



LAKE FOREST

JUNE 2026

NEWSLETTER



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Help Shape the Future of Lake Forest

Lake Forest will soon conduct a community climate survey to gather resident feedback on communication, amenities, and the overall community experience. This survey is an opportunity for residents to share what is working well and where improvements may be needed.

To ensure broad participation and accurate results, we are asking each household to provide up to two email addresses in advance if the home includes more than one adult resident. Email addresses will be used only to distribute the community climate survey and a limited number of survey reminders if needed. Emails will not be shared, sold, or used for marketing. Survey responses will be anonymous, and results will be shared with the community in summary form.

Please submit up to two email addresses per household by Monday, June 1st using one of the following options:

- Scan the QR Code
- In person at the POA office on or before June 1

If you have questions, please contact the POA office at 251 626 0788. Hard copies of the survey will be available beginning Monday, June 8, at the office for those who prefer to complete the survey on paper.

Thank you for helping make Lake Forest an even better place to live.

[Take our survey here](#)

Sincerely,

Lake Forest POA Board of Directors

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Bash
Coming
Soon!
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Don't forget book bins
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summer!

Finding Inspiration in Thrift Story

By Francesca Luthje

Who hasn't wandered into a thrift store at least once?

My first thrift store experience didn't happen until I was practically an adult.

Not because my family thought we were too fancy for second-hand shopping, but because I grew up in the Caribbean, where thrift stores simply weren't part of the culture at the time.

So when I finally had the chance to walk into one while living in South Florida, it almost felt like walking into a contemporary antique store with a twist of nostalgia.

As I browsed the aisles, I found myself wondering: Why would anyone give this away? There was a perfectly good pair of running shoes—barely worn, still full of miles yet to be walked.

Of course, I have to admit that not everything looked as great. Some items looked like they didn't belong there at all. I quickly realized that thrifting requires patience and even a little creativity.

Over the years, through word of mouth and my own adventures, I've visited all kinds of shops—from charming little storefronts in Baldwin County to chaotic warehouses in south Florida.

Some items were keepsakes, while others, I just had to pass.

Recently, I stopped by a local shop hoping to find a couple of tops to refresh my wardrobe.

I wasn't searching for anything special, but then I saw it: a soft, perfectly tailored, semi-casual black jacket. It looked stylish, timeless, and somehow... meant for me. I couldn't resist.

When I got home, I tried it on with different outfits, experimenting with ways to make it my own.

Within a week of wearing it out and about, something unexpected happened. I started receiving compliments—lots of them.

Not just about the jacket, but about me.

"You look so refreshed today."

"You seem really happy."

And the truth was, I did feel different. More confident.

Lighter. Energized.

Maybe it's coincidence. Or maybe it isn't.



Golf News

Golf Pro Shop News (Monthly column)

June 2026 article

Submitted by: Todd Bailey, PGA

Head Golf Professional

I was giving a lesson recently, and I found out that summer will again be planning a visit this year! Coupled with some recent rains, the hot temperatures are helping the grass wake up out here, so the course is greening up and our winter bare spots are filling in. Our next phase of tree removal will continue on holes 11 and 12 this month to promote grass growth along those fairways.

Junior clinics are beginning Monday, June 8th thru June 11th. The second offering will be conducted July 6th thru July 9th. Visit our website lakeforestdaphne.com, call the golf shop at (251) 626-9324, or drop by the golf shop for more information.

Our member tournament schedule for May included a brand new event for the MGA. On the 16th, we hosted an event with 8 inch cups to shake up the fun a bit. Our regular guests were afforded the opportunity to play on the regulation hole or try out the “big holes” for that day. A great time was had by all in some perfect weather conditions. Preston Carroll won the A flight gross division with a score of 68, while Steve Scarcliff won the B flight with a 74, (with his net score being a sizzling 65!) Don Rittenhouse won the A flight net with a 68 of his own, while Rob Kersey won the B net with a 73. Players used 66% of their handicaps for this event. Congratulations to all the winners! At press time, our Memorial Day scramble has not concluded as of yet, so stay tuned for those results in the July edition.

I am continuing to get praise about our course conditions from members and guests alike, so when you see Jake and his crew, give them a big thank you for all they do!





4-DAY – 2026 Summer Junior Golf Camps – Combined Ages 5-7, 8-10 & 11-?
3 Days (7.5 hours) Lesson Days (Mon, Tue, and Wed) 8:30am – 11:00am Development & Instruction:
· Golf FUNdamentals
· Motor/Sports skills – coordination, stretching, agility, feel, and proper stability and mobility.
· FUN skill challenges & contests

1-Day (2.5 hours) On-Course Play Day (Thursday) 7:30am – 10:00am Parents Invited to Caddy for Kids!!

Activities and progression throughout camp are focused on enjoying learning and improving golf ability utilizing driving range and on-course skills training, fitness and games, targeting development of proper swing and fundamentals.

Registration Form

Name of Camper: _____ **Age:** _____
Parent/Guardian: _____ **Allergies:** _____
Email: _____ **Phone:** _____

COST: \$180.00/camper for all 4-Days - \$160.00 for LF Residents.

PAYMENT: Mail to Lake Forest Y&CC - 1 Golf Terrace – Daphne, AL 36526 or drop off at the golf shop. Contact Todd Bailey, PGA Head Golf Professional, 251-626-9324 or email lfproshop@lakeforestdaphne.com.

___ June 8-11 ___ July 6-9



Garden Club



Lake Forest Garden Club

Yard of the Quarter

By Terri Farlow, Susan Waites and Debbie Argiro

What a great fit and location for Dimple Young (gardener) and Terry Fuller (golfer) owners of the home located at 107 Schooley Circle also located on the 14th hole. The Yard of the Quarter has been transformed in about 3-4 years of hard work.

Dimple buys the plants and places them where she wants them, and Terry is her worker bee of planting and taking care of the yard.

There is no way I can name all the plants and shrubs but here are a few...

Ligustrum, Asiatic yellow Lilies, Loropetalum, Grape Myrtle, huge shaped Oak trees, 2 old and large Camellias, Japanese Red Maple, Red firecracker plants, Gladiolus, Calla Lillies and one of my favorite is White Oak leaf Hydrangea.

Dimple and Terry have a beautiful landscape from front to sides and the back, so stop by and see this beauty!



Women's Club

Our May meeting closed out the year with good food and good company.

Terre opened the meeting at 10:00. In attendance were:

Renée Burns, Terre Farlow, Alli Flowers, Sylvia Mills, Michelle Morvant, Brenda Perry, Patricia Popp, Kathy Schuman, Sheila Small, Mary Taulbee, and Tanya Tregre.

Sheila read some very inspiring poetry and left us with a bit of advice from Dorothy Parker:

You can lead a horticulture, but you cannot make her think.

The 2026-2027 board was presented:

President, Mary Taulbee

Vice President, Alli Flowers

Secretary, Michelle Morvant

Treasurer, Kathy Schuman

This board was accepted and approved by vote after a motion by Mary and second by Sylvia.

Please keep Mary Loury in your thoughts as she is going through some difficult health issues.

Although Mary Taulbee has already planned several guest speakers and events for next year (including Fire Chief Tacon, and Karen White), if you know of anyone who would like to be a speaker, please let Mary know.

The final 50/50 raffle was won by Sylvia.

We hope you all have a wonderful summer!



Switching to Jonas.

Coming soon, Lake Forest residents will have a more convenient new way to keep up with news and engage in daily community life.

We're putting everything at your fingertips, on your phone.

Make reservations for events, schedule tee times, pay your monthly bill – even order and pay for food in advance from the 19th Hole grill.

“We see most months that up to 80 percent of our newsletter views are via phone,” says General Manager Jeff Arrant. “This is another example of meeting our members where they live.”

Download the Lake Forest app from the Apple or Android store and follow the prompts.

All you need is your member ID and you can customize what you want to see on your phone.

Our old systems aren't going away right away.

You'll still be able to pay your monthly bill online, and view the newsletter as a pdf.

Ultimately, we hope to move everything to the app because it will make it much easier for members to have options at their fingertips.

Here are some answers to questions you might have.

How secure is the Lake Forest app?

This app is the same one used by leading hotel and resort chains.

The app uses industry-standard encryption, System and Organization Controls 2- (SOC2) certified hosting, and multi-factor authentication to protect user data. It complies with Payment Card Industry standards for payment processing and adheres to privacy regulations set out in the Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act.

Why I Moved to Lake Forest

TAKING A 1,500-MILE LEAP OF FAITH

By Christine Lawson

My family and I relocated to Daphne last August after living in North Dakota for more than 25 years.

We truly enjoyed our time there; however, it became increasingly difficult to remain due to my medical needs that require frequent treatments.

We lived in a very rural area, where it was more than an hour's drive to reach town, and my specialist doctor was five hours away. Combined with North Dakota's harsh winters — often bringing wind chills of -50 degrees — daily life required a great deal of preparation.

Even routine trips, like grocery shopping, were limited to once every few weeks due to the distance and weather conditions.

My husband, John, served on the volunteer fire department and ambulance team while also working for a large utility company. North Dakota provided us with financial stability, and we are grateful for the many years we spent there.

We have 15 children, many of whom are grown with families of their own, and most still live in North Dakota.

Leaving our children and grandchildren was one of the most difficult parts of our choice.

Moving to Alabama was a leap of faith, as my husband did not have work when we arrived.

We had been praying about relocating to this area for about five years and felt strongly that God was calling us here.

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Why (Cont'd)

A friend who lives in Lake Forest helped us find a house here, and everything came together at just the right time.

John was able to transfer his CDL license to Alabama and find employment with Green Point Agricultural shortly after we arrived.

Now, I have access to excellent healthcare minutes from home.

We were especially drawn to Lake Forest because of its amenities and strong sense of community, and our neighbors on Dewayne Circle have become like family.

Staying active also helps my health condition. Swimming and walking are vital to my health; two things that I can easily do here.

Eastern Shore Baptist Church has been a perfect fit for our family, and we appreciate how close it is to home.

We look forward to many happy years ahead in this community.

Our door is always open with a pitcher of tea and some cookies for anyone who wants to come on over.



New to Lake Forest and want to tell your story?
Reach out to us editor@lakeforestdaphne.com

LAKE FOREST CITY LIAISON UPDATE

WORKING TOGETHER FOR A BETTER LAKE FOREST

As your Board of Directors, we are committed to advocating for our community and working closely with City leadership and departments on projects that enhance safety, infrastructure, and quality of life in Lake Forest.

Together, we listen, collaborate, and make informed decisions to move our community forward and create a better future for all residents.

Here's an update on key initiatives we are working on together:



1

TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM GRANT

City leadership are working on a Transportation Alternative Program grant for Lake Forest in order to help fund the installations of needed sidewalks. The proposed project will provide a critical missing connection along Ridgewood Drive from Bayview Compass Circle near the Lake Forest pool, to Bayview Drive, completing a continuous pedestrian route through one of the most active areas in Lake Forest.



2

BRIDGE REPLACEMENT – BAY VIEW DRIVE

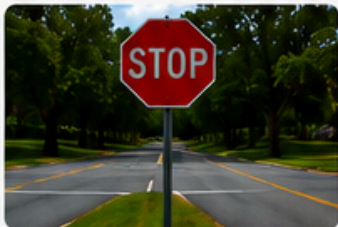
The bridge over D'Olive Creek has been funded and is currently in the final design stage. The project to replace the bridge will help improve the flow of water through the creek and enhance drainage capacity, supporting long-term infrastructure improvements in the area.



3

STREET RESURFACING

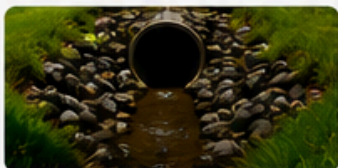
Public Works will be resurfacing several streets in Lake Forest this month. I will keep you posted on which streets will be resurfaced, as this may cause temporary delays and detours.



4

RESOLUTION 2026-002 – TRAFFIC CONTROLS

Resolution 2026-002 to install stop signs at the intersection of Lake Forest Blvd, Ridgewood, and Windsor Drive were approved by the Board of Directors and submitted to the City. Stop signs in this critical intersection will improve traffic flow and safety, especially as the City continues to install much-needed sidewalks.



5

DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS

Lake Forest drainage improvements on the 600 block of Ridgewood Drive northeast of the Ridgewood Pool, located in the easement, have been funded and the contract awarded.



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CITY LIAISON



KEY CITY EVENTS



FINANCE COMMITTEE

May 18, 2026
4:30 PM - 6:00 PM
Jubilee Conference Room,
Daphne



CITY COUNCIL MEETING

May 18, 2026
6:00 PM - 7:00 PM
City Council Chambers



DAPHNE UTILITY BOARD

May 27, 2026
5:00 PM - 6:00 PM
City Council Chambers



PLANNING COMMISSION

May 28, 2026
5:00 PM - 6:00 PM
City Council Chambers



LET'S STAY CONNECTED

If you have questions, concerns, or ideas, please reach out.
gcolon@lakeforestdaphne.com

The
Waterfront

BAY★BASH

2026★

THURSDAY, JULY 2ND
EVENT STARTS AT 6 PM



THE BAY'S
BIGGEST BBQ



LIVE MUSIC



FIREWORKS
OVER THE BAY



VETERAN OF THE
YEAR AWARD

ONE EPIC NIGHT.
COUNTLESS MEMORIES.

AMAZING BBQ, LIVE MUSIC, COLD DRINKS, FAMILY FUN,
AND A **FIREWORKS** SHOW OVER THE BAY!

📍 1 YACHT CLUB DR,
DAPHNE, AL

PHONE : 251-626-9329

Good Food. Great Vibes. Unforgettable Night.

PURCHASE TICKETS TODAY!



LIVE

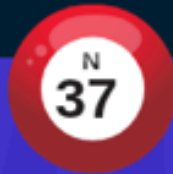
Waterfront Bingo

**MONDAY'S
6-8 PM**

**BINGO
NIGHT AT
THE
WATERFRONT**

**\$1
TO PLAY!**

CHARITY BINGO!!



2026 DAPHNE FOOTBALL SCHEDULE



AUG. 20



AUG. 28

***Gold Out/Sponsor
/Military Night**



SEP. 4



SEP. 11

***Youth Night**



SEP. 18

***Homecoming**



OCT. 2

***Hall of Fame**



OCT. 9



OCT. 16



OCT. 23

***Senior Night**



OCT. 30

2026



FRESHMEN/JV

SCHEDULE

AUG. 24

VS. SPANISH FORT
5:00PM/6:30PM

AUG. 31

@ FAIRHOPE
5:00PM/6:30PM

SEP. 8

VS. MCGILL-TOOLEN
5:00PM/6:30PM

SEP. 14

@ BAKER
5:00PM/6:30PM

SEP. 21

@ BALDWIN COUNTY
5:00PM/6:30PM

OCT. 5

@ ROBERTSDALE
5:00PM/6:30PM

OCT. 12

VS. FOLEY
5:00PM/6:30PM

OCT. 19

VS. MGM
5:00PM/6:30PM



SPECIAL BULK PICK UP AND TRASH COLLECTION DONE BY THE CITY OF DAPHNE PUBLIC WORKS...NEWS YOU CAN USE

We are asking our community residents to follow "ALL" guidelines provided by The City of Daphne for Trash Collection and for Bulk Pick Up.

The City of Daphne has an interactive map so you can use to learn when your trash receptacles (plastic bins) and bulk pick-up days are scheduled.

Or you can contact the Public Works Department to inquire about your location at 251-620-2100.

No trash bins or any bulk trash should be placed curbside more than 24-hours ahead of the scheduled pick-up day.

Some Information for Bulk Pick-Up Items:

- No pressure treated wood, will not be collected
- No styrofoam products, will not be collected
- Pine straw must be bagged
- Vegetative debris such as leaves and small branches must be bagged
- No tree limbs over 5 ft in length will be collected
- Tree debris must be no more than 5 inches in diameter
- Household items may be collected (appliances, furniture)
- No more than 15 cubic feet of items will be collected at any one pick-up

Bulk Trash Pick Up Days for Lake Forest:

- Most of the community bulk pick-up days are normally scheduled for Thursday or Friday
- A smaller select area of our community bulk pick up occurs for half a day on Wednesdays
- Do not place bulk items curbside more than 24 hours in advance of pick-up date

Trash Bin Receptacles Collection Days for Lake Forest:

- Most of the Lake Forest trash bin collection occurs on Thursday or Friday.
- A smaller select area of our community trash bin pick-up occurs on Mondays
- More than one bin may be used for each household
- Do not place trash bins curbside more than 24 hours in advance of pick-up date

Large Amount of Bulk Trash - In cases where the amount of items or tree debris exceeds the 15 cubic yard limit the City of Daphne may charge a special fee of \$60 of a half load pick-up and up to \$100 for a full load pick-up. When necessary, Code Enforcement may also be dispatched.

Dumping of any Trash on Vacant Lots – is illegal and Code Enforcement when appropriate may be dispatched.



Dear Homeowners,

An electrical shock risk has been reported and identified at the Swim and Racquet Club pool. At this time, the exact location of the stray voltage is unknown. Out of an abundance of caution and to prioritize the safety of our members, all access to the water is strictly prohibited.

The Ridgewood and Montclair Loop Pools will remain open at this time. The Ridgewood Pool will also open at 5 am to facilitate early morning swimmers.

**Thanks
LFPOA**

DAPHNE SOLID WASTE Holiday Schedule

HOLIDAY

New Years Day 2026
Martin Luther King, Jr Day
Memorial Day
Juneteenth
Independence Day
Labor Day
Veterans Day
Thanksgiving Day
Day After Thanksgiving
Christmas Eve
Christmas Day
New Years Day 2027

NO PICK UP

Thursday, January 1
Monday, January 19
Monday, May 25
Friday, June 19
Friday, July 3
Monday, September 7
Wednesday, November 11
Thursday, November 26
Friday, November 27
Thursday, December 24
Friday, December 25
Friday, January 1

ALTERNATE DAY

Wednesday, December 31
Wednesday, January 21
Wednesday, May 27
Wednesday, June 17
Wednesday, July 1
Wednesday, September 9
Thursday, November 12
Wednesday, November 25
Wednesday, November 25
Wednesday, December 23
Wednesday, December 23
Wednesday, December 30

There will be NO alternate days for Trash/Yard Debris.

Daphne Public Works
251-620-2100
www.daphneal.com





ENTREES

Served with your choice of 1 side

Cheeseburger \$7.00

Juicy beef patty served on a toasted bun with lettuce, tomato, onion, and pickles
Add Bacon \$1.50

Double Cheeseburger \$9.50

2 juicy beef patties served on a toasted bun with lettuce, tomato, onion, and pickles
Add Bacon \$1.50

2 Hotdogs \$5.00

Classic hot dogs on a bun, topped with your choice of condiments

Grilled or Fried Chicken Sandwich \$8.00

Grilled or fried chicken breast served on a toasted bun with lettuce, tomato, onion and pickles

6 wings \$10.00

6 wings tossed in buffalo sauce (does not come with a side)

BLT Sandwich \$6.00

Juicy tomatoes, lettuce and bacon served on sandwich bread

Ham and Cheese Sandwich \$6.00

Sliced ham and melted cheese served on sandwich bread

Grilled Cheese Sandwich \$5.00

A comforting classic - melted cheese between two slices of grilled bread

Chicken Tenders \$7.00

Crispy chicken tenders served with your choice of ranch, BBQ, or honey mustard

Breakfast

Breakfast Sandwich \$6.00

Sides

French Fries \$3.00

Sweet Potato Fries \$3.00

Onion Rings \$4.00

*Consuming raw or undercooked meats or seafood may pose an increased risk of foodborne illness.



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3 Burger Special Night 4 to 8 pm	4	5	6
7	8	9	10 Burgers Special Night 4 to 8 pm	11 Work Session 6 pm	12	13
14	15	16	17 Burger Special Night 4 to 8 pm	18	19	20
21	22	23	24 Burger Special Night 4 to 8 pm	25 Board of Directors Stated Meeting 6 pm	26	27
28	29	30	251-626-0788 www.lakeforestdaphne.com			

