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Village News





HOMETOWN HOLIDAY | SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2 | 3:00 TO 8:00 PM

Kick off the holiday season with an event the whole family will enjoy! Don't miss Hometown Holiday on Saturday, December 2, from 3:00 to 8:00 p.m. There will be shopping, children's activities, visits and photo opportunities with Santa. And you won't want to miss Frosty, Rudolph, and even the Grinch strolling around town. Our Village Tree Lighting takes place at Budnik Plaza at 5:00 p.m.

From the Mayor's Desk



As mayor, along with the Village Board and the entire village staff, we are all humbled and proud to serve the great people of this great town. We are excited to work with each and every resident and to exceed your expectations. We are all here to serve you!

Our goal is to provide an environment with the best possible services in the most economical and efficient manner possible. We are committed to continue to properly build our town in order to support increased retail businesses and address empty store fronts/buildings. We want to provide an environment where our residents love to live, where businesses wish to do business, and where builders want to build.

To accomplish the above goals and objectives, with your input we have implemented a ten-point economic development plan. Below is a recap and an update on the progress we have made over the past six months regarding this ten-point plan.

1. PARTNERSHIP

Village staff and all elected officials will proactively partner and support our business community.

<u>Update</u>: Across the board at all levels of village service, we are evaluating and making improvements to support our business community in order to provide our residents the desired stores and establishments.

2. RESOURCES

Re-allocate resources and new-hires to support Economic Development initiatives.

<u>Update</u>: Eliminated legal counsel position and created a new Economic Development Director position. We are pleased to welcome Jason Berry into this new position. In addition to economic development, Jason will oversee all building related and village land use planning responsibilities.

3. WORK GROUPS

Create and support newly formed business committees and work groups to better understand and overcome issues relating to both commerce and construction.

<u>Update</u>: Supporting and assisting newly formed focus work groups including the Downtown Merchant Alliance, HQRA Committee, and other miscellaneous focus groups such as our local builders and Lemont based realtors.

4. MARKETING

Increase overall marketing efforts to promote both our community and businesses in order to keep Lemont business in Lemont!

<u>Update</u>: We are reallocating marketing efforts to a more cost effective on-line presence. In addition, we will begin the initial rollout of signage at the entrances to our village and wayfinding information signage throughout the village and downtown.

5. RECRUITMENT

Research, proactively recruit, and provide the necessary consultation for both new and existing retail businesses and stores.

<u>Update</u>: We have had several encouraging meetings with prospective businesses. We need to address the opportunity to provide additional resources in order to be more proactive in working with both prospective and current businesses.

6. RECREATION DESTINATION

Build and promote recreation and businesses around our unique natural assets (quarries, bike trails, and canals) that can significantly increase outside tourism.

<u>Update</u>: Initial stages of partnering with an outside private investor that will privately fund a multi-million dollar recreation and entertainment business alongside our quarry/canal area. We are in the process of forming a new resident committee to provide oversight and guidance to this and other outdoor recreational initiatives.

7. BUILDING OWNERS

Partner with both commercial building owners and tenants to better understand their current rental rates and long-term plans.

<u>Update</u>: Proactively meeting and communicating with our major commercial landlords to facilitate new leases in empty store fronts and buildings.

8. COMMERCIAL CONSTRUCTION

Streamline new and existing building build-outs and determine what hurdles we can lower or eliminate in order to encourage investment.

<u>Update</u>: Meeting with investors to encourage rehab investment in older landmark buildings as well as new building construction in our downtown area.

9. RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION

Streamline process and reduce turnaround time for both new home construction permitting and existing housing permitting.

<u>Update</u>: Staff is reviewing current permitting processes and implementing metrics and process flows to streamline and reduce permitting life cycle. Early results of this focus area include same day permit approval for qualifying minor permits.

10. INCENTIVES

For challenging locations and sites with aging infrastructure, evaluate all possible incentives including current and new TIF (Tax Increment Financing) opportunities, alternate taxes, and grant incentives.

Update: Proactively communicating and working with developers and major chain stores that need incentives to invest in multi-million dollar projects and/or stores.

Over the past few months, we are encouraged with initial progress of this plan. We have seen progress in both new home construction projects and new business prospects. Such initial activity includes investors looking to build infill residential developments, developers looking to build and add density to the downtown, along with investors looking to reinvest in landmark buildings and business establishments including the bowling alley and the Chipain's site.

In addition to economic development, we will continue to strive to provide high quality services from our police, emergency, and public works departments. Our challenge is to streamline our operations at all levels of service in the most efficient and cost effective manner possible.

Other objectives we continue to focus on are improved resident customer service and resolutions/settlements regarding ongoing legal lawsuits and annexation disputes. As you well know, Lemont is known as one of the safest and quaintest towns in the area, and we want to continue and build upon that reputation.

As we near the end of the year, we want to wish everyone a joyful and safe Holiday season, a Merry Christmas, and a happy and prosperous New Year!

Together, let's make 2018 the best year yet!

Mayor John Egofske



CONGRATULATIONS, LEMONT HIGH SCHOOL, ON ACHIEVING NATIONAL BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL STATUS FOR 2017

Congratulations to Lemont High School for obtaining recognition as a National Blue Ribbon School for 2017 for an Exemplary High Performing School.

Lemont High School was chosen by the U.S. Department of Education based on their overall academic excellence. The criteria for a high performing public school requires the school to be in the top 15 percent of all schools in their state, ranked on the overall performance of the most recently administered state assessments in English language arts and mathematics, and have the state's highest school graduation rates.

The U.S. Department of Education Secretary of Education, Betsy DeVos, recognized 342 schools for 2017, which represent the full diversity of American schools from PreK – 12 and includes private, public, charter, Title 1 and magnet schools.

For Lemont High School to be one of over 130,000 schools in the United States at the top of the chart in performance is extraordinary. Lemont High School's mission is for all students to become life-long, independent learners and productive citizens in a rapidly changing world. It is evident through this award achievement that you have set a high standard of excellence and are upholding your mission and vision for the future of every student.

According to the National Blue Ribbon School website, Public Schools are nominated by the Chief State School Officer in each state, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and Department of Defense Education Activity and the Bureau of Education.

We are very proud of the staff and students at Lemont High School for obtaining this prestigious award as a National Blue Ribbon School for 2017.

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COMMUNICATION IS THE KEY

Sign Up to Stay Informed

Stay Informed is our main form of communicating information to residents on news, events, changes and updates related to the Village by sending messages via email and/or mobile text. This allows us to get information to you in a timely manner. Topics range from emergency notifications, road closures, found dogs, safety issues, to events, Mayor, Board and Village Administrator notifications and more.

Sign up to receive messages:

- 1. Visit our website at www.lemont.il.us.
- 2. Click on "Stay Informed" on the feature bar across the bottom of the page.
- 3. Follow the instructions to sign up and check the information you want to receive and how you want to receive it via email and/or mobile text. Creating a login eliminates any potential spam.
- 4. Once signed up, you will receive a verification message(s) from CivicPlus, our webhost company, that you must respond to in order to start receiving messages.

Once signed up, you can sign in at any time to view previously sent messages, update your personal information and modify what information you receive.

Report a Concern

This is a non-emergency reporting and tracking tool that allows you to submit a concern from a list of items, i.e., pothole reporting, streetlight outage, vacant property concern, public safety issues, etc.

To "Report a Concern" select it from the feature bar across the bottom of the page. Click on "Login" at the box on the right. Either sign in or create an account. An anonymous login is also available. Once logged in you simply click on any topic related to your issue, complete the information and submit the form. This information is sent to the assigned employee who will address the issue.

MOBILE APP | PLEASE NOTE ADDITIONS AND CHANGES

We hope you are enjoying the convenience of our mobile app to provide you with a better connection to our local resources, news and information when on-the-go.

NEW Button Added



Downtown Merchants Alliance | Look for Special Offers from Downtown Businesses

You can now access special downtown business offers right at your fingertips. Select the recently added Downtown Merchants Alliance button on our app to view special offers from participating merchants. If you're a downtown business interested in joining the alliance, check out the Membership section for information on their goals and objectives and to join the group.

Existing App User Change for Apple® Devices Only — Apple® has made some changes that require CivicPlus, our website and mobile app host, to house all of the individual communities' apps under their CivicMobile app. What this means is, you will need to remove the existing Lemont app from your device, and download the new app.

To download the app on an Apple® device:

- Search the name "CivicMobile" in the iTunes® App Store. Make sure to choose "CivicMobile" and not the "CivicMobile Preview" or "CivicMoble Demo."
- Once the CivicMobile app is downloaded, you may search for Lemont, IL or use the "Find My Location" feature to find our app.
- Once you've selected Lemont, IL during this first use, it will open our mobile app each time the app is used.

Again, if you previously downloaded an older version of our mobile app on your Apple® device, you will need to delete the app and download this new version to receive updated enhancements to the system.

If you have an Android device, visit the Google Play™ store and search for "Village of Lemont."

No matter which device you use, if the newly added Downtown Merchant Alliance button does not appear, you will need to delete any older version of our mobile app and download this new version.

If you haven't yet done so, PLEASE DOWNLOAD THE APP FOR YOUR DEVICE TODAY and connect to our community.





Example: Mobile App For Apple Users

Example: Mobile App For Android Users

Community Calendar

Our Community Calendar is packed with information submitted from organizations and businesses all around town. Visit our website at www.lemont.il.us and scroll down the front page to the calendar. Click on "View All" to go to the main calendar page. You can also subscribe to iCalendar which allows users to import Internet calendars and/or events into their personal calendar applications, like Google Calendar, Apple iCal, Microsoft Outlook, etc.

Like us on Facebook

Be sure to check out our Facebook page, "Village of Lemont" often, as we post topics of interest during the week along with event happenings and other information. It's a great way to find out what's going on around town.

For further communication information or suggestions, please email Imolitor@lemont.il.us or call 630-257-1590.

COMMISSION VACANCIES

Art & Culture Commission

The Art & Culture Commission has one appointed volunteer position open for a commissioner. The Commission meets on the second Tuesday of each month (except December) at 7:00 p.m. at the Lemont Center for the Arts. The Center is located at 1243 State Street, Unit 101, in Lemont (next to Aldi's).

The Mission of the Art & Culture Commission is to enrich the lives of Lemont residents and visitors by cultivating and promoting the appreciation of our heritage through public arts projects. The Art & Culture Commission promotes the artistic and cultural life of the Village through the initiation, evaluation, selection, creation and promotion of visual and performing art projects. Such projects not only contribute to the quality of the cultural life, but also stand to benefit the community's economic life as well.

If you are a resident of the Village of Lemont and are interested in promoting the cultural environment in our community and would like to apply, an application can be downloaded from the Village website, or picked up at the Lemont Center for the Arts or Lemont Village Hall. Please call (630) 257-1590 or email vlemont@lemont.il.us for any further information.

Historic Preservation Commission

The Historic Preservation Commission has one appointed volunter position open for a commissioner. The purpose of this commission is to review applications and conduct public hearings for Certificates of Appropriateness for exterior alterations to buildings in the Historic District. The commission recommends buildings in the Historic District to be designated as landmarks.

Meetings are typically held the 2nd Thursday of each month, as necessary, at 6:30 PM at the Lemont Village Hall, 418 Main Street.

If you are a resident of the Village of Lemont and are interested in applying for the Historic Preservation Commission, an application can be downloaded from the Village website or picked up at Lemont Village Hall. Please call (630) 257-1590 or email vlemont@lemont.il.us for any further information.



AVAILABLE PROPERTIES

Lemont is a desirable and charming community to start or expand your business in. Our Community Development Department is available to assist you in locating land or buildings that would accommodate your company's needs. The Village maintains a list of available commercial buildings and properties, including the real estate agents listing for the following types:

INDUSTRIAL PROPERTIES FOR LEASE OR SALE | LAND FOR SALE | MIXED USE PROPERTIES OFFICE PROPERTIES FOR LEASE OR SALE | RETAIL PROPERTIES FOR LEASE OR SALE

Whether you're thinking about purchasing property, opening up a new business or have an existing business, we are here to help you through this process and address any issues you are experiencing. The Community Development Department can provide market opportunity reports and discuss zoning, and inform you of allowable uses, regulations and requirements for all available properties.

For any assistance or inquiries, please contact our Community Development Director at 630-257-1581.

Resources:

Available Sites & Buildings:

http://www.lemont.il.us/AvailableProperties

Assistance for New & Existing Businesses: http://www.lemont.il.us/BusinessAssistance Village Zoning Maps

http://www.lemont.il.us/ZoningMap

http://www.lemont.il.us/Interactive-Zoning-Map

Unified Development Ordinance http://lemont.il.us/UDO



VILLAGE BRANDING INITIATIVE

To maximize the effectiveness of local economic development initiatives, the village initiated a comprehensive and collaborative effort to establish a cohesive brand strategy that can be used by all stakeholders in Lemont. The brand strategy defines the strengths and attributes that make Lemont unique. Our logo communicates the key elements of Lemont's community brand strategy. The "L" monogram symbolizes a village nestled in the hills. The keystone shape represents a sense of community and, along with the limestone color, is a nod to Lemont's rich history and pioneering spirit. The color blue was chosen to evoke our iconic skyline, while the green colors symbolize Lemont's scenery, natural resources, and recreational opportunities.



- Keystone Shape and Limestone Color
 Lemont's rich history, pioneering spirit and enduring sense of community.
- 2) White Arcs and Blue Color
 Rolling hills and the Village's iconic skyline.
- 3) "L" Typogram
 The Village nestled in the bluffs above the Des Plaines River Valley.
- Light Green Color
 Lemont's quality parks, open space and recreational amenities.
- Dark Green ColorAttractive scenery and abundant natural resources.

MASTER PLAN FOR VILLAGE SIGNAGE BEING DEVELOPED

The Village of Lemont is in the process of developing a Master Plan for Village signage. Sign types include Village gateways, wayfinding, parking, informational, points of interest markers and information kiosks.

Village signage will provide residents and visitors clear direction to commercial areas, points of interest, recreational amenities, and indicate Village entrance points. The primary focus is on Village gateway signs and downtown wayfinding signs, replacing them with signs incorporating the new Village branding logo. Other signs (informational/marker signs, kiosks, etc.) will be phased in as budget allows.

Hitchcock Design Group developed alternative signage design options for consideration. The Village invited community input through in-person surveys at events and an online survey. There were 136 participants for the in-person survey that took place at Village Hall, Artisan Market, Lemont Legends Cruise Night, and the Sunset Soiree. There were a total of 1,181 visitors to the online survey that provided feedback. The information collected was used as a basis for refining the preferred signage family and to identify priority locations.

The Village anticipates that the development phase of the Signage Master Plan will be completed in 2017, and priority signs will be constructed in the spring of 2018. Additional signs will be constructed over time as budget allows.



CONCEPT WAYFINDING SIGN

THE ART OF GIVING THIS HOLIDAY SEASON



As many of us begin our holiday festivities and shopping for that special gift, let us not forget those less fortunate in our own Village. Through the efforts of many, you can help to provide a meal on a table, care package items, and even emergency funds to Lemont families.

Volunteers are needed to help in the Salvation Army 126th Annual Red Kettle Campaign to collect donations for local emergency relief funds. Help is needed on Friday's from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., and Saturday shifts of 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m., now through December 23. Salvation Army Emergency Assistance Funds assist Lemont residents in crisis situations. Call or email if you can help volunteer for a two-hour time frame at (630) 257-2522 x13 or email terri-oneill@lemonttownship.org.

The giving doesn't stop there. Care package items (personal care, cleaning and paper products) are being collected during December. These care packages will be delivered to families in need along with warm Christmas dinners on Christmas Day. Drop off bins are located at Starbucks Lemont, Lemont Police Department lobby, Old Quarry entryway, or the Lemont Township Office lobby and are due by December 22. Sorting day is Saturday,

December 23, at Old Quarry Middle School, 16100 W. 127th Street, Lemont, from 10:00 a.m. — 12:00 noon. If you would like to help us create care boxes, email terri@hopeandfriendshipfoundation.com. Additionally, Christmas Day Dinner Donations of fully cooked food can be dropped off on Christmas Day between 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. at Old Quarry. Assembly help is needed from 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. and delivery of food is set for 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Please email terri@hopeandfriendshipfoundation.com or visit www.hopeandfriendshipfoundation.com for more information on any of the above volunteer opportunities.

SEASONAL REMINDERS

LANDSCAPE WASTE COLLECTION ENDS THE FIRST FULL WEEK IN DECEMBER



All landscape waste, including brush and other branches will be collected once per week on the same day as the regular refuse and recycling collection from April 1 through the first full week of December each year.

Landscape waste materials should adhere to the following requirements:

- place in biodegradable paper"kraft" type bags, up to 33 gallons in capacity,
- shrubbery cuttings, tree branches, twigs, must be placed either in a kraft paper bag OR in a securely tied bundle,
- ties must be made of string or twine,
- branch bundles must not exceed 4 feet in length, and
- bags containing landscape waste and/or branch bundles cannot exceed 50 pounds in weight.

Call Waste Management about specific questions regarding landscape waste collection at (800) 747-2278.

HOW TO REPORT A STREET LIGHT OUTAGE



To report a street light outage, go to our Village website's bottom feature bar, and click on, "Report A Concern." Navigate to Streets & Public Places, Streetlights. Please

report the tag number located on the pole. The yellow tag number will start with either a C or V, maintained by ComEd or the Village of Lemont. You may report the ComEd lights to the Village, who will then report the outage to ComEd. Residents can also call Public Works at (630) 257-2532 between 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.



SALTING AND SNOW REMOVAL

The Public Works Department begins ice and snow control measures even before hazardous road conditions are expected. As soon as conditions warrant it, the salting process begins on major streets designated as primary routes, hills, curves, and all intersections. Residential streets that are relatively flat will be salted only at intersections. Salt remains the most cost effective means of breaking the bond between ice and the street, especially with Lemont's unique topography.

Plowing commences after snow accumulates to an inch or more. Village roadways are divided into 9 zones for the plowing process with primary routes, including hills and school bus routes, being plowed first. As soon as primary routes are cleared, crews will move on to the secondary routes. After all streets are open, trucks will begin the curbing operation.

The goal of the Public Works Department is to remove snow from all streets within six hours after the conclusion of a significant snowfall. Your cooperation in removing vehicles from the street and observing the odd-even parking regulations will make this job easier and more efficient.

GET WINTER WEATHER & TRAFFIC ALERTS SENT DIRECTLY TO YOUR PHONE OR EMAIL

Don't be left out in today's age of instant communication. Our "Stay Informed" alerts make it possible for Village of Lemont departments to get information out to the public immediately through text messaging, e-mails and web access at www. lemont.il.us. Sign up to receive notification via "Stay Informed" — Public Works Notifications.

WINTER PARKING REMINDER

During and after any snowfall, please try to remove vehicles from Village streets if at all possible to facilitate clearing. If removing vehicles is not possible, AFTER a snowfall of 2 inches or more, please park on the ODD-numbered side of the street on odd calendar days, EVEN-numbered side of the street on even calendar days. The day is considered to begin at 9:00 a.m.

EMERGENCIES DURING A WINTER STORM

If an emergency arises during a winter storm, residents should dial 911. All Public Works plowing vehicles maintain continuous two-way radio communication with the Police Department. Snow removal equipment can provide immediate support to ambulance and fire equipment.

DAMAGED PROPERTY

The Village replaces mailboxes that have been damaged through direct contact with a snow plow, if the original mailbox was installed in compliance with Village regulations. If your mailbox is struck, a temporary repair will be made so that you can continue to receive mail delivery. When winter ends and the ground thaws, final repairs will be made. If replacement of the mailbox or post is required, a standard metal rural size mailbox and 4 x 4 wooded wolmanized post kit will be utilized. All final mailbox repairs are typically completed by early spring.



Historic Oowntown Lemont

Hometown Holiday



Saturday, Oecember 2

Kick off the Holiday Season... Shopping, Children's Activities, Tree Lighting, Visits with Santa and More...



For More Info:

www.lemontevents.com



3 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Kris Kringle





For a listing of ALL Lemont events and the most up-to-date event information, go to www.lemontevents.com.

LEMONT ART & CULTURE COMMISSION NEWS & EVENTS



Lemont Center for the Arts will host its annual Holiday Artists Bazaar. Stop by to shop for exquisite, unique, handmade items for holiday gift giving.

> **DON'T MISS IT! Extended Holiday Shopping Hours** Now through December 23

Friday, Saturday, Sunday 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Lemont Center for the Arts Upcoming Winter & Spring Exhibits:

Lemont Art & Culture Commission will be hosting several exhibits throughout the winter and spring at the Lemont Center for the Arts, 1243 State Street, Lemont, IL, Unit 101 (next to Aldi). For more information on these exhibits please contact lemontcenterarts@gmail.com.

SILVER ANNIVERSARY EXHIBIT | January 12 – February 25, 2018 Lemont Artists Guild

SPARK 3 EXHIBIT | March 2 - April 29, 2018 A collaboration between local visual artists and poets from the Illinois State Poetry Society

THE BURST OF SPRING EXHIBIT | May 4 – June 24, 2018 The photography of Lemont resident Gene Mark

The Lemont Center for the Arts is curated by the Art & Culture Commission of Lemont.

December 2: 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. **Breakfast With Santa**

CORE Fitness & Aquatic Complex, 16050 127th Street. Enjoy a delicious catered breakfast. Children visit with Santa, have their picture taken, make a holiday craft and play holiday games. Please register in advance. No walk-in registrations accepted. For more information, call (630) 257-6787, X 3031.

December 2: 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Neighbor to Neighbor Holiday Vendor & Crafter's Market

Lemont Township Community Center, 16300 Alba, just NW of 127th St. & Timberline. Come browse various independent vendors and crafters marketing their wares. 50/50 Prize Raffle. For more information, call (630) 257-2522, x 13.

December 3: Beginning at 8:00 a.m. 9th Annual Frigid 5K

Park District's CORE Fitness & Aquatic Complex. Festive 5K race through the Park District's Centennial Campus. Candy Cane Kids Dash for kids 10 & under. Plus the Fun Frigid After Party! Register at Active.com. For more information, call the Park District at (630) 257-6787, x 3005.

December 3: 1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Christmas Choral Concert & Holiday Cookie Sale

Lemont Historical Society, 306 Lemont Street. Doors Open 1:00 p.m. Enjoy the music of the Christmas Season by local choirs, 1:30 - 3:00 p.m. Bring the kids for a visit and photo with Santa and our Victorian tree from 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. Delicious assortment of homemade holiday cookies available for purchase. For more information, please call (630) 257-2972 or www.lemonthistorical.org.

December 7 & 8: 6:30 p.m. | December 9: 10:30 a.m. **Polar Express Interactive Family Movie Event**

First Church of the Nazarene, 12725 Bell Road. 'Tis the season to join us for an interactive movie experience for the whole family. Come in your PJs to watch the Polar Express on the big screen while elements from the movie come to life around you. Reserved Seating. \$2.50 per person. Tickets are limited. Call (708) 349-0454 for more information.

December 12: 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Lemont Park District's Senior Holiday Luncheon at Park District's CORE Complex

Enjoy your favorite Christmas music and a catered lunch. Lunch will be followed by Bingo for all!. This is a FREE event. Please register in advance as space is limited. Call (630) 257-6787, X 3031.

December 14: 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Duck, Dive & Dodge for Donations Dodgeball Tournament at The CORE

A fun family night! Teams compete in a "friendly" competitive round robin dodgeball tournament. Entrance for fans is a monetary donation for Hope & Friendship Foundation's Christmas Giving, and/or personal care products, and/or non-perishable food for the food pantries. A 50/50 Raffle will also take place. Questions, call (630) 816-4972.

December 31: 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Lemont Park District Family New Year's Eve Day Bash at the CORE!

FREE! Join us in ringing in the New Year at noon instead of midnight! Celebrate with party favors, a DJ, a balloon drop at noon, a pizza lunch and fun New Year's activities and games for the whole family. For more information, call (630) 257-6787, X 3031.

January 19: Starting at 6:30 p.m.

Lemont Historical Society Presents "Flash Gordon" | 3 Hours of Flash Gordon Episodes

Lemont Area Historical Society, 306 Lemont Street, presents a showing of 3 hours of Flash Gordon episodes. For more information: (630) 257-2972.

February 9: Starting at 7:00 p.m.

Lemont Historical Society Presents "Drinkin' With Lincoln" Historic Pub Crawl

Lemont Area Historical Society takes a walk through Lemont's historic hangouts with a pub crawl. Visit the saloons, taverns and pubs of days gone by to learn their history. Feel free to bring photos or any memorabilia you may have. For more info: (630) 257-2972.

February 24: 9:00 a.m. to Noon

Passport to Lemont and Beyond...Community Showcase & Expo at the CORE Complex

Don't miss this great opportunity to showcase your business! Or stop by to see what your community and surrounding communities have to offer! Enjoy visiting with vendors and a FREE CORE Open House during the Expo. For more info, call the Chamber (630) 257-5997.

March 4: Starting at 8:00 a.m.

Lemont Park District CORE Indoor Sprint Triathlon

Athletes will swim for 10, bike for 15 and run for 15 minutes. Total distance traveled will be measured at the conclusion of the event. Register at www.Active.com. For more information: (630) 257-6787, X 3037.

March 7: Mayor's State of the Village Address

Crystal Grand Banquets, 12416 Archer Avenue

Registration at 11:00 a.m. Luncheon at noon. \$35 Chamber members; \$45 Non-Members. For more information call the Lemont Chamber office at (630) 257-5997.

VILLAGE SEEKS NOMINATIONS FOR ST. PATRICK'S DAY QUEEN



The Village of Lemont is seeking nominations for Queen of the St. Patrick's Day Parade to be held on Saturday, March 10 at 1:00 p.m. in historic downtown Lemont.

Nomination letters must be received by February 1, 2018 and should be submitted to the Village of Lemont, 418 Main Street, Lemont, IL 60439, Attn: St. Patrick's Day Parade. The contest is open to Lemont residents, high school juniors through second year college students, preferably of Irish heritage. The candidate must

demonstrate an active involvement in school service organizations and/or community service activities.

The nominee who is chosen will reign as Queen of our 27th Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade and lead this year's parade in a horse drawn carriage. For additional information, please contact Donna at (630) 243-2700.











Village of Lemont 418 Main Street Lemont, IL 60439

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SPRING EVENTS & DATES TO REMEMBER

March	
4	Lemont Park District CORE Sprint Triathlon
7	Mayor's State of the Village Address
10	St. Patrick's Day Parade & Festival
23	Lemont Park District's Teen Flashlight Eggstravaganza
23	Lemont Park District's Grown-Up Moonlight Egg Hunt
24	Lemont Park District's H2O Egg-Venture
April	
14	LEAC's Spring Recycling Day
28	Earth Day Heritage Quarries Restoration (Sponsored by CITGO) Tentatively Scheduled Date
May	
5	Lemont Park District's Touch-A-Truck
5	Lemont HIstorical Society's Hike to Lincoln Park Nursery
10	Mayor's Drive for Charity Note: Afternoon Tee Time Only
12	Quarryman Challenge
19	LAHS Lemont Civil War Memorial Celebration
Summer	
July 14	Lemont Heritage Fest Returns on the 2nd Satuday in July



REMEMBER HOW IMPORTANT IT IS TO SHOP LOCAL!

Shop Lemont This Holiday Season

It is never more important than during this holiday season that we continue to support our local businesses. For a community our size, we truly have a diversity of businesses, from boutique shops, to full service grocers, to great restaurants. They all need our support. Please patronize our local businesses for your holiday shopping needs. One of the best marketing tools to help attract new businesses to our community is support of our current local businesses. So shop local and support Lemont! Visit our website for a complete list of licensed local businesses.

For every dollar you spend in Lemont, a portion of that dollar returns to our community through taxes, payroll, and other expenditures. Spend it in another town or spend it online and nothing comes home.



HOLIDAY HOURS – VILLAGE OFFICES

Village offices will be closed Monday and Tuesday, December 25 and December 26. Offices will also be closed on January 1 (New Year's Day) and Monday, January 15 (Martin Luther King Day).

PLEASE SUPPORT THE FOOD PANTRIES THIS HOLIDAY SEASON!

For an up-to-date listing of ALL Winter & Spring events, go to www.lemontevents.com

FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS, PLEASE SEND IN YOUR EVENT INFORMATION... AND USE OUR CALENDAR TO AVOID CONFLICTS.

