



# Sylvan Lake Shoreline

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## 4<sup>th</sup> of July Picnic

**Make Your Plans Now**

**For a Wonderful Community Event!**

**All Sylvan Lakers Welcome!**

*Date: Wednesday, July 4<sup>th</sup>*

### Schedule:

- 10:30 **Bike parade**  
at Schwerman Park –  
Bring your decorated bike,  
wagon or scooter
- 11:00-3:00 **Lunch at the beach!**  
Hamburger with chips  
Hot dog with chips  
Beans/Brownies  
Pop/Water/Beer/Wine
- 12:30 **Kid's games :)**  
at the beach
- 1:30 **Paddle Boat Races**
- 2:30 **Sailboat Races**
- 3:00 **Adult Games :)**

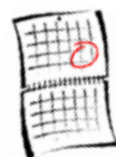
Rain Date: Thursday, July 5<sup>th</sup>

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## Newsletter NEWS Needs Your Help

Please email any information,  
pictures, past happenings or up  
coming events.

**August 1st Issue News Needed by:**

***July 20th, 2012***

Pictures welcome!

Send to Donn Hamm at:

[dehamm@comcast.net](mailto:dehamm@comcast.net)

Please put Shoreline in the subject line.

*Shoreline* is a Newsletter for the Sylvan  
Lake Community, Sylvan Lake, Illinois

# Please Be a Part by Doing Your Part

*Unfamiliar faces or someone  
you should get to know?*



The Sylvan Lake Improvement Association would like to request all of us do our part this season in keeping our parks, beaches and easements quiet and enjoyable for all residents.

This year, if you see unfamiliar faces, please politely ask them if they live in the lake. If they do not live in Sylvan Lake, ask them to leave. We realize we have both longtime residents and new neighbors that live here, so please don't take offense if you are approached. It's a simple way to keep unwanted visitors out and to get to know your neighbors.

Thank you  
Chris Molsen

## Sylvan Lake Improvement Association

Board Member Volunteers

**President:** Sam Ford

**Vice President:**

Wendy Kjeldbjerg

**Secretary:** Deb Kvien

**Treasurer:** Doug MacKay

**– Committees Chairs –**

**Lake:** John Hynds

**Beach:** Chris Molsen

**Parks & Easement:**

Gary Goldblatt

**Garden Club:** Nancy Parra

**Recreation:** Dave Kruse

# The beach

The beach at Sylvan Lake is meant for use by homeowners and their families and friends.

We are occasionally having issues with young people – middle and late-teenage years – who are coming to the beach without their families and bringing many friends with them. Problems happen when these friends are loud and raucous, sometimes drinking and smoking, sometimes taking over the pier, and sadly often using language that other beach-goers don't want around their small kids.

We need homeowners to discuss this with their kids. It comes down to a matter of responsibility and respect. Ask them to bring only a few friends at a time to the beach, and then show consideration for other people at the beach with their behavior. Remember, the Lake Rules and Regulations (available on the SLIA website) require that children under age 15 be accompanied by an adult.

When not accompanied by an adult homeowner, ask your teenagers to bring no more than 3 or 4 friends with them to the beach. If a larger group of teenagers is going to use the beach, there needs to be a parent present to monitor the group.

We have operated as a Neighborhood Watch community for many years. If you see people you do not know, especially if they do not appear to know the rules of the beach, you can direct them to the rules sign. Also, if you ask them for information, you can ask who they are visiting and confirm whether or not the Sylvan Lake member is present in their group. You can then call a board member and describe the group size and behavior that brought them to your attention. The board will contact the homeowner.

Thank you for your assistance.  
SLIA Board





# Clean-Up Day *(Many hands make light work)*

Saturday Morning May 19 From Gary Goldblatt

Huge recognition and thanks to everyone that came out to work on 5/19 for our annual Clean up day. It was great to see the shoulders of our roads throughout Sylvan stacked with debris.

Here are just some of the many highlights of the day.

- **Front entrance-ways at Midlotheian and Gilmer:** general cleanup and plantings
- **Beach and dam area,** added sand, put in piers and swimming markers, trimmed suckers off the big willow tree, planted flowers in pots and general clean up
- **Schwerman Park:** shrubs trimmed, volleyball courts cleaned up and racked
- **Briar Terrace:** Walking path cleared from street almost to the water. Continued path work completion ETA this summer
- **West Sylvan Roadway** clean up
- **Ravinia Park:** built new step bridge, burned debris, general cleanup
- **Hiawatha Park:** debris cleanup, weed pulling, dead tree cut down, weeds vs native plant training

## On going Summer work;

- Fremont Township will be removing several dead trees along our roads
- 6 dead trees to be removed from south shore side of Ravinia
- Wildflower Terrace: possible edging to define wildflower influence over the years
- Looking to plant some native trees as a way fill the area in created by the dead removed trees.....red buds, white oak are some possibilities





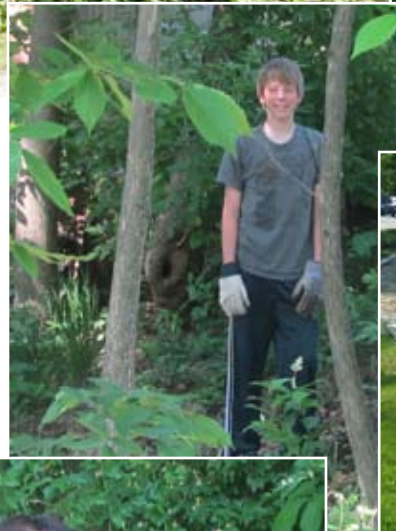


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# Sylvan Lake Swim Lessons

Ages 3-10

June 11-21 (Monday-Thursday) - 6pm-8pm (30 minute classes)

Cost: \$40 per Child

Instructor: Liza Dickinson

First day (6/11) Testing for class assignments

***Please return form by: June 8***

***With check made out to:  
Sylvan Lake Garden Club***

***Registration Information and Checks go to:***

Kelly Dickinson (34 Crescent Dr) 847-949-7996  
or

Nancy Parra (168 W Sylvan) 847-566-0674



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## ***Sylvan Lake Swim Lessons Registration Form***

One Form Per Child Please

Sylvan Lake Swimming Lessons----\$40 Due 6/8/2012

To: Kelly Dickinson (34 Crescent Dr) 847-949-7996 or Nancy Parra (168 W Sylvan) 847-566-0674

Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name and Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Child's Age \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Information: \_\_\_\_\_

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## JULY

### Sylvan Lake Summer Garden Walk

*Sunday July 8th •*

*3pm-6pm*



Many of us have worked hard on our gardens to make them inviting to all. So we are going to have gardens open to neighbors and friends, serving lemonade and ice tea to all who pass by. Please call Mary Harroun - 847-970-9741 if you would like to have your garden open on the garden walk or she may call you and invite you to participate...

## AUGUST

### Sylvan Lake Floatilla....

*August 11th*

On August 11th, everyone is invited to get in your kayak, canoe, sail boat, paddle boat or whatever and join the rest of your neighbors out on the lake. Bring a snack to pass and your own liquid refreshments.... bungee cords to tie your boat to others, lights to get home with, and yourselves! We will start gathering after dinner about 7:00 on the lake.

## SEPTEMBER

### Labor Day Picnic

Labor Day Picnic- 5:00 p.m. on Labor Day, Monday September 3rd.

Bring a dish to pass and your own liquid refreshments and meet at the beach for a neighborhood picnic.



## Dam update: Maybe this fall 2012!

**Still in the plans, time line slightly delayed in processing plans and permits.**

Design plans for the rehabilitation of the dam have been finalized by Highway Commissioner Bill Grinnell and his consulting engineer. The plans are currently under review and permits are being processed in Springfield. Some of the key work items being planned are:

- replacing the culvert and spillway
- relocating a sewer pipe
- sheet piling reinforcement
- timber guardrail
- pavement resurfacing with curbs from the bridge to Midlothian Road
- boulder covered slope on the east side of the dam



It is too early to predict an absolute start date since State agencies are still in review of the plans and the need to issue permits. After the permit is obtained then the project must be advertised for bidding. It is still hoped that this work can be started and completed this fall when the lake is a little lower

**There will certainly be inconveniences,** due to the road being closed for rehabilitation but the Board of Directors will do it's best to keep everyone informed. We will pass on pertinent information by email and the web site to give everyone as much notice as possible.

## Dues Payments are \$300 for 2012

**Dues are collected by  
Doug MacKay for 2012.**

There is a separate box for collecting the dues by Doug's front door - just drop it in. If you're one of the many people who use an online bill payment account, feel free to set up your Sylvan Lake dues to be sent that way - just be sure to use Doug's address. Prompt payment is greatly appreciated and saves both time and expense. Thank you!

**The address for remittance  
is:**

Doug MacKay  
21200 Sylvan Drive South  
Mundelein, IL 60060

## Hwy. 53

It appears that the only funding capable of a project of this size is thru the Illinois Tollway Commission. Therefore, all the eggs are in this one basket and Illinois politics may be observed at its best.

The blue ribbon committee established to make recommendations to the Tollway Commission on the development of the Hwy. 53 extension up into Lake County has met for the last time to fine tune its recommendation. When information is released we will pass it along

Some of the rumors are that all of Hwy. 53 would need to be converted to a tollway, the extension into Lake County would have a maximum speed limit of 45 mph and have limited access ending at 120 in Graylake.

*Just my opinion by Donn Hamm*

## Warning!

Warning! Over the past month at least 3 empty injection syringes with sharp needles intact have been found on Highland near the entrance to Sylvan Lake. In past years we have found similar medical waste at one of our parks.

This is a serious safety and health hazard as they could be contaminated. Please take this opportunity to discuss the dangers of medical waste with your young children.



# Summer Recreation in Sylvan Lake!

## Volleyball League

**Where:** Schwerman Park

**When:** Tuesdays starting June 12th

**How Much:** \$5.00 Resident / \$10.00 Non-Resident

**Contact:** Dave Kruse at (847) 989-2392 / krusdp@Gmail.com with any questions.

\*Captains to submit roster and funds for entire team prior to first game

**Winners will receive: Respect, Accolades ... and a Shirt.**

