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May/June 2015

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WELCOME TO WHEELING



President

Dean S. Argiris

From the Desk of President Argiris

As the busy summer months approach, the Village too is becoming even more busy and active. I have been meeting with several legislators, including Congressman Bob Dold and State Representative Carol Sente among others, to discuss topics important to Wheeling. Keeping these lines of communication open is key to the continued progress of our Village. Communication and cooperation also continues with the Wheeling Park District as we formulate a plan for moving the Senior Center into the Park District's Community Recreation Center, in conjunction with future expansion of that facility. We held a productive joint meeting in April, and anticipate more public discussions in May and June. I eagerly await a final conclusion on getting our seniors the high-quality facility they deserve.

On April 7 we had an election for three Trustee positions. Many congratulations to incumbent Trustees Ray Lang and Dave Vogel on their re-elections! Both campaigned hard to continue representing the residents of Wheeling. The outcome of the race for the third Trustee seat remains contested, with candidates Mary Papanos and Joe Vito separated by a small number of votes. As we eagerly await the final determination, both deserve praise for their respectful campaigns and enthusiasm for serving our community. As I stated in a recent letter to the Daily Herald, I believe our Board is now as productive, creative, and responsible as it has ever been. I look forward to continuing the hard work we've begun to bring about major capital improvements, promote new development, take an active regional leadership role, and make policies that will keep Wheeling on a long-term path of prosperity.

In March, I traveled to Springfield with 25 Northwest Municipal Conference (NWMC) members for the conference's annual Legislative Days. The members and I met with Governor Rauner and many legislative leaders from the House and Senate to discuss the governor's proposed budget and how it would affect local governments. As you may have read in your local papers, Governor Rauner is proposing a cut to the Local Government Distributive Fund in order to help balance Illinois's budget. This would have a direct impact on local governments like Wheeling. Municipal leaders, including myself, continue to urge lawmakers to avoid using local revenue to fill state budget gaps.

Recently, acting in my capacity as chairman of the NWMC's Transportation Committee, I had the opportunity to take part in the Stand Up For Transportation press conference in Union Station's Great Hall to raise awareness about the need for consistent, long-term federal funding for the nation's transportation systems. I was joined by members of the Illinois Congressional delegation, including Senator Dick Durbin and Representatives Bob Dold, Mike Quigley, Bill Foster, and Dan Lipinski, as well as representatives from the CTA, Pace, Metra, and Amtrak. The initiative is meant to ensure a revenue source and campaign for an expansion of mass transit. For Wheeling, this will mean specific effort in pushing for expanded Metra rail service. This is even more important for our community as we continue to develop our town center adjacent to the Metra station. For more information, visit <http://standup4transportation.org/>.



Northgate Crossings clubhouse located at 250 Northgate Parkway. This project may be completed as early as fall 2016.



Whitley groundbreaking, from left to right: Trustees Krueger and Hein, Commissioner Pam Dorband, Trustee Lang, John Melaniphy, Manager Jon Sfondilis, Trustee Brady, President Argiris, and LaSalle Group CEO Mitch Warren.

Construction season is now upon us, as is evidenced by projects such as the Hintz Road repairs currently underway and major progress on our town center area. Development of the Northgate Crossings apartments on Northgate Parkway (see picture above) is proceeding, with the clubhouse and first units likely to be available by late 2015, and the total project anticipated to be completed as early as fall 2016. The Wheeling Town Center project (former Wickes Furniture site) has begun the Village's Planned Unit Development process with the Plan Commission, and groundbreaking is anticipated this year. On April 1 the LaSalle Group broke ground on the Whitley of Wheeling, an assisted living and memory-support facility at 60-156 West Dundee Road, east of the Post Office. The project is expected to open in the fall of 2016.

Seeing the continued teamwork of the Village Board and staff as these projects come to fruition makes me as proud as ever to be President of this great Village. I hope you can feel the excitement in the air as we embark upon the journey of creating the best future for the Village of Wheeling that we can!

WELCOME TO WHEELING



SAVE THE DATE!

~Friday, July 3, 2015~

Please join the Village of Wheeling, the City of Prospect Heights, and Chicago Executive Airport at this year's newly expanded community fireworks event, **Rock 'n' Run the Runway**, held at Chicago Executive Airport. The day will start with a 5K run in the morning, and resume with food trucks, live music, and fireworks in the evening.

Visit www.rocknruntherunway.com for more details.

Health Happenings

Brought to you by the Wheeling Board of Health

Pantry. These bags will be given to families to help them carry their food items home from the pantry.

You can drop bags off at the Village Hall in the marked container in the lobby. Bags can also be dropped off at the Prescription Medication and Sharps Collection which is held on the third Saturday of every month from 10 a.m. until 12 p.m. in front of the Police Station located at 1 Community Blvd. Please only bring in grocery-sized bags. Collections will begin May 1.

Sharps Safety Guidelines

SWANCC has issued new safety guidelines for how to contain sharps (needles and syringes):

1. Put caps back on needles after injection.
2. Place capped needles in a secure container:
 - A one-quart or one-gallon biohazard container provided by SWANCC.
 - An empty, ridged, plastic laundry detergent bottle with screw-top lid, labeled "hazardous materials"
3. DO NOT PLACE SHARPS IN THIN PLASTIC CONTAINERS, SUCH AS MILK JUGS OR WATER BOTTLES! Needles can easily pierce through thin plastic.

Visit www.swancc.org for more information regarding the medication and sharps recycling program.

Cloth Recycling Grocery Bags Needed!

The Wheeling Board of Health is collecting new and gently-used cloth/canvas grocery bags to be used at the Wheeling Food

The Clerk's Corner

Wheeling Garden Club

The Wheeling Garden Club will be having its annual plant sale on Saturday, May 16 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the circle drive (adjacent to Dundee Road) at Saint Joseph the Worker Church. Flowers are reasonably priced, and a majority of the plants come from the Garden Club members' own gardens. The hanging baskets that are for sale are huge and very attractive. For further information, please contact Jan Schmidt at 847.909.0335. On June 10 at the Indian Trails Library, the Wheeling and Buffalo Grove Garden Clubs will present Chalet Nursery on succulents. For more information, please contact Christine Brady at 847.537.8642.



*Village Clerk
Elaine E. Simpson*

Wheeling Historical Society

On Wednesday, May 27, the Wheeling Historical Society will be having its Installation Dinner at Chevy Chase Country Club. This would be a great time to become a member of the Society. The Society meets on the 4th Wednesday of every month, and their goal is preserving Wheeling's history for future generations. If you are interested in purchasing tickets for the dinner or joining, please contact Joan Wiener at 847.650.0144.

WCPAAA Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser

The Wheeling Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association (WCPAAA) will be having its annual pancake breakfast fundraiser on Sunday, June 14 starting at 9 a.m. at the Senior Center, 199 N. 1st St. For further information, please contact Betty at 847.309.7653.

POLICE & FIRE DEPARTMENTS

Warm Weather Storm Safety

Each year, deadly tornados throughout the midwest show how unpredictable severe weather can be. Knowing what to do in these situations can minimize the potential for serious injury to you and your family, as well as potential damage to your home or business. The first step in preparing is knowing what the various terms used by the National Weather Service mean.

If your power is out, please call Commonwealth Edison directly at 800.334.7661

•**SEVERE THUNDERSTORM WATCH:** Atmospheric conditions are right for the possible development of thunderstorms that may be severe and could produce large amounts of localized rain, as well as hail and high winds. When a “Watch” is issued for our area, monitor the radio, television, and/or internet for further weather updates. Walk around the outside of your home and secure any loose items such as lawn furniture, umbrellas, children’s toys, downspout extensions, etc. to prevent these items from becoming “missiles” if the wind becomes very strong. Avoid leaving your home or business unless absolutely necessary.

•**SEVERE THUNDERSTORM WARNING:** An actual thunderstorm has developed in our area and is producing large amounts of localized rain, hail, and/or high winds. Immediately go inside a building and close all window blinds on the side of the building from which the storm is approaching (this will minimize flying glass, should a window break). To avoid injury in the event of breakage, do not stand in front of or near windows. Do not talk on a hardwired telephone or use plumbing fixtures until the storm passes since lightning can follow these devices if your home or business is struck.

•**TORNADO WATCH:** Atmospheric conditions are right for the possible development of tornados in our area. It is not uncommon for a “Tornado Watch” to also be associated with a “Severe Thunderstorm Watch.” You should take the same precautions listed above for “Severe Thunderstorm Watch” to prepare for this pending weather condition.

•**TORNADO WARNING:** An actual tornado has been reported by a trained weather spotter and/or has been observed by radar in our area. This is the only event in which the Village of Wheeling’s warning sirens will be activated. Immediately take protective cover in your basement or an interior room (usually a bathroom or closet on the lowest level of your home). If at work, immediately take shelter in an interior room or space on the lowest level of the building (usually a bathroom, closet, interior stairwell, or interior hallway with no windows). Sit with your back against the wall with your head between your knees and your fingers interlaced behind your head. If available, and only if time permits, cover yourself and family members or fellow employees with a blanket or similar item to provide some additional padded protection. If you are caught outside, find the lowest depression in the ground and lay flat on your stomach with your fingers interlaced behind your head and your eyes closed. If you are in your car, do not try to outrun a tornado. Instead, attempt to get inside a nearby structure. If this is not possible, pull your car over to the side of the road, turn on your emergency flashers, and get down on the floor of the vehicle. Most fatalities associated with tornados are caused as a result of individuals being hit by flying debris, particularly broken glass.

After the storm has passed, do not call the Fire or Police Department if your power is out or if there is standing water on your street. If your power is out, please call Commonwealth Edison directly at 800.334.7661. The Village of Wheeling has neither control over when your power will be restored nor any estimates regarding its restoration. Calling the Fire or Police Department for power outages only delays personnel from answering legitimate calls for emergency assistance. Standing water on streets is commonly caused by storm debris sitting on top of the storm sewer grates. Using a long-handled garden tool such as a rake to pull the debris up onto the parkway will clear the sewer grate and allow the water to drain away naturally.

Do not allow children or pets to play outside until you have walked around your home to determine that there are no hazards such as downed power lines, broken glass, or flooded areas. Any downed power lines should be assumed to be energized and immediately reported by calling 9-1-1. Finally, do not allow children or pets to play in flooded stormwater detention basins, since the stormwater can unexpectedly rise or fall, resulting in entrapment or drowning due to being pulled underneath the water.

For more information about warm weather safety, go to:

www.nws.noaa.gov/om/brochures/ttl.pdf

www.wheelingil.gov/Services/Fire/WarmWeatherSafetyInformation.asp.

For more information about power outages, go to:

www.comed.com/customer-service/outage-information/Pages/default.aspx

<http://www.wheelingil.gov/Services/Fire/PDF/WheelingElectricalPowerOutageInformation.pdf>.



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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & PUBLIC WORKS

Annual Hydrant Flushing

The Utility Division will be flushing hydrants throughout the Village from April 26 through May 11, weather permitting. Hydrant flushing will occur between the hours of 7 a.m. and 3:30 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. Although residents may notice slightly lower pressure and discoloration of their water throughout the duration of the program, 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.

Contact the Department of Public Works Utility Division at 847.279.6900 with any questions or concerns.

One-Day Electronic Recycling & Document Destruction Event

On Saturday, May 30, the Village of Wheeling is hosting a one-day Electronic Recycling and Document Destruction Event, sponsored by the Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County (SWANCC). The event will take place at the Public Works building (77 W. Hintz Road) from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., rain or shine. There is no cost to participate.

Acceptable electronic items include computers (desktop, notebook, tablet), computer monitors, printers (including multi-function printers and printer/fax combinations), copiers, scanners, shredders, televisions, calculators, cameras, camcorders, cable receivers, computer cables, converter boxes, fax machines, mobile telephones, mouse or keyboards, MP3 players, portable digital assistants (PDA), satellite receivers, scanners, video game consoles, videocassette recorder/players, digital video disk players (DVD), zip drives, answering machines, telephones, typewriters, etc. A complete list can be found at www.swancc.org.

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 paper shopping bags or file-size boxes per vehicle. Plastic bags will not be accepted. Paper clips and staples do not need to be removed, but binders will 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 (electronic or documents) 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.

Parkway Tree Planting Program

The Village of Wheeling will once again be conducting its annual parkway tree planting program in the spring. Parkway trees are planted at locations where the Public Works Department has removed a dead, hazardous, or diseased tree and in parkways that do not have trees. Residents may contact the Public Works Department at 847.279.6900 to request a parkway tree be planted at no cost to them. Please note that there may be a waiting period if requests exceed available funds.

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. Non-essential water use is prohibited between 12 p.m. and 6 p.m. every day. Types of non-essential water use include but are not limited to washing vehicles, using hoses for clean-up, irrigation of lawns, and washing/pressure-washing streets, sidewalks, parking lots, paved areas, or building exteriors. For code enforcement, please contact Community Development at 847.459.2633. Thank you for conserving our resources.

Do You Need a Permit?

Before you build or remodel structures within the Village, it is likely you will need to obtain a permit. The Building Division is involved from the plan review process through the final onsite inspection to make sure building and remodeling projects comply with current life-safety building codes. Permit forms are available on the Village website. If you are unsure whether you are required to have a permit for work on your property, please inquire through Community Development at 847.459.2620.

Home improvements requiring a permit:

House addition or remodeling	Fireplace
Window/Door replacement	Alarm system
Garage (with size change)	Shed
Central air conditioning	Furnace
Driveway/Sidewalk/Patio	Stoop replacement
Pool/Spa/Hot tub	Deck/Porch
Water heater replacement	Sewer repair
Roofing/Siding	Fence
Satellite dish	Lawn sprinkler
Gazebo electrical or plumbing work	

HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Pavilion Senior Center & Social Services Division

Programs at the Wheeling Pavilion Senior Center

Register for these programs at the Wheeling Pavilion Senior Center (199 N. First Street) or by calling us at 847.459.2670.

Telephone Reassurance Program

The Telephone Reassurance Program serves individuals age 60 and older who live alone and need a daily reassurance call. Calls are made by trained volunteers every morning between 8:45 and 9 a.m. In addition to checking on the physical well-being of older residents, the program also helps by reducing loneliness and providing an opportunity to be in contact with another person.

Horseshoe Casino Trip

Are you feeling lucky? Join us for a trip to the Horseshoe Casino in Hammond, IN. We will meet at the Senior Center then travel by bus to the casino. While there, we will enjoy various games, slots, and a delicious lunch buffet. The cost of this trip includes round-trip transportation and the buffet.

Date: Tuesday, June 30, 2015

Time: Meet at the Senior Center at 8:45 a.m. The bus will leave at 9 a.m. and is expected to return by 5:30 p.m.

Place: Hammond, Indiana

Cost: \$28 members/\$43 non-members by June 8, 2015. \$33 members/\$48 non-members June 9–15, 2015. No refunds or credits after June 8, 2015.

50th Anniversary/90th Birthday Celebrations



*Are you celebrating a 90+ birthday?
Have you been married for 50+ years?*



If you answered “yes” to either of these questions, or know a resident who fits this description, please contact the Senior Center to update our invitation list for our annual 50/90 Celebration on May 21. Sponsored by the Wheeling Senior Commission.

Senior Center Open House & Vendor Fair

Thursday, May 14, 2015, 3–6 p.m.
Wheeling Pavilion Senior Center
199 N. First Street, Wheeling

Come to the Wheeling Pavilion Senior Center and learn about all of the trips, programs, and services we have to offer. Visit with various vendors and learn about the services they provide.

Lunch at Pavilion

Join us for a great meal and great friends at Lunch at Pavilion. NEW menu selections, restaurant atmosphere, table service—you can't beat it! The Wheeling Senior Center hosts meal service for anyone 60 years and better. A nutritionally-balanced lunch is served MONDAY–FRIDAY from 11:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. Reservations are required. Social activities and informational presentations are included as part of this program. Each diner will receive information regarding the cost of the meal and will have the opportunity to contribute to part or all of the cost. The suggested donation is \$4. For our frequent diners, we have a five-meal punch card for a donation of \$15. These cards have no expiration date and are available at the Wheeling Pavilion Senior Center front desk. The Lunch at Pavilion program is committed to providing meals to all older adults 60 and better, regardless of ability to pay. Funds for this program are provided by an award from AgeOptions through the Illinois Department on Aging and the Federal Administration on Aging. Something new began last fall—Lunch to Go! Lunch at Pavilion participants may order additional meals to take home for an ailing spouse or for use over the weekend. The meals have a cost of \$6 and cannot be purchased with the punch card. Orders for Lunch to Go are due the Wednesday before. For more information regarding how to register or volunteer, please contact the Senior Center at 847.459.2670 and ask for Jesus Delgado.

Wanted: Houses Seeking Curb Appeal

The 28th Annual Community Paint-A-Thon is Saturday, September 12. Though the date is a long way off, applications are available now. If the exterior of your house needs to be painted due to peeling, fading, or worn paint, consider applying. The program provides for painting the exterior of single family homes at no cost to those who qualify.

To qualify, homes must be owned and occupied by people with limited financial resources, and the owners must be at least 60 years of age or have a permanent disability that hinders them from doing the work themselves. Once a home is determined eligible, volunteer teams do the scraping, priming, and painting of the house. The Paint-A-Thon is a major community-wide event. Teams of volunteers are recruited from businesses, churches, social, and civic groups. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Annette Sommer at HandsOn Suburban Chicago at 847.228.1320. If you or someone you know needs their home painted, please contact Catholic Charities at 847.253.5500.

COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS



Wheeling Historical Society Memorial Day Parade



This year's Memorial Day Parade, featuring the award-winning Wheeling High School marching band, will be held on May 25 at 11 a.m. on Dundee Road, starting at Milwaukee Avenue. The parade will proceed west to Wolf Road where it will turn north towards the Wheeling Park District's Chamber Park, home of the Wheeling Historical Society Museum and Historical District. The parade will begin with a memorial wreath being placed at Flag Park (southeast corner of Dundee Road and Milwaukee Avenue) where the flags of America's military forces hang. Memorial Day services by AmVets Post 66 and a Memorial Day address by President Argiris will take place at Chamber Park, followed by a Settler's Day Picnic. Pack a picnic basket and bring your family, neighbors, and friends. Ice cream desserts will be provided by the

Wheeling Historical Society. No alcohol is allowed in the park. There will also be a tour and an open house for visitors to see the museum and its grounds. If you would like to participate in the parade, please contact Bill Hein at 847.650.8985. This event is sponsored by the Wheeling Historical Society.

Back-to-School Physicals & Immunizations Clinic

Wheeling High School

June 23, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

June 24, 12 p.m. – 8 p.m.

Appointments are required. Call 847.459.2606 to make an appointment.

REMEMBER

- ◆ Parents must accompany their child for the appointment
- ◆ Parents must have their child's immunization record
- ◆ Arrive 15 minutes before your appointment
- ◆ If you have insurance, bring all cards
- ◆ Cost: \$25 for physical and immunizations without insurance
- ◆ Physicals and immunizations are required for all children entering Kindergarten, 5th grade, 6th grade, and 9th grade

Dental screenings are available

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Police Satisfaction Survey

Please visit our website at: www.wheelingil.gov and follow the link to take a survey on citizen satisfaction regarding police services in the Village. It is a very short survey that will assist us in determining any improvements that are needed.



COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

2015 Election Results:

<u>Trustee, 4-year term</u>	<u>Votes</u>
David Vogel	1,211
Mary M. Papantos	884
Ray Lang	1,069
Joe Vito (write-in)	858

(Votes reflect results certified by Cook County. These results are still being contested.)



Link Together is a community coalition currently working in Wheeling and surrounding communities to prevent teen drug and alcohol use. While most teens choose not to use drugs or alcohol, local and statewide trends show youth drug and alcohol use increases dramatically from 9th to 12th grade. As a community, through education and prevention programs that have been proven to be effective, we can spread a prevention message heard by community members, teens, parents, businesses, schools, healthcare professionals, and more. For more information visit linktogethercoalition.org

Relay for Life of Mt. Prospect & Wheeling

Join us on the Wheeling High School football field on Saturday, May 9 from 4–11 p.m. for Relay For Life of Mt. Prospect & Wheeling! Relay For Life is a fundraising event that celebrates the cancer survivors in our lives, remembers the loved ones we've lost, and fights back against this terrible disease. For more information or to register, please visit www.RelayForLife.org/mpwil.

School Zone Safety Reminder

With the weather warming up, more of our children are walking to and from school. The Wheeling Police want YOU to be aware of the following:

School Zones: The speed limit in all Wheeling school zones is 20 miles per hour. "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. First offenses carry a minimum fine of \$150. A court appearance by violators is required. Court supervision cannot be given to drivers cited for speeding in a school zone.

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. First offenders are subject to a mandatory minimum fine of \$150, are not eligible for court supervision, and will have their driver's license suspended for a period of three months.

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 phones: Cellular phone use while driving is prohibited by state law, except in emergencies. Cellular phones may NOT be used in any mode in school or construction zones. This means that you cannot even use a cell phone in bluetooth or hands-free mode in either location.

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."

Seat belts: ALL passengers in a vehicle—including adults—must wear a seat belt. This includes backseat passengers.

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Precision metal fabrication

Laundry World

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Suburban Machine Corporation

512 Northgate Parkway
Machinery & equipment packing

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