

Happy 150th Lombard!

Special Village Board Meeting

Maple Street Chapel

Thursday, August 1, 2019

Thank you for joining the Village of Lombard today, to celebrate Lombard's 150th birthday. Immediately following this Special Village Board Meeting, please join us at the Lombard Historical Society for an ice cream social, a group photo to be added to the Sesquicentennial Time Capsule, and music from an old-fashioned barbershop quartet.

Agenda for tonight's Special Village Board Meeting:

- **Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance**
- **Roll Call**
- **Public Participation**
 - State of Illinois Representative for the 48th District, Terra Costa Howard
 - Will Barret, a representative from the office of US Congressman for Illinois' 6th Congressional District, Sean Casten
 - A letter from United States Senator Dick Durbin, read by Village Clerk Sharon Kuderna
 - Director of the Lombard Historical Sarah Richardt
- **Agenda: Time Capsule Items**

Board Members will list the contents of the Sesquicentennial time capsule, that will document life in Lombard in 2019.
- **Adjournment**

SPECIAL VILLAGE MEETING SCRIPT

Welcome from Keith:

- Thank you for coming today to celebrate our Village's 150th birthday
- Call to Order
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call
- Public Participation
 - o First tonight, we have State of Illinois Representative for the 48th District, Terra Costa Howard (presentation of item)
 - o Next up, we have Will Barret, a representative from the office of US Congressman for the 6th Congressional District, Sean Casten (presentation of letter)
 - o Finally, we have the Director of the Lombard Historical Society joining us, Sarah Richardt (brief comments)

Thank you, Sarah and thank you all for joining us here today to celebrate our wonderful Village. As your Village President and as a Lombard resident, it is my honor to be part of today's celebration.

Today, we recognize Lombard's 150th, or Sesquicentennial birthday. To pay tribute to our Village's rich history, we will be compiling a sesquicentennial time capsule.

On May 10, 1969, at the Village Centennial, the Village buried a time capsule under the old flag pole at Lombard Common Park. While the flag poles have moved, that time capsule remains, encased by

concrete, waiting to be reopened during Lombard's bi-centennial, or 200th birthday, in the year 2069. (Age joke here.)

The time capsule that we are creating today, will include similar items from the centennial time capsule, and some new items as well.

Today's time capsule is intended to be opened along with the centennial time capsule in 2069.

I'd like to ask my fellow Board Members for their assistance in sharing the items that will be included in the sesquicentennial time capsule.

- **Andrew Honig**

- A historical walking tour map of downtown Lombard
- A book from the Lombard Historical Society's Art Exhibit entitled Sheldon Peck, Footsteps of His Life.
- The DuPage Convention and Visitors Bureau 2019 Visitor's Guide
- The Midwest Living Magazine featuring Lilacia Park and the Village of Lombard
- A letter and a banner from the Lombard Garden Club
- A happy 150th birthday t-shirt and commemorative wine label from the Lilac Parade Committee

- **Dan Militello**

- Past issues of the Lombard Pride Newsletter
- Lombard's Survey Livability Report

- Three winning photos from this year's Lilac Time Photo Contest
- Pins, commemorating Lombard's 150th Anniversary
- I Heart Lombard stickers and pen
- And the Cruise Nights and Summer Concerts flyer and magnet

- **Bill Ware**

- **From the Park District, we have:**
 - The 2019 Lilac Time event brochure
 - A Lilacia Park map and lilac inventory
 - Activity guides
 - Lilac Time pins
 - And two free passes to the Madison Meadow Athletic Center
- **From Lombard School District 44:**
 - The 2019 strategic plan and note from Superintendent, Dr. Ted Steck
- **From Glenbard East High School:**
 - Echo Newsletters, documenting school and student accomplishments
- From Willowbrook High School
 - Issues of their Skyline Newsletter

- A Warriors T-shirt
- And educational mission flyers

- **Reid**

- The GFOA budget award and certificate of achievement for financial reporting
- **From the Lombard Police Department:**
 - A police t shirt
 - Promotional items distributed at community events
 - A fidget spinner and instructions on how to use one
 - A trading card featuring K-9 Officer, Thor
 - Embroidered police patch
 - The 2018 Annual Police Report

- **Anthony Puccio**

- A current map of the Village of Lombard
- A canvas bag featuring the Village's 150th logo
- The Chamber of Commerce's community magazine, celebrating Lombard's sesquicentennial
- Past issues of the Helen Plum Library Gazette Newsletter
- And upon its publication, we will also be adding the Sesquicentennial edition of the Lombardian Newspaper.

- **Dan Whittington**

- **From the Fire Department:**
 - a Maltese cross patch

- The “Rocker patch” which is worn by Lombard Firefighters to commemorate the Lombard Fire Department’s 100th anniversary
- The current shift assignment and roster of firefighters
- And the 2018 Annual Fire Report
- This year’s Memorial Day Ceremony Program
- A current list of Lombard’s Trustees and Department Heads
- And the Board of Trustees Proclamation from March 2019

- Keith

- Thank you everyone. In addition to those items, we will also be adding some items from today’s event, including:
 - A giant birthday card that you can sign at the historical society
 - Individual and group photos from tonight’s ice cream social
 - And an electronic device containing photos and a video of tonight’s board meeting.

KEITH:

All of these items, as well as the time capsule itself, will be on display in the Carriage House this evening, so please stop by and take a look.

And finally, Sharon, would you please read the time capsule proclamation?

SHARON

I, Keith Giagnorio....

KEITH

Thank you Sharon. That's going to conclude our business tonight. I want to thank everyone for coming out this evening, to celebrate our Village's birthday. Before we leave, I want to echo Sarah's invitation to attend the Ice Cream Social next door at the Historical Society, once we adjourn.

ROLL CALL**ADJOURN**

**PROCLAMATION
VILLAGE OF LOMBARD SESQUICENTENNIAL
150th ANNIVERSARY**

- WHEREAS,** the Village of Lombard was incorporated on March 29, 1869; and
- WHEREAS,** 2019 marks the Sesquicentennial 150th anniversary of the incorporation of Lombard as a town; and
- WHEREAS,** on May 17, 1969 at the Village Centennial, a time capsule was buried in the earth at Lombard Common, to be opened after 100 years during the Village's bicentennial in 2069; and
- WHEREAS,** the Village of Lombard wishes to honor and continue the tradition of dedicating a time capsule to commemorate important milestones in the history of the Village of Lombard; and
- WHEREAS,** on Thursday, August 1, 2019, the Village Board held a special meeting at the Maple Street Chapel where items for the sesquicentennial time capsule were accounted for; and
- WHEREAS,** the sesquicentennial capsule will be sealed and kept by the Lombard Historical Society until it is opened during the Village bicentennial in the year 2069.
- NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Keith Giagnorio, President of the Village of Lombard, do hereby proclaim that the citizens of Lombard, along with its municipal officials, believe it is most appropriate and fitting, in this in this sesquicentennial year, to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the Village of Lombard, by placing a sesquicentennial time capsule in the custody of the Lombard Historical Society to be opened, along with the centennial time capsule, at the bicentennial of the Village, in the year 2069.



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- WHEREAS,** 2019 marks the Sesquicentennial 150th anniversary of the incorporation of Lombard as a town; and
- WHEREAS,** the Village of Lombard was incorporated on March 29, 1869 and has grown to more than 43,000 residents, but has maintained its quaint small-town charm and hospitality; and
- WHEREAS,** throughout 2019, the Village of Lombard will celebrate this major milestone of 150 years of history with events including
- Recognition this day of Lombard's Founding Date,
 - The Lilac Time Parade on Sunday, May 19th themed "Happy 150th Birthday,"
 - Features of the Lilac Time Photo Contest celebrating the sesquicentennial and Lilac Times of the Past,
 - A Special Village Board Meeting, celebrating our community's sesquicentennial milestone on Thursday, August 1, followed by an old-fashioned ice cream social, and
 - Ongoing events and displays from the Lombard Historical Society
- WHEREAS,** the Village of Lombard will continue to grow and prosper, but will always remember its small-town roots of days gone by;
- NOW, THEREFORE, I,** Keith Giagnorio, President of the Village of Lombard, do hereby proclaim Friday, March 29, 2019 as **CELEBRATE LOMBARD'S SESQUICENTENNIAL 150TH ANNIVERSARY DAY** in the community.



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As I am standing here tonight at our now VILLAGE of Lombard's board of trustees meeting, I am quite shocked to hear that none of you fine 2019 trustees have completed that first oath of office promising to never have fought in a duel nor sent or accepted a challenge to fight in a duel. But I am sure you have many pressing issues that you must contend with. I have even heard that you had a public meeting last night. I was not in attendance, but if you did not address the issue of our dirt roads leaving mud on the bottom of petticoats, I am sure that will be on the next agenda. Maybe Carl Goldsmith and public works could add more wooden sidewalks to the town. I have also heard of a complaint at the popular Babcock's Grove House that needs to be addressed. Keeping the horse trough too close to the road and impeding traffic has become a nuisance. The roaming cows keep stopping for a drink and carriages are having problems passing. After all celebrations are complete, I am sure you will contend with these pressing issues.

Now when this meeting is adjourned, please come to the Victorian Cottage and William J. Mueller Memorial Gazebo 2 doors down at 23 West maple for ice cream, music and frivolity for the official Sesquicentennial celebration for the Village of Lombard.

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