

The Acorn est 1996

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Oak Terrace neighbors

To kick off the New Year, A Message from Ken Hohs and Nancy Krejsa, our OTIA President and Vice President ~

Wow, can't believe it's the start of 2020.... Mother Nature brought us a very short 2019 Spring and an early Winter. Hopefully, this year we will have a much longer season to enjoy the Oak Terrace Parks and the "Gem" of our neighborhood Diamond Lake.

I'm honored to be voted President from my fellow Board Members. We are putting together some great plans for Summerfest on July 11 and hope that everyone makes it to join in the fun! This is a FREE event to all members in good standing.

Watch the Acorn and email blasts for all our upcoming events and please feel free to contact me or any Board Member with questions or concerns ~ Ken

Happy New Year to all! The year 2020 is sure to be another busy one for all of us and I am excited to be serving as your Vice President on the Oak Terrace Board. We continue to have a very dedicated team of people volunteering their time to help preserve the health, beauty, and safety of Diamond Lake, and keep our neighborhood a great place to live. Please reach out to any of us if you have any concerns, suggestions for new activities, or would like to volunteer for any of our scheduled events, which are listed on the home page of our website at www.Oakterrace.org. My best to everyone! ~ Nancy

Acorn newsletter and statement distribution

As per January 2020, the Acorn newsletter will be distributed on a quarterly basis. Due to a rise in communication expenses <USPS not permitting flyer placement in/on residents mailboxes, resulting in paid postage to over 200 PINS>, the Acorn will be mailed along with statements to help keep members up to date on dues and fees. Combining these two mailings along with any other important announcements will keep the mailing cost down going forward. We will continue to share news and events via email, social media and our community message boards.

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Since launching earlier this year, United Way of Lake County's 211 helpline has responded to more than 2,000 needs requests from Lake County residents and connected them to vital health and human services, including housing and emergency shelter, mental health services, assistance with utility bills, referrals for legal assistance and more. This free, confidential, 24-hour information and referral service provides a convenient way for everyone in Lake County to get connected to help, regardless of the time of day, the language they speak, or where they live.

2nd Annual Oak Terrace Snowman build off, Sunday Snow day TBD, Lakeview Park, 1-2.30pm

Do you want to build a snowman?.....

Come along and enjoy a snowy afternoon with your family and neighbors of Oak Terrace.

Bring along your sleds, have a snowball fight with your parents, friends and care givers and of course enter to build your own snowman.

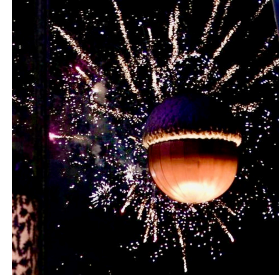
Snowman build @ 1.15pm-2.00pm, winner announced at 2.15pm.

Prizes will be given for Team Spirit and Originality. Bragging rights are valid for 12 months!

Coffee and hot chocolate will be available and don't forget to bring accessories to adorn your creation!



Please check your email, Community message boards and social media posts for updated information regarding all of the events!



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Oak Terrace Community



NEXT BOARD MEETING

February 5th, 7pm
Countryside Fire Station

NEXT ACORN/STATEMENT MAILING: APRIL

A message from the OTIA to Tori Traust, Diamond lake resident and Patron, who was recognized on December 9th by the Mundelein Park District for her tremendous accomplishments.

On behalf of the Oak Terrace residents we would like to thank you for your tireless efforts and dedication to the preservation of our Diamond Lake. Your unwavering commitment to our community and our lake is greatly appreciated. Over the last three years you accomplished so much:

- Secured a funding grant and served as the Grant Manager from Lake County Stormwater Management Commission's Watershed Management Board
- Partnered with Mundelein Park District to receive monetary, manpower and equipment donation/participation in preservation efforts
- Authored, edited and published the Diamond Lake Stewardship Guide
- Produced educational lake signage that were placed in prominent areas around the lake
- Partnered with Freemont Township to install two Rain Gardens in the Oak Terrace Subdivision
- Partnered with Freemont Township and the Mundelein Park District to stabilize the shoreline of Wilderness Park South Pond, which was contributing large amounts of sediment flowing into Diamond Lake.
- Updated the Buchanan rain garden installation in West Shore Park

You spent countless hours garnering support from the stakeholders of the Diamond Lake Preservation Alliance and educating the community at large on the importance of preserving our natural resource. Your passion for our lake and watershed conservation means more to this community than we will ever be able to express in words. We will be forever indebted to your work. Also recognized for the formation of the Diamond Lake Preservation Alliance, Preservation and Conservation efforts, Tracy Kleinschmidt and Greg Denny of Oak Terrace received a Resolution from the Mundelein Part District. We are so fortunate to have driven, dedicated and determined advocates of Diamond Lake here in our immediate community, thank you for all that you do!

Ice on the Lake

As we stride into the Winter Season and prepare for the inclement weather, the usual common sense 101 applies regarding the snow and Ice. Adults and Children alike should be aware of thin ice and not venture out on to the lake too soon. A useful gauge is to watch for the Ice fisherman. When they are drilling holes, it's safe to use.

Mundelein's Annual Christmas Tree Recycling Pick-Up Begins January 2nd - January 31st

Groot Disposal will collect Christmas trees for recycling on your normal recycling collection day. Please follow these simple instructions:

- Remove all decorations, tinsel, and bags used to transport the tree to the street.
- If you take your tree down before the week of January 2, don't place it at the curb until the night before your collection day
- Only natural trees can be recycled.

Trees that are not properly prepared for recycling will be disposed of in the garbage collection. The Village of Mundelein encourages everyone to recycle whenever possible. Natural trees are chipped and disposed of at a nearby landscape recycling facility. Thank you for your cooperation.

Mundelein's Holiday Lights Recycling Program

Mundelein Public Works and Engineering in partnership with Elgin Recycling is hosting the annual holiday lights recycling program. Anyone interested in recycling their used holiday lights can bring their items to one of the following locations between 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday from now through January 31, 2020:

- Village Hall, 300 Plaza Circle
- Public Works Facility, 440 E. Crystal Street
- Fire Station #1, 1000 N. Midlothian Road
- Police Department, 221 N. Lake Street (lower level)

Please note: only the light strands themselves will be taken; bulbs do not have to be removed from the strands but should be removed from boxes and/or plastic. We cannot accept lawn ornaments, other holiday decorations, or light strands connected to wreaths, garlands, or other material. Residents dropping lights off at the Village Hall are limited to two 25-foot strands or equivalent length. If you have any questions or for bulk drop-offs, please contact Mundelein Public Works and Engineering at 847-949-3270.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to email us at oakterraceneighbors@gmail.com



**OAK TERRACE 2020
CALENDAR OF
EVENTS:**

TBD: SNOW MAN BUILD OFF

APRIL 11: EASTER PARADE

**APRIL 18/19: SPRING CLEAN
UP**

**MAY 16/17: COMMUNITY
GARAGE SALE**

JULY 11: SUMMER FEST

**OCTOBER 31: TRICK OR
TREAT**

**NOVEMBER 26: TURKEY
TROT**

**2020 OAK TERRACE
BOARD MEETING
DATES:**



FEBRUARY 5TH

APRIL 1ST

JUNE 3RD

AUGUST 5TH

OCTOBER 7TH

**ANNUAL MEETING
NOVEMBER 4TH**

DECEMBER 2ND

