MANAGEMENT UPDATE

Park Forest Cooperative IV Area E **July, 2026**

Happy 4th of July!!

Celebrate the 4th of July right here in Park Forest! At 6:00 p.m. the July 4th Parade will begin at Main Street and Orchard. The parade route provides plenty of opportunity for viewing as the parade winds its way around Central Park. It will start from South Orchard and Main Street and continue from Orchard to Lakewood, then onto Westwood, to Orchard, to Main Street where the parade will conclude. The parade typically lasts between one hour and 90 minutes. The festivities will continue with a LIVE concert by N-Deep 'The Band' that takes place on the Village Green (Main Street and Cunningham Drive) at 7:00 p.m. The evening finishes with fireworks that will begin at 9:00 p.m. For decades, the Village of Park Forest has hosted one of the BEST fireworks displays in the Southland and this year is no exception! Have a safe and fun 4th of July!

AREA E
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IMPORTANT DATES

- July 22nd -- Board Meeting @ 7:30 p.m.

ALL MEETINGS ARE HELD IN THE COOPERATIVE OFFICE.

National Night Out

National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie. This year it is being held on Tuesday, August 4th, 2026. Save the date, turn on your porch light, sit outside, and visit with your neighbors!

Fireworks

Fireworks of any type are strictly forbidden in the State of Illinois, the Village of Park Forest, as well as Park Forest Cooperative IV Area E. Violators will receive a Cooperative fine and the Police Department will be notified. Illinois law prohibits the use, possession, or sale of consumer fireworks which includes handheld firecrackers, bottle rockets, and Roman candles. Those caught violating these laws may face severe consequences, including up to one year in prison and fines that can reach as high as $2,500.00. In Park Forest, local ordinances strictly enforce these restrictions, with fines for violations reaching up to $750.00. Please keep this in mind when considering lighting off fireworks. On the 4th of July the Village of Park Forest will host a fireworks display at 9:00 p.m. Have a safe 4th of July!

Fire Safety

Don't forget you cannot store gas lawn mowers, grills, etc., on your front or rear porch. Gas cans, flammable liquids, etc., cannot be stored anywhere out in the open. In addition to these items, you cannot store or utilize a fire pit on either porch. Please remember to practice fire safety measures to reduce the risk of injury and damage. Remember that these items are NOT allowed on the porches. If any of these items are found on the front or rear porch, you may be fined. Thank you for your cooperation!

Going Out of Town???

If you are going out of town, please notify the Office at (708) 748-9005 with the dates that you will be gone. This will assist the Office and Maintenance Staffs if there are any emergencies or court projects that may be taking place. Thank you in advance for your assistance in this matter!

Recycle Fest

The Village of Park Forest will be holding a Recycle Fest on Saturday, July 25th, 2026. The event will be at the intersection of Forest Boulevard and Lakewood Boulevard from 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Box or bag your items separately, come through the corral, and your items will be off-loaded and discarded by volunteers. Items you can recycle include electronics, TV's ($15 fee), microwaves ($15 fee), computer monitors ($10 fee), printers ($3 fee), bikes, eyeglasses, housewares, clothing & shoes, bedding, trophies, Styrofoam, American flags, prescription drugs, oral care products. If you have any questions, call the Sustainability Office at 708-503-9372. Take advantage of this easy way to get rid of some unneeded items that are taking up space in a way that prevents pollution.

Beautification Awards

The Board of Directors would again like our Shareholders to be involved in the nominating process for the annual Beautification Awards. The Nomination Form was enclosed in the June Management Update. Please take time to walk through our lovely property and nominate yards you believe deserve to win an award. There can be 60 winners! Pictures will be taken of the nominated yards as the nominations are received in the Office, and the Board of Directors will then determine the winners. Please submit your nominations to the Management Office no later than Friday, July 31st, 2026. GUIDELINES: Nominations will include the front, rear, and sides of all units, judging only what can be seen from the sidewalk, public street, common areas, or parking lots. Please look for overall neatness showing that time, care, and planting effort, but not necessarily money, have been spent. All winners must be in good standing as a Shareholder of the Cooperative.

Alarm Permit

The Village of Park Forest will no longer require your security alarm to be registered through them; however, the Cooperative is still requiring alarm systems to be registered. A registration form was recently delivered to all homes that are known to have an alarm system. That registration needs to be returned to the Office by July 31st. Fines will be assessed August 1st for any security alarm that is not properly registered with the Cooperative. An additional fee will be added each month that the alarm is not registered. Please notify the Cooperative Office if you no longer have your alarm system.

Flower Reimbursement

The Cooperative will again reimburse Members for their purchase of flowers. You will be reimbursed half of your purchase price up to $25.00. Those looking for reimbursement must drop their itemized receipts into the drop box at the Office. You should then contact the Office to set an appointment for your reimbursement to be picked up. Flowers and bushes are the items eligible for this reimbursement. Receipts will be accepted through November 30th, 2026. Thank You!

Marketing Report—Available Units

To aid in the sale of your unit, contact the Cooperative Office and give permission for the staff to show your unit!

2 Bedroom Interior

E-4	$42,400
E-7	$30,000
E-10	$35,400
E-13	$35,400

2 Bedroom End

E-14	$35,400

3 Bedroom End

E-10	$68,500

3 Bedroom DU/CT

E-4	$55,400

3 Bedroom DU/SD

$38,400

Don't forget, you will receive a $100 referral fee for a person that purchases a unit and lists your name on the application.

Bathroom Windows

Putting a small shower curtain over the bathroom window will protect the window parts from damage due to water and mildew. In doing this small task, you will avoid unnecessary charges for Maintenance replacing parts of the window, such as the closer and locks, due to negligence.

Porches

Front porches must be clear of all obstacles except for those items of a decorative nature. Seasonal items may be stored on the rear porches, such as bicycles, lawn tools, and lawn chairs; however, they must be arranged in an orderly manner. Toys must be stored in an orderly fashion close to the unit. Too much clutter on porches is unsightly and may attract critters toward the units. Please be cognizant of the amount of items you have on your porches. We strive to make Area E a beautiful place to live. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Garbage Pick Up

Please remember, all garbage cans must have lids on them. While bulk items and/or excess garbage may be placed out for pick up twice a week, Tuesdays and Fridays, they must be put in the appropriate place or else Homewood Disposal will not pick them up. Failure to place garbage in the correct areas may result in Homewood Disposal leaving your garbage where you placed it, and the Cooperative picking it up. If this happens, you will receive a ticket for placing garbage out in the incorrect area in addition to the dump fee. Please also remember, garbage may not be set out prior to the evening before pick up. We want to keep our area clean and neat, and failure to abide by the garbage policies will not only result in fines being assessed, but it may also attract rodents to our area. Thank You for your cooperation!

Cooperative Living

One of the benefits of Cooperative living is the number of neighbors each Shareholder has. Neighbors are able to watch out for each others' safety and well being. In order to be a good neighbor, you should be friendly and try to get to know your neighbors. Even just a simple "hi" with a smile may make another person's day. Due to the close proximity of units, being quiet and respectful of others' space is important. Watching out for your neighbors will, in turn, cause them to watch out for you, making our area a safer place to live. Get to know your neighbors and, if you ever have an issue with something or someone, we encourage you to talk it out. A talk with your neighbor will be better received by them than the Office and/or Board of Directors having to intervene. Having a friendly relationship with neighbors will result in a happy and peaceful Cooperative!

Park Forest Community Market

Formerly known as the Park Forest Main Street Market, the newly rebranded Park Forest Community Market has relocated to the corner of Western Avenue and 26th Street. The move brings new visibility along one of the Village's busiest corridors, with the goal of revitalizing and growing the Market. The Market serves Park Forest and surrounding communities by providing access to local seasonal produce, baked goods, artisan crafts, eco-friendly cleaning products, jewelry, and more. The Market runs every Saturday through October 3rd from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The Market accepts EBT/Link, WIC, and Senior Nutrition Coupons. Hand sanitizer stations are available to keep your hands clean. There is no handling of products before purchase. The Park Forest Community Market's mission is to promote a resilient and thriving local food community by connecting all our neighbors with access to fresh, locally grown and produced foods, homemade artisanal products, handcrafted goods, and value-added products while providing local entrepreneurs with an avenue to grow sustainable businesses. Come to the Park Forest Community Market to browse and shop!

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Mission Statement

Our mission is to work as a team, and fulfill the needs of the Members by providing quality service and workmanship, in a timely and professional manner in order to achieve the highest level of satisfaction of our Members.

If we fail to meet this mission in any way, please let us know so that we can improve our service and workmanship standards to meet your needs.

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NOTE: Please note that the "Highlights From The Board Meeting" section of the *Update* are not to be confused with the actual Board Meeting Minutes which are approved by the Board of Directors. This section is to provide you with open communication regarding discussions at the Board Meeting for those of you who cannot attend. Approved Board Minutes are available for your review in the Cooperative Office by request to the Board of Directors. Members can request a copy of the Board Meeting Agenda the Tuesday prior to the Board Meeting. All Board Meetings are recorded. Please remember that the Executive Session Board Meetings held prior to the General Session Board Meetings may run longer than expected. We apologize for any inconvenience.

Back-Up Issues

Please remember that nothing but toilet paper should be flushed down the toilet. This includes "flushable" wipes. If a back-up occurs, and Maintenance finds anything in the toilet from Member neglect (i.e., toys, combs, sanitary napkins, wipes, etc.), the Member will be charged time and material costs. If you have any problems with your toilet, please contact the Office or Emergency Service and put in a work order. Thank you!

Grounds Warning Tickets

Please remember, only one grounds warning ticket is issued to a unit in a calendar year. For example, if you received a warning ticket in May for weeds and in August it is noted that your grass needs to be cut, no warning ticket will be issued. The grass will be cut and the appropriate fee will be assessed. Grass may not exceed 4 inches in length.

Work Orders

Please call in work orders for any problems you may encounter, no matter how small they may seem. Repairing problem areas early on will avoid larger problems. For example, if you notice bubbling of paint or sagging of a ceiling, please call the Office as this may be the sign of a leak. Thank you for your cooperation!!

Damage to Property

Please make sure that children and guests abide by all Cooperative rules. If Cooperative property is damaged, ultimately all Cooperative Shareholders pay. Carrying charges may be affected to account for repairs to the property. In order to help keep carrying charge increases to a minimum and keep Area E a beautiful place to live, please make sure to abide by the rules. Thank you for your cooperation!