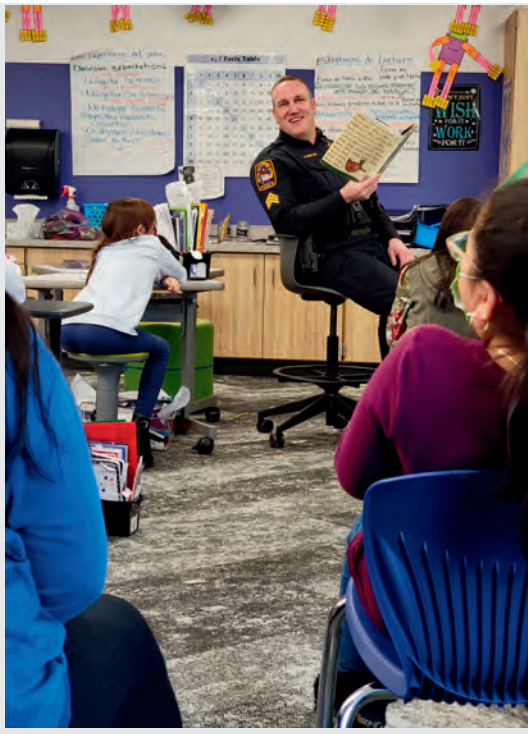
City of Crystal Lake, Illinois
CITYLETTER







Back To School Bus Safety

As a safety reminder from the City of Crystal Lake, the community must stay conscious of children's safety and school bus safety with schools beginning to resume sessions earlier every year. Even though "getting stuck" behind a school bus can be frustrating, it's crucial to remember that school buses are still hard at work transporting kids to and from school. Please be careful around bus stops because the riskiest and often most overlooked part of the ride is the bus stop!

- Most children killed in bus-related accidents are either getting on or off the bus. They are killed by the school bus or by motorists illegally passing a stopped bus.
- When driving through neighborhoods, be aware of school buses and take caution when you see one. The bus will stop at some point, and children exiting or boarding the school bus may be crossing the street.

When a school bus is traveling on a two-lane street and is stopped to pick up or drop off children, the vehicles in all lanes must stop. All vehicles must remain stopped until the bus stop arm is fully retracted and its warning lights stop blinking. Vehicles should stop at least 20 feet from the bus to allow children to cross the street safely. When a school bus is on a four-lane road with at least two lanes traveling in the opposite direction, only those lanes of traffic traveling in the same direction as the school bus must stop. School bus routes are designed so that children will not be required to cross four or more lanes of traffic to reach their residences. Please use caution and drive carefully when you see a bus or when you see children at a bus stop.

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State Sales Tax Holiday: August 5, 2022 – August 14, 2022

What is the sales tax holiday?

The state sales tax holiday is a ten-day period during which consumers can purchase certain clothing and school-related items and pay sales tax at a reduced rate. The state's portion of sales tax due throughout the holiday is reduced by 5 percent from 6.25 percent to 1.25 percent. Items include qualifying clothing and footwear with a retail selling price of less than $125 per item and certain school supplies used by students in the course of study. School supplies are not subject to the $125 threshold. Look at the chart below for the complete list of items that qualify. To find more information on how the tax holiday will impact returns, rain checks, back orders, and other special situations, use the following link: https://bit.ly/3afgWRg.

For example:

If your sales tax rate is: 9.75%
Reduced amount (state portion): 5.00%
Sales tax rate during the holiday period: 4.75%

If your sales tax rate is: 6.50%
Reduced amount (state portion): 5.00%
Sales tax rate during the holiday period: 1.50%

Sales Tax Holiday - Qualifying Items

Clothing
Retail selling price must be less than $125 per item, including
- household and shop aprons
- athletic supporters
- bathing suits and caps
- belts and suspenders
- coats and jackets
- gloves and mittens
- hats, caps, and ear muffs
- lab coats
- neckties
- rainwear
- rubber pants (covers for cloth diapers)
- scarves
- underwear
- school uniforms
- shorts and pants
- skirts and dresses
- hosiery and pantyhose
- shirts and blouses

Footwear
Retail selling price must be less than $125 per item, including
- shoes, sneakers, and shoe laces
- sandals
- slippers
- socks and stockings
- footlets
- boots and overshoes
- insoles for shoes
- steel-toed shoes

School supplies
Must be used by students in the course of study, including
- binders
- book bags
- calculators
- cellophane tape
- blackboard chalk
- composition books
- crayons
- colored pencils
- erasers
- expandable pocket, plastic, and manila folders
- glue, paste, and paste sticks
- highlighters
- index cards and index card boxes
- legal pads
- lunch boxes
- markers
- notebooks and notebook paper, including loose leaf notebook, copy, graph, tracing, manila, colored and construction paper, and poster board
- pencils and pencil leads
- pens, ink, and ink refills for pens
- pencil boxes and other school supply boxes
- pencil sharpeners
- protractors, rulers, and compasses
- scissors
- writing tablets

Grocery Tax Suspension: July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023

How does the 1 percent grocery tax suspension work?

From July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023, the state of Illinois State sales and use tax on groceries (normally taxed at the 1 percent low tax rate) will be 0 percent. Groceries taxed at the low rate include food for human consumption that is to be consumed off the premises where it is sold (other than alcoholic beverages, food consisting of or infused with adult use cannabis, soft drinks, candy, and food that has been prepared for immediate consumption). See 86 Ill. Admin. Code Section 130.310 for more information on grocery items that are taxed at the low rate.

Note: The Regional Transportation Authority and Metro-East Mass Transit District impose an additional local tax on grocery food that will not be suspended.

For example:
Groceries normally taxed at the 1% low rate:
Retail sale of groceries subject to 1% tax: $145.29
Tax at 1%: $1.45
Total: $146.74

During the 1% grocery tax suspension:
Retail sale of groceries subject to 1% tax: $145.29
Tax at 0%: $0.00
Total: $145.29

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Are Golf Carts Permitted in Crystal Lake?

The Crystal Lake Police Department has received many inquiries regarding the use of golf carts within the City limits of Crystal Lake. As of August 2022, the City of Crystal Lake has not adopted an ordinance which permits the use of golf carts on the public right-of-way. Illinois State Statute states that it is unlawful for any person to drive or operate a non-highway vehicle upon any street, highway, or roadway. In addition, Illinois allows municipalities to determine when golf carts can be used. If allowed, golf carts can be driven on roadways that are deemed safe and have speed limits of 35 miles per hour or less. A non-highway vehicle also includes all-terrain vehicles and an off-highway motorcycle. These laws are in place for the operator's safety and protect them in the event of a vehicle collision.



Vehicle Parking Restrictions and Notifications

City parking regulations promote public safety, increase traffic flow, and accommodate people with special needs. Illegally parked vehicles can cause congestion and reduce visibility, which impedes pedestrian and traffic flow. We remind you that it is unlawful, per City Ordinance 496-101, to have a vehicle blocking a sidewalk. These intrusions on pedestrian space place dangerous moving vehicles within an area that should be safe for children, people with special needs, and other pedestrians.

The City of Crystal Lake has an Ordinance that prohibits parking for all vehicles on any City street between 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m.; however, permission to park on the street may be granted by visiting https://www.frontlinepss.com/crystallake.

National Night Out

Join the Crystal Lake Police Department on August 4, 2022, in Downtown Crystal Lake for National Night Out!
This free family event runs from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Enjoy fun events such as:

- K-9 demonstration
- Free bicycle helmet sizing and give away (while supplies last)
- Touch-a-Truck display
- Handprints on the squad car
- Food and entertainment from local downtown businesses

Solicitor Information

All solicitors are required to be registered with the City of Crystal Lake and must display a City issued permit at all times. The City of Crystal Lake does not endorse nor does it work in conjunction with any door-to-door solicitors. If you should have an encounter with this or any solicitor that does not have a permit displayed, uses questionable selling tactics, or does not acknowledge "NO SOLICITOR" postings, please contact us immediately at our non-emergency number at 815-356-3620. If you feel you need immediate assistance, please do not hesitate to dial 911. While most companies abide by City licensing requirements, some refuse to; please assist us in identifying these solicitors by getting a physical description of the person or vehicle they drive.

Officer Sal Alfano - (815) 444-5956 or by email at salfano@crystallake.org

Crystal Lake Police Department (815) 356-3620

FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT

Age Without Injury

Thirty six million falls occur each year among adults over age 65. One out of every five falls causes serious injury. More than 950,000 older adults are hospitalized each year because of a fall injury. Over 95% of hip fractures are caused by falls, making it the most common cause of hip fractures. Falls are the most common cause of traumatic brain injury related deaths and hospital admissions.

TIPS FOR A SAFER HOME AND SAFER YOU:



- Remove trip hazards from places you walk, such as books, boxes, shoes, and throw rugs.
- Keep frequently used items in lower cabinets so you do not need a step stool.
- Install grab bars next to and inside the tub and next to the toilet. Use non-slip mats on the bathtub/shower floors.
- Improve the lighting in your home and install handrails on all stair cases.
- Wear well-fitting and supportive shoes in and outside of the house.
- Talk openly with your healthcare provider about fall risks and prevention, especially if you are taking medication that may make you sleepy, dizzy, or disoriented.
- Exercise regularly to improve your balance and strength.
- Have your eyes and feet checked annually to be sure there is not a condition that affects your vision, and that you are wearing proper footwear.
- Talk to your doctor about a medical alert device.

Visit: www.cdc.gov/falls for more helpful tools and resources including a "Mobility Plan" to help reduce risks and stay independent.

Source: www.cdc.gov.

Close Before You Doze!



Because of synthetic materials and plastics used in most modern furniture and household items, fire is more toxic and burns at a much faster rate than in the past. Forty years ago, you had about 17 minutes to escape a fire, today you would have approximately 3 minutes. Closed doors are able to hold back fire's heat. Research and experiments have shown that open-door rooms reached dangerous temperatures of up to 1000°, while closed-door rooms stayed below 100°. Fire needs oxygen to burn—closed doors can keep oxygen in the room, keeping the fire from spreading and giving you safer air to breathe. Keeping the bedroom door closed at night could also give you more reaction time if the alarm sounds.

Source: https://closeyourdoor.org/

Crystal Lake Fire Rescue Department
(815) 356-3640

Metra Safety Awareness

- Do not cross the tracks immediately after your train passes; often times, a second train might be blocked by the first. Wait until visibility is clear in both directions before crossing.
- Never walk or drive around or behind lowered gates at a crossing!Do not cross the tracks until the lights have stopped flashing and it is safe to do so. You can be fined for failure to obey these signals. The more severe penalty could be serious injury or death!
- Many passenger trains are powered by overhead electric wires, which are powered by electric substations located along the railroad rights-of-way. It is dangerous to play around or throw things onto power lines or into substations and electric facilities.
- Pay attention to painted or raised markings at the platform edge, and stay at least three feet from the train while it is coming in or out of the station to avoid being snagged by any loose straps or bags you are carrying.
- Follow directional signs and markings that let you know where it is safe to cross the tracks. Crossing the tracks anywhere else is dangerous and illegal. An ill-timed shortcut can have deadly consequences.
- Whether on foot, bike, skateboard, or in a car, cross only at crossings marked by signs, signals or pavement markings — and obey any and all warnings, signals, lights and signs.



Laws and Fines

Disobeying a signal indicating the approach of an oncoming train or track equipment is not only a serious safety issue, it's illegal. First-time offenders will incur a $500 fine for trespassing on the tracks when the grade crossing warning devices are activated. Second and subsequent violations will incur a $1,000 fine. This type of violation requires an appearance in court and may result in a six-month suspension of a driver's license if repeat offenses are committed.

Train Horns and Quiet Zones

Trains horns are an essential tool in keeping commuters, rail employees and the public safe when near railroad tracks and crossings, not only for Metra, but for the freight railroad companies that own and operate lines throughout the six-county region.

Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) rules require locomotive engineers to sound train horns between 15 and 20 seconds, but no more than a quarter-mile, in advance of all public grade crossings. Train horns must be sounded in a standardized pattern of two long, one short and one long blasts. Under the FRA mandate, the pattern must be repeated or prolonged until the lead locomotive or lead cab car is in the grade crossing. This rule applies 24 hours a day, even if a crossing is equipped with lights, bells and crossing gates. Train crews also may deem it necessary to sound a horn as a warning when there is a vehicle, person or animal near the tracks. Track construction, workers within 25 feet of a live track or malfunctioning crossings, also require crews to sound the horn.

FRA rules do allow communities to reduce train horn noise by establishing Quiet Zones. In a Quiet Zone, railroads are directed to cease the routine sounding of horns when approaching public grade crossings. However, it is important to understand that even if a community establishes a Quiet Zone, train horns may still be used workers within 25 feet of the track or in emergency situations, such as a person or a vehicle on the tracks, or at the discretion of the crew.
Source: https://metra.com/train-horns-quiet-zones.

SCHUYLER'S AMERICAN DREAM

DIANA KENNEY

The phrase, "The American Dream" refers to the opportunity and ability to achieve a goal through hard work and sacrifice. To some, the goal may mean a sizable bank account or a successful career. For Crystal Lake resident, Schuyler V. Hayes, his American Dream goal was home ownership. Through hard work, sacrifice, and a little ingenuity, Schuyler was able to realize his American Dream. Schuyler Vernon Hayes was born July 1, 1899 in Chicago Heights. Schuyler was the 6th of 8 children born to Nelson and Cora Hayes. As a young man, he worked in the newspaper publishing business.

On May 22, 1918, Schuyler enlisted in the United States Navy. He was sent to Great Lakes Naval Training Station before his unit boarded the USS George Washington, a transport ship, heading overseas to Europe. While enroute, the Navy requested anyone with printing experience to volunteer their services in printing the ship's newspaper, "The Hatchet". Schuyler stepped forward and offered his services. His job with "The Hatchet" kept him on-board the USS George Washington for several back-and-forth transport missions before Schuyler was able to get off and fight the enemy on foreign soil. Although he survived the war, he had many long-term health issues from his days in the service.

After the war, Schuyler went to work for the Public Service Co. in Chicago Heights. Schuyler married Mary Cuneo on November 6, 1923. Not long after they married, Schuyler was transferred to the Crystal Lake office where he was put in charge of the supply department and storeroom. At that time, the Public Service Co. was located in the Teckler Building, where Heisler's Bootery is today.



Schuyler and Mary Hayes

Schuyler's new community of Crystal Lake welcomed him with open arms. He was a friendly, well-liked individual. Wanting to put down roots and with dreams of owning his own home, Schuyler purchased a lot on installment in Uteg's 2nd Addition on McHenry Avenue. After paying off the loan, and knowing he couldn't afford a house yet, Schuyler built a 2-car garage at the back of the lot. The garage was setup as an apartment, with Schuyler and Mary living in the garage apartment for a short while until enough funds were saved up for a house.

In August 1926, Schuyler signed an agreement with John Toben, representative of Sears, Roebuck and Co., to purchase a Hamilton model "Honor Bilt" kit home. For a total price $3,311.75, Sears would not only provide most of the construction materials (lumber, doors, windows, etc.) for the 2-bedroom, 1,100 s.f. house, but they would also finance the loan. To keep his borrowing to a minimum, Schuyler agreed to perform about a third of the labor himself while paying a Sears contractor for the remaining work. Construction of the home took several months.



PLANS WANTED. SHOW QUANTITY.
Cloth Plans, ¼ Inch. Paper Plans, ¼ Inch. Heating Plans.
Cloth Plans Details. Paper Plans Details. Lighting Plans. Plumbing Plans.
(a) Sears, Roebuck and Co. agree to furnish Honor Home No. 2200 The Realtor with changes and additions as specified on this order disregarding any local code requirements per customer's request.
(b) Price includes freight charges prepaid by Sears, Roebuck & Co. to Crystal Lake on all of the material on this order except sheet plaster and finish which will be delivered by Sears, Roebuck & Co. to building site in Crystal Lake, Ill. free of any additional charge.
(c) Furnish bookcase opening 6276793 in W
(d) Ironing Board 376 in W $311.75
TOTAL PRICE, F. O. B. CARS AT
To the Purchaser:
No verbal agreements other than those confirmed in this order will be given consideration.
Shades, screens, storm doors and windows when specified above are furnished for the main part of the houses only; none are figured for basement or attic unless otherwise specified.
When a garage is ordered, electric wiring and fixtures not included unless specified.
We furnish one coat of shellac, and one of varnish for all yellow pine trim, except where enamel is specified. Stain, if wanted for yellow pine trim, will be furnished for a small extra charge.
Varnish and filler are furnished for hardwood floors. No varnish is furnished for yellow pine floors unless otherwise specified.
Roof boards are furnished 2 inches apart for cedar shingles. They are laid close together for full roofing and asphalt shingles.
Be sure to show a copy of this order to your contractor so he will be familiar with the changes, if any have been made.
We require that your contractor be bonded when you purchase on our Monthly Payment Plan. For your own protection we recommend that you always bond your contractor.
Sears, Roebuck and Co. are not responsible for any acts of the contractor, nor are Sears, Roebuck and Co. responsible for damage to or the removal of material from the building site.
SIGNED John Toben For Sears, Roebuck and Co. SALES OFFICE ACCEPTED BY Schuyler V. Hayes Purchaser.

Part of the agreement between Sears, Roebuck & Co. and Schuyler V. Hayes for his Hamilton model "Honor Bilt" home.

Schuyler and Mary Hayes moved into their new home (today's address is 297 McHenry Avenue) in Spring, 1927. They continued to rent out the garage apartment to help cover the cost of their mortgage payments to Sears. One known garage tenant was Harry J. and Clara Dillon. Harry J. also worked at Public Service Co. The Dillon's only child, Harry N. Dillon was born (6/9/1928) in the garage apartment on McHenry Avenue. Harry N. Dillon later became a member of the Crystal Lake City Council and an active community leader. Despite the rental income, Schuyler struggled to make his $50/month mortgage payments to Sears. Copies of collection memos are held in the archives of the Crystal Lake Historical Society.

Eventually, the loan was paid off, with Schuyler's dream of home ownership complete. Unfortunately, the chronic health issues he endured from his years of service during WWI would end Schuyler's life on April 30, 1930 at the age of 30.

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Funeral services were held at the Congregational Church with the Masonic Lodge and American Legion Post #171 assisting. A long procession was held from the home on McHenry Avenue to the church, which was filled to capacity. After the church service, a large funeral procession, accompanied by State Police, escorted the body to its final resting place in Chicago Heights. There, additional mourners from Schuyler's hometown attended the final service. Mary Hayes continued living in the home for several years before moving to Florida. She retained ownership, renting the property, before moving back to Crystal Lake in the late 1950s with her 2nd husband, Benjamin Carter. Mary Hayes Carter died in 1991. Soon after, the house was sold to its 2nd (and current) owner.

SEARS MODERN HOMES

DIANA KENNEY

Sears, Roebuck & Company manufactured anestimated 75,000 kit homes between 1908-1940 and sold them through their mail-order Modern Homes program. Hundreds of floorplans were developed for homes that were modest to magnificent depending on the customer's individual tastes and budget.

The idea behind this was that customers could pick and order a house plan that would fit their needs. Instructions, AND materials to build the home would be included in the package. One order could include everything--precut lumber, windows, doors, cabinets, hardware, fixtures, screws, nails, staircases, mantels, paint, varnish, roof shingles, and more! What wasn't included in the kit price was the cost of land, masonry materials, foundation/basement, utility service, and most importantly, labor. The lure of "do-it-yourself" savings has always been a key selling point of kit homes.

Sears was not the first, nor was it the only company to sell "kit" houses by catalog and ship them by rail. In 1906 the North American Construction Company (later known as "Aladdin Houses" of Bay City Michigan) began selling precut buildings.

Other companies in the "kit" home business included Gordon-Van Tine (Davenport, IA), Montgomery Ward (Chicago, IL) and Harris Brothers Homes (Chicago, IL). Today, Crystal Lake has over two dozen documented Sears homes and several more from some of these other companies.



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Downtown Crystal Lake: Main Street America

Downtown Crystal Lake / Main Street received the 2022 Main Street America Accreditation and has been designated as an Accredited Main Street America™ program for meeting rigorous performance standards. Each year, Main Street America and its partners announce those members with an exceptional commitment to preservation-based economic development and community revitalization through the Main Street Approach™. "We are proud of this year's 863 nationally Accredited Main Street America programs that have worked tirelessly to advance economic vitality and quality of life in their downtowns and commercial districts," said Patrice Frey, President & CEO of Main Street America. "During another incredibly challenging year, these programs demonstrated the power of the Main Street movement."

In 2021, Main Street America programs generated $5.76 billion in local reinvestment, helped open 6,601 net new businesses, generated 30,402 net new jobs, catalyzed the rehabilitation of 10,595 historic buildings, and leveraged 1,427,729 volunteer hours.

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On average, every dollar a Main Street program spent to support its operations generated $19.34 of new investment back into Main Street communities. Main Street America is a nonprofit subsidiary of the National Trust for Historic Preservation. For more information, visit mainstreet.org. The Downtown Crystal Lake/Main Street's performance is annually evaluated by Illinois Main Street, in partnership with Main Street America. Ben Volling, Board President, added, "With an emphasis on family fun and full of variety, Downtown Crystal Lake is a community of dedicated business people, volunteers, and civic leaders enhancing the quality of life for our residents and visitors."

Downtown Crystal Lake/Main Street, strives to preserve and enhance the Historic Downtown District as the heart of Crystal Lake. While also providing a successful business and residential environment that communicates a sense of community pride, heritage, and small-town wholesomeness, a lasting legacy for future generations. The membership directory, calendar of events, and opportunities to join and volunteer can be found at www.DowntownCL.org.





Johnny Appleseed Festival: September 24th

The legend of Johnny Appleseed has been alive in Downtown Crystal Lake for 29 years, and this year's event on Saturday, September 24, promises to be the biggest and best yet. Thousands of families attend the festival to celebrate the season and community while also enjoying a variety of apple-flavored delights. Named in honor of the historic orchardist and nurseryman, Johnny Appleseed Festival includes tremendous fun for all ages. It is held the last Saturday of September in honor of Appleseed's a/k/a John Chapman's birthday (9/26/1774). Activities include wagon rides, children's games, face painting, dancing, and even Johnny Appleseed himself, to tell stories of seeding orchards in the frontier days of 1812-1845. The petting zoo, Corner Corral Inflatables, and pumpkin train are back by popular demand. The Crystal Lake Historical Society will demonstrate apple peelers and provide fun photo ops. Special Guest Johnny Appleseed impersonator Steve McPhail will return this year. Johnny Appleseed will be walking among the festival guests sharing historical information about sowing apple seeds on the frontier through 1845 to form orchards and establish nurseries.

In addition to growing the fruit trees, Johnny Appleseed/John Chapman created legal boundaries to establish land claims on the frontier. Historical records prove that John Chapman traveled in a threadbare wardrobe and rarely wore shoes. He was an animal rights activist, vegetarian, and member of the Church of Swedenborg. Chapman would spread his philosophy and apple seeds from Massachusetts to Pennsylvania, Ohio, and into the Midwest. An additional part of the festival will be the Great Ball Race Raffle at 3 p.m. with a Grand Prize of $1,000! The Great Ball Race features brightly colored, numbered balls rolling down the hill on Brink Street, with the fastest ball-winning $1,000 for its owner. The hours for the festival are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. While at the festival, take advantage of Downtown Crystal Lake's/Main Street's feature unique shops, restaurants, arts, culture, and family-friendly fun. For more information, maps, and event calendar, visit www.DowntownCL.org.

THREE OAKS RECREATION AREA

Hours

August 1 – August7

Marina: 6:30 a.m. to sunset
Beach: 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

August 8 – September 2
Weekdays
Marina: 3:30 p.m. to sunset
Beach: 3:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

August 13 – September 5
Weekends
Marina: 6:30 a.m. to sunset
Beach: 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Deep Water Update

At the swim beach, the deep water area and the swim raft located beyond the 5-foot buoy line, will be open on Sundays only. This will remain in effect through the end of beach season. The beach will close for the season after Labor Day, Monday, September 5, 2022.

Picnic Grounds

Three Oaks Recreation Area has many picnic grounds located throughout the park. The Picnic Grove surrounding Pavilion A is open to the public for lawn games, grilling out, and picknicking at the many available tables. Next, you'll find grassy sections of property adjacent to the swim beach, surrounding the playground and splash pad, for guests to sunbathe, picnic, and play on. Large overhead umbrellas are provided on the beach's picnic grounds to shade visitors in this area. All tables within the park's picnic grounds are available on a first-come, first-serve basis. Alcoholic beverages are prohibited.

Guest Photos

Please enjoy a few photos taken by park guests. These pictures capture the beauty of the park and the fun that families share.



Photo Credit: Patti Bunworth Yoho



Photo Credit: Erika Benison



Photo Credit: Gina Fiore

5517 Northwest Highway
Crystal Lake, IL 60014
www.crystallake.org/threeoaksrecreation
Email: threeoaks@crystallake.org
Information Line: (815) 356-2447
Rainout Line: (815) 506-9333

Follow the City of Crystal Lake and Three Oaks on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter!

Refuse, Recycling, and Yard Waste Reminders

Missed Item?
If you had any items missed during your garbage collection day, don't worry about holding on to them until the next collection day. Contact LRS at (847) 381-9300, and they will return to collect any missed items as soon as possible.

LRS New Office Location:
The City's residential refuse, recycling, and yard waste hauler, LRS has a new office location, 1350 N. Old Rand Rd., Wauconda, Illinois.

Important Dates to Remember:
September 12-16, 2022: Electronics collection week
December 16, 2022: Yard waste collection ends

Refuse and Recycling Billing Update:
Lakeshore Recycling Systems (LRS) is in the process of transitioning billing from Prairieland Disposal. New LRS invoices will be mailed in August for services rendered in the August, September and October billing cycle.

Curbside Electronics Collection Event: September 12-16

Lakeshore Recycling Systems (LRS) will be conducting curbside electronics collection during the week of September 12-16, 2022. Residents may set out a maximum of five (5) electronic items, including a limit of one (1) TV or one (1) computer monitor. The electronics will be collected on the resident's regularly scheduled collection day. The next electronics collection following the September collection will be conducted during March of 2023.

The table to the right details which items may and may not be set out for electronics collection.

Accepted Electronics Items	Items NOT Accepted
One Television or One Computer Monitor	Air Conditioners
Cell Phones, Telephones and Tablets	Appliances
Cameras	Batteries
CD Players	Battery Operated Children's Toys
Computer Drives	Coffee Makers
Cords and Cables	Computer Disks
Electronics Mice and Keyboards	Dishwashers
Fax Machines and Printers	Hair Dryers and Hair Irons
Holiday Lights	Humidifiers
Modems	Liquid or Chemical Waste
Paper Shredders	Microwave Ovens
Satellite Receivers	Packaging Materials
Scanners	Refrigerators
Stereos	Smoke and Fire Detectors
Video Game Consoles	Water Softeners

Economic Development Corner

Celebrating our Community Partners
Congratulations JMS Marketing, on 30 years of business in the Crystal Lake Community! JMS is a women-owned company that provides marketing expertise with data-driven results, located at 475 W. Terra Cotta Avenue, Suite A1.

Are you a business celebrating a significant milestone anniversary? If so, we want to know! We want to celebrate all businesses that have called Crystal Lake home for 25 or more years. If your business or a business you know has been here for 25+ years, please call (815) 356-3737 or email economicdevelopment@crystallake.org to let us know.

New Business
Tasty Bistro, located at 394 W. Virginia Street, offers a wide variety of cocktails, sushi, ramen, and specialty Thai, Chinese and Hibachi dishes for dine-in or carry-out. Open from 10:45 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Monday-Saturday and 12 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Sunday.

August Quarry Events

Soak up the summer sun at the Quarry as events continue throughout August! Start the month with International Beer Day on Friday, August 5. Enjoy an assortment of beer options from around the world, paired with a globally inspired food menu. On Saturday, August 20, Quarry Cable Park will introduce another new event with the first-ever Small Business Collaboration. Guests who visit the Quarry for this event in August can sample and shop from five local small businesses the Quarry has chosen to feature and support.

We are also excited to bring patrons of the Quarry not one but two awesome Premium Music Nights. Semple Band will be joining us on Friday, August 12. Semple is a Chicago band fronted by one of the city's most prominent lead singers and the band's namesake, Keith Semple, a top 20 contender on The Voice. Then on Saturday, August 27, The Quarry will welcome the talented Pino Farina Band. The adult-alternative rockers Pino Farina Band are known for their showmanship, high-energy performances, and tender, intimate songs.

In between the exciting schedule of events, take time to enjoy all the other unique activities the Quarry has to offer. Try out wakeboarding seven days a week, rent volleyball courts and baggo sets, and sample food and cocktails from our bar & grille. Additional information can be found at www.thequarrycablepark.com.





CALENDAR | August 2022

All events at City Hall, 100 W. Woodstock Street

Tuesday, August 2

City Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, August 3

Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, August 4

National Night Out, 5:00 p.m. (Williams Street South)

Tuesday, August 16

City Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, August 17

Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

Friday, August 19

Cop On a Rooftop, beginning 5:00 a.m.
(4817 Northwest Hwy)

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