



# FO Happy 4th of July TPRINTS

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1981-2000







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On Saturday June 11, we had a HUGE turnout for the Lake County Races commemorative run / walk as over 60 persons hopped on the Metra 7:38am northbound train to either Lake Bluff or Great Lakes station. Outfitted with commemorative race bib numbers, we had runners / walkers finish either 2 miles or 3.5 miles from Lake Bluff and had over 30 runners complete a 10K from Great Lakes along a beautiful route through Lake Bluff / Lake Forest. Lake County Races founder Barry Seiller was recognized for having created one of the most prestigious races in Lake County history and he gave everyone a nice race send-off as people boarded the train. It was a GREAT day to reminisce and share stories amongst each other about everyone's experiences volunteering or racing in the LCR from 1981 to 2000.

No club event would be complete without a little trivia --- a 10 question trivia contest about the history of the Lake County Races

was won by Joy Gayter!! 5 people tied with 8 questions correct -- and Joy won the tie-breaker question (barely) over Jenny Spangler! Joy guessed 2:19:22 for the best men's marathon time vs. 2:19:33 for Jenny -- best time was 2:16:55 by Joe Sheeran! Joy won a \$15 Starbucks gift card. BIG thanks to

all those who helped set up the fun event -- Ben (for all those colorful LCR shirts!), Perry/Mike R (setting up coffee/bagels), Mike McMahon (expert photographer!) and Jack (tables and FINISH sign!).

## History on the Run #8: Houses with names #2. One still here and one gone.

What is that brick tower we pass on the left? Let's take a step back to 1913. Alfred Hamill, investment banker and partner at Goldman Sachs and noted bibliophile, had architect Henry Dangler design Centaurs (creature half-man half horse; don't ask me how he came up with that name), a large, white house located on Illinois Rd. and northeast of the tower. A few years later a series of converging needs caused Hamill to commission noted local architect David Adler to design the tower.



The lower level housed a garage to house his cars and the upper levels

provided living space for the gardener and chauffer, a playroom for his children and finally, on the very top floor, Hamill's hideaway where he kept many of his books and could read peacefully. Like many leading citizens, Hamill played an active role in Lake Forest including heading the library board for many years and advocating for the construction of the existing library.

Straight in front of you while passing the tower is the Havenwood neighborhood named after Edward Laird Ryerson's house of the same name.



Ryerson's father started a foundry in 1842 which became Ryerson Steel. Ryerson was an early supplier of steel

to Ford Motor Company. Ryerson Steel continued to grow and eventually merged with Inland Steel in 1935 with the Ryerson's managing the combined operation. After a series of mergers and acquisitions Inland Steel is now Cleveland Cliffs. E.L. Ryerson (1854-1928) was president of the steel company from 1888 to 1911. Like many leading citizens, Ryerson was very active in Civic affairs serving as President of the Newberry Library and a governing member of the Chicago Symphony and Art Institute of Chicago. Ryerson had the house built in 1913 based on a design by Howard Van Doren Shaw, the designer of Market Square. The landscaping was the work of Jens Jensen. The Ryerson family left the house in 1939 and sold it to the Franciscan Fathers who occupied it after that. The house was torn down in 1979 and the only principal existing parts of the estate are the coach house and gates visible on Ringwood Road. The Ryerson name continues locally since E.L. Ryerson's son Edward Jr. donated the land and house which is now the Ryerson Forest Preserve.

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## CLUB ACTIVITIES

**TUESDAY Morning: 9:15am Highland Park--Northshore Trail. Meet at the Parking Lot just South of Central on St Johns.** Run/Walk and stick around for a pastry and coffee at That Little French Guy, just down the street.

**THURSDAY Morning: 11:30 am Lake Forest College run.** Six miles through Lake Forest. Meet at the college's Sports & Rec Center.

**SATURDAY Morning 8:00am: CLUB RUN: East Lake Forest Train Station. Weekly club run** preceded by announcements. Run or walk 6 miles through Lake Forest. Dogs are welcome.

**SUNDAY Morning 8:00: Canoe Launch, Rtes. 60&21.** 4-6 mile runs around the area.

**TRAINING PROGRAMS:** Check with club coach Jenny Spangler on programs and dates: [jandmfitness@comcast.net](mailto:jandmfitness@comcast.net)

## **SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM EDITORS**

We wanted to remind you that this is your Newsletter. We enjoy putting it together and sharing as much info as we can. Obviously, we are not aware of everything going on. So you are more than encouraged to let us know if you have articles you would like to see published or a topic you would like us to follow up.