

Davy Jones set to highlight Freedom Fest '06

The Village's annual Independence Day celebration is slated for July 3-4 and features the 'Daydream Believer' himself, Davy Jones. Freedom Fest kicks off at 5 p.m. July 3 in the activity field between the Community Recreation Center and Village Hall on Dundee Road. Jones is scheduled to headline the two-day Freedom Fest and perform the hits that made he and the Monkees household names. Jones is scheduled to take the stage shortly after 8 p.m. July 4 and perform right up until one of the best fireworks shows in the Chicagoland area.

Other entertainers scheduled to appear include:
July 3 - Tripping Billies, Bellevue Suite and ARRA.

July 4 - Justin Roberts, Maggie Speaks and Davy Jones.

In addition, there will be a full slate of children's activities, games and inflatable rides, the Knight's of the Columbus Bingo Tent and a few other surprises during the two-days of fun, food and fireworks.



Davy Jones, legendary frontman of the popular group the Monkees, headlines 'Freedom Fest,' scheduled for July 3-4, 2006. Besides Jones and five other live acts, the event will feature the 'Taste of Wheeling,' a delectable offering of 20 Wheeling and surrounding-area restaurants and civic organizations, numerous kids activities, visits from the Chicago Bulls and Bears mascots, appearances by a few Arena Football League Champion Chicago Rush players and other surprises.

For a full line-up of entertainment, food vendors and helpful tips that will make the festival as enjoyable as possible, see Pages 2-3.

Development ahead of schedule



The Westin Chicago North Shore, originally slated to open in early 2007, is officially scheduled to open to the public in October of this year. The 16-floor, 411-room hotel at the intersection of Lake Cook Road and Milwaukee Ave. is 75 percent complete and poised to open its doors up to four months early. "It's amazing how fast this project has gone up and I can't wait to see the finished project," said Greg Klatecki, Village President. *For more information, check out www.starwoodhotels.com.*

Freedom Fest poised to offer two days

Wheeling Freedom Fest

July 3-4, 2006



Trippin' Billies
www.trippinbillies.com

July 3, 2006
Gates open at 5 p.m.

5:30 p.m. - Tripping Billies
8 p.m. Bellevue Suite
10 p.m. ARRA



Justin Roberts
www.justinroberts.org

July 4, 2006
Gates open at 1 p.m.

1 p.m. - Justin Roberts
3:30 p.m. - Maggie Speaks
6 p.m. - Parade



Bellevue Suite
www.bellevuesuite.com

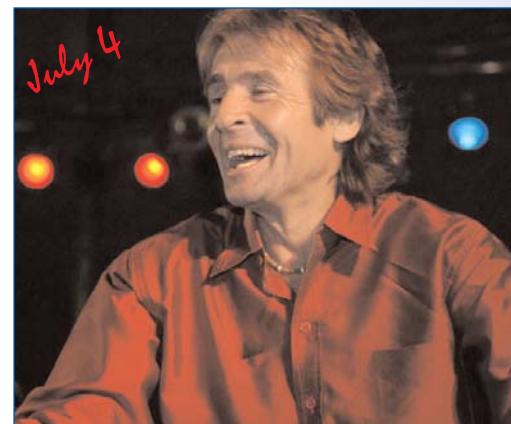


Maggie Speaks
www.maggiespeaks.com



ARRA
www.arraweb.com

Fireworks @
Dark on the 4th



Davy Jones
www.davyjones.net

The performers and scheduled performance time is subject to change without notice due to weather and/or conflicts unknown at press time. All changes in schedule will be published in local media venues, on the Village website, www.vi.wheeling.il.us, broadcast on cable channel 17 and be posted at the actual event.

Days of music, food and entertainment

The Village of Wheeling plans to celebrate America's Independence with two days of food, fun, music, a parade and huge fireworks show. The event is scheduled to run from 5 p.m. to midnight July 3 and 1 p.m. until the conclusion of the fireworks July 4. The Village will once again be featuring a delicious line-up of restaurants and local organizations making up a mini 'Restaurant Row.' From gyros to funnel cakes and the classic American hot dog, this year's 'Taste of Wheeling' includes:

Bob Chinn's Crabhouse I Am Siam Here's the Scoop

Knights of Columbus Wheeling Jaycees WCPAAA

Anything for a Kick Domino's Pizza Gyros Pit

Buffalo Grove Cyclery & Ice Cream Emporium Pico de Gallo

Tasty Vending Wa Pa Ghetti's Pizza Golden Chef Joe's Pizzeria

Lupita's Bakery Completely Nuts Sauer's By Salvatore

Beverage tent provided by City Beverage - Budweiser and manned by the Wheeling/Prospect Heights Chamber of Commerce and the Wheeling Jaycees.

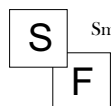
Our younger guests will be sure to enjoy a full slate of activities, games and inflatable rides such as Giant Slide, Wind Tunnel Crazy Caterpillar, Wind Tunnel Wilbur the Wacky Whale, Moonwalk Choo Choo Train, Moonwalk Tigger, Trackless Choo Choo Train, Rocky Mountain Climbing Wall, Obstacle Course (2), Spin Art, Sand Art, Magician, Pucker Powder Cart, NASCAR miniature racing cars and the popular Minnow Races provided by Medley's in Motion.

Don't forget the camera because McGruff the Crime Dog, Seemore the Eagle, Willy the Whale, Petie the Polar Bear, Benny the Bull, Staley the Bear and other lovable Chicago icons will be around for photograph opportunities.

Be sure to stop by the Knight's of Columbus Bingo Tent for your chance at a little Independence Day treasure.



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Freedom Fest Tips

EVENT PARKING

Event parking will be clearly identified and include the following lots off of Dundee Roads and Northgate Parkway: Wheeling Park District Community Center and Aquatic Center, Wickes Furniture Lot and the Metra Station Lot. In addition, patrons can use the lots of Holmes Middle School and Heritage Park off of Wolf Road. Parking is on a first-come basis. Handicapped parking will be available behind Village Hall. We do encourage individuals to carpool, ride bikes and walk if possible to help keep traffic problems to a minimum.

COOLERS, CHAIRS, BLANKETS, ETC.

NO COOLERS WILL BE ALLOWED INTO THE EVENT AREA. Folding chairs, blankets, etc. are allowed.

'TASTE OF WHEELING' & ALCOHOL PURCHASING PROTOCOL

As in years past, each 'Taste' participant will sell their food/drink items directly to the customers; no tickets are needed. Individuals 21-years-old and older wishing to purchase and/or consume alcoholic beverages will need to purchase a wrist band and beverage tickets at a clearly marked booth. Anyone purchasing a wristband and/or tickets will need to provide proof of age; wrist bands must be worn at all times.

FD offers ‘Disaster Supply Kit’ tips

Almost a year ago, the Nation watched the disaster of Hurricane Katrina unfold on the City of New Orleans. People stranded by rising water, no shelter, no food or water for days are all images of the largest natural disaster to strike our Nation in almost 100 years. It is easy to think that such a disaster could never happen here in Wheeling but the truth is it could. While hurricanes do not occur in our area, tornados, floods, and even earthquakes can and do occur in our area. History has shown that emergency services will be stretched beyond their limits in these types of incidents and assistance from both the State and Federal governments will take 48 to 72 hours to mobilize. Being personally prepared to deal with a major disaster for the first 72 hours is critical for you and your family's safety and survival. A critical step to minimizing the impact of a disaster on you and your family is having a “Disaster Supply Kit” in your home. A “Disaster Supply Kit” should include the following items:

A supply of potable water (one gallon per person per day). Water should be stored in sealed, unbreakable containers. Replace the stockpile every 6 months to assure freshness.

A supply of non-perishable packaged or canned food. Choose foods that can be eaten directly from the container without cooking such as beans, tuna, granola bars, etc.

A non-electric can opener.

A change of clothing, a disposable rain poncho, multiple pairs of socks, and sturdy shoes for extended walking, standing, and climbing over debris fields.

A rolled blanket or sleeping bag for each member of the family.

A first aid kit with basic trauma supplies such as trauma pads, adhesive bandages, antibiotic ointment, gauze, scissors, chemical ice packs, etc. Store the first aid kit in a water resistant container.

A 2 week supply of any prescription medications taken by family members.

A battery-powered radio with extra batteries. Replace the batteries annually. Consider purchasing a radio that generates its own power by turning a crank on the radio for several minutes (available at sporting good stores and on-line).

A battery-powered flashlight and/or lantern (available at sporting good stores and on-line), as well as an extra set of batteries. Replace the batteries annually.

An extra set of car keys (always maintain at least a half a tank of gasoline in your car at all times. Fuel pumps at service stations do not work when the power is out).

Credit cards and emergency cash supply (ATM's do not work when the power is out and most banks will be closed for several days after a disaster strikes).

An old pair of prescription glasses.

A whistle for signaling for help.

A pocket mirror for signaling for help.

A roll of plastic sheeting.

A roll of exterior grade duct tape.

A roll of bathroom tissue for each member of the family.

A pocket knife or multipurpose tool (ex. Leatherman's Tool).

An adjustable locking wrench (can be used to shut-off leaking gas meters and crimp off small broken water pipes).

A list of addresses and telephone numbers of important family contacts such as relatives and physicians.

A list of insurance policy numbers for your home and car, as well as the national contact telephone numbers for your insurance companies.

A map of the Chicago metro area (you may need to drive or walk to an emergency shelter that is not within the Village of Wheeling or to a location that is not familiar to you).

All of these items should be stored together in a backpack or duffel bag which can be quickly taken with you should you need to evacuate your home. Plan ahead to be self-sufficient for a minimum of 72 hours after a disaster strikes. For more information, please visit:

www.redcross.org/services/prepare/0,1082,0_91_,00.html

www.fema.gov/plan/index.shtm

www.disastercenter.com/guide/family.htm



The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission has issued a recall of the First Alert ONELINK battery-powered smoke and combination smoke/carbon monoxide alarms. These alarms can drain the power from batteries rapidly causing premature low battery power. Model Number SA500 or SCO500 with a date code prior to March 3, 2006 are defective. Consumers should contact First Alert Inc./BRK Brands Inc. at 1-800-323-9005 to receive a replacement alarm.



*Pavilion Senior Center * 199 N. First St. * 847-459-2670*

The Pavilion Senior Center in Wheeling announces the following program that will be offered to area senior citizens. Anyone 55-years or older is welcome to join the activities or volunteer services to assist or share talents with others.

Community Paint-A-Thon

The Community Paint-A-Thon is a unique partnership designed to paint the exteriors of homes owned and occupied by persons with limited financial resources, who are at least 60-years-of-age or older, or those who have a permanent disability and unable to do the work themselves. This project utilized the support of many volunteers and community organizations to complete the task on one day which is scheduled for Saturday, September 9, 2006.

To qualify, the household income is not to exceed \$30,000 per year. Applications are available from local Senior Centers, Township Offices or by contacting Catholic Charities in Arlington Heights at 847-253-5500. Deadline date for receiving completed application is July 15, 2006.

Volunteers Needed: If any individual or company would like to volunteer to paint for the event, contact the Volunteer Center at Northwest Suburban Chicago at 847-228-1320. Both skilled and unskilled painters are welcome to participate.

AARP Driver Safety Program

The Pavilion Senior Center will host a AARP Driver Safety Program from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. July 5th and 12th Wednesdays, July 5th and July 12th. Successful completion of the two-part course will make you eligible for rate reduction on your car insurance depending upon your insurance carrier. You must attend both sessions to receive certification. Registration is limited. Call 459-2670 and send a \$10 check payable to AARP in advance to the Pavilion Senior Center, 199 N. First Street, Wheeling, IL 60090 to guarantee your place in the class.

Rules of the Road

The Pavilion center, in cooperation with the Illinois Department of Senior and Community Services, is offering the "Rules of the Road" review course from 9:30 a.m. to noon, Wednesday, July 19. It is basically a driver refresher course to help seniors keep their driver's license valid. There is no fee, but pre-registration is necessary.

SeniorNet hits milestone

The SeniorNet Learning center has enrolled and educated nearly 400 seniors to the world of computers. Join in the wonderful world of the internet with our Internet & E-mail classes. E-mail your children and grandchildren. Beginner classes consist of Fundamentals (4 week class), Introduction to Computers (8 weeks). Advanced classes consist of Word Processing, Internet & E-mail, Database (8 week class).

Early registration has begun for classes beginning July 31 and ending September 23. Visit the Pavilion Senior Center Monday thru Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. to enroll. Final registration will be held from 9 to 11 a.m. on Saturday, July 22, 2006.

Class fee is \$35 which includes all class materials. For more information call 847-459-2666 ext. 4131

Senior Spelling Bee

Come and compete in our Annual Local Spelling Bee on Thursday, July 6 at the Pavilion Center. This event will be in conjunction with our monthly Pot Luck Luncheon which begins at noon. The "Bee" will be held immediately after the lunch at approximately 1 p.m. Patricia Menoni of Partners in Senior Care, Inc. will sponsor the event with judges and prizes for our winners. Please call to register at the center for the rules of the day and a spelling list. Call 847-459-2670 to register.

Pavilion Senior Center Celebrates Anniversary

The Pavilion Senior Center celebrates 21 years of service to the seniors of Wheeling and neighboring communities from 1 to 2:30 p.m. August 5. In honor of the many years of service and camaraderie that seniors have experienced, we wish to celebrate this occasion in style. Memories and friendships will be renewed along with a dessert reception. Tasty hors d'ouvres, cakes, snacks and beverages will be served as we enjoy the exquisite entertainment presented by Edizon Dao, multi-talented musician and singer, who transforms our facility into a "one-man orchestra" ballroom. (Edizon Dao was a favorite from one of last year's parties and was highly requested to pay us a return visit.) There is no charge for this affair. Everyone in the community is welcome to come and enjoy this magnificent celebration!

News You Can Use

Waste Management reminder

Reminder: July 4th is a holiday...trash pickup after this date will be one day behind for the remainder of the week. The most recent Waste Management bills reflect an annual increase occurring every May 1. The increase is approximately 2.3% which comes out to around \$.38 a month.

Recycling Events: SWANCC Document Destruction Days

July 15	August 19
Evanston	Glenview
Civic Center	Attea Middle School
2100 Ridge Ave.	2500 Chestnut Avenue

Events run from 9-11am, no cost required. Paper clips and staples DO NOT need to be removed but please remove binders. Please have ID available as SWANCC members will check your vehicles and collect your papers to be placed in totes. No business or institutional waste will be accepted.

Recycle batteries and cell phones

Recycle your Rechargeable Batteries and Cell Phones!

The Rechargeable Battery Recycling Corporation (RBRC) can help you recycle your used portable rechargeable batteries and old cell phones. Rechargeable batteries are commonly found in cordless power tools, cellular and portable phones, laptop computers, camcorders, digital cameras and remote control toys.

Bring your rechargeable batteries and old cell phones to the following drop off sites in Wheeling:

Radio Shack 54 W. Dundee Road
Venture Hobbies 23 Huntington Lane

Village of Wheeling Blood Drive

The Village of Wheeling Board of Health will be hosting a blood drive July 12, 2006 at the Fire Station on Dundee Road adjacent to the Village Hall. The drive will run from 1:30 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. There will be a chance for all donors to win gift certificates from Wheeling restaurants. In addition, everyone participating in the drive will receive a coupon for pizza from Wa-Pa-Ghetti's Pizza in Wheeling.

If you would like to make an appointment please contact Beverly Slaby at (847) 459-2621 or e-mail her at bslaby@vi.wheeling.il.us. to do so. Appointments are greatly appreciated and aid us in anticipating the number of people that will attend so that we can properly staff the event. It also helps us to try and prevent too many people from showing up at the same time. If you are not able to set an appointment, walk-in donors are always accepted and appreciated. We hope to see you at the blood drive.

This Full House -

What Everyone Should Know About Compulsive Hoarding Among Older Adults

Jan Christiansen, MSW, presents a program on compulsive hoarding among older adults from 1 to 2 p.m. and 7 to 8 p.m. July 11 at the Pavilion Senior Center, 199 N. First Street. Her program will outline the difference between hoarders and clutterers. Hoarding behavior is defined as the excessive collection and retention of any and all materials to the point that it impedes day-to-day functioning and creates a hazard or potential hazard to the individual. A hoarder cannot make rational decision about what is useful and what is not. During Jan's discussion, she will explain why older adults hoard, help individuals understand compulsive hoarding and offer techniques to help get rid of clutter and make your home more functional. For more information on this and other programs hosted by the Senior Pavilion Center, call 847-459-2670.



Say Cheese

Stacy Shub enjoys the weather and her birthday by photographing her two daughters, Maya, left and Courtney at Friendship Park. The park's waterfall and gazebo have become popular backdrops for a variety of occasions including weddings, proposals, graduation and prom photos and a .

Speak ouT

This is your opportunity to communicate with Wheeling elected officials and administrators. Your advice, suggestions, questions and opinions are appreciated and will receive a response if desired. Please complete this form, detach and return to:

Village Manager
Village of Wheeling
255 W. Dundee Road
Wheeling, IL 60090

NAME: _____ PHONE: _____

ADDRESS: _____ E-MAIL: _____

(Inquiries and responses may be used for publication in future issues of 'Village Views.')

Regularly Scheduled Meetings

ATTEND PUBLIC MEETINGS

Residents are invited to attend public meetings of Village Boards and Commissions. Most meet in the Village Hall Councilroom unless otherwise noted here.

Village Board -
Every Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.

Plan Commission -
2nd & 4th Thursdays
of the month, 7 p.m.

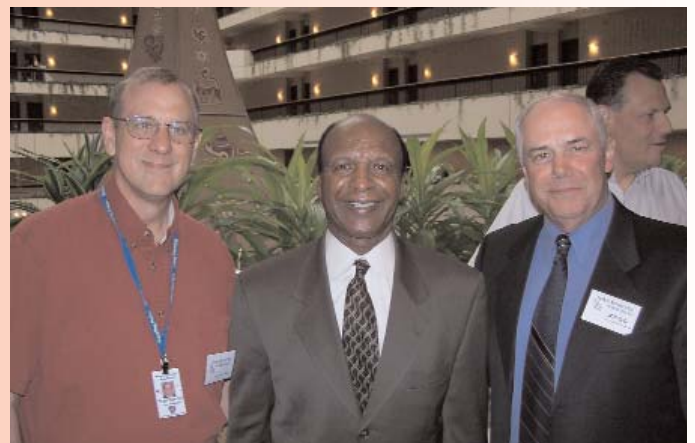
Board of Health -
4th Tuesday, every other
month, 7 p.m.

Human Rights Commission -
1st Tuesday of the month,
7:15 p.m., south half of
Village Hall lunchroom.

Senior Citizens Commission -
3rd Monday of the month,
10 a.m., south half of Village
Hall lunchroom

Fire and Police Commission -
3rd Wednesday of the Month,
2 p.m., Fire Department
Training Room

Palwaukee Board of Directors -
3rd Wednesday each month, 6:30
p.m., Airport Offices, 1020 S.
Plant Road.



Wheeling Police Grant Coordinator Tom Pilewski (left) and Corporal Michael Rompala (right) met with Secretary of State Jesse White to discuss motorcycle safety projects and Wheeling's successful traffic grant program at the Illinois Traffic Safety Leaders Conference in Itasca recently. ITSL has affiliations with state and local organizations including the Secretary of State's Office, MADD, AAIM, Illinois State Police, IDOT and many others. It is the oldest traffic safety organization in Illinois.

Wheeling Police Chief steps down after 38 years in law enforcement

John Popadowski, Chief of Police, will retire his post at the end of August, closing the door on a career that has spanned more than three decades. Popadowski, whose career began as an Evanston patrol officer in 1968, became Wheeling's Deputy Chief in 1995, assumed the position of Acting Chief of Police in 1997 and was officially sworn in as Chief of Police in 1998.

"I've had a great career and had the opportunity to work alongside some of the finest law enforcement and government professionals in the state," Popadowski said. "The job can be demanding, but I've had the privilege of truly loving my job -- what more could I ask for?"

Among the many changes in law enforcement over the last 38 years, Popadowski mentioned the advent of the use of technology in both fighting and committing crime. He also mentioned the increase in cooperation between suburbs, most notably in the creation of task force programs such as ILEAS, NIPAS and NORTAF.

"John has been a great chief and teammate which is evident by him leading the department to its current CALEA accreditation," said Wally Douthwaite, Village Manager.

Village employees return from military deployments

The Village recently welcomed back two employees who served in Iraq with their respective Army units. Assistant Village Manager Mark Rooney and Police Officer John Connolly were both vital to the training of Iraqi soldiers and police officers while helping the country shape itself into a democracy.

Rooney, whose Army specialty is logistics, was assigned to help train the Iraqi army in the rebuilding of roads, the plotting of transportation routes, truck driving and supply gathering - all with the ultimate goal of making their troops self-sufficient.

"I was proud to be part of the team that will positively impact the middle east for the next 100 years -- bringing freedom and democracy," Rooney said.

Rooney estimates he traveled 20,000 miles throughout Iraq during his 15 months of service, making various stops along the way in Tel Afar, Basra, Baghdad and Baquba, near where the notorious Abu Musab al-Zarqawi was recently killed by U.S. airstrike.

Connolly spent nearly two years helping train the Iraqi Special Police; the military branch of the police forces in Iraq. His unit was responsible for providing training, guidance, logistical support and assisting in combat operations with the use of firepower and calling for coalition air support.

Connolly echoed Rooney's thoughts about being part of the mission that would change the future of Iraq.

"Even as US troops begin to be withdrawn from Iraq, there will be a continued and necessary advisor team presence for many years to come," Connolly said.

Village of Wheeling

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Non-emergency Police	847-459-2632
Community Development	847-459-2620
Economic Development	847-459-2978
Pavilion Senior Center	847-459-2670
Public Works	847-229-4600
Water Billing	847-459-2607
Code Enforcement Hotline	847-459-CODE
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