. This is an optional service at \$25 extra per month.
- \* For special bulk-item pickup, please contact LRS to schedule at 847-381-9300.

## — YARD WASTE PICKUP

- \* Yard waste is collected weekly beginning April 1 through the second full week of December on the same day that refuse and recycling are collected. Yard waste must be placed in biodegradable bags (brown paper), or cans (maximum 50 pounds) that are clearly marked as landscape waste or with an "X". Stickers are not required unless you have more than 15 bags in one day. Yard waste in plastic bags will not be collected.
- \* Leaf vacuuming typically runs mid-October through mid-December. Residents are asked to rake leaves to the curb by Monday morning, for pickup by LRS that week. Leaves must be raked to within five feet of the curb and should not be placed in the gutter or street. This service is included in your quarterly bill from LRS.

# ANNUAL LAKE ZURICH EVENTS

## — MARCH: PURPLE PLUNGE

**Date:** Early March   **Location:** Breezewald Beach  
**Time:** Morning

The Purple Plunge is a community event where participants can register to wade in or take the full plunge into the freezing cold water of Lake Zurich. Each participant can collect pledges and form a team to take the plunge together. The Purple Plunge is a fun family event where participants can wear costumes, carry signs, and just be silly as spectators cheer on the brave plungers. All money raised benefits the American Cancer Society.

## — APRIL: ARBOR DAY

**Date:** Late April   **Location:** Paulus Park  
**Time:** All Day

Lake Zurich's Park and Recreation Department hosts an annual Arbor Day event where volunteers can help clean up the various parks around town. This is a great event for people of all ages to get outside, enjoy the outdoors, and help improve the appearance and environment of their town.



## — MARCH/APRIL: EGG HUNT

**Date:** March/April   **Location:** Paulus Park

**Time:** Morning

Our Annual Egg Hunt caters to families with children ages 2+. Egg Hunt is a free event that encourages you to bring the kids and their baskets to collect the goodies left behind by the Bunny (held rain or shine).

## — MAY: WATER LANTERN FESTIVAL

**Date:** May   **Location:** Paulus Park

**Time:** Evening

The Lake Zurich Water Lantern Festival brings people together to light the lake in a magical night that includes food, music, and beauty as the lanterns reflect upon the water.

## — JUNE-SEPTEMBER: FARMER'S MARKET

**Date:** Fridays   **Location:** Paulus Park

**Time:** 3-7pm

Each Friday, 30+ vendors, live music, concessions, and fun activities for the whole family.

## — JULY: INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

**Date:** July 4th   **Location:** Paulus Park

**Time:** All Day

Full day celebration, celebrating the independence of the United States. The day is full of music, food, and is capped off by a spectacular fireworks display from the lake.

## — JULY: ALPINE FEST

**Date:** Various days in July   **Location:** Lions Park

**Time:** Friday-Sunday

A summer festival organized and run by the Lake Zurich Lion's Club. Food, music, rides, a parade, and so much more.

## — SEPTEMBER: ALPINE RACES

**Date:** August   **Location:** Paulus Park

**Time:** Morning

One of the biggest races in the area, Alpine Races is put on by the Alpine Runners, a large Running Club in the Chicagoland Area. The Alpine Races feature a half marathon, a 5K, and a variety of shorter races for young kids and teens.

## — SEPTEMBER: ROCK THE BLOCK

**Date:** Early September   **Location:** Main Street Lake Zurich

**Time:** Evening

Rock the Block is Lake Zurich's annual Main Street block party. There is no better way to celebrate the end of the summer, than with food, drink and entertainment. Rock the Block is an outdoor festival where attendees can Dine, Dance and Discover Main Street. Three live bands take the stage for an evening of music and food. There will be something for everyone, with live music, face painters, and balloon art among the variety of food trucks/vendors and drink available.

## — OCTOBER: JACK O' LANTERN WORLD

**Date:** October   **Location:** Paulus Park

**Time:** Evening

Described as "INCREDIBLE" by WGN TV News, we invite you to walk our amazing trail filled with 1,000's of jack o' lanterns hand carved by over 50 artisans. A one-of-a-kind whimsical celebration of Halloween, art, nature, and autumn.

## — DECEMBER: MIRACLE ON MAIN STREET

**Date:** Early December   **Location:** Downtown Lake Zurich

**Time:** Late Afternoon/Early Evening

Come downtown and celebrate the holiday season with Santa Claus, Reindeer, Live Music and food. This is a great way to start off the holiday season.

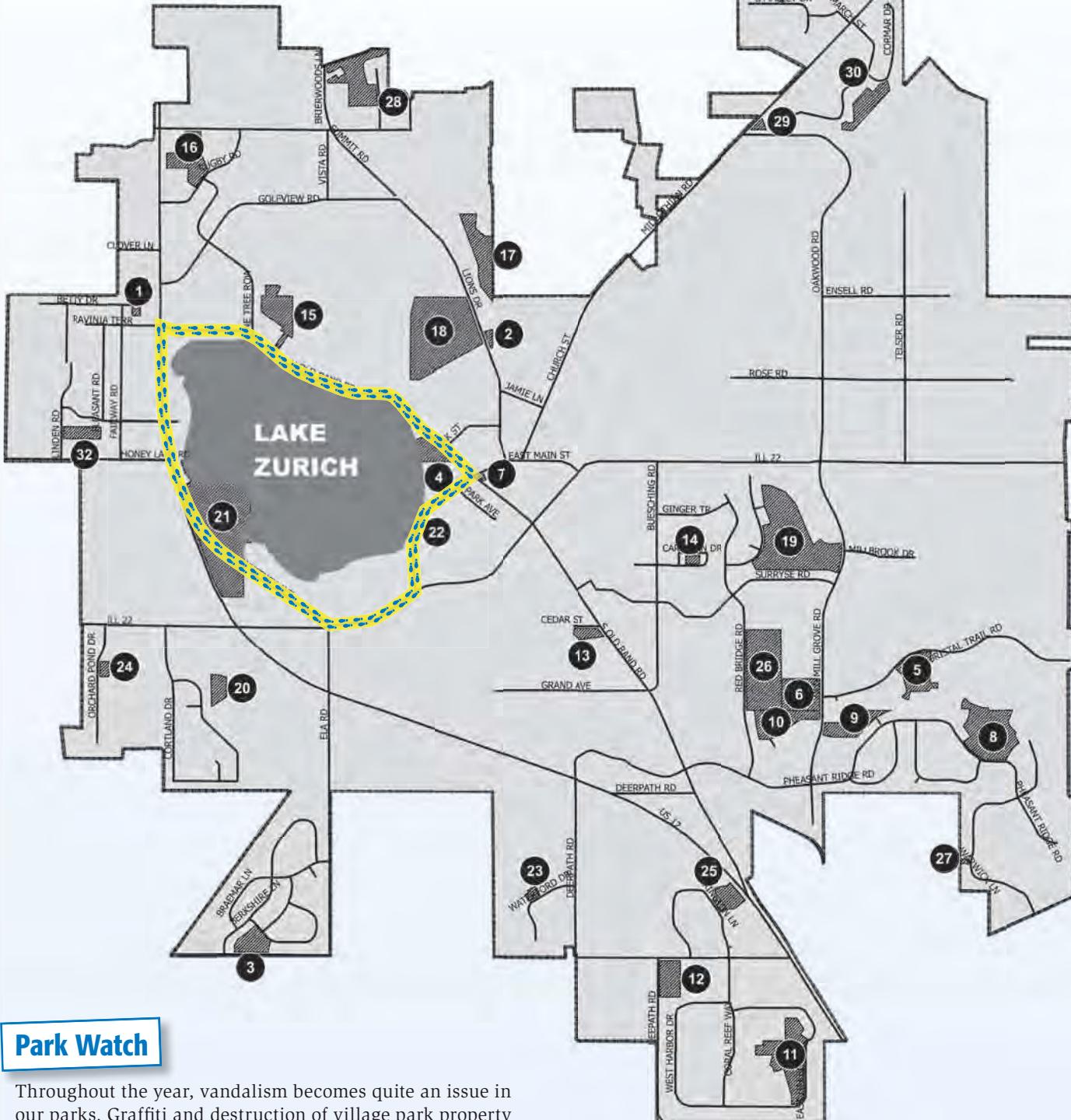
# Village of Lake Zurich Park Amenities

Village of Lake Zurich Park Amenities		Baseball	Basketball	Pickleball	Soccer	Tennis	Volleyball	Beach	Swimming	Fishing	Picnic Tables	Shelter	Playground	Parking	Nature Area	Walking	Acres
1	<b>Betty Park</b> 949 Betty Dr.																.3
2	<b>Bird Observation Area</b> 40 Lions Dr.										1				Y		1.5
3	<b>Braemar Park</b> 608 Chesterfield Ln.	1	Y		1		1			Y	1	Y	15			7	
4	<b>Breezewald Park</b> 125 N. Old Rand Rd.							Y	Y	Y	Y	1	Y	20	Y	Y	5.5
5	<b>Bristol Trails Park</b> 1130 Bristol Trails Rd.		Y		1					Y	1	Y	10		Y	7.6	
6	<b>Buffalo Creek Park</b> 675 Old Mill Grove Rd.				1								Y	60		Y	7.6
7	<b>Celebration Park</b> 7 E. Main St.									Y							
8	<b>Chestnut Corner/Hunters Creek Park</b> 1234 Pheasant Ridge Rd.	2				1				Y	1	Y	25	Y			10.1
9	<b>Countryside East Park</b> 935 Sandlewood Ct.									Y		Y					1.5
10	<b>Countryside East Soccer</b> 683 Old Mill Grove Rd.				1										Y		10.1
11	<b>Countryside West Park</b> 1650 Bayview Dr.					1		1		Y	Y		Y		Y		18.3
12	<b>Countryside West Soccer</b> 1200 Deerpath Rd.				1									20			4.8
13	<b>Heatherleigh Park</b> 435 Cedar St.		Y		1					Y		Y	8	Y	Y		1.6
14	<b>Jonquil Park</b> 519 Carolian Dr.									Y		Y					.7
15	<b>Kuechmann Arboretum</b> 626 N. Old Rand Rd.									Y			5	Y	Y		8.3
16	<b>Manor Park</b> 5 Miller Rd.				1					Y	1	Y	25	Y	Y		2
17	<b>Oak Ridge Marsh Nature Park</b> 500 Lions Dr.												4	Y	Y		18.1
18	<b>Oak Ridge Park</b> 351 Lions Dr.		Y			1			Y	Y	1	Y	11	Y	Y		26.25
19	<b>Old Mill Grove Park</b> 285 Old Mill Grove Rd.				1		1			Y	1	Y		Y	Y		21
20	<b>Orchards Park</b> 567 Lawrence				1					Y		Y		Y			2.5
21	<b>Paulus Park</b> 200 S. Rand Rd.						1	Y	Y	Y	Y	3	Y	150	Y	Y	41
22	<b>Promenade</b> 150 W. Main St.								Y						Y	Y	.5
23	<b>Quail Run Park</b> 270 Waterford Dr.									Y			Y		Y		3.3
24	<b>Sonoma Park</b> 560 Orchard Pond Dr.					2				Y			Y	4			1.2
25	<b>Sparrow Ridge Park</b> 1200 Lexington Ln.									Y			Y				3.1
26	<b>Staples Park</b> 510 Red Bridge Rd.	6	Y			2				Y	1	Y	150				10.8
27	<b>Warwick Park</b> 858 Warwick Ln.									Y		Y			Y		.5
28	<b>Whispering Creek Trail</b> 935 Lorie Ln.													Y	Y		9.5
29	<b>Wicklow Ball Field</b> 815 March St.	1												20			3.4
30	<b>Wicklow East Park</b> 998 Cormar St.									Y		Y	15				15.6
31	<b>Wicklow West Park</b> 1154 O'Malley Drive				1					Y		Y		Y			.3
32	<b>Zurites Park</b> 71 N. Pleasant Rd.				1					Y		Y	20				2.7

# Village of Lake Zurich Park Locations

## Please Note

\*If you wish to walk around the lake see the highlighted area on the map below. Start out at Paulus Park parking lot and follow the sidewalks around the lake. Walk Northwest on Rand Rd to Old Rand Rd, make a right and follow down to Main St, make a right and follow to IL Route 22, make a right to Whitney Rd, make a final right and head back to the parking lot. This walk is approximately 3.1 miles.



## Park Watch

Throughout the year, vandalism becomes quite an issue in our parks. Graffiti and destruction of village park property costs everyone.

While walking our trails, driving by or using our parks, we strongly encourage anyone that witnesses an act of vandalism being committed to call the Lake Zurich Police Department non-emergency number at **847-438-2349** immediately and report it.

If you notice vandalism already committed or park equipment in need of repair, please feel free to call us at **847-438-5146** and let us know. We want our parks to be clean, safe, and appealing. Thank you for your cooperation and support.



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## FINANCE DEPARTMENT

70 East Main Street  
Lake Zurich, Illinois 60047

(847) 438-5141  
LakeZurich.org

# UTILITY BILLING ACCOUNT APPLICATION

## PROPERTY SERVICE ADDRESS

Street Address:	Unit #:
City:	State: IL Zip:

## PROPERTY OWNER

Name (Last, First):	Home Phone:
Email:	Cell Phone:
Previous Lake Zurich Utility Billing Customer? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	Work Phone:
Mailing Address (if different):	Unit #:
City:	State: Zip:

"Can we sign you up for the free official Village e-newsletter, *Benchmarks*?"

YES

NO

## OCCUPANCY INFORMATION

Date to Start Service:	Is this property <input type="checkbox"/> Owner Occupied or <input type="checkbox"/> Rental?
IF RENTAL PROPERTY*	
Tenant Name (Last, First):	Tenant Phone:
Party to be billed: <input type="checkbox"/> Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Tenant	Tenant Email:

\*Pursuant to Village regulation, the property owner and any tenants are jointly liable and agree to pay the Village of Lake Zurich as prescribed in the effective Village rate schedules and to comply with all applicable Village ordinances related to water and sewer matters.

## IDENTIFICATION AUTHENTICATION

<b>Primary Account Holder</b>			
Name (Last, First)	<input type="checkbox"/> Driver's License	<input type="checkbox"/> State ID	<input type="checkbox"/> Passport
	Last four digits of government issued ID:		
<b>Additional Authorized Parties (Optional)</b>			
Name (Last, First)	<input type="checkbox"/> Driver's License	<input type="checkbox"/> State ID	<input type="checkbox"/> Passport
	Last four digits of government issued ID:		
Name (Last, First)	<input type="checkbox"/> Driver's License	<input type="checkbox"/> State ID	<input type="checkbox"/> Passport
	Last four digits of government issued ID:		

## AGREEMENT

I hereby certify that the information provided is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I/We understand and agree to the above conditions, which will remain in force until the Village receives written notice to terminate the above service.

Account Holder Signature: _____	Date: _____
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Please download and return completed form, along with required documentation, to the Finance Department at Village Hall, 70 E. Main Street, Lake Zurich, IL 60047. Required documentation includes a copy of applicant's driver's license/state id and settlement statement, mortgage, or rental/lease agreement.

## INTERNAL USE ONLY

Date Application Received: \_\_\_\_\_

ID Verified by Staff: \_\_\_\_\_

Processed: \_\_\_\_\_

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# *Village of Lake Zurich*

## Senior Citizen/Disabled Reduced Water Rate Application

Account # \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ (address)

Your Name (PLEASE PRINT) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_

Senior Citizen \_\_\_\_\_ or Disabled? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ (date)

\_\_\_\_\_ (signature)

(For Office Use Only)

Drivers' License Number \_\_\_\_\_

Other Proof of Age \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Soc. Security Award Letter \_\_\_\_\_

Signature (received by) \_\_\_\_\_