



Mayor Lincoln F. Knight

A message to the Village of Wauconda Residents



Tuesday, August 1st, 2017

Hello Neighbors,

I hope this message finds you well. This July has been one for the records, with above average rainfalls, bringing area wide flooding and record lake levels on Bangs Lake. Thank you to our dedicated village employees for stepping up during these adverse conditions and helping out wherever possible. We had various road closures and flooded basements, and as always, Village staff was there to assist. As you know, some of our neighboring communities experienced catastrophic flooding. The Village supported our neighbors by providing extra pumps, generators, sand, and sandbags, as we know they would do the same for us in times of need.

This year, Bangs Lake has reached unprecedented water levels that required the Village to close the lake. We appreciate everyone's concerted efforts to abide by these restrictions. Together, we can help protect the properties that border the lake and minimize the erosion that can devastate the shores of Bangs Lake. During a restricted status, the levels of the lake are checked multiple times each day (special thanks to the Bangs Lake Management committee) so we can provide the most current lake information and assist with the safe recreational use of the lake. According to the Village's standard operating procedures, once the water level reaches +10" above Median Water Level the lake is declared "No Wake". If the lake level reaches, or exceeds 12" the lake is "Closed" to all boat traffic. On July 26th Bangs Lake rose to a record level +17.25" after the most recent storms. However, as of this morning, the level was down to +12". Hopefully this will continue and we will be able to "Open" the lake soon, at least in a "No Wake" status. Also, please remember that when the lake is open, even in "No Wake" status, be mindful of our neighbors living along the channels. Their properties may risk taking on additional water when boats produce any type of a wake.

Now for some good news! On July 14th, the Village of Wauconda was presented with the "Best of the Best" city/town to live award from the Daily Herald. This distinct honor was made possible by you; our great residents, businesses, and employees! It was humbling to accept the award on all our behalf, as we all work together to make Wauconda such a great community!

Additionally, one of our business leaders in town; Synergy Flavors, broke ground on their new 40,000 square foot addition! Synergy Flavors is an international company headquartered here in Wauconda, employing many people and continually promoting Wauconda. Congratulations Synergy, and thanks for making Wauconda your hometown!



The lake level rose 4 inches from 7-20 to 7-27



Spillway Drain Pipe maxed out when the lake level reached plus 15.75" on July 22, 2017

The lake level rose another 1.75" from 7-22 to 7-26 before starting to recede



Wauconda received 2.90 inches of rain from 7-20-thru 7-23 (Accuweather)



Did you know that Wauconda ranked #32 in the state for safest cities? Thank-you to Wauconda Police, Fire, Public Works and everyone else that made this happen! Please see the following link for more information: <https://www.safewise.com/blog/safest-cities-illinois/> Speaking of Police; thank you to Sgt. Anthony Jacobson on his recent retirement after 32



years serving our community. We wish Tony and his family all the best in his future endeavors!

Finally, we offer our condolences to the Mers family on the recent passing of Rosemary Mers. Rosemary moved to Wauconda in 1958 and was an active member of the community serving on the Village Board for over a decade. She volunteered countless hours to many community organizations and was an ambassador for all of Wauconda. Rosemary will be missed dearly."

Next month I will also be providing an update on Lake Michigan Water in the Mayor's Message. Visit our website for more information about happenings in town, with your Village Board, or other important information.

Meet Your Trustees - Linda Starkey



I am midway through my second term as Village Trustee and proud to serve and represent the residents of Wauconda.

I have chaired the Natural Resource Committee, Marketing Committee and am currently the chair of the Economic Development Committee. The Development Committee is charged with reviewing development activities, promoting development opportunities and providing recommendations for ways to retain and expand businesses in Wauconda. We are currently looking at ways to streamline development fees, and attract and retain businesses.

I am the Village of Wauconda's alternate to the Central Lake County Joint Action Water Agency (CLCJAWA) Board and the Solid Waste Agency of Lake County (SWALCO). I also am a volunteer on the Wauconda Cruise Night Committee.

I invite any resident to contact me with any question or concern. I will hear you out, and, I don't pretend to have all the answers but if I cannot be of assistance, I probably can help direct you to who can help.

In addition to being a Village Trustee, I own Threads Boutique, am managing director of a rental income property company, and serve Star Charities by chairing the Wauconda Turkey Trot, Bunny Hop and Shamrock the Block. I am a professional member of the Future Business Leaders of America and support our Wauconda High School chapter by mentoring students and serving as a judge.

I graduated from Northwestern University with a Bachelor's Degree in Chemistry/Biochemistry, and recently went back to school to earn a

certificate in Small Business Management from the College of Lake County. My husband owns Progressive Components, and is active in the Wauconda Area Chamber and Industrial Park. We have three adult children, and recently were blessed with our first grandchild.

Thanks for the opportunity to serve you... I Love This Town!

- Linda Starkey

Dont forget to join us tonight for Wauconda's first annual National Night Out at Cook Park!



The poster features a red background with yellow dashed lines radiating from a central blue shield. The shield contains the 'NIGHT OUT' logo with wings and the year '2017'. The word 'FREE!' is written in large, white, slanted letters on either side of the shield. Below the shield, the text reads: 'Wauconda's Biggest Block Party!' followed by a list of activities: 'Wauconda Police Department K-9 Demonstration', 'Food ★ Games ★ Giveaways ★ DJ & Music', 'Public Safety Vehicle Display ★ Child Fingerprinting ★ Crafts', and 'Safety Information ★ Bike Safety Tips/Bike Helmet Giveaway'. At the bottom, the date and time are 'TUESDAY AUGUST 1, 2017 5:30-7:30 PM', the location is 'COOK PARK 600 N. MAIN STREET WAUCONDA', and the website is 'WAUCONDAPARKS.COM'. Logos for 'Wauconda Police' and 'Wauconda Park District' are also present. A wavy yellow line separates the main text from a small tagline at the bottom: 'Promoting police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, more caring places to live.'

FREE!

NIGHT OUT
2017

Wauconda's Biggest Block Party!

Wauconda Police Department K-9 Demonstration
Food ★ Games ★ Giveaways ★ DJ & Music
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Mark your calendars for the Annual Wauconda Township Historical Society Ice Cream & Pie Social!



WAUCONDA TWP HISTORICAL SOCIETY

ANNUAL ICE CREAM & PIE SOCIAL

Sunday, August 20, 2017

 **1-4 pm** 

- Old time children's games
- Strolling music and more!
- Ice Cream and Pie!
- House Tours available
- Fun Free Community family Event!



Location: Andrew C. Cook House
711 N. Main St., Wauconda, IL
www.wauconda-history.org
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Wauconda Twp Historical Society



Sincerely,

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**The next Village of Wauconda Board meeting is Tuesday, August 8th at
7:00 PM at Village Hall, 101 North Main Street.**

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