

# Directions to Gillson Park in Wilmette

**From 94/41:** Exit at Lake Avenue (northbound traffic) or Skokie Blvd (Southbound traffic). Travel east on Lake Avenue for approximately 3 miles (you will go over railroad tracks) . Continue east on Lake Avenue until you reach Sheridan Road. Turn right on Sheridan Road and travel south for approximately half a mile. Gillson Park is on the left (east) side of the road.

**From Lake Shore Drive:** Take Lake Shore north to Sheridan. Continue north on Sheridan into Evanston, past Northwestern University and into Wilmette. Once in Wilmette, you will pass the Bahai Temple on your left before crossing a bridge over the Wilmette Harbor. Immediately after the bridge you will encounter the entrance to Gillson Park on the right (east side of the road).

## *Parking in Gillson Park*

Parking is available on Middle Drive for non-residents, and on Overlook drive for Wilmette residents. The Wilmette police will ticket any cars parked along the beach on Overlook drive if they don't have Wilmette stickers...make sure to check your parking location!

# Directions to the Skokie Lagoons (backup location)

**Directions from 94: Northbound-**Exit at Willow road and head east for approximately half a mile. Turn left on Forest Way Drive (this is not a stop light and can easily be missed). Take Forest Way Drive through the lagoons to the intersection with Tower Road. Turn left on Tower Road and drive west for about a half a mile going over a small bridge. Promptly after the bridge turn left into the parking lot of the Forest Preserve boat launch. If you end up crossing over the expressway you have missed the turn to the boat ramp and you need to turn around. **Southbound-**Exit at Tower Road. Turn right from the exit ramp onto Frontage Road and immediately right on to Tower. Go over the Edens Expressway and turn right into the Forest Preserve parking lot (your first right). Continue down to boat launch.

**Directions from Lake Shore Drive:** Take Lake Shore Drive north to Sheridan. Continue north on Sheridan through Evanston, Wilmette, Kenilworth and into Winnetka. At the intersection with Tower Road turn left. Take Tower Road west for approximately four miles. You will pass Greenbay Road, Hibbard Road, and Forest Way Drive. The entrance to the Forest Preserve boat launch is approximately one half mile beyond Forrest Way Drive on the left (south) side of the road. If you drive over the expressway you have gone too far and need to turn around.

Maps to both of these launch locations are available on our website at  
[www.nwpassage.com/directions.html](http://www.nwpassage.com/directions.html)