



LFHS has many new opportunities in 2008!

PowerSchool is LFHS's new student information system.

PowerSchool is LFHS's new student information system. It is a web-based service, which allows accessibility anywhere, anytime via your web browser using your current Internet connection. Students and parents can log on to a secure server and get up-to-date access to grades and attendance information making it easy for students and parents to stay in closer contact on student progress. PowerSchool will come online second semester.

Q:When will I have access to the PowerSchool Portal?

A:The portal will open around February 15. Between the end of first semester and the opening of the PowerSchool Portal, students and parents will not have access to grades through either Edline or PowerSchool.

Q:How do I access the PowerSchool Portal?

A:You will receive a letter in the beginning of February that will contain your PowerSchool login, password, and other login information. Students will receive their own unique login and password via their LFHS e-mail account. The PowerSchool system requires that logins and passwords be assigned by Lake Forest High School.

Q:Will my PowerSchool Portal username/password and my Edline username/password be the same?

A: Currently these two systems have separate login functions that require different passwords.

Q:Will I still have access to Edline?

A:Yes. Edline will continue to be a valuable academic tool, for class assignments, files, etc. However, grade and attendance information will only be available in the PowerSchool Portal.

More Top News!

Spring Musical - South Pacific

In the depths of winter picture the lush palm trees and turquoise waters of the South Pacific. Audition materials are available from Directors Kelly MacBlane and Barbara Papp or David Miller, Technical Advisor, or Timothy Haskett, Choral Director.

In the most gorgeous of settings and the most frightening of political events (a world at war), character is tested, life is redefined, and, of course, love blooms. So think Bloody Mary, Joe Cable, Liat, Emile de Becque, Nellie Forbush, and Luther Billis plus a hundred handsome sailors and marines and a few dozen singing, dancing nurses and get ready for...

Auditions on February 1, 2008.

Show dates are:

**April 24, 25, and 26, 2008,
7:30 pm
Raymond Moore Auditorium**

Rogers and Hammerstein don't get much better than this. Kick off your spring with "Some Enchanted Evening," "Younger than Springtime," "There is Nothing Like a Dame" and "You've Got to Be Carefully Taught."

Reserved seats at <http://lfhs.org>

Talent Show Auditions

**January 26 & 27
Raymond Moore
Auditorium**

See Brad Balonick at the Technology Help Desk for an application.

**Deadline for
applications is
Friday, January 18.**

Student Producer: **Matt Svec**
847-735-9429

Student Producer: **Trevor Wellington** 847-636-9548

Student Director: **Kate Pabich**
847-340-9388

Student Director: **Connor Reaumond** 847-337-5372

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Sarah Wagener 847-295-3781

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Next Board of Education Meeting

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Lake Forest Community High School District 115 will be on:

Monday, January 14
7:00 pm
Lake Forest City
Council Chambers

Upcoming meeting dates:

Mon., Feb., 11, 2008
Mon., March 10, 2008
Mon., April 14, 2008
Mon., May 12, 2008
Mon., June 9, 2008
Mon., July 14, 2008

A Message from the Director of Safety and Security

I would like to start off this message by thanking all of you who visit our campus, and have shown such great patience while attempting to navigate around the construction. Picking up and dropping off students are the most hectic time for our parking attendants when trying to regulate the traffic flow, so please be patient.

You may notice some new changes in the coming year in regards to security related issues. We will be locking more doors in the academic side of the building at 6:00 p.m. Anyone coming for any scheduled meeting or event will be able to enter through the Auditorium doors, located on the southeast side of the building. This does not include athletic events which you will be able to enter through the northwest end near the athletic office, or you may also park in tennis court lot, (northeast side) and enter through the athletic foyer. This change will make it easier for our security guards to monitor visitors more effectively. As the construction process continues, we will be adopting additional security measures. The safety and security of our students, staff and visitors is of the utmost importance. We are lucky to be in such a safe community. However, we need to remain vigilant in keeping our students safe and secure during the time they are here.

Please have a great New Year, and feel free to contact me at 847-582-7414, or stop in the Security office in room 113 at the high school.

Sincerely,

Scott Krajniak
Director of Safety and Security
Lake Forest High School, D115

Please join us for a reception honoring retiring Board of Education member Tom Neri just prior to the Board of Education meeting:

Monday, January 14
6:30 pm
Lake Forest City Council Chambers
220 E. Deerpath, Lake Forest

Dean's Office

Reminder from the Dean's Office Lake Forest High school is a closed campus.

For information on Absences policy, please visit:

<http://lfhs.org/academics/rules.html>



Freshman

Looking Ahead to Your Sophomore Year!

Thursday, Feb. 7, 2008
10:00 am
David Miller Theatre

Open Forum with the Principal

Thursday, March 13, 2008
10:00 am
David Miller Theatre

Sophomore

The sophomore class would like to thank all those who donated to their Toys-for-Tots drive in December. They collected more toys this past year than in any other year. Thanks for making Christmas special for so many needy children.

This month the sophomores are planning on making lunches for a P.A.D.S. homeless shelter. For more information please contact Dan Coad at dcoad@d115.org.

The last sophomore parent meeting of the year will be held jointly with the freshman parents and will take place:

Thursday, March 13, 2008
10:00 am
David Miller Theater

This meeting will be a Q & A with Principal Jay Hoffmann
Thanks and Happy New Year!

Cherie Setteducate
847-295-4519
csette663@comcast.net

Junior

The next junior class parent meeting in the "Off to College" series will be:

Thursday, January 24
7:00 pm
Raymond Moore Auditorium

Many thanks to Dr. Merry Quinn and the Lake Forest High School counseling staff who generously gave their time to host the junior class parent meeting held in December. The small group breakout sessions were able to give a more personal focus on the "College Process." Please remember, your counselors are only a phone call away. As always, Jacquie Berkshire, LFHS College Counselor, is available by appointment to help make this journey a successful one.

The Junior Class had a busy December helping others. They worked on the annual WINGS holiday gift project for needy families as well as making "No Sew" blankets for a homeless shelter. They also participated with the entire Student Council to collect DVD's for soldiers in Iraq and helped with the winter clothing drive. In addition, they held several pizza sales to help raise money for Project Safe Prom.

As spring approaches, Prom is on everyone's mind. The theme for the Prom (to be held May 10, 2008) is: "Dancing in the Dark." Student and parent Prom chairs are fine-tuning their committees and plans for the big night. The junior class continues to write personal thank you notes and express public appreciation to all those who have donated to Project Safe Prom. Plans are also in the works for the annual Senior Citizen Party to be held March 16 with a St. Patrick's Day theme.

Marcy Kerr
Junior Class Parent Representative
847-295-8316
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Senior

Seniors were treated to their second Senior Class Breakfast on Dec. 7 when they gathered for donuts, bagels and fruit in the Senior Hall before heading off to class. Thank you to **Trudie Bettiker** and her team in the cafeteria for organizing the goodies. Several of those early morning nibblers made their way up to Waukegan the next week to help make sure that everyone had a good time at the annual Christmas party for the Boys and Girls Club of Lake County.

The Bike and Bake Sale

will be held May 3 this year and we need some help with this senior class fundraiser. E-mail Donna Coffin at dscoffin@aol.com to sign up for some fun!

I would like to let parents know how beautifully the seniors are handling their new responsibility of no assigned study hall this year. Students are being productive and proactive with their free time and are taking advantage of the Senior Resource Center.

Our best wishes are with Carolyn Konz, Senior Class Advisor, as she spends a few months at home enjoying her new bundle of joy. You are a wonderful mom Mrs. Konz, but we miss you. Can't wait to see you back in the hallways next quarter!

We depend on you!

If you would like to promote any school related news regarding an event, activity, fundraiser or student “kudos,” please contact **Joy B. Murawski** at 847-582-7376 or e-mail jmuraws@d115.org to submit your information. Pictures are also welcome and encouraged!



Photographs and videos of students and staff are taken throughout the year to be used for newsletters, newspapers, website and other District 115 publicity purposes. We film various events for local viewing on LF Cable TV. The videotapes and photographs shall not be used by the school district for commercial purposes or for monetary gain. If you do not want your child photographed for District 115 use, you must submit, in writing, a statement to Dr. Harry Griffith, Superintendent of Schools.

Art

Graphic Design students design Holiday Concert programs

This year, Graphic Design Club worked in tandem with the Music Department to design all of the posters and programs for their recent Holiday concert. The Snowman was designed by Kelly Moran (2010); and the poster was designed by Ellie Nesbit (2010).



Library Services

Library to extend hours for before final exams

The LFHS library has extended hours for quiet study after to help students prepare for final exams. Please note the extended hours as follows:

Mark your calendars as follows:

Monday, January 7	open until 8 pm
Tuesday, January 8	open until 8 pm
Wednesday, January 9	open until 8 pm
Thursday, January 10	open until 8 pm
Friday, January 11	open until 5 pm
Saturday, January 12	open 11 am – 5 pm
Monday, January 14 (finals: English/Science)	open until 8 pm
Tuesday, January 15 (finals: Social Studies/Math)	open until 8 pm
Wednesday, January 16 (finals: Foreign Language)	open until 8 pm

Attention all readers!

The LFHS B & B (books and breakfast) is preparing to discuss our third selection of the year. Join us on

Tuesday, February 5 7:15 am

to discuss Blake Nelson's Abraham Lincoln Award Winning book, "Rock Star Superstar."

Come all ... come hungry. Please join us.

Counseling & Student Services

Class of 2012

A mailing was sent to all incoming students in the Class of 2012 with information on the registration process as well as specific dates and times of events. Counselors will visit individual feeder schools to discuss registration process, handout packets to students and meet with parents.

Parents and students will also be invited to LFHS for an evening Curriculum Orientation: counselors will provide an overview of the registration process and share a variety of patterns of courses possible for your four-year plan; and in classroom format, faculty will answer questions and present specific information about course offerings. Please note that parking is at a premium so shuttle bus service will be provided from both the Lake Bluff and Deer Path Middle Schools.

In February, families will have the opportunity for consultations and adjustments to their course selections.

The following dates concern the registration process for the Class of 2012 ONLY:

Wednesday, January 9, 2008

Lake Bluff Middle School

8:45 am - 9:30 am

Registration Overview and Packets to Students

9:45 am - 10:45 am

Parent Session Question and Answer

Wednesday, January 9, 2008

Deer Path Middle School

11:45 am - 12:30 pm

Registration Overview and Packets to Students

12:45 pm - 1:45 pm

Parent Session Question and Answer

Thursday, January 10, 2008

St. Mary's School

9:00 am - 9:30 am

Registration Overview and Packets to Students

9:30 am - 10:30 am

Parent Session Question and Answer

Thursday, January 10, 2008

Lake Forest Country Day School

1:35 pm - 2:25 pm

Registration Overview and Packets to Students

2:30 pm - 3:15 pm

Parent Session Question and Answer

Wednesday, January 23, 2008

Lake Forest High School

6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Freshmen Orientation Night (class of 2012)

Wednesday, February 20, 2008

Lake Forest High School Library

5:00 pm - 6:30 pm

Schedule Consultations/Adjustments

Juniors – Illinois State Scholars

Students interested in being designated as an Illinois State Scholar must take the ACT test on one of the remaining dates:

February 9

April 12

June 14

or the **Prairie State Achievement Exam** which will be administered to all juniors on

April 23-24, 2008 Lake Forest High School

The PSAE incorporates an ACT assessment. The Illinois State Scholar Program gives statewide recognition to those students who have attained outstanding scholastic achievement as determined by their academic record, ACT assessment scores and high school certification.

For our present students, the registration process for the 2008-2009 school year

will begin this month and counselors will meet with all students during the following schedule:

Freshman (Class of 2011) January 23-30

Sophomores (Class of 2010) January 31 - February 1 and February 5 - 7

Juniors (Class of 2009) February 12-13 and February 20-21

The counselors will be working with their respective students on an individual basis during English periods, registering students for classes. The process should be completed during February with a confirmation of the registration mailed home.

Counseling & Student Services

Consumer Education Test

Those students wishing to take the State Proficiency Test in Consumer Ed must sign up in advance. Consumer Education is a graduation requirement fulfilled by taking selected courses as indicated in our Student Guide to Courses or by passing the State Proficiency Test. Students NOT currently enrolled in a consumer education course may be included in this administration.

The date is set for Tues., Jan., 29, 2008.

It will be held in the Library Classroom at 1:20 pm at LFHS. There is no charge to take this test but you need to sign up in advance with Mrs. Ashmore in the Counselor Office by Monday, January 28.

External Credit Applications

Reminder – if you are considering taking a class this coming Spring and/or Summer that is not offered at Lake Forest High School, you MUST apply in advance to receive proper credit. Prior approval for acceptance of the credit by Lake Forest High School is a necessity. Information and forms are available on our web site (www.lfhs.org, click on Counseling and Student Services, then Counseling, then External Credit Application or in the Counseling offices.

Health Services

LFHS Medication Regulations

To clarify any confusion concerning medication usage at school, the following are LFHS Medication Regulations:

1. No school personnel shall administer to any student, nor shall any student possess or consume any prescription or non-prescription medication except after the filing of a completed **Medication Authorization Form** with the school district. This form must be signed by both the parent and physician and renewed on an annual basis. Extra forms are available in the Health Office.
2. All student prescription and non-prescription medication shall be left with the Nurse during the school day. Those students carrying medications on them personally could face disciplinary action.
3. The parent or guardian will be responsible for bringing and removing all prescription and non-prescription medication in its original labeled pharmacy container.

Thank you for your understanding that these regulations are for the safety of all of the students while they attend school.

Blood Drive

There will be a Blood Drive

March 18, 2008
Lake Forest High School
8:00 am – 3:00 pm

Students must be 16 years of age and older to donate. All donors will need a picture ID. Students who are 16 years of age need written parent permission. This must be done on the Red Cross Parent Permission slip which can be obtained in the Health Office. Students who are 17 and 18 years old may donate without parent permission. If you do not wish your student to donate blood, please contact Nurse Diane Bower at 847-582-7335 as soon as possible. This Blood Drive is sponsored by the Red Cross Club and American Red Cross of Greater Chicagoland.

College Resource Center

University Evening Visits and Programs

On the Road to College - Juniors and their Parents

Thursday, January 24
7:00 pm
RMA

This program is to prepare juniors and their parents for the process of college selection.

Each junior will be given a College Planning Guidebook which outlines the steps to the college application and selection process.

Parents will be given the “Parent Information Survey” for completion. This form helps the counselor with construction of the college recommendation letter.

This form is also available on Naviance.

Juniors and their parents are encouraged to meet with their counselor in March and April to discuss the entire process.

Hosted by Jacquie Berkshire, College Counselor

Featured Speakers

Greg Moyer
Director of Admission
Dickinson College

Alisa Fisher
Senior Associate Director of Admission
The University of Notre Dame

Sally H. Lindsley
Senior Associate Director of Admission
The University of Michigan

Counseling & Student Services

College Resource Center

Jump Start on Campus Visits – Juniors and their Parents

Thursday, February 7
7:00 pm
David Miller Theater

Student Service Opportunities/Clubs & Organizations

Big Brothers/Big Sisters



A Christmas Party held jointly by the Big Brothers/Big Sisters service club and the Boys Varsity and Freshmen Basketball teams. The club and the teams worked together to provide food, games, and entertainment for the “Littles” from South Elementary School in North Chicago. An exciting afternoon of fun was shared by all!



Charlie Brinckerhoff, Katie O’Kane, Sarah O’Kane, and Jackie Ganfield attended a Bowl-A-Thon to raise money for Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Lake County on Dec. 8, 2007 at Hawthorn Lanes. Thank you for making a difference in the lives of young people.

CROYA

CROYA - (Committee Representing Our Young Adults), in its 26th year, is a safe, fun, inclusive agency open to all 7th - 12th graders living or attending school in Lake Forest, Lake Bluff, and Knollwood. CROYA is unique in that it is run by the young adults, for young adults- with trusted adult staff always present. CSL (CROYA Service & Leadership) is the area of CROYA that oversees our Peer Training program, retreats, service projects and leadership events. For up-to-date information visit our web site at www.CROYA.com or get on the mailing list by calling our offices at 847-615-4304.

Weekly Senior High Youth Committee Meetings

Wednesdays
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

CROYA Student Union
400 Hastings Road
Lake Forest

Department News



LFHS students are continuing to work on the Habitat for Humanity house. Please support this effort by helping at the workdays scheduled for

January 12, 19

Students must be at least 16 years old. Adults are needed both as workers and as required chaperones

Interested parents are also welcome as the students must be accompanied by adults.

For more information, contact
Kathy O'Hara at
847-582-7424
kohara@d115.org.

Counseling & Student Services

Student Service Opportunities/Clubs & Organizations

Students help in many ways!

LFHS students donned their elf hats on Wednesday, December 5 to help the Gorton Community Center with their annual Children's Holiday Shop. The little shoppers just loved taking the hand of their very own elf, leaving Mom to wait, while they chose their gifts.

On Saturday, December 22, many LFHS musicians joined together to present a holiday extravaganza for the benefit of residents at Lake Forest Place. Music was provided by a string quartet made up of **Katherine Owens** on cello, **Tylee Lin** and **Cristina Roy** on violin, and **Will Glynn** on viola. The Orchesis dance group and a choir made up of an informal group of freshman singers also entertained the crowd.

On Friday, December 14, the YAK service club provided arts and crafts activities and holiday fun for the children of LFHS teachers and staff during the faculty Holiday Party held at the Winter Club.

Twenty families, an increase of 100% over last year, were sponsored by students and staff at Lake Forest High School in this year's Catholic Charities Gift Giving Program. Participating were: staff member, Maggie Ross, Janie Jerech's homeroom, The Athletic Department, Maureen Fallon's homeroom, Coach Robin Strauss and the Gymnastics Team, Jennifer Snell's homeroom, Dennis Sheeran's homeroom, Amy Zimmerman's homeroom, Coach Chuck Spagnoli and the football team, SADD, Frank Lesniak's class and The National Honor Society.



Sophomore students help the Salvation Army. From left to right are: Kristin Tanabe, Lenna Ohanesian, Eileen Sanders, and Hannah Kim. Michael Burns donates to the cause!

Counseling & Student Services

Student Service Opportunities/Clubs & Organizations

The Men's Club helped load a Christmas tree recently for the Greens Market benefiting Elawa Farms.



Scholastic Bowl

The LFHS Scholastic Bowl teams are in the midst of a successful season.

The Varsity team in-conference record is 8-1 and the JV record is 6-3. Over the last 5 weeks, the teams have competed in two home meets and one away meet within their conference, plus a weekend tournament at Carmel High School.

Scholastic Bowl is an IHSA recognized team for academic competition. Teams of five students play against teams from other schools in matches that include both individual and team questions. If you enjoy trivia, are a good student, and are interested in joining Scholastic Bowl, please contact

Mark Kuhl in the social studies department or at mkuhl@d115.org or

Andrea Lemke in the mathematics department or at alemke@d115.org.

Practices as well as most competitions are Wednesdays after school.



Environmental Club



Help us in our Recycling Efforts!

LFHS is currently in a paper recycling contest and we need your help! If we can recycle at least 4 tons of paper each month from now through March, we can win \$500 to put back into our recycling program! If you're stopping by the high school for any reason why not drop off all of your newspaper, copy paper, magazines, catalogs and junk mail as well? Bring it all to the big green and yellow bins in the south parking lot and help us reach our goal and help the planet!

Remember: Recycling 13,600 tons of paper accounts for the saving of 231,200 trees, 44,880 cubic yards of landfill space and 95,200,000 million gallons of water. Think of what we can do together if we work together to reach our 4 tons a month goal! Thanks for helping the cause!

Science Department

The Science Department received a grant from Illinois Clean Energy for a solar panel.

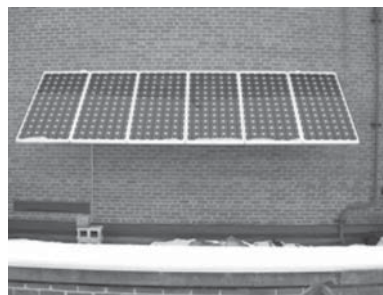
The solar panel is now fully functional, providing energy for our school. The AP Environmental Science and Environmental Geoscience students are able to use the data in their classes. The study of solar energy is an integral part of the environmental science curriculum. There are currently four environmental science courses offered at LFHS. These include AP Environmental Science (82 junior/senior students), Advanced Environmental Geoscience Honors (30 junior/senior students), Advanced Environmental Geoscience (26 junior/senior students), and Environmental Geoscience (120 freshman/sophomore students).

The solar panels are located on the south side of the building, on the second floor roof. The panels are visible from many classrooms on the third floor. They face south and have been designed to be adjusted to track the sun throughout the different seasons. In the winter season, the panels will be tilted at an angle of 57 degrees. In the summer, they will be tilted at a 27 degree angle. This enables the panels to capture as much of the sun's energy as possible.

LFHS will participate in a Solar Celebration that will take place on Earth Day and will include a "Solar Olympics." Teams of five will be formed from our environmental science students and environmental club members. They will begin meeting one month before the competition to complete their designs for the following events: Solar Car Races, Solar Oven Bake-Off, Solar Powered Rube Goldberg Contest, Solar Poem Recital.



Pictured above is Science ID, Jim Sullivan pointing out the inside equipment that runs the solar panel.



Pictured above is the solar panel.

Telecommunications Department



Telecom and Animation students visit the Block Museum at Northwestern University to view the Alfred Hitchcock exhibit of storyboard and collaboration.

Telcom Students tour WLS-ABC 7

Telecom-Video Production took 15 advanced students downtown to tour WLS-ABC 7 studios on Tuesday, November 27. The tour was led by Joe Littel, husband of Librarian Kerry Littel and recent winner of a Television Emmy for his graphics work at the station. Joe gave an all-access tour of the control room; their new news set and even the famous set of Ebert and Roeper. The students later reflected on the fast paced environment, the amazing differences of High Definition video and the similarities in process and function that they use in class.



Fundraisers

Pom Pon Clinic January 18, 2008

Perform at half-time of the Varsity Basketball Game on January 18!

Clinic is open to Grades 1-8.

Friday, January 18, registration 3:45-4:00 pm

Learn routine; dinner and get ready from 4-7:15 pm

Performance at half-time--approximately 8 pm

Cost: \$45--includes t-shirt and snack.

For registration form, go to www.lfhs.org under "News & Calendar" then "Fundraisers."

Fundraiser information can be found at the new www.lfhs.org under "News & Calendars."

Parent Opportunities

APT Meetings

APT meetings will be held at 9:00 am at the **Gorton Community Center** on the following dates:

January 9
February 13
March 12
April 9
May 14

APT

2008 APT Senior Service Awards

Applications are now being accepted for the 2008 Senior Service Awards. These monetary awards are granted to deserving seniors who have given unselfishly of their time and talents to benefit our school. The emphasis when selecting a recipient will be on school service although, community service will be considered as well. Leadership positions and those that are highly visible are not prerequisites for this award. This award has been established for those individuals who have given unselfishly in ways that are often behind the scenes. A student's activities might be quite diverse, having contributed in several areas such as student government, school publications, sports, choral groups, academic teams, drama, band and other organizations/clubs. Also, the student's contribution may have been concentrated in one area such as music where many hours have been given to plays, concerts, pep bands, etc.

Nominations can be submitted by faculty, parents and students by downloading the applications which can be found online at www.lfhs.org and completing them by March 17, 2008. You may turn in completed forms to the College Resource Center.

The awards will be presented at Honors Night in May.

There are three components to this application:

Student Activity Sheet

Student Paragraph

Teacher Recommendation

Deadline for all forms is Monday, March 17, 2008

Turn in completed forms to the College Resource Center

No late forms will be accepted

Questions? e-mail to: yukonaudrey@aol.com

Information can be found at www.lfhs.org.

Applause

A Round of Applause...

The recent Holiday Concert and Spaghetti Dinner were spectacular. Thank you to all in the LFHS community who attended the event and made it a success. Special thanks go out to the Madrigal Singers and to the LFHS Jazz Band who provided outstanding entertainment during dinner. Kudos to LFHS senior **Matt Kalish** for initiating the Wizards in Winter Contest that launched the school-wide search for lead student guitarists to perform the Trans-Siberian Orchestra's Wizards in Winter during the Orchestra Concert. Congratulations to contest winners **Jimmy Beck** and **Alex Flagstad** who provided a penultimate musical experience.

A special round of Applause is in order for Spaghetti Dinner co-chairs

Lorraine Condic and **Faith Favale**, as well as for their committee members: Mary Flagstad (ticketing), Sue Barkhausen (volunteers), and Dianna Goldman (decorations) who orchestrated a wonderful, smooth running event with great food, great desserts, wonderful ambience, and most importantly, great music!

Booster Club

Let There Be Lights



The Booster Club is pleased to announce the kick-off of the Let There Be Lights Campaign! The goal is to raise \$180,000 by April 1, 2008 to fund lights for the Varsity Field at West Campus. All donations are tax-deductible and the Booster Club will match dollar-for-dollar all donations!

Did You Know....

- LFHS is one of only two schools in Lake County without lights.
- Varsity Field is home to four LFHS sports teams and band, poms and cheerleaders perform on the field,
- A lighted field would allow LFHS to apply for and be granted regional, sectional and state series hosting capabilities, and
- The Varsity Field is a great community resource for school and community spirit!

Keep an eye out for our January mailing or send in your tax-deductible donation today to

Let There Be Lights, P.O. Box 696, Lake Forest IL, 60045.

Help us make our April 1 deadline so there will be lights installed by the start of the fall sports season!

For more information contact
Campaign Chair
Judy Telander
847-234-0828
jhtelander@aol.com

Booster Boutique

Boutique Closed

Jan. 17, 18 and Feb. 15
March 21, 28 and April 24, 25

Web Site

**Check out the new
2007-2008 Boutique
Apparel Catalog
which can be found
on-line at:
[lfhs.org/parents/
booster.html](http://lfhs.org/parents/booster.html)**

Visit the Booster Boutique

If you haven't filled your closet with Blue and Gold yet, visit the Booster Boutique located in the lower level of LFHS. There's something for Scout fans of all ages...top quality clothing, gifts, accessories, decals and much more.

Store Hours:

Thursday and Friday
10:40 am - 1:20 pm
Until May 23, 2007

Boutique Location

Lake Forest High School
Lower Level - Room 5A
1285 N. McKinley Road
Lake Forest, IL 60045

Direct Line

847-582-7408
voicemail is available during
non-business hours

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Parent Opportunities

Dad's Club

Our Mission

The Lake Forest High School Dads' Club is a support group formed specifically for LFHS fathers to offer a meeting forum once a month during the school semester. The group will share the experiences and challenges of guiding high school teenagers, learn about LFHS plans and activities, and gain a better understanding of relevant issues concerning teenagers as they approach adulthood.

January 12 Meeting

Northern Trust Bank
Lower Ground Floor
959 S. Waukegan Road
Lake Forest

January 12, 2008
8:30 am - 10:00 am

Please join us to hear from a panel of 2007 graduates as they share their experiences and challenges at LFHS and how it prepared them for college.

To find out more, contact **Mitchell Schwarzbach** at e-mail m-schwarzbach@comcast.net

Kevin Neville at e-mail Kevinneville@aol.com

We look forward to seeing you there!

LEAD Upcoming Events for January

Book Group Discussion: *The Price of Privilege*

Lake Forest Library, Children's Activities Room
Friday, January 11, 2008
9:30- am - 11:00 am

For parents of children of all ages
Free to the public
Co-sponsored by LEAD

Join our local school social workers, including Jenny Edgington from LFHS, and discuss Madeline Levine's insightful book, *The Price of Privilege*. She describes the issues facing families in high income areas and emphasizes ways to encourage kids to construct healthy "inner" homes. For more information, contact lead9075@aol.com.

Helping Adolescents Make the Most of Their Changing Brains

Wednesday, February 6, 2008
6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
Lake Forest Hospital, Health Education Center, Conference Room A
Free. Parents and teens welcome

Join Aaron White, PHD, research professor from Duke University, for supper and discussion on how the adolescent brain develops and impacts decision making. Dr. White will offer advice to help teens avoid risky behavior, allowing them to build confidence and to explore the world in a safe manner.

LEAD's Ladies Night Out: A Celebration for Women

Friday, February 8, 2008

Keri Estes, Deborahanne Reimer and Mary Sanders are planning again to enjoy more fun, food and seminars at our upcoming Ladies Night Out 'A Celebration for Women' by LEAD.



LEAD's Parent University

Saturday, March 1, 2008
Gorton Community Center
9:00 am - 1:00 pm

"Talking is Not Enough, What Really Matters When Raising Kids" - *It's how parents connect with their kids and each other that makes a difference* by Laura Session Stepp, Pulitzer Prize winning journalist and author of *Unhooked* and *Our Last Best Shot*.

Parent Opportunities

Lake Forest-Lake Bluff Learning Disabilities Association

Upcoming Event

“Social Emotional Learning: How Parents and Educators Can Help Children Work Toward Social Success,”

Thursday, January 31, 2008

11:30 am -1:30 pm

Gorton Community Center

400 E. Illinois Rd., Lake Forest

Featured speakers are Dr. Clark McKown, child psychologist and research director for social-emotional learning at Rush Neurobehavioral Center, and Dr. Jenny Wojcik, Superintendent of Rondout School District 72 (Illinois grant winner for social emotional program). A panel of local school psychologists/social workers will also be available for the question & answer session.

This program will assist both parents and educators to better understand social emotional learning (SEL) and challenges which some children may experience in the school setting. Parents will leave with tools and resources to strengthen their child's ability to handle such challenges. Educators will be better able to provide a safe environment for students in order to maximize social emotional learning. Tickets are \$20 (\$25 including boxed lunch). For more information on how to register for this event, contact the LF-LB LDA hotline at 847-205-5534.

Fuddruckers Family Benefit Night

Meet other families and friends for dinner at Fuddrucker's. Take the night off from cooking to re-connect with school buddies and parents.

**Any time of day on
the third Thursday of
each month:**

Jan. 17, Feb. 21, March 20, April 17

May 15

4:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Support the Lake Forest-Lake Bluff Learning Disabilities Association (LF-LB LDA) by mentioning LF-LB LDA when you place your order on the above date. Fuddruckers will donate 10% to 20% of all net proceeds from orders that mention the LF-LB LDA! Orders can be placed anytime during the entire day! Fuddruckers 1538 Clavey Rd. Highland Park IL 60035 847-831-2501

NSSSED Association of Parents and Staff

The Grandparent's Perspective

NSSSED Association of Parents and Staff workshop “The Grandparent's Perspective: How to Foster Good Family Relationships with a Grandchild with Special Needs.”

This presentation will be held on

Tuesday, January 15, 2008

9:30-11:30 am

**New Trier High
School Campus**

Space is limited. To ensure a seat, please RSVP to Karen Noonan, NSSSED Director of Programs and Support Services at 847-831-5100 extension 210 by January 11, 2008.

Parent Networking

Parent Book Club

Lake Forest High School, in partnership with District 65, District 67, and LEAD, will be sponsoring our first-ever Parent Book Club. The first book we will be reading is:

The Price of Privilege: How Parental Pressure and Material Advantage Are Creating a Generation of Disconnected and Unhappy Kids,

by Madeline Levine

All parents are invited to attend a discussion group on:

Friday, January 11, 2008

9:30 am - 11:00 am

Children's Activity Room at the Lake Forest Library

Books are available at any bookseller, including Amazon.com, or visit the Lake Forest Bookstore, where several copies are set aside. Feel free to contact **Jenny Edgington**, social worker, at 847-582-7360 if you are interested or have other questions.

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Lake Forest High School Foundation funds Pilot of “Yearly Progress Pro” for Math Department

Tom Meagher, LFHS math teacher, learned about the “Yearly Progress Pro” software program from Assistant Superintendent of Student Services, Julie Cooley Ed.D. Originally purchased as a diagnostic tool to track the progress of Algebra B students, the program has expanded to include all Algebra and some Geometry classes.

Mr. Meagher is delighted with the response to the program from staff and students and it is projected to benefit over 800 students. “It is efficient for all teachers and gives detailed information to the parents and students.” Students are able to access their accounts for weekly updates from both school and home. The assessment portion includes mathematical practice problems related to the specific topic they are studying. Along with exercises and tests, students and teachers have the opportunity to view their progress. “The program identifies individual strengths and weaknesses, creating a clearer picture of each student’s progress.” It also identifies different learning styles, giving the teachers an opportunity to know each student better. The material can be saved to a PDF file for email, creating a visual representation for parents at home or during conferences. The Yearly Progress Pro software provides a strategy to “increase retention of material” and assures a smoother transition from one subject matter to the next during the school year and also at the start of a higher level of math.

The Foundation is pleased to fund these pilot programs. They provide the faculty with the opportunity to test new methods of delivering curriculum that can benefit a large number of students.



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The Lake Forest business community has a long history of supporting its local schools and organizations. This year the Foundation welcomed the support of local businesses and we would like to thank them and acknowledge their contributions, which enable the Foundation to carry out its mission. Please visit our website for a list of our local business donors. We hope when you are shopping in the community, if you see a Foundation decal in a merchant’s window, you will thank them for supporting the Foundation and high school.



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Transportation Reimbursement: Notice to Parents/Guardians

Parent(s) or legal guardian(s) who must provide transportation to and from school because free transportation is not available for their children may be eligible to receive money from the state to help offset some of the cost, for example, bus fares or mileage reimbursement for private automobiles at \$0.485 per mile.

If you can answer yes to the following questions for the 2007-08 school year, you may be eligible to receive reimbursement for providing such transportation.

- 1) *Will the pupil be under the age of 21 at the close of the school year?*
- 2) *Is the pupil a full-time student in grades kindergarten through 12?*
- 3) *Does the pupil either live 1 1/2 miles or more from school or live less than 1 1/2 miles from school but must be transported due to a serious safety hazard approved by the Illinois Department of Transportation? (See following paragraphs.)*
- 4) *Does the pupil attend a school within Illinois which meets Illinois compulsory attendance laws?*
- 5) *Did the parent/guardian incur transportation expenses resulting from transporting the pupil to and from school?*
- 6) *Did the pupil not have access to transportation to and from school provided entirely at public expense?*
- 7) *Did the parent/guardian reside within Illinois during the time period expenses were incurred?*

If you answered yes to the above questions, lived in Illinois and wish to file a claim, you must go to the school where each of your children is enrolled by June 30, 2008, to submit claim information. You may provide claim information to appropriate school personnel at your child's attendance center until June 30, 2008.

In addition, parent(s)/guardian(s) who have pupils living less than 1 1/2 miles from the school attended must verify that a safety hazard due to vehicular traffic exists by completing an Application for Determination of Serious Safety Hazards. Parents can obtain a copy of the Application for Determination of Serious Safety Hazards from the Office of the Regional Superintendent of Schools for the county in which they reside except parents residing within the City of Chicago. Chicago residents can receive a copy of the Application for Determination of Serious Safety Hazards from the Illinois State Board of Education, Division of Funding and Disbursement Services, 100 North First Street, Springfield, IL 62777. All applications for Determination of Serious Safety Hazards must be received no later than February 1, 2008, at the office from which the application was requested. Example: ISBE (Chicago residents), ROE (Illinois residents other than those residing in Chicago). The Regional Superintendent of Schools is required to send the Application to the Illinois Department of Transportation within 15 days. The Illinois Department of Transportation reviews and approves or denies the application and returns it to the Regional Superintendent of Schools within 30 days. Upon receipt of the reviewed application, the Regional Superintendent of Schools will mail it to the parent/guardian who requested the safety hazard be verified. If the safety hazard is approved, the parent/guardian must go to the school the pupil attends to submit claim information. Parents who received verification of a safety hazard during and after the 2004-2005 school year, whose children attend the same school and live at the same address do not have to reapply for safety hazard verification.

Once all claim information is submitted at the school, it will be transmitted electronically to the Illinois State Board of Education. If your claim information is approved, you should receive a check directly from the state for the lesser of the cost of transporting your child/children or the average per pupil reimbursement paid to public schools for transporting regular education pupils. If insufficient funds are appropriated by the General Assembly, all claims will be prorated.

If you have any questions, please call or come to the school as soon as possible.

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Did you Know?...

In the past year, the Lake Forest Post office has changed their process for delivering bulk mail. Due to this, the HIGHLIGHTS newsletter (and any other bulk mailing from LFHS) may take longer to reach homes than usual.

For this reason, you should know that the HIGHLIGHTS newsletter and all of its stories are posted on www.lfhs.org, by the first day of every month. It is available as a .pdf document or can be searched by story within the search engine.

Say informed!

The calendar to the right is a calendar that can be found on www.lfhs.org by clicking on "News & Calendar."

This calendar includes all Board approved dates in addition to any event that has been published. It is as dynamic as the information changes. Be sure to check it regularly as changes may be posted.

School Calendar 2007-2008

January 7 Reconvene from Winter Break, Library Extended Hours Begin

January 9 Registration for Class of 2012

January 10 Registration for Class of 2012

January 11 Book Group Discussion: The Price of Privilege

January 14 LEAD's Little White Lies-Why Honesty is Still the Best Policy, 9:45 - 11 am

January 15 Final Exams: English/Science

January 16 Final Exams: Social Studies/Math

January 17 Final Exams: Foreign Language

January 18 End of First Semester/Faculty Work Day No School, Pom Pon Dance Clinic

Talent Show Tryout Application Due!

January 21 MLK Day No School

January 23 Class of 2012 Registration, RMA, 6-9pm

January 24 7:00 pm Junior Parent Meeting: "On the Road to College"

January 26-27 Talent Show Auditions

January 31 "Social Emotional Learning: How Parents and Educators Can Help Children Work Toward Social Success"

February 1 Auditions begin for South Pacific

February 6 LEAD's Helping Adolescents Make the Most of Their Changing Brains, 6:30-8:30pm

February 7 7:00 pm, Junior Parent Meeting "Jump Start on College Visits"

Freshman Parent Meeting, 10 am, DMT

February 8 LEAD's Ladies Night Out: A Celebration for Women

February 11 LEAD's Book Group Discussion: Unhooked by Laura Sessions Stepp, 10 am

February 15 Tri-District Institute Day No School

February 18 President's Day No School

February 19 Jazz Festival, RMA, 7:30pm

February 20 Registration for Class of 2012

March 1 LEAD's Parent University

March 3-8 Talent Show Week

March 11 Band Concert, RMA, 7:30pm

LEAD's Addiction by Prescription: Dangers in Your Medicine Cabinet, 7 - 8:30 pm

March 13 Orchestra Concert, RMA 7:30pm, Sophomore Parent Meeting, DMT, 10am

Freshman Parent Meeting, 10 am, DMT

March 18 Blood Drive

March 19 Choral Concert, RMA, 7:30 pm

March 20 End of Third Quarter

March 21 Day of Non-Attendance No School

March 24 Spring Break Begins No School

March 31 Reconvene from Spring Break

LAKE FOREST HIGH SCHOOL CALENDAR 2008-2009

September 1, 2008 – Labor Day

September 2, 2008 – Institute day

September 3, 2008 – Institute day

September 4, 2008 – Institute day

September 5, 2008 - Freshman Orientation Day

September 8, 2008 – First day with all students

October 13, 2008 – Columbus Day (No school)

November 6, 2008 – Parent/Teacher Conference Day

November 7, 2008 – Late start day

November 27-28, 2008 – Thanksgiving Break

December 22, 2008 – Jan 2, 2009 – Winter Break

January 5, 2009 – Return to school

January 19, 2009 - MLK Day (No school)

January 26, 2009 – Faculty Workday

February 16, 2009 - Presidents' Day (No School)

March 30 to April 3, 2009 – Spring Break

April 10, 2009 – Day of Non-attendance

April 24, 2009 – Teacher Institute Day

May 25, 2009 – Memorial Day holiday

June 12, 2009 – Faculty Workday (If we do not use any emergency days)

June 19, 2009 – Faculty Workday (If we need to use five emergency days)

The 2008-2009 school calendar has been posted at www.lfhs.org under “News & Calendar” in the blue column to the right!

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- 21 MLK Day No School
- 23 Class of 2012 Orientation
- 24 Junior Parent Meeting: 7:00 pm
- 26-27 Talent Show Auditions
- 29 Consumer Ed Test

February

- 1 Auditions for South Pacific
- 7 Jump Start on Campus Visits, 7:00 pm DMT Freshman Parent Mtg. 10 am, DMT
- 11 Board of Ed Mtg., 7pm
- 15 Tri-District Institute Day No School
- 18 President's Day No School
- 19 Jazz Festival, RMA, 7:30pm
- 20 Freshman (class of 2012)

March

- 3-8 Talent Show Week
- 10 Board of Ed Mtg., 7pm
- 11 Band Concert, RMA, 7:30pm
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