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- Village Board matters
- Village Manager's office
- Liquor licenses
- Village newsletter
- Voter registration
- Employment opportunities
- Freedom of Information requests, foia@wheelingil.gov

Finance Department

847.459.2627

- Water bills
- Real estate transfer stamps
- Metra parking passes
- Pet licenses

Community Development

847.459.2620

- Building, engineering, sign permits
- Business & rental property licenses
- Inspections
- Building codes & zoning information
- Property maintenance
- Flood maps & zone determination
- Health Division
- Planning Division

Economic Development

847.459.2605

- Available buildings
- Demographics
- Development inquiries
- TIF district information
- 6b tax exemption applications

Fire Prevention Bureau

847.459.2669

- Fire alarm & sprinkler permits
- Inspections

Fire Department

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- Fire codes
- CPR classes

Police Department

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- Citizens Police Academy
- DARE program
- Graffiti removal
- Neighborhood watch

Public Works Department

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- Fire hydrant flushing
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- Sanitary sewer service televising
- Water quality concerns
- Flooding
- Capital Improvements Division
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- Waste management
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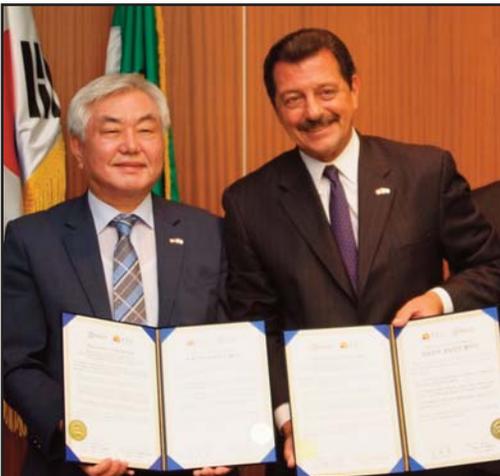
From the Desk of President Argiris

I am excited to have plenty of news to share with you about this great village we call home! From economic development progress to international partnerships, the Village is continuously moving towards a brighter future.

Recently we unveiled the Village's newly redesigned website, still located at www.wheelingil.gov, and the new Village slogan. The Village's new slogan, "Revolving Around Community" was chosen from entries submitted by residents and business owners in Wheeling. The Village Board and I were very happy to see the level of interest from the community in the search for a new slogan, and we really appreciate the creativity and thoughtfulness of the submissions we received. It's been a great opportunity for people to show their pride in Wheeling. Along with the redesign of the Village's website, we are closing in on our strategic planning goal of enhancing the Village's community image.

The Wheeling Town Center project has made tremendous progress these past few months. Developer WTC, LLC recently announced that CMX will be the new movie theater anchor for Wheeling Town Center. The parent company, Cinemex, is the sixth largest movie theater company in the world. The new CMX division has been created to allow the company to expand into the United States. Cinemex has 279 locations globally and recently launched a U.S. expansion plan which now includes Wheeling, Skokie, and Wrigleyville in the Chicago Metropolitan Area. CMX is also opening theaters in New York, New Jersey, Boston, and the new Brickell City Centre in Miami. Cinemex is a luxury dine-in cinema with high-end finishes and decor. Their build-out commitment to Wheeling represents an investment of over \$10 million dollars. Their concept includes a well-appointed lounge and bar area, and their theaters offer oversized leather seats. Cinemex has brought in one of Chicago's most successful restauranters, Lettuce Entertain You Enterprises, to partner with CMX on the food service.

The developer has worked with a variety of stakeholders to bring this project to fruition, including the United States Postal Service, the Wheeling Park District, and Metra. It's been a long road to get where we are, but I am thankful to WTC, LLC for sticking it out with Wheeling and having the same vision of a dedicated Town Center as the Board and I have had all these years. I am confident that once completed, this development will be one that helps Wheeling stand out among surrounding towns for years to come. The developer plans to break ground on the project this fall.



On August 12, City of Suncheon Deputy Mayor Cheon and President Argiris signed a Memorandum of Understanding for the establishment of educational exchanges.

As you may recall, around this time last year a group of Wheeling delegates and I traveled to South Korea on an exchange mission to establish partnerships in the areas of culture, education, tourism, and business. That exchange mission proved to be a tremendous success, and since that time the Village has received strong interest from several prominent cities in the Republic of Korea in forming lasting partnerships in our community.

On August 12, a delegation from the City of Suncheon, Republic of Korea visited Wheeling to sign a memorandum of understanding with the Village to pursue mutually-beneficial exchanges in the field of education. A number of local officials and leaders attended the meeting in support of this new partnership, including U.S. 10th District Congressman Bob Dold, Senator Julie Morrison, a representative from Representative Carol Sente's office, and Illinois Comptroller Public Affairs Manager Thomas Choi, as well as representatives from School District 21, the Wheeling Park District, and the Wheeling Village Board.

A group of educators from High School District 214, Northeastern Illinois University, SOLEX College, and Harper College also joined Suncheon's Lifelong Learning Director Jeong, Ki Seong to share information about existing structures that would be available to support exchanges, with an initial focus on

high school students and recent graduates. There were a range of programs and networks available to initiate exchange activities for the City of Suncheon to consider. The range not only covered educational opportunities, but also included establishing a career pathway for participants within the various exchange experiences.

WELCOME TO WHEELING

The Clerk's Corner



*Village Clerk
Elaine E. Simpson*

Upcoming Fall Events

There are some fun events ahead in the upcoming months. Non-for-profit organization Wheeling Helping Hands will be holding three events to benefit the Wheeling Police Department, Firefighters Association, and Camp I Am Me. On Thursday, September 8 there will be a golf outing, on Friday, September 9 will be a fundraiser dinner and live music at Market Square Restaurant, and Saturday, September 10 is the famous pig roast, also at Market Square. For further information, call Mike Kurgan at 847.651.5865.

On September 11, Addoloratta Villa will have their annual fest from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be a barbecue lunch, raffles, bingo, games for kids, and much more. For further information, call the Villa at 847.537.2900.

Want to learn about farming in Wheeling? On Sunday, September 25 at 1:30 p.m., the Wheeling Historical Society will host a program on farming through the years in Wheeling, with guest speaker Mike Horcher. For further information, call Terry Steilen at 847.537.7287.

The Wheeling Rotary Club will have their annual fundraiser on Thursday, October 27 at Chevy Chase. For further information, call Steve Karecki at 847.537.3330.

Do you own a business in Wheeling that would like to get involved in a business organization? The Wheeling Rotary Club is the place. For further information, please call Dr. Kate Hyland at 847.537.8270.

**Village offices will be closed
Monday, September 5 in honor of
Labor Day and Monday, October 10 in
honor of Columbus Day.
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Reminder: Dispose of Sharps & Medications Properly

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:



1. Prescription and over-the-counter medications in their original containers. Loose pills or pills in plastic bags, liquid over-the-counter medications, or any controlled substances cannot be accepted. Visit www.swancc.org for a list of all controlled substances.
2. Sharps (needles and syringes) in rigid containers with a sealed lid. Sharps that are not in a rigid container or are in soft containers such as milk gallons or water bottles are not acceptable. Sharps containers will be handed out at the collection and are available at the Community Development Department at Village Hall.
3. Household batteries (AA, AAA, C, D, 9V) and rechargeable batteries (Lithium, NiMh, NiCad). Each rechargeable battery **MUST** have masking tape on contact points or be contained in an individual self-locking plastic bag. No automotive batteries will be accepted.
4. Eyeglasses, including sunglasses and telescopic, magnifying, and prescription glasses. Children's glasses are especially needed. The glasses will be given to the Lions Club "Recycle for Sight" program.

If you have any questions regarding any of the programs and activities sponsored by the Board of Health, please call Health Officer Beverly Slaby at 847.499.9045.

POLICE & FIRE DEPARTMENTS

Wheeling Police Department Alert: Pokemon GO

The Pokémon GO website states: “For safety’s sake, never play Pokémon GO when you’re on your bike, driving a car, riding a hoverboard, or doing anything else where you should be paying attention, and of course never wander away from your parents or your group to catch a Pokémon.”



It is very important to be mindful of your surroundings when playing. Before Pokémon GO, phones were already being stolen right out of people’s hands as they walked, texted, etc. Unfortunately, this new game gives people more reasons to walk around looking at their phones, oblivious to their surroundings. Follow these tips for safe game play:

-  Don’t do things you wouldn’t normally do. Pokémon creatures are randomly generated in the game, meaning they can appear anywhere, like private property, or in dangerous or unsafe areas. In fact, there have been reports of residents complaining because gameplay takes the players into the front and backyards of private homes. If the game takes you to a dangerous area, an area that you normally wouldn’t feel safe, or onto private property, don’t go to that area!
-  If playing at night, wear bright colors and reflective clothing.
-  Use the buddy system and don’t play the game alone. There truly can be safety in numbers and at least one player should be paying attention to what is going on around you in the real world.
-  Remember, bad guys go where the victims are. Just because you are gripping your phone so no one can take it doesn’t mean they won’t steal something else that you aren’t paying attention to such as a wallet or purse. Recently in O’Fallon, MO, criminal predators noticed more foot traffic than normal in certain areas due to game play. They simply watched the area and timed their robberies for maximum return.
-  Act appropriately while playing. As an example, the Arlington National Cemetery (ANC) recently released this message via Twitter: “We do not consider playing ‘Pokémon GO’ to be appropriate decorum on the grounds of ANC. We ask all visitors to refrain from such activity.”
-  Finally, make sure you are prepared to be out walking for a long time and that you are ready for the exercise, exposure to the elements, etc. Walking is an enormous part of playing Pokémon GO.

If you have any questions, please contact the Crime Prevention Unit at 847.459.2994.

Police Crime Watch Meetings

Do you want to know what is really going on in Wheeling? Is crime up, down, the same? Now is the time to find out!

Wheeling Crime Watch Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. in the Police Department Training Room, 1 Community Boulevard.

Crime Watch Meetings are an opportunity for residents and business owners to meet with police officers in an effort to solve problems collectively. Area crime statistics are reported, citizen concerns are addressed, and methods to resolve these issues are discussed. Learn about new traffic laws and other traffic-related issues from the Wheeling Police Department Traffic Unit. Meetings end with an informational training topic presented. All members of the community are invited to participate in these open meetings.

Please call the Crime Prevention Unit at 847.459.2994 with any questions you may have.

Citizens Police Academy

Applications are being accepted for the next Citizens Police Academy. This ten-week course is held Thursday evenings from September 15 through November 17, 7 to 9:30 p.m.

Topics include the history and organization of the Wheeling Police Department, domestic violence, juvenile issues, use of force, criminal law, major crimes, community policing, and information on the Patrol, Traffic, Crime Prevention, Community Relations, Evidence, and Investigations units.

Academy graduates will be have the option to ride in a patrol car to see what officers are exposed to and how they respond, and will also be given the option of joining the Citizens Patrol Group.

For more information, contact the Crime Prevention Unit at crimeprevention@wheelingil.gov. or call 847.459.2994. Applications are available at www.wheelingil.gov.

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Storm Drain Grate/Inlet Cleaning

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The Village encourages residents to help remove debris from storm sewer inlets.

obstructed with leaves and other debris (i.e. grass clippings, tree seeds, branches, etc.) do not allow for a continual water flow and may cause localized flooding. The Village encourages residents to check storm sewer grates/inlets near their property before, during, and after rain events unless a thunderstorm is occurring or there is concern for lightning. Do not stuff the debris into the grate/inlet or blow the debris into the street. If there is a larger concern, residents may contact the Public Works Department at 847.279.6900.

Guidelines for Leaf Disposal

With the arrival of the autumn season, residents are reminded that the deposit of leaves onto any roadway or right-of-way is prohibited. Leaves deposited onto roadways have an immediate and measurable effect on the storm sewer system, including clogged storm sewer drains/inlets and subsequent flooding.

The Village's refuse contract with Waste Management provides a convenient method to dispose of leaves and other yard waste for residents who have curbside pick-up service. Residents can use 2-ply biodegradable 32-gallon yard waste bags or rigid plastic 32-gallon containers clearly marked with a red "X" to hold yard waste. These containers and biodegradable bags may not exceed 50 pounds when filled with waste; there is no limit to the number of yard waste bags or containers. Yard waste in plastic bags or cardboard boxes will not be collected.

Brush and tree branches must be less than 3" in diameter, bundled, and bound with biodegradable string. Bundles must be less than four feet in length, two feet in diameter, and weigh no more than 50 pounds. Yard waste collections conclude on November 30, 2016.

FREE Rain Barrels

Rain barrels are containers that collect and store rain water from rooftops that would otherwise be lost to runoff and diverted to storm drains, creeks and rivers. Because rain barrel water is naturally free of chlorine, lime, and calcium, it is ideal for gardens, potted plants/flowers, lawns, and even car washing. Rain barrels reduce storm water pollution and conserve water.

The Village of Wheeling has partnered with the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (MWRD) to provide free rain barrels, connecting hardware, and delivery for qualified Wheeling residents. Installation is not included. Rain barrels are approximately 55 gallons, 36" in height, made of durable recycled plastic and available in four colors.

Applications are available on the Village's website at www.wheelingil.gov. Once the Village receives the application, the order will be processed and rain barrels will be delivered by MWRD's vendor. Deliveries can take 6-10 weeks, or more if orders are behind. ***Rain barrels shall only be placed in the rear of your residence.***

Effective December 31, 2016, the program will be discontinued. Contact 847.279.6900 with any questions.

Household Chemical Waste Disposal

Household products used for cleaning, lawn or garden care, vehicle maintenance, or certain hobbies, can contain hazardous ingredients harmful to your health and the environment. Whenever possible, purchase limited quantities of these types of products and observe proper and safe disposal methods.

Long-term permanent drop-off facilities are available to Illinois residents for household hazardous waste disposal at no charge. These permanent facilities are located in Naperville, Rockford, Chicago, and Gurnee (by appointment only). For information on these locations and items that are accepted, please visit www.epa.state.il.us or www.swancc.org or contact Public Works at 847.279.6900.

Latex Paint

Latex or water-based paint is not considered hazardous and is not accepted at State drop-off facilities. Disposal alternatives for latex paint include adding an absorbent such as kitty litter, sand, oil-dry, or shredded paper into the paint can. When the additive is absorbed and the paint is hardened, place lids back on and dispose of in regular WM refuse containers.



HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Pavilion Senior Center & Social Services Division

The Social Services Division offers many services to the residents of the Village of Wheeling needing assistance including:

- Assessment
- Case management
- Community Linkage/information and referral
- Crisis intervention
- Court advocacy
- Short-term counseling
- Tangible and basic needs
- Victim services
- Support groups

The Social Services Division has three professional social workers who work closely with the Police and Fire Departments, as well as schools and community agencies to serve the residents of Wheeling. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact the Human Services Department Social Services Division at 847.459.2606.

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 Pavilion 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 programs 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 available for a donation of \$15. These cards have no expiration date. Cards are available at the Wheeling Pavilion Senior Center front desk. The Lunch at Pavilion program is committed to providing meals to all adults 60 and better, regardless of ability to pay. Funds for this program are provided through an award from AgeOptions through the Federal Administration on Aging. Lunch at Pavilion is pleased to announce our new caterer, Hoffman House, Inc. of Batavia.

Join us for a free lunch and check it out! Anyone who has not dined at Lunch at Pavilion in the last 12 months is eligible for this free lunch. Cut out the coupon and come on in!

Living with or loving someone with a mental illness? Feeling confused, alone, worried, and don't know where to turn?

Please join us for a six-week psycho-educational support group for relatives living with and/or caring for their mentally ill loved one. Learn to understand symptoms, effects of medications, self-care, and much more. This program is run by experienced Village of Wheeling Social Services staff.

The group will start September 14 and run for six Wednesdays. (September 14, 21, 28, October 5, 19 and conclude on October 26). Attendees must attend all of the sessions in order.

Meetings will take place from 7–8:30 p.m. at the Wheeling Pavilion Senior Center, 199 North First Street in Wheeling.

Space is limited. Please call Angela Burrell, Police Social Worker, at 847.459.2640 for more information and to reserve your spot in the group by September 9.

Amplified Phone Program

Monday, September 19, 9:30 a.m.–12 p.m.

Do you have difficulty hearing conversations over the phone? If you haven't received an amplified phone in the last three years, you are eligible to receive a phone during this event. This program is by appointment only. Call the Wheeling Pavilion at 847.459.2670 for further information or to reserve your space.

Mobile Drivers Super Senior Event

Wednesday, September 21, 9:30 a.m.–2 p.m.

A representative from the Secretary of State's office will be at the Senior Center to assist with driver's license and State ID applications and renewals. Attendees will also have the opportunity to purchase license plate stickers and register to vote. Proper identification will be needed for these services. A Rules of the Road class will be offered in the morning. This event is FREE, but advance registration is requested.



FREE LUNCH

The eligibility guidelines are as follows:

- A person must be 60 years old of age or older
- Call us to make your reservation **(847)459-2670**
- Coupon redeemable for new participants only and one coupon per person.
- Dine in only. Present this coupon at the time you visit us for your free lunch

Wheeling Pavilion Senior Center
199 N 1st Street, Wheeling, IL 60090
847-459-2670
Regular Suggested donation for meal is \$ 4.00

COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

From the Desk of President Argiris continued...

Additionally, the Village is preparing for a delegation from the Gangnam District of Seoul in late September, and the City of Busan is planning a visit in 2018. These cities are globally recognized as hubs of industry, art, and culture, and the Village is proud to count them as friends.

In honor of our special relationship with these three communities, the Village will re-designate three streets located near the Korean Cultural Center of Chicago at 9930 Capitol Drive. In August, South Drive was officially renamed Suncheon Drive. In September, East Drive will officially be renamed in honor of Gangnam. Finally, in May, Capitol Drive will be given an honorary designation recognizing Busan. Again, we are very excited about these new relationships and the opportunities they represent for our respective residents and businesses, alike.



All of this is just a glimpse into all of the good things that are happening here in Wheeling. In upcoming newsletters look for more economic development announcements and updates on the Wheeling Town Center. We are just reaching our stride and the momentum we have will keep us going full steam ahead. If ever there was a time to be proud to be a Wheeling resident, now is it!



TASTE OF THE TOWN

Taste of the Town 2016
Wednesday, September 14, 2016
5:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Westin Chicago North Shore
 601 N. Milwaukee Avenue
 Wheeling, IL 60090

Sample restaurants include:

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| Big Bowl | Bob Chinn's Crabhouse | Buca di Beppo | Cooper's Hawk | e+o food and drink |
| Meatheads | Nothing Bundt Cake | Pinstripes | Tuscany Wheeling | Superdawg |
| Truco Taqueria | RAM Restaurant & Brewery | Wa-Pa-Ghetti's | The Westin | Wildfire |

Tickets available at www.WheelingTasteoftheTown.com



COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

“Revolving Around Community” is Chosen as New Slogan

Following several weeks of collecting and weighing public input, the Wheeling Board of Trustees selected a new slogan for the Village: “Revolving Around Community.” The new slogan was chosen from among 134 entries sent in by Wheeling residents and business owners. Updating the slogan was one of the “Community Image” goals identified in the Village’s 2015–2016 Strategic Plan. “Revolving Around Community” ultimately emerged as the winner among a field of strong contenders and was chosen for its simplicity, suggestion of motion and action, and implied emphasis on cooperation between stakeholders.

“The new slogan needed to represent everyone who works together to make the community great—residents, businesses, civic groups, churches, public servants, and cultural organizations—and do so in a way that’s uniquely Wheeling,” Village Manager Jon Sfondilis said. “The phrase ‘Revolving Around Community’ accomplishes that with style.”

The new slogan will be phased in gradually on publications and signage, beginning with the Village’s redesigned website. The new website was recently unveiled, fulfilling another goal identified in the Strategic Plan.



Halloween Trick or
Treat hours for all
ghosts and goblins are
3 – 7 p.m. on
Monday, October 31



Chicago Executive Airport Public Meetings

The public is encouraged to attend regularly scheduled airport meetings, normally held the third Wednesday of the month at 6 p.m. and located at the airport offices at 1020 S. Plant Road. A noise committee meeting is scheduled for September 27 at 6:30 p.m. at the airport offices.

If you are affected by Chicago Executive Airport aircraft noise, register a noise complaint by calling the hotline: 847.947.2580 ext. 117.



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171 S. Wheeling Road
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251 E. Dundee Rd., Unit 204
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Builders Adventure Inc.
190 Shepard Ave., Ste. E
Bathroom fixtures showroom

Conexandcom, Inc.
251 E. Dundee Rd., Unit 209
Security & satellite install

DMK Insurance Agency
401 S. Milwaukee Ave., Ste. 110
Insurance agency

Finish Master
747 Glenn Avenue
Auto paint & parts

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1110-1120 Larkin Drive
Sports novelties wholesales

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