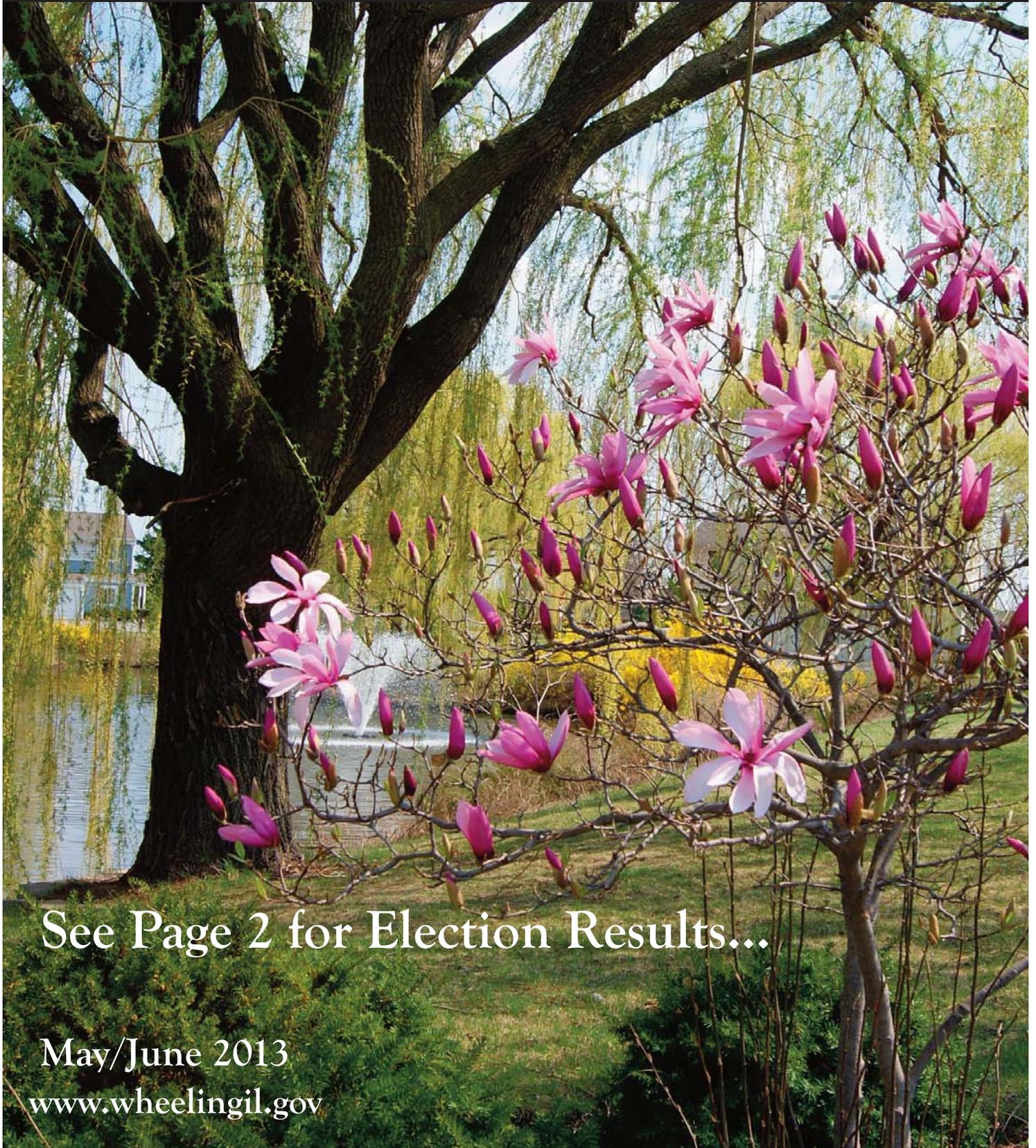




VILLAGE VIEWS



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*President
Judy Abruscato*

From the Desk of President Abruscato

It is with a thankful but heavy heart that I depart from the Wheeling Village Board after 26 years of dedicated service. I have loved every moment of working for my fellow Wheeling residents and will always be proud of the accomplishments the Board members and I have achieved together over the years. When I started as a Trustee in 1987 I could only dream of things such as the development of the Dundee Road and Milwaukee

Avenue corridors into restaurant and shopping hot spots, the new construction of not only a Village Hall but also a Public Works facility and Police and Fire Stations, the opening of an upscale hotel like the Westin, and the construction of all the beautiful residential communities which have become home to many of you. I would like to thank all of my constituents who have supported me during my tenure, and I promise to remain a dedicated Wheeling resident even outside of the Village Board.

Congratulations to Trustee Dean Argiris who will be sworn in as the new Village President at a Regular Board Meeting on Monday, May 6. Along with President-Elect Argiris, incumbents Ken Brady and Bill Hein as well as newcomer Mary Krueger will be sworn in as Trustees, and Elaine Simpson will be sworn in to continue her service as Village Clerk. I give my sincere congratulations to the new Board and wish them all the best of luck in wholeheartedly serving the residents of this Village.

Welcome new businesses!

ARC Performance
moved to 41 E. Hintz Road
Sports Facility/Personal Training

Arturo's Mexican Grill
34 N. Elmhurst Road
Mexican Restaurant

KD & Company, LLC
759 Glenn Avenue
Wholesale Floral

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Grocery Store

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665 Chaddick Drive
Trade Show Distributing

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Trucking/Transportation

Twin Peaks
781 N. Milwaukee Avenue
Sports Bar/Restaurant

2013 Consolidated Election Results...

Village President

Dean Argiris	1,050	42%
Patrick Horcher	778	31%
Judy Abruscato	676	27%

Village Trustee

Mary Krueger	1,510	25%
Ken Brady	1,431	23%
Bill Hein	1,279	21%
Mary Papantos	1,099	18%
Greg Stavros	809	13%

Village Clerk

Elaine Simpson	2,048	100%
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Dean
Argiris



Ken
Brady



Bob
Heer



Bill
Hein



Ray
Lang



Dave
Vogel

WELCOME TO WHEELING

The Clerk's Corner



Village Clerk
Elaine E. Simpson

Garden Club Annual Plant Sale

The Wheeling Garden Club will be having their annual plant sale on Saturday, May 18 from 8 a.m. to 12 noon. at the northeast corner of Dundee Road and Northgate Parkway. Flowers will be for sale at reasonable prices and a majority of the plants are from the Garden Club members' own gardens. There will also be large, attractive hanging baskets for sale. This year there will be gently used garden items for sale at a nominal cost as well. For further information, please contact Jan Schmid at 847.541.0892.

Wheeling Historical Society Dinner

On Wednesday, May 22 the Wheeling Historical Society will have their Installation Dinner at Chevy Chase. This year live entertainment will be provided by Rick Pickern, who will perform Civil War songs. If you are interested in purchasing tickets, please contact Joan Weiner at 847.650.0144.

Volunteer on the Senior Commission

Are you a Wheeling senior resident who would like to get involved in the Village? Consider joining the Wheeling Senior Commission! The Village is looking for residents who would be interested in filling two vacancies on this active commission. To fill out an application, call Deputy Clerk Lisa Leonteos at 847.499.9085 or visit www.wheelingil.gov to print out an application and return it to the Village Hall. If you would like further information please feel free to call me at 847.541.8692.

Wheeling Pavilion Senior Foundation

The Wheeling Pavilion Senior Foundation is having its annual member enrollment. The foundation's purpose is to support the Wheeling Senior Center. All proceeds raised go to support the Senior Center. If interested in joining the foundation, please contact Eileen Halleck at 847.577.1243.

Village Offices will be closed:

Monday, May 27 in observance of Memorial Day.
Waste Management pick-ups
will be delayed by one day.

Health Happenings



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May Coat Drive

*Now that winter is finally over,
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The Board of Health will be holding a coat drive during the month of May. We are looking for lightly used winter coats, hats, scarfs and gloves. These coats and accessories will be distributed at the Health Fair in October. Please wash the coats and accessories before you bring them in. Containers will be located in the Village Hall lobby and at the Senior Center.

If you have any questions regarding the coat drive, please call Health Officer Beverly Slaby at 847.499.9045.

Prescription Medication Collection

The Prescription Medication Collection is held on the third Saturday of every month from 10 a.m. until 12 noon in front of the Police Station located at 1 Community Blvd.

Acceptable items include:

- Prescription and over-the-counter medications in their original containers. No over-the-counter liquid medications (liquid cough medicine, antacids) will be accepted.
- Sharps (needles & syringes) in a rigid container with a sealed lid. We will not accept sharps that are not in a rigid container. This includes any boxes that the sharps/pens may have come in. **AT NO TIME SHOULD THERE BE ANY LOOSE NEEDLES OR SHARPS. DO NOT MIX SHARPS IN THE MEDICATIONS BAG.** We must keep volunteers safe when collecting sharps for recycling. Sharps containers will be handed out at the collection and are available at the Community Development Department.

We will also accept these items for recycling:

- Household batteries (AA, AAA, C, D, 9V) and rechargeable batteries (Lithium NiMh, NiCad). Please tape the ends of rechargeable batteries.
- Eyeglasses
- Cell phones

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & PUBLIC WORKS

Floods Are No Myth; Be Prepared for the Unexpected

Discounts on flood insurance are just one of many benefits residents enjoy as a result of Wheeling's proactive approach to flood hazard damage reduction. A 35-year member of the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), Wheeling has joined a national effort to minimize property damage in cases of flooding and provide affordable flood insurance to all homeowners, whether or not they are located in or near a floodplain. As part of its NFIP commitment, the Village provides a range of information on flooding potential, prevention, safety, and other issues. For more information about the NFIP and flood insurance, call 1.800.427.4661. Copies of the Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs) can be reviewed at the Village Hall and Indian Trails Public Library.

Local Flood Hazard Potential

The Village's proximity to waterways such as the Des Plaines River, Buffalo Creek, and McDonald Creek raise the hazard of flooding during heavy rains. Standard homeowner's insurance does not cover flooding. Through the 1960s, private rates on flood insurance were prohibitively high, which made it almost impossible to carry flood insurance. The NFIP, formed in 1968, is designed to subsidize the cost of flood insurance to member communities, qualify them to receive disaster relief, and establish minimum national standards to reduce flood losses.

High CRS Rating

One of eight inaugural NFIP communities in Illinois, Wheeling designed programs to exceed minimum standards and optimize benefits to Village residents. In 1992, the NFIP implemented the Community Rating System (CRS) to reward communities that go above and beyond the basic requirements. Effective May 1, 2007, our rating was upgraded to Class 7, which provided a 15% discount on flood insurance policies for properties located within the special flood hazard area. Policies issued for properties outside the special flood hazard area continue to receive a 5% discount. Wheeling continues to be proactive in preventative initiatives, including:

Stream maintenance: Regular inspections of waterways to ensure they are clear of debris and potential obstructions.

Regulating new construction: New buildings in the flood zone must meet requirements for elevation and flood-proofing. Village planners ensure that the new developments don't increase flood risk for neighbors in the community.

Keeping residents informed of flood risk and how to minimize impact: Our residents must be aware of the potential for flooding. Tools such as this newsletter enable us to keep residents informed in the event of flooding.

Development Regulated

Development of any type within special flood hazard areas is strictly regulated. In order to construct a building or
4 addition, perform any grading, or fill any other type of

construction in these areas, an individual must obtain a special "floodplain development permit." This permit is issued in conjunction with other construction permits to assure that the new construction will not be susceptible to flood damage or cause increased flood damage potential to neighboring properties. Floodplain development regulations can be found on the Village's website at www.wheelingil.gov in Title 22 of the Municipal Code (which can be found under "Reference Desk" on the home page) or by contacting the Community Development Department at 847.459.2620.

With flooding a possibility, especially during the spring/summer season, preparation is the best defense. Safeguarding people, protecting buildings and purchasing flood insurance are keys to defending against floods.

Protect Your Property: To flood-proof a structure, start by elevating or relocating electrical panel boxes, furnaces, water heaters and washer/dryers to areas least likely to be flooded. Install basement floor drains and interior and exterior backwater valves. Consider erecting interior flood walls around utilities. Move essential items and furniture to the upper floors of your home. Keep materials such as sandbags, plywood, plastic sheeting and lumber handy for emergency waterproofing. More flood protection information is available from FEMA through the "Floodplain/Flooding Information" link on the home page of our website at www.wheelingil.gov. Information is also available for review at the Indian Trails Public Library.

Personal Safety: During periods of high water, stay out of the basement where breaker boxes and electrical wiring present the risk of shock. If you know high water is imminent, shut off the electricity, gas and water. Keep your family together and make sure everyone has identification. Move everyone—including pets—to high ground. Rescue crews cannot reach you once the water becomes two feet deep. Don't drive across flooded roads where your vehicle could stall. Flowing water above your knees can generate dangerous currents; avoid walking through it.

Village Monitors Rising Water Levels: The Village monitors rising water levels with strategically placed gauges. Comparing data with historic records, the Village can predict areas of potential flooding. In the event of a flooding situation, Village staff is mobilized to notify people in affected areas. In some situations, notification may be made by phone. Road closure information is available from radio stations.

Call Community Development at 847.459.2620 with any questions about flood risk areas within the Village of Wheeling.

Update on Water Meter Upgrade Program

This project involves the replacement of all current water meters throughout the entire Village (nearly 8,000) which have reached the end of their useful operation. The new meter system will read flows through the meters and transmit the flow readings directly to the Utility Billing Clerk at the Village Hall, eliminating the need for utility staff to do “drive-by” collections of meter readings.

A pilot program was conducted last fall and early winter to test the performance of the new meters and the new reading system. Staff found the new system to be very precise in its measurement of flows and its ability to send information to the Finance Department in order to complete the water billing cycle.

The water meter replacement project has now moved into full implementation, with nearly 1,400 meters installed thus far. United Meters, Inc. (UMI) has been contracted to perform the installations for the Village; they currently have three installers working on the project, but will increase the number of installers as more appointments are scheduled. UMI expects the meter project to be 90-95% complete by the end of October. A notification letter will be sent to residents and businesses requesting that they please contact UMI directly to schedule an installation appointment. Please call toll free at 1.877.533.8964 as soon as you receive the letter.

If you would like more information about the program or have any questions or concerns, please contact the Department of Public Works Utility Division at 847.279.6900. This program is being completed at no cost to the customer.

Water Restriction Reminder

To better conserve water, a ban on non-essential uses of water takes effect on May 15 and continues through September 15. During this time non-essential water use is prohibited from 12 noon to 6 p.m. everyday. Types of non-essential water use include but are not limited to washing vehicles; washing or pressure washing streets, sidewalks, parking lots, paved areas or building exteriors; using hoses for clean-up; and irrigation of lawns. For code enforcement, please contact Community Development at 847.459.2633. Thank you for conserving our resources.

One-Day Electronic Recycling & Document Destruction Event

The Village of Wheeling is hosting a dual one-day Electronic Recycling and Document Destruction Event, sponsored by the Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County (SWANCC), on Saturday, May 11. The dual event will take place at the Public Works facility, 77 W. Hintz Road, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon, rain or shine. There is no cost to attend.

Acceptable electronic items are limited to: computers (desktop, notebook, tablet), computer monitors, printers (including multi-function printers, copiers, and printer/fax combinations), televisions, cable receivers, computer cables, converter boxes, fax machines, mobile telephones, mouse or keyboards, MP3 players, portable digital assistants, satellite receivers, scanners, video game consoles, videocassette recorders/players (VHS), digital video disk players (DVD), and zip drives.

For document destruction, residents may bring residentially generated paper such as medical forms, bank statements, personal files, retired tax records, and receipts for shredding. There is a limit of six file-size boxes or paper shopping bags per vehicle; no plastic bags please. Paper clips and staples do not need to be removed, but binders do need to be removed. Documents will be placed in a toter and loaded into a shredding truck onsite. The paper will be cross-shredded, baled and recycled. No business or institutional waste will be accepted.

Please contact Public Works at 847.279.6903 with any questions, or for additional electronic and document destruction events scheduled by SWANCC, visit www.swancc.org.

Annual Hydrant Flushing

The Village of Wheeling's Utility Division will be flushing hydrants throughout the Village from April 28 through May 13, weather permitting. During this time hydrant flushing will occur between the hours of 6 a.m. and 3 p.m. and will continue until all the portions of the water distribution system are completed. Signs will be posted throughout the Village while hydrant flushing is underway.

Flushing is an important preventative maintenance process and is undertaken to remove particulate matter and corrosion from the system. Residents may notice slightly lower pressure and discoloration of their water throughout the duration of the program; however, the water will be completely safe to drink. Residents are advised to check the color of the water before beginning laundry to prevent any staining.

Should any resident have concerns regarding the flushing program, they may contact the Department of Public Works Utility Division at 847.279.6900.

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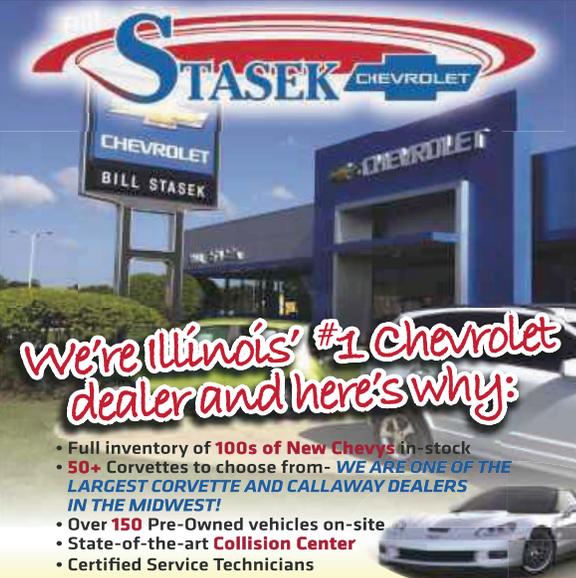
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HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Pavilion Senior Center

The Pavilion Senior Center—part of the Department of Human Services—is open to area adults 55 years or better. Call 847.459.2670 for more information.

The Senior Commission and Pavilion Senior Center will once again be hosting the 50+ Wedding Anniversary and the 90+ Birthday Party

If you are celebrating 50 years or more of marriage or you are turning 90 years or older this year, please contact the Senior Center to let us know. We would love to celebrate these very important milestones with you! Our party will include a wonderful lunch and great entertainment. The joint celebration will be in May, so call to register soon at 847.459.2670. You must be a Wheeling resident or member of Pavilion to attend.

Senior Center Events

Senior Services Open House - May 9, 3-7 p.m.

In celebration of Older Americans Month, join us for the Senior Services Division Open House at the Wheeling Pavilion Senior Center. Please come and share your suggestions and needs with representatives of the Village Senior Commission and Senior Center Advisory Council.

Tuesday Evening at Pavilion - May 21, 6-8 p.m.

The Wheeling Pavilion Senior Center will be open for games and conversation with friends. Please bring your own snacks, if desired. There is NO CHARGE for this event, but we ask that you call 847.459.2670 to register so we know how many people will be attending this program.

Family Education Workshop: Alzheimer's & Related Dementia - May 21 and June 18, 6-8 p.m.

The Senior Center and Home Instead Senior Care will be offering a series of four workshops at the Senior Center to educate family members who are caring for a loved one with Alzheimer's disease or other dementias.

May 21: Techniques to Manage Behavior

June 18: Activities to Encourage Engagement

These programs are FREE of charge, but registration is requested in order to have enough materials for all in attendance. To make your reservation, contact us at 847.459.2670.

Botanic Gardens Carillon Concert - June 3

Delight in a beautiful summer evening at the Botanic Gardens with your friends. We will arrive in time to select a spot for the carillon concert. While waiting, there will be an opportunity to have a pre-concert tour and demonstration of the carillon bells. Feel free to bring your own dinner or purchase food there. Bring your own chair!

8 Cost: \$10 for members / \$25 for non-members

Lunch at Pavilion

Join us for a great meal and great friends at LUNCH AT PAVILION. Excellent NEW menu selections, restaurant atmosphere, table service—you can't beat it! The Senior Center hosts meal service for anyone 60 years and better. A nutritionally-balanced lunch is served Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 11:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. Reservations are required. Social activities and informational programs are included as part of this program. Each diner will receive written information regarding the cost of the meal and will have the opportunity to contribute to part or all of the cost. Funds for this program are provided by an award from AgeOptions through the Illinois Department on Aging and Federal Administration on Aging. Meals are provided by the Catholic Charities. Lunch is often followed by a presentation, a speaker, or musical entertainment. For more information regarding how to register or volunteer, please contact the Wheeling Pavilion Senior Center at 847.459.2670 and ask for Jesus Delgado.

Wheeling Computer Learning Center for Older Adults (50+)

Do you have a digital camera and don't know how to get the pictures off of it? Do you want to keep in touch with your grandchildren through Facebook or email, but don't know where to start? Have you never used a computer, but would like to try? Do you want to learn how to really get the most out of your smartphone or iPhone?

If you answered "yes" to any or all of these questions, then the Wheeling Computer Learning Center for Seniors is just the place for you. NEW SESSIONS BEGIN MONTHLY! Call the Wheeling Pavilion Senior Center at 847.459.2670 for the latest information regarding class offerings and schedules.

Your Clock is Ticking...

This group will meet May 17 and June 21

"Life is like a box of chocolates. You never know what you're going to get."—Tom Hanks, *Forrest Gump*. But for those who make critical decisions, life can be different.

Enjoy your life NOW. Your life should be about aspirations and inspiration, not about waiting until the grass turns greener. Learn to experience the greatest things life has to offer, the incredible achievements you want to make.

This group will meet every THIRD FRIDAY of each month at the Wheeling Pavilion Senior Center from 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Social Worker Jan Christiansen will be facilitating this group. Please contact Social Services at 847.459.2671 with any questions.

HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Social Services Division

The Social Services Division has three social workers to serve all residents of the Village of Wheeling. Call 847.459.2606 for more information.

Special Needs Resident List

The Village of Wheeling Special Needs Resident Notification (Illinois Premise Alert Program Public Act 96-0788) is now available. The Illinois Premise Alert allows people with special needs to provide information to police, fire, and EMS personnel to be kept in a database. This information will be provided to responders dealing with situations involving the special needs individuals.

To let emergency personnel know about your or your family members' special needs, pick up a form at the Police Department or Pavilion Senior Center. Forms may be completed onsite, or you may send them to the Wheeling Police Department Communications Supervisor at 1 Community Boulevard, Wheeling, IL. Your information will not be shared with anyone outside of the emergency personnel of the Village of Wheeling and any other agency needed to provide emergency response. The information provided on the list will not result in preferential treatment or change the response of trained emergency personnel. Inclusion on the list will result in emergency responders being better prepared to assist individual residents with special needs.

Please contact either the Human Services Department at 847.459.2606 or the Wheeling Police Department Communications Supervisor at 847.459.2632 for further information.

Access to Care

The Village of Wheeling Human Services Department is now a registration site for Access to Care. Access to Care is a model primary healthcare program serving low-income, uninsured individuals in suburban Cook County, Illinois and in northwest Chicago (west of Pulaski Road AND north of North Avenue).

The Access to Care program is a unique public/private partnership making primary healthcare and ancillary pharmacy, laboratory and radiology services available to those individuals caught in the gap between eligibility for public health insurance programs (All Kids, FamilyCare, Medicaid, Medicare) and having private insurance. The program provides affordable diagnosis and treatment to individuals and families for a small co-payment per visit, procedure, or prescription medication.

Eligibility screening is determined by the following criteria: family incomes below 200% of the federal poverty level, with no health insurance (or a deductible of \$500 or more per person); ineligibility for All Kids, FamilyCare, Medicaid, or Medicare; and residence in suburban Cook County or Northwest Chicago.

If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about Access to Care, please contact the Human Services Department of the Village at 847.459.2606 to set up an appointment.

The Wheeling Food Pantry

101 N Wolf Rd

Hours of Operation:

Monday through Thursday 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Fridays 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

The Wheeling Food Pantry is an initiative of the Wheeling Rotary Club and is supported by several community organizations, including the Village of Wheeling, OMNI Youth Services, St. Joseph the Worker Church, Wheeling High School, and Community Consolidated School District 21. Social Services staff from the Village of Wheeling Human Services Department and from OMNI Youth Services are available during pantry hours to provide visitors with additional services as needed.

Requirements for utilizing the Food Pantry: Patrons must be either Wheeling residents or have children who attend School District 21 or Wheeling High School. Patrons must bring proof of residency (driver's license or other official identification, utility bill, lease, mortgage, or a letter from School District 21 or Wheeling High School). Qualifying patrons may utilize the Food Pantry once every 30 days.

Non-perishable food donations of the following products are badly needed: peanut butter and jelly, pasta sauce and pasta noodles, canned meats (tuna, chicken, ham, spam, salmon), cold cereal, oatmeal, Cream of Wheat, pancake mix and syrup, SpaghettiOs, ravioli, rice (minute and dried), beans (pinto, garbanzo, lentil, black, red, in dried or canned form), cooking oil, beef stew, instant potatoes, canned vegetables (potatoes, corn, peas), Stovetop stuffing mix, canned pumpkin, cake mixes, cookie mixes, Jell-O, pudding, and muffin mixes.

Collection bins for these donations may be found at Wheeling Village Hall, the Wheeling Police Department, the Wheeling Pavilion Senior Center, and Wheeling Fire Station 24. Donations may also be brought directly to the pantry during regular business hours.

For more information regarding the pantry, please contact the Wheeling Department of Human Services at 847.459.2606.

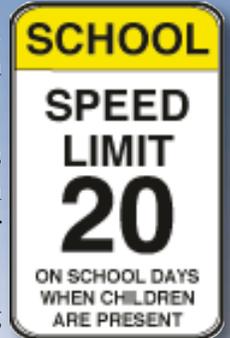
POLICE & FIRE DEPARTMENTS



School Zone Safety Reminder

Because of the warmer weather, more children are now walking to and from school. The Wheeling Police Department wants YOU to be aware of the following:

School Zones: The speed limit in all school zones is 20 miles per hour on school days. School days are defined as 7 a.m. – 4 p.m. on days when school is in session and children are present on the sidewalks or in the area.



Stopping for loading and unloading school buses: Illinois law requires that drivers stop and not pass school buses that have their red lights flashing with the stop sign arm extended. Vehicles that are in oncoming traffic in relation to a stopped school bus on a four-lane roadway are not required to stop under the law. A court appearance by violators is required.

Disobeying a Crossing Guard: Illinois law makes disobeying a Crossing Guard a moving violation. A court appearance by violators is required. The minimum fine is \$150.



Cellular phone use in a school zone: Cellular phone use when driving in school zones is prohibited by state law, except in emergencies (for example, when calling the police, fire or ambulance). Cellular phones may be used in “hands-free” mode in school zones. Cellular phone use is also prohibited in construction work zones.

Texting while driving: Texting while driving is prohibited at all times throughout the state of Illinois. The law defines texting as “electronic mail, a text message, an instant message or a command or request to access an internet site.”



Minimizing the Impact of Disasters

Over the past decade, we have seen the unpredictability of nature: Hurricane Katrina, Hurricane Sandy, the Joplin tornado, and the blizzard of 2010 just to name a few. While we cannot stop these events from occurring, we can learn from them and develop plans to minimize their impacts.

During large-scale disasters, you need to plan to be self-sufficient for at least three days. Initial emergency resources will be devoted to those individuals at immediate risk, as well as attempting to stabilize the overall incident. Those individuals who are not injured or in immediate danger (ex. fire, rising water, etc.) will need to sustain themselves alone for the first few days until additional resources become available. A critical step is for each resident, family, and local business to develop an individual Disaster Plan as well as their own Disaster Supply Kit.

Your Disaster Plan should address the issues critical to preparing for a known possible disaster (ex. tornados, blizzards, floods, etc.) such as where to seek shelter, what to pre-stock in the shelter, and specific personal needs (ex. are you a diabetic?). The plan next needs to address reunification of family members, such as predetermined meeting points and alternate means of contact, assuming cell phones and internet will not be working. Finally, the plan should address post-incident recovery such as property and content insurance, insurance for special situations, and options for temporary relocation. For more information please visit www.ready.gov/make-a-plan, www.redcross.org/prepare/location/home-family/plan, or <http://emergency.cdc.gov/preparedness/plan/>.

Your Disaster Supply Kit should contain the basics for surviving at least three days: water, food, prescription medications, and shelter. Items in your kit need to be pre-stockpiled since access to stores will be unlikely immediately after a disaster. Plastic water bottles are a great resource to have on hand but should be replaced every six months to ensure freshness. Be sure to plan on each individual requiring at least one gallon of water per day. A supply of non-perishable packaged or canned food that can be eaten directly from the container without cooking such as beans, tuna, granola bars, etc. should be part of your kit. If canned goods are stockpiled, remember to also have a manual (non-electric) can opener in your kit, since electrical power is usually not restored until much later after a disaster. Finally, your kit should have items to protect yourself from the elements, such as rolled blankets or sleeping bags, a change of clothing, and plastic sheeting and duct tape to shield yourselves from rain or snow. Be sure to keep your kit pre-packaged and designed for mobility in the event you need to suddenly evacuate or relocate. For more information on developing your Disaster Supply Kit, please visit www.ready.gov/build-a-kit or www.redcross.org/prepare/location/home-family/get-kit.

NEWS YOU CAN USE

May is Building Safety Month

When you enter a house or building, you assume it is safely and properly constructed in compliance with state and local building codes. Fortunately, local safety experts work hard to ensure buildings are safe. To help raise awareness of building safety, the Village of Wheeling proudly celebrates Building Safety Month during May.



BUILDING SAFETY MONTH

This year, each week of Building Safety Month spotlights a specific area of building safety: Fire Safety and Awareness, May 6-12; Disaster Safety and Mitigation, May 13-19; Backyard and Pool Safety, May 20-26; and Energy and Green Building, May 27-31. “When our building safety and fire prevention experts inspect buildings during and after construction, they help to ensure that the places where you live, learn, work, worship and play are safe,” says Mark Janeck, Community Development Director of the Village of Wheeling. “Ensuring public safety is something we think about and do every day by working with homebuilders, plumbers, roofers and other construction industry trades and contractors.”

The International Code Council, sponsor of Building Safety Month, is a member-focused association dedicated to helping the building safety community and construction industry provide safe and sustainable construction through the development of codes and standards used in the design, build and compliance process.

Issuance of Industrial Revenue Bonds

Each calendar year, the Village of Wheeling receives private activity bonding authority from the State of Illinois. The purpose of this bonding authority is to encourage economic development within Wheeling by enabling manufacturing companies to finance—through the issuance of tax-exempt Industrial Revenue Bonds (IRBs)—the acquisition of fixed assets such as land, buildings and equipment. In some cases, bond proceeds may also be used for new construction or renovation. Qualified IRB projects include facilities that are primarily used to manufacture or process tangible products.

Because of significant up-front costs of issuance, IRB issues of less than \$1.5 million are generally not cost-effective. For most companies, bank participation is necessary before bonds can be sold to investors. The Internal Revenue Code defines all IRB eligibility requirements. Final determination of project eligibility is subject to a legal opinion from a recognized municipal bond attorney. If you have a project you believe may qualify for private activity bond financing and would like more information about this program, please contact Finance Director Michael Mondschain at 847.499.9020.

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