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# IMPORTANT DATES

DATE	EVENT	TIME (LOCATION)
FRI, MAR 17	St. Patrick's Day	
TUES, MAR 21	Timberlake Council Meeting	7:30pm (Village Hall)
FRI, MAR 24	Deadline for <i>Times</i> Articles	



Do you keep up with us on social media?

Be sure to follow the Village Club (@TimberlakeVillageClub) on Facebook to stay informed of current Village Club events, photos, and videos! We actively update it with announcements and reminders each week such as holiday garbage schedules, etc.

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# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# SAVE THE DATE!

The Village Club Events Calendar has been finalized! Our annual events (Egg Hunt, Family Day Picnic & Parade, Hayride, and Christmas Dinner) are all returning and back by popular demand for a second year are the Beach Parties!! New this year are the Spring Potluck, Beach Cleanup, and Junk in the Trunk sale!

Please see the special colored sheet at the back of this issue for all the dates of events in 2017. Tear it off, put it on your fridge, and mark your calendars!

All of the events for the upcoming year have also been added to our "Events" tab on Facebook...check them out, RSVP, and stay updated!

#### Coming up in April:

- Easter Egg Hunt: Saturday, April 15
- Adopt-a-Beach Spring Cleanup: Saturday, April 22



# RECYCLING DATES

2017 recycling dates: 3/3, 3/17, and 3/31.

Republic will mail out a new schedule in March which will include information regarding when yard waste pick-up resumes.



# ATTENTION PET OWNERS:

Recently, pet waste has been left in the grass near the bench at the corner of E Shore and Owaissa. Unfortunately, kids have accidentally stepped in it before school.

With the warmer temps and melted snow, this is a problem all over the village.

Please pick up after your dog(s) — it's healthier for our water supply and for our neighborhood!

# **OUT OF THE PAST**

# Timberlake Police **Force Outfitted** In New Uniforms

Timberlake's four - man police force is proudly displaying new uniforms purchased with village funds.

The force, which boasts it gives better police protection per capita than most police organizations in the country, is now undergoing training under the supervision of Lt. Harry Goodwin.

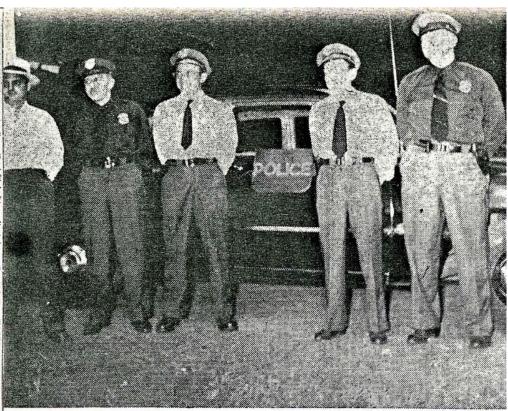
Lt. Goodwin is a former Lake county deputy sheriff and was a military policeman in the army during World War II.

He has trained the small force all types of police work including disarming and search methods, filling our criminal forms and proper court procedure.

The force is commanded Chief Charles Novince and its two patrolmen are C. R. Percival and G E Matheis

Timberlake residents have more protection than most communities since there is one policeman for every 50 persons in the village.

The policemen are not paid but NG NEW UNIFORMS is the Timberlake police



are on call for any emergency. ING NEW UNIFORMS is the imperiate police composed of the men shown above. The uni-Baehr is the village safety direction for the fine services performed by the volunwere purchased with village funds in appre-

teer force. Shown above, left to right, are Safety Director Robert J. Baehr, Patrolman G. E. Matheis, Chief Charles Novince, Lieut, Harry Goodwin, and Patrolman C. R. Percival.

-- Article from the News-Journal, 1951

# TIMBERLAKE REMEMBERS

#### MARY K. BRUSS, 1914-2016

Mary Katherine Katarski Bruss was likely the longest continuous resident of Timberlake as well as the longest living, having died at age 101 years, just short of 102. She was born November 30, 1914, and passed away November 3, 2016. Mary's husband Edward John Bruss had preceded her in death by quite a few years. Mary was born in Cleveland to John and Katherine Katarski. Katherine survived her husband by a number of years during which Mary cared for her until she died at age 104.

Mary Bruss was devoted to, and is survived by, her son Kenneth (Judy) Bruss and daughter Patricia (Gil) Williams. She enjoyed loving relationships including frequent—often lengthy-telephone calls with her children, with grandchildren Gib (Amy) Williams, Ed (Carrie) Williams, and Aimee Switzer. She was always on their guest lists for family celebrations and just hanging out together. Holidays were never lonely for Mary;

she enjoyed sleepovers at Ken and Judy's house or weekends at Pat and Gil's with their children and grandchildren. Mary was blessed with loving great grandchildren too: Ellen, Gibby, Mary, Annabella, Tommy, and Katie, and enjoyed following their

Charming, attractive, and interested in everything going on in Timberlake, Cleveland, and all around the globe, Mary was on all her friends' guest lists as well. She was a faithful member of St. Justin Martyr Church, an avid golfer, and enthusiastic Indians fan. Masterpiece Theatre was her special at-home evening entertainment. Friends often said, "Mary Bruss turns down more invitations than we get." Siblings John Kotarski, Emily Chesnes, Emil Kotarski, and George Keller preceded her in death. A funeral mass was held on November 7, 2016, at St. Justin Martyr Church in Eastlake.

-- Submitted by Ruth Fawcett who says, "Timberlake is not the same without Mary."



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REPLYTO:

September 30, 2016

Re. Clarification of Establishment of Natural Shoreline for Property Boundaries

Dear Mayor and Council:

Upon further review of the Lucci decision, as it pertains to the establishment of the natural shoreline for property borders, I wish to clarify and expand the prior letter of August 25, 2016. In that letter I noted that for purposes of enforcement by Village PD the line would be viewed as where the dry sand meets the wet sand and therefore anyone walking on dry sand was in violation. This remains true, however, that line is actually south of the true property boundary. It will remain that anyone walking on dry sand is in clear violation of trespass.

In addition to the clear cut case as noted above and detailed in my prior letter, the actual property line does extend further north towards the water. Pursuant to the Lucci decision, the property line is actually midpoint between the "farthest points landward and lakeward" that the water reaches, absent any disturbing forces such as storms or flooding. This means that the beachcombers feet should be "wet" if they are legally walking in the trust of the State.

Claims of trespass in this area will need to be supported by evidence of the conditions at the time of the trespass, testimony as to the position of the alleged trespasser as it relates to the lakeward and landward points of the water's edge, and preferably supported by photographic evidence. Additionally, you should make sure to take note of the alleged trespasser's feet, are they wet? Any questions as to evidence sufficient to bring charges may be forwarded to my office for further review.

If there are any questions regarding the opinion herein please feel free to contact me.

NICHOLAS D. LAUDATO

## THE VILLAGE OF TIMBERLAKE: FEBRUARY MEETING MINUTES

John P. Roskos, Mayor MEMBERS OF COUNCIL John H. Roskos, Fiscal Officer

MEMBERS OF COUNCIL
Linda Murphy Anthor

Linda Murphy Anthony Swartz Mike Stanton Dennis Dicki Ritu Sharma Shannon Sharma

### TIMBERLAKE COUNCIL MEETING February 21st, 2017

The Mayor opened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance followed by the public portion at 7:30 PM. He asked for roll call of the officers. All council members were present along with our Solicitor and the Fiscal Officer.

The Mayor asked for a motion to approve the January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Council Minutes.

Motion to approve: Swartz

Seconded: Stanton

Ayes: Dicki, Murphy, S. Sharma, R. Sharma,

Swartz, Stanton Nays: None

Motion carried; Minutes approved.

The Mayor welcomed Ms. Murphy back from her knee surgery. She will resume her duties with the hall on March 1<sup>st</sup>. The committees will remain the same for 2017.

#### TREES AND RECREATION

The Summer Recreation Program will run from the first week of June till July 8<sup>th</sup>. Please look for the sign-up sheets in the Timberlake Times. The Mayor stated that the Playground Program will take place at the pavilion by the Village Hall rather than inside the Village Hall itself unless there are weather issues.

#### **SERVICE**

The hours of the Service Department have been reviewed and no one has worked over 5 hours a day. No one has been told to water trees in the past few months as well. As for the gator, the Service Department should not use it around the Village Hall. Mr. Swartz will look into who is using the gator. In regards to the sewers, Mr. Swartz will discuss this problem with the department. He will

also ensure that the Service Department spreads the salt better near the Village Playground. The street signs need to be updated. For 32 signs, there is an estimate of \$1077.50. Mr. Swartz will look into other options as they need to be updated per the requirements of the State by 2018. The Mayor gave Mr. Swartz an information packet on grants for new equipment for the Village that he will look into as well.

#### **SAFETY**

Mr. Stanton will also review grants this year. He has asked the Chief to put together a calendar for all proposed upcoming trainings and the individuals who will be going to them. The officers have also been moving to different areas to increase opportunities of maintaining the law. Mr. Stanton also wants to focus on having the Police Department drive through the Village to ensure the safety of residents.

Sergeant Clarich presented the police report. There were 31 reports generated in the past month with 26 citations issued. There were 226 house checks, 28 beach checks, and 53 playground checks.

#### **SEWERS**

Ms. Sharma noted that there is a sewer on Shawondassee that is not connected to the other sewer systems so it drains slower. The Service Department is working on getting the snake working for the sewer by the playground. Ms. Sharma will also attend a training before Summer.

#### **FINANCE**

Mr. Dicki presented Resolution 2017-04, approving and directing payment of certain bills by the Village. The Mayor had a question on a bill

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from Crawford Door, which was for the Police Department garage.

Motion to approve Resolution 2017-04: Dicki Seconded: S. Sharma

All were in favor of the Resolution; Motion approved.

Mr. Dicki presented Resolution 2017-05, declaring it necessary to renew an existing 4.2 mill tax levy for current operating expenses of the Village and requesting the county auditor to certify the total current tax valuation of the Village and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by that levy. This is a renewal levy which will be on the November ballot.

Motion to approve Resolution 2017-05: Dicki

Seconded: Swartz

All were in favor of the Resolution; Motion approved.

Mr. Dicki presented Ordinance 2017-04, adopting a budget for the Village of Timberlake for the fiscal year commencing January 1, 2017, for the submission to the auditor of Lake County. Mr. Stanton compared this ordinance to last year's and noticed that line item D01-G-173 is \$350,000 now, but was \$375,000 last time. \$100,000 was paid off toward the original note, so this time they are refinancing a lesser amount, per the Fiscal Officer. Motion to suspend third reading rule: Dicki

Seconded: Murphy

Motion to approve Ordinance 2017-04: Dicki Seconded: Murphy

All were in favor of the Ordinance; Motion approved.

The Mayor thanked Kevin and Allen for donating and painting the bottom panels of the hall, respectively. The Village Club did give their dates for hall rentals and we are doing well with bookings.

The next meeting will be on March 21st at 7:30 PM.

The Mayor motioned to go into an Executive Session to discuss disciplinary actions of certain employees of the Village. Ms. Sharma seconded this.

Mr. Stanton motioned to end the executive session. Ms. Sharma seconded the vote. All were in favor.

The Mayor motioned to resume the council meeting. Mr. Swartz seconded the vote. All were in favor.

Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 PM.

Motion to adjourn: Swartz Seconded: Dicki

All were in favor.

John H. Roskos, Fiscal Officer John P. Roskos, Mayor

The complete text of each ordinance or resolution can be obtained from the Fiscal Officer or viewed at the Village Hall.

# CELEBRATE YOUR LOVE FOR THE GREAT LAKES

Join us for our Adopt-a-Beach<sup>TM</sup> event!



Join volunteers in caring for the Great Lakes at our beach cleanup. Litter data collected during Adopt-a-Beach™ events is used to prevent pollution and make positive changes to protect our beaches and coasts.



Date: Saturday, April 22, 2017

Meet at: Timberlake Village Hall

Time: 9:30-11:30am

#### **Contact Information:**

We will provide gloves, garbage bags, and coffee/hot chocolate for all participants. Please bring your own re-usable mug or water bottle and make sure to wear weather-appropriate clothing! Anyone that cannot safely climb the steps to the beach will be able to contribute by helping to clean up the Village Hall Park by the pavilion. Contact jackelyn.orabone@gmail.com for more information.

www.greatlakesadopt.org

