WELCOME TO SUMMER!
Ah, the joys of summertime in Chicagoland! The payoff for winter! We are ready here at Gorton for another amazing summer. Join us for camps and classes – come make cannoli, keep bees, make soap, eat healthier and more. The Drop-in Learning Center’s Camp Gorton is a hot ticket and will be exploring classic children’s books this summer in between water play and art projects. And don’t miss Truth Be Told storytelling, Dog Day or Summer Movies! Gorton offers wonderful ways to shake off those winter blues and reconnect with your community. Join us!

Amy Wagliardo, Executive Director

DON'T MISS THESE EVENTS

Truth Be Told: A Night of Personal Storytelling | May 4

7:30pm Live Music by Badass Librarians
8:00 pm Stories Begin
9:30 pm Toast the Tellers After Party
Relax and enjoy a night of live, intimate, face-to-face storytelling by some of the best professionals in the country as well as appearances from some Lake Forest resident Pros! (Yes, we have professional storytellers among us.) These stories will make you laugh, cry and everything in between.

Red Cross Blood Drive
11 am to 4 pm | May 6
Donate blood and help save lives at the Red Cross Blood Drive being held right here at Gorton in the Stuart Community Room. You can schedule your appointment at www.gortoncenter.org so you don't have to wait in line! (Pre-registering is easy and highly recommended to make the process seamless and quick!)

Gorton's Annual Dog Day
10 am | June 22
Join us in our “barking lot” for this annual celebration of our best friends! Bring home a blue ribbon for best costume, most talented pup, or look-alike. Local rescue groups, food and live music will be on the scene.

The Film Series at Gorton – Summer Fridays | 7 pm
Don't miss Friday films at the John & Nancy Hughes Theater this June through August. We will be showing a wide variety of classic films - from the 50’s to the 80’s and beyond! Make sure you check our website often for new films that we add! See Page 8 for more information.
YOUTH CLASSES

ACT Boot Camp – with Jennifer Turner
June 17 – 21, 9:00 am – 1:00 pm
Ages: Incoming HS Juniors and Seniors
Class Fee: $12,000

A one-week intensive course prepares students in all subject areas of the ACT college entrance exam and provides comprehensive pre-test review, test-specific strategies, general test-taking tips, and targeted practice. A diagnostic exam, which will identify each student’s specific areas of need is included. Designed and taught by Jennifer Turner, M.Ed., a former high school teacher who has ten years of experience tutoring students in college entrance exams.

Active Improv Jr Showcase
Tuesdays, July 2 – August 20, 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm
Ages: 10 – 14 Years Old
Class Fee: $250

We’re looking for students to share their creativity and have fun! Join your fellow teammates on an eight-week short-form improv course and develop a live showcase! Along the way, you’ll learn the basic tenets of improv, learn new games and make new friends. All students will receive a t-shirt, photo bundle and a set of game pages.

Camera Class for Kids! – with Kerri Sherman
Saturday, August 11, 10:00 am – 12:30 pm
Ages: 8 – 12 Years Old
Class Fee: $40

Join local photographer Kerri Sherman for this outing to historic Market Square! We’ll set out on foot with a photo scavenger hunt, moving on to shooting subjects, nature, and architecture. We will cover lighting, framing, composition, camera angles and a bit of post-processing. Participants will bring charged digital camera with memory card or smart phone & wear comfortable shoes!

Children’s Etiquette Class – with Kerri Sherman
Saturday, May 11 or
Sunday, June 23 or
Sunday, August 11,
11:30 am – 1:00 pm
Ages: 7 – 12 Years Old
Class Fee: $95

Students will learn dining etiquette and table manners during a multi-course lunch of soup, salad, main entree and dessert. A full range of age appropriate social etiquette skills will also be taught, such as first impressions, introductions, conversations skills, cell phone etiquette, thank you notes and respectful behavior at home and in public.

College Application Workshop – with Alice Moody
Sunday, June 23, 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm
Class Fee: $100

Calling all members of the class of 2020! It’s never too early to get a head-start on your all-important college essay! Please join us for a two-hour workshop and conquer the hardest part of writing your story – getting started. All workshop participants get a free one hour follow-up session with professional writing coach, Alice Moody.

Cooking Class – Meatless Mondays!
June 10, 24. July 22 and 29, 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm
Ages: 6-12 Year Olds
Class Fee: $50 Per Class

Be a part of the movement and make it a Meatless Monday! Join Kristin Ryan as she puts a fun twist on vegetarian dishes that kids will love! This is a great opportunity to enjoy healthy new recipes that will satisfy and have kids coming back for more!

Fencing – with Midwest Fencing Club
Mondays, June 3 – July 8 or July 15 – August 19 or August 26 – September 7
All classes are 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm
Ages: 7-14 Year Olds
Class Fee: $216 Per Session
EN GARDE. PRET? ALLEZ! The Olympic sport of fencing demands quick thinking, agility, poise and speed. Fencing also develops discipline, respect, maturity and good sportsmanship, qualities that carry through to our everyday life. This class is for those new to fencing or those who would like to work on the basic fencing skills.

Girl Power! Nutrition & Yoga for Teens
Sundays, May 5, June 9, July 28 and August 18.
2:00 pm – 3:30 pm
Ages: 8 – 10 Year Olds
Class Fee: $60 Per Session*

Combine the benefits of “clean” nutrition & yoga/meditation in a fun community environment. Molly O’Neil of Mpowering Health will work with local podiatrist group health coaching to help build new, healthful eating habits. Students will be introduced to healthy, energy-boosting recipes that help balance mood, increase energy and fuel your body. Jen Buettner of J&B Mindful will be introducing the benefits of yoga by breaking down the practice and basic poses. Be conducting yoga flow classes that empower the group to be able to practice on their own or encourage the practice within the community. *10% Discount for Four Session Package.

Mighty Seeds! Nutrition Education for Kids – Sugar Shock!
Saturday, May 18, 10:00 am – 10:45 am
Ages: 7 – 10 Year Olds
Class Fee: $18

Did you know the average American consumes 157 pounds of added sugar per year? Always a favorite, this popular class will engage students as they learn about how sugar impacts their health. Students will learn how to read labels and discover the sugar content of popular snacks and beverages through hands on activities. Tips on how to reduce sugar and suggestions for healthy snacks will be included.

Mighty Seeds! Nutrition Education for Kids – Label Detectives!
Saturday, June 15, 10:00 am – 10:45 am
Ages: 7 – 10 Year Olds
Class Fee: $18

With often conflicting messages in the media and on food labeling, it can be confusing to know which foods to choose! Learn with us for how to choose through recipes designed to teach kids how to read labels and empower them to make better food choices in a fun and kid-friendly manner.

Saturday, July 13, 10:00 am – 10:45 am
Ages: 6 – 7 Year Olds
Class Fee: $18

Do you ever wish your child would expand their palate and try new vegetables and fruits? In this hands-on class, students will learn about the meaning of phytonutrients and the vibrant colors represented in different fruits and vegetables. Students will engage in activities and make a craft while learning about the health benefits of each color group.

Mighty Seeds! Nutrition Education for Kids – Wellness Warriors!
Saturday, August 3, 10:00 am – 10:45 am
Ages: 10 – 13 Year Olds
Class Fee: $18

If you are what you eat, what are you? Students will learn principles to help achieve their optimum health through proper fuel, lifestyle choices and balance. Topics will include body composition, how to fuel your body and important principles to focus on for wellness to perform your best.

Process Art Play Group
Wednesdays, May 29 - July 17, 10:00 am – 11:00 am
Ages: 1 – 3 Year Olds
Class Fee: $108

Foster creativity and encourage self-expression through process art and sensory-based activities. Children will have the opportunity to explore and create each week in a safe, welcoming and judgement-free environment. Activities will include exploring textures on paint, clay, dough, collage and sculpture. Parent or caregiver presence required.

Ready, Set, High School Success! – Planning and Prep Class
August 12 – 14, 9:30 am – 10:00 am or 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm
Ages: 6th – 10th Graders
Class Fee: $159

This class will help ease the transition to High School for your teen and for you! Students will learn study skills, test prep, weekly planning and project management, the differences between due and do, and many more high school success topics.
We will help them build the confidence to start strong this school year.

RoboThink – Family Battle Royale Workshop
Sunday, June 23, 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm
Ages: 5-12 Year Olds
Class Fee: $35

Have fun with your family and learn how to build robots, then battle your creations against other robots in our exciting battle royale. The team with the last robot standing wins! Each team will have one adult and one child up to 12 years of age. Learn how to use RoboThink’s innovative robotics pieces, motors, switches, axles and gears to build robot models of all sizes, shapes and functions. The goal of the event is for each team, each learner will be battling their robots in a battle royale. The team with the last fully intact robot wins!

Super Soccer Stars
Friday, June 28 - August 30
Ages: 2-5 Year Olds, 3:30pm – 4:10pm
3 – 5 Year Olds, 4:15 – 5:00pm
Come Kick With Super Soccer Stars! At Super Soccer Stars, it is our goal to teach soccer skills in a fun, non-competitive, educational environment. Our philosophy is to use soccer to nurture, to build self-confidence, and to develop teamwork in every class.

Wigglegor® with Old Town School of Folk Music
Tuesdays, June 25 – August 13, 9:35 am – 10:00 am or 10:15 am – 11:00 am
Adults, June 28 – August 10 9:35am – 10:00am or 10:15am – 11:00am
Ages: 5 – Months – 4 Years Old
Class Fee: $225 Per 8 Week Session
Old Town School of Folk Music’s celebrated early childhood music program welcomes young children and their families to the world of music. Silly, musical, playful, and wonderful, Wigglegor® is a hands-on exploration of rock, pop, folk, and fun!
Returning students welcome. All supplies are individual. This camp is great for students who love to be "Power". Some challenges are group challenges and some during the week. Each day will have different challenges; July 22 – 26, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm Ages: 8-15 Year Olds Class Fee: $275 Experience new life skills and craft through movement, exploration, and play during the week. Each day will have different challenges; July 22 – 26, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm Ages: 8-15 Year Olds Class Fee: $275}

Adult Art Workshop – A Fine Vintage Tuesday, May 21, 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm Class Fee: $50 Create a mixed media canvas featuring vintage wine labels and a single glass (or bottle) of wine. This project uses a transfer process among the layers to simulate a worn, vintage look. Finished canvas: 12”x12”

Adult Art Workshop – Bird Collage with Gouache Thursday, June 13, 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm Class Fee: $50 Add a new art media project that uses gouache to stain the canvas. Then color is drenched and stenciled in layers. Add stamps, torn paper, bits of lace and ephemera to complete the composition. All materials will be provided for this 12” square canvas – but please feel free to bring a few bits of your own ephemera for added meaning.

Adult Art Workshop – Stencil Basics Workshop Tuesday, July 9, 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm Class Fee: $50 Learn several techniques for using stencils in art and home decor applications. After trying several processes, use your favorite stencils on an 11”x14” canvas to create depth and layers of color. Jennifer Evans is a designer for StencilGirl Products and will be providing lots of tips and techniques throughout this workshop.

Adult Improv Jam Mondays, 6/20, 6/27, 7/17, 7/24, 6:00 – 7:30 pm Class Fee: $50 Are you in need of some fun and creativity on a Monday night? Join Active Improv’s JAM as Ben & David spin the wheel of Improv and run you through short-form improv in an exciting and casual environment. This is a great way to introduce yourself to the wonders of improv!

Ask Jane – Financial Guidance for Women Only Wednesday, June 12, 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm Class Fee: $20 It’s time to ask Jane! Participate in a night of sharing and learning about investments and wealth planning. Want to open an forum to ask your questions about anything regarding your financial well-being without the pressure of buying financial products? Anticipating or going through a life transition, like a divorce, and wondering how it will affect your finances? Ask Jane and get your questions answered.

Ask Jane – Financial Guidance for Working Women Tuesday, July 9, 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm Class Fee: $20 Don’t have time to deal with your investments/finances even though you know it is important? Ever think you could be doing more or questioning how you or your financial advisor are handling your finances? Want an open forum to ask your questions without the pressure of buying financial products? Come for a night of information sharing and guidance so you can take action regarding your financial future. Ask Jane and get your questions answered.

Camera Phone Photography Thursday, May 30, 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm or Saturday, July 20, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm Class Fee: $30 Now more than ever, the smartphone camera is a convenient high quality lens used to easily take and edit terrific photos, plus seamlessly print or publish digitally. Led by Kerri Sherman, owner of Bloom & Focus – a north shore lifestyle photography studio - specializing in nature, botanicals, architecture, interiors, families, food and fine art commissions - this fun class will be a game changer in enhancing your everyday phone camera images.

Canasta – For Beginners Tuesdays, May 21 – June 18, 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm Class Fee: $150 Come and learn the hottest card game in Chicago, Canasta! It is so much fun for all ages. Your goal is to beat your opponent by scoring more points. You score points by melding cards, and as making as many canastas as possible. A canasta is a meld of at least seven cards of the same rank. Simone Bloom looks forward to teaching you this exciting game!

Canasta – Advanced Strategy Tuesdays, May 21 – June 18, 3:00 pm – 4:30 pm Class Fee: $150 If you already play Canasta and would like to strengthen your strategy, this class is for you!

Cannoli Class – Learn to Make Cannoli! Saturday, June 11, 11:00 am – 12:00 pm Class Fee: $25 Celebrate a special occasion or enjoy a fun day out with friends or family at our Tony Cannoli class! Tony will teach you the techniques that he uses to ensure a signature crunchy, bubble-free shell. Kids are welcome, must be 8 years old.

Cooking at Froggy’s Wednesdays, 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm Class Fee: $55 Per Class May 22, 29; May 29, 2019

Cooking - A Weeknight Out, Summer in Italy! Thursday, July 11, 6:30 pm – 9:00 pm Class Fee: $65 This is the perfect night out! Bring a friend, a date or make it a fun girls night out. You can also bring a bottle of wine to enjoy! Join Marina as she teaches you how to make your own vinagrette to pair with your salad, followed by a homemade pomodoro and basilico sauce to compliment your gnocchi and finished with tiramisu with a twist. Must be 21 years and older.

Evening of Yoga & Oils Wednesday, June 12, 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm Class Fee: $65 Enhance your yoga experience with the mindful addition of essential oils. A variety of pure, therapeutic-grade essential oils will be used throughout an all-levels yoga class that features a strong, slow flow of postures designed to promote feelings of balance and self-renewal.

Healthy Living & Eating Workshop – with Marina Boldrini Rivelis Thursday, May 16, 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm Class Fee: $25 Do you feel you don’t have time to cook or eat a healthy meal? Are you overwhelmed just by the idea of planning a week of healthy meals? Do you end up buying pre-packaged foods or eating out? Come to this workshop and you will go home with the tools and more information to organize, plan and make delicious, quick and easy weeknight meals! Information, recipes and weekly meal ideas will be provided.

Introduction to Bees & Beekeeping August 6 & 8, 6:00 pm – 8:30 pm Class Fee: $55 Want to learn more about honey bees and pollinators? Considering beekeeping, but want to learn more before you invest? Just bought your bees and equipment, now what? Have some experience in beekeeping but not quite confident in what you’re doing? Then this class is for you! Introduction to Bees and Beekeeping will focus on the principles of beekeeping. Learn the history of beekeeping, honeybee biology, plant and pollinator relationships, and essential equipment & requirements. By the end of this class, you will be ready to work on your own colony the first year and be able to help experienced beekeepers with their hives. This class is part of the Midwest Master Beekeeper Program.

Sewing Camp: 4th of July Theme – with Ciao Bella Sewing! July 1 – 3, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm Ages: 8 – 15 Year Olds Class Fee: $275 Get 4th of July ready during this three day sewing camp! Sewers will make a red, white and blue colored shorts and a picnic blanket to take with them to their firework displays. This is a fun and festive class for students who are looking to celebrate the 4th of July in style. No prior sewing experience needed. All supplies, including sewing machines, fabric, sewing supplies, etc. are included.

Sewing Camp: Beach Collection – with Ciao Bella Sewing! July 8 – 12, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm Ages: 8 – 15 Year Olds Class Fee: $275 Get ready for summer! During this sewing camp we will create fun clothing for summer. We will make a beach dress, summer shorts, a beach bag with pom-poms and matching clutch. This is a great class for students looking to dive into the world of sewing and make fun items for summer. It never hurts to add some fun and bright clothing to your collection! All supplies, including sewing machines, fabric, sewing supplies, etc. are included.

Sewing Camp: Project Runway – with Ciao Bella Sewing! July 22 – 26, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm Ages: 8 – 15 Year Olds Class Fee: $275 The perfect class for young fashion designers! We will learn the ins and outs of designing, DIY’ing and working under deadlines. Like Project Runway, we will work on various sewing projects during the week. Each day will have different challenges: Day 1: “Hollywood Movie Star”, Day 2: “Unconventional Items”, Day 3: “It’s a Party”, Day 4: “Upcycle Apparel”, Day 5: “Flower Power”. Some challenges are group challenges and some are individual. This camp is great for students who love to be creative and original, and love sewing and DIY’ing using a variety of materials. Returning students welcome. All supplies are included.
Power Healing – with Hollis Blume

Wednesday, June 19 – July 17 (no class July 31).
10:00 am – 11:00 am

Class Fee: $150

Using the power of group intention, each participant will see their life transform and heal. Whether you would like to eliminate pain, heal disease, manifest a new relationship, or find the perfect new job, Power Healing can lead to miraculous changes and improvements in your life experience. Each participant’s specific need will be addressed. Scientific theory behind group intention will be explained. Please come to class having identified your specific need (i.e., heal my arthritis; find the perfect job; eliminate migraine, etc.).

Project Selfly Wellness Series – Taking a Selfy from the Inside!

Tuesday, July 23: Diabetes – Toxic Truth About Sugar
Tuesday, August 27: Fat or Fiction – Find Out the ‘Skinny’ on How a Diet That Contains Healthy Fats Can Benefit Your Health

6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Class Fee: $15 Per Class

Make Your Own Soap!

Friday, June 26: 10:00 am – 11:30 am

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Join us for a morning of soap making! We will be making simple melt and pour soaps and you can add in essential oils, dried flowers, and dried herbs! The soaps that we will make are non-toxic, beautiful, and can be used in your own bathroom or given as a gift. Each guest will make 2 bars to take home.

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Monday, July 22 – July 29: 9:15 am – 9:50 am

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Aerobics with a Latin kick! This is the ideal class to love while getting in shape. It combines aerobics, dance and exercise – all to a salsa beat! The workout benefits include flexibility, conditioning and shaping up. Uno-dos-tres….it’s a fun workout!

Summer Cocktail Class – with North Shore Distillery

Sunday, June 9, 3:00 – 4:30 pm

Class Fee: $40

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T’ai Chi – with Ken Ning

Saturday, June 8 – August 31
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UPCOMING FILMS

Bring your family or friends to see a film this summer at the John & Nancy Hughes Theater. With state-of-the-art sound and projection systems and only 309 seats, it’s an amazing place to experience a new film or enjoy one you’ve only seen on the small screen! All tickets are only $5, and concessions will be available.

MAY
2 First Thursdays: Apollo 11 11 am & 7 pm
10 Citadel Theatre Series: Life is Beautiful 7 pm

THE FILM SERIES AT GORTON - SUMMER FRIDAYS

JUNE
14 Dirty Dancing (1987) 7 pm
21 Jurassic Park 7 pm
28 The Goonies 7 pm

JULY
12 The Sandlot 7 pm
19 Title TBA 7 pm

AUGUST
2 Some Like It Hot 7 pm
9 Rebel Without a Cause 7 pm
16 Footloose (1984) 7 pm
23 Ferris Bueller's Day Off 7 pm
30 Animal House 7 pm

Gortons has again partnered with Kellogg School’s Center for Nonprofit Management at Northwestern University and is presenting a series of workshops leading to a Nonprofit Resource Development Certificate. The Greater Good Project, launched in 2016 and funded by The Grainger Foundation, was created to support the growth and professional development of the Lake County Nonprofit ecosystem. The intention is to nurture and expand these organizations through relevant speaker series, workshops, and individual professional coaching and networking events. Register on our website.

Workshop: Making the Case for Your Organization
May 15
5:00 pm to 7:00 pm
This workshop will give you the confidence you need to communicate your organization’s value proposition.

Workshop: Donor Cultivation & Stewardship
June 5
5:00 pm to 7:00 pm
This workshop will allow you to explore ideas around prospects: how many do you need, how do you find them and how do you introduce them to your organization?

Leading for Good: Increasing Board Engagement
May 22
5:30 pm
Enjoy dinner and an engaging presentation on how today’s nonprofit leaders can maximize their impact and fulfill their missions.

The 2019 Leading for Good Lake County is a collaborative initiative presented in partnership with Gorton Community Center and the 2019 Greater Good Project. The Lake County Community Foundation, and Northwestern Kellogg Executive Education, aimed at helping to build the nonprofit sector by cultivating and connecting local volunteer leaders with Lake County nonprofit organizations. It is a continuation of the 2017 Leading for Good series.

WHY WE LOVE GORTON – THE VENTURA FAMILY

We have used Gorton Community Center for the last 10 years. As a baby, our daughter, Carmelina, attended the Music and Movement classes weekly with her grandmother. Around age 7, both of our children, including our son, Gino, attended Safety Town, which gave them a great foundation in basic safety in the community. Today, we use Gorton primarily for its amazing theater. Carmelina is involved in the PASTA children’s theater program and will be performing in her fifth play next year. Both Gino and Carmelina – now 8 and 10 – love going together to watch performances – many times to see their friends in other PASTA performances, as well as to watch movies, including the Children’s Film Festival and Home Alone on the day of the tree lighting. They hop on their bikes and go together. It’s a wonderful and safe way to have them participate in community activities independently from their parents!

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JOIN GORTON AT THE LAKE FOREST DAY PARADE

Come walk with us in the 111th annual Lake Forest Day parade on August 7! If you are a Gorton volunteer, camper, tenant or just a lover of all things Gorton, please join us in the parade! It begins at 10am on Western Avenue and will end at West Park at 12pm with carnival rides, music, food and family activities. Contact us at 847-234-6060 with any questions.

SPOTLIGHT ON... LAKE FOREST PRESERVATION FOUNDATION

Preservation is the practice of people saving places for others. For the past 45 years the Lake Forest Preservation Foundation has applied this philosophy to raising awareness about the importance of historic preservation in our community. Our historic places not only define our space but also leverage our past to appreciate what we have, where we have been and where our past leads us into the future. Gorton Community Center is a perfect example of what is important to, and in, our community. The Lake Forest Preservation Foundation is one of the original Gorton tenants. We feel privileged to have our offices housed in a vibrant community building filled with history, character, memories, and lots of activities.

At the Preservation Foundation, we work hard to inspire people to learn about, support and preserve the historic visual character of our community. Through our quarterly publication, educational programs, house and garden tours, awards, and working with the City, homeowners and architects, we strive to communicate that a sense of place and history ensures a more vibrant, economically sound community.

We are a privately funded 501(c)3 nonprofit supported by individuals, businesses and foundations who share our belief that our communities benefit economically, socially and culturally from historic preservation. We believe that, through collective efforts of preservation, our community and its beauty, history and the proud sense of place it instills in us today, will continue for generations to come.

We hope to see you at one of our many inspiring programs in 2019. For a complete listing and more information about LFPF, please visit LPFF.org.

A ROOM FOR YOU AT GORTON

The Nagel Family Room is Gorton’s “Living Room” and is a perfect cozy room for small receptions, meetings, and luncheons—featuring brand new downlights, trayed ceiling, sofa, arm chairs, coffee table, and banquette with small meeting tables. It has double doors that open fully to allow an easy connection to the Stuart Community Room for larger events that need extra space. The Nagel Family Room has flexible seating for 10 to 20 people in 715 square feet of space.

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SAVE THE DATE!
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UPCOMING GORTON EVENTS

MAY
1 Mothers Trust Foundation Founders Reception
2 First Thursdays: Apollo 11
3 Palette and Pours with Deeppath Art League
4 Lake Forest Dance Academy Spring Recital
4 Truth Be Told: A Night of Personal Storytelling
5 LF Civic Orchestra Concert “Old World, New World”
6 Red Cross Blood Drive
10 Citadel Theatre Series: Life is Beautiful
12 Navarasa Natyalayam Indian Classical Dance Recital
14 PASTA 2019 Summer Camp Begins
15 Greater Good Project/Kellogg Workshop
Making the Case for your Organization
17 “Tribute To Old Blue Eyes” starring Bill Pantle
with Shout Section Big Band
22 Leading for Good Lake County
Increasing Board Engagement Dinner & Presentation
25-26 Irina Makkai Ballet Recitals
28 Ward 1 Meeting, City of Lake Forest

JUNE
1 Step 2 This Dance Recital
2 Fusion Dance Company Recital
5 Greater Good Project/Kellogg Workshop
Donor Cultivation & Stewardship
6 Ward 3 Meeting, City of Lake Forest
7 Palette and Pours w/t Deeppath Art League
9 Center Stage Dance Academy Recital
11-14 Safety Town Majors Camp
14 The Film Series at Gorton – Dirty Dancing (1987)
21 The Film Series at Gorton – Jurassic Park
22 Gorton’s Annual Dog Day
28 The Film Series at Gorton – The Goonies

JULY
12 The Film Series at Gorton – The Sandlot
13–14 PASTA presents Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat
14 PASTA Registration – Twas the Night Before Christmas
17 PASTA Registration – Roald Dahl’s The Witches
18 PASTA Registration – The Tortoise and the Hare
19 The Film Series at Gorton: Title TBA
20 LoMastro Dance Recital
26 Dance Academy of Libertyville Recital

AUGUST
2 The Film Series at Gorton - Some Like It Hot
5–9 Safety Town Deputy Camp
7 Lake Forest Day Parade
9 The Film Series at Gorton – Rebel Without a Cause
13–15 Safety Town Commanders Camp
16 The Film Series at Gorton - Footloose (1984)
23 The Film Series at Gorton - Ferris Bueller’s Day Off
30 The Film Series at Gorton - Animal House

SELECT UPCOMING NONPROFIT RESIDENT EVENTS

MAY
4 A Safe Place - EmpoweRun 5K
Independence Grove Forest Preserve
7–8 Mothers Trust and Artists for Summer Camp
9 LF Preservation Foundation Presents
Ellen Shipman and the American Garden
10 A Safe Place – Wine Women & Shoes
Marriott Lincolnshire Resort
10 Bravo Waukegan - Mariachi Festival
Waukegan High School Trapp Auditorium
11 LoMastro Dance Recital
18–19 Lake Forest Symphony
Rachmaninov Piano Concerto No. 3
19 Bravo Waukegan - Benefit Luncheon
Onwentsia Country Club
20 Nuno Felting Workshops
with Deerpath Art League & Vicki Fischetti

JUNE
14 Mothers Trust - 9th Annual Golf Classic
10–13 Deerpath Art League Art Camp | Surrealism
17–20 Deerpath Art League Art Camp | Abstract
24-27 Deerpath Art League Art Camp | Storytelling
28 Lake Forest Preservation Foundation Garden Stroll

JULY
2–31 Summer Music Fun Violin/Viola Camp
with Donna Curry – www.donnacurrystudio.com
23 Nuno Felting Workshops
with Deerpath Art League & Vicki Fischetti
27 Lake Forest Preservation Foundation
Annual Crab Tree Farm Summer Tour

AUGUST
15 Fill a Heart 4 Kids Project Smart 4 Brighter Futures
Deadline for School Supplies Drop Off
23 Lake Forest Preservation Foundation Garden Stroll