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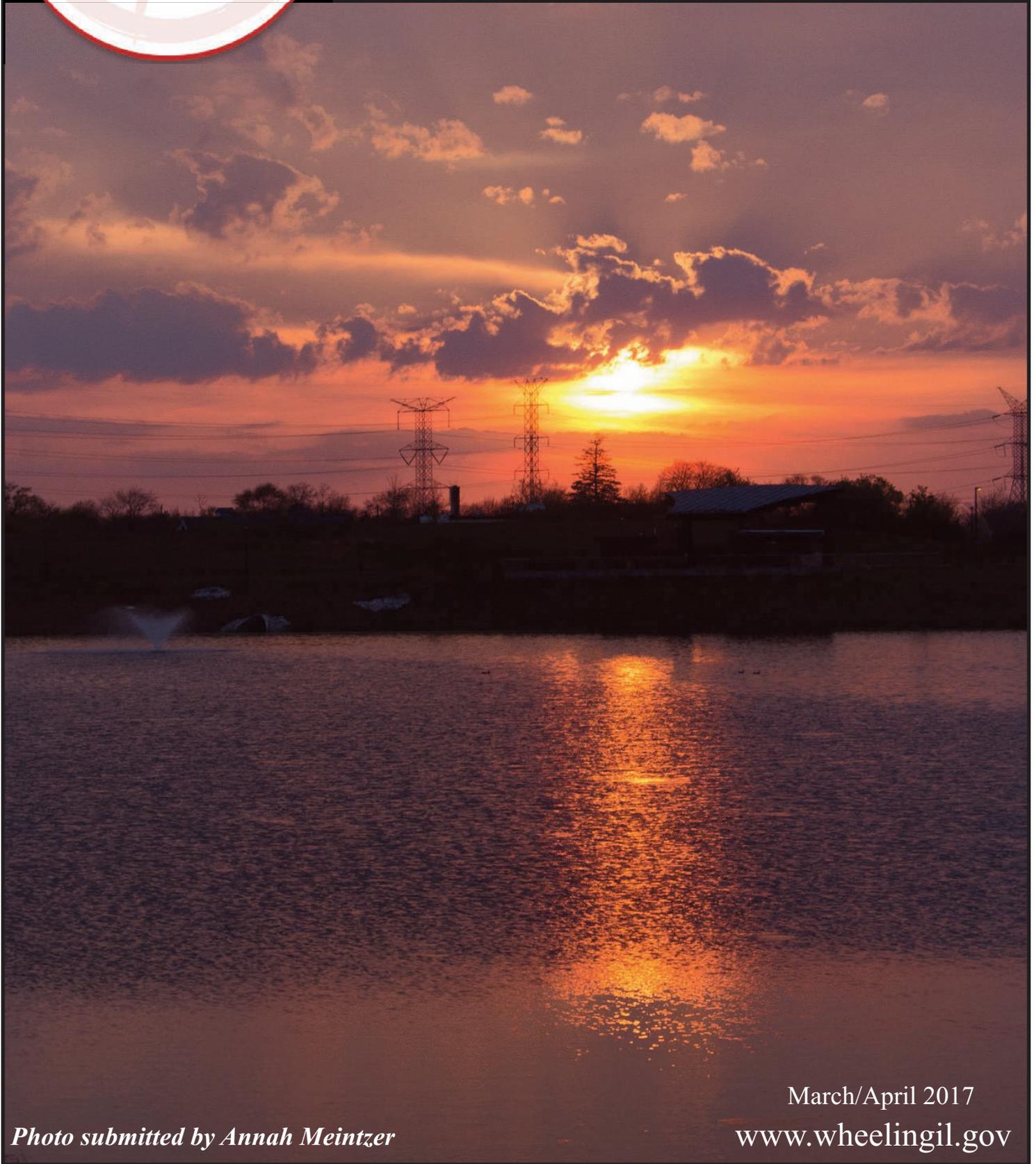


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WELCOME TO WHEELING



*President
Dean S. Argiris*

State of the Village Address

I'm honored to provide my annual update on the state of the Village, and I'm happy to announce that 2017 finds our community as strong and as prosperous as it has been in years. Everywhere you look, signs of our healthy local economy are easy to see, with new residential development underway at Northgate Crossing and the Whitley and new restaurants at Schwind Crossing and in Riverside Plaza. Overall retail sales continue to climb sharply—a trend that we expect to continue, particularly with other high-profile business openings in the near future, including Binny's at the former Staples site in Schwind Crossing and Boston Fish Market at the former Pete Miller's site on Restaurant Row.

Most significantly, we expect to see major progress in 2017 on the construction of Wheeling Town Center, the transit-oriented mixed-use development between the Community Campus and the Metra Station that will bring over 300 luxury apartments and nearly 100,000 square feet of retail and restaurant space to the heart of our community. In anticipation of the project breaking ground, the Village coordinated important improvements to the Dundee Road corridor including new streetlights, new turn lanes at the Elmhurst and McHenry intersections, and a new traffic signal at Community Boulevard; these projects are already assisting the flow of vehicles through the rapidly-transforming center of Wheeling.



The Village made \$7.6 million in capital and infrastructure improvements in 2016, bringing our total investments in infrastructure since 2013 to over \$34.3 million, all paid for without issuing bonds. The Board of Trustees recently adopted a plan for an additional \$45 million of improvements over the next five years, with \$13.7 million scheduled for 2017 alone. This year's projects include adding streetlights to the remaining sections of Dundee, a new bridge from Wolf Court across the Diversionary Channel that will enable further development of the area southwest of Lake Cook Road and Milwaukee Avenue, and drainage improvements to help reduce flooding on south Wheeling Road. That last initiative is the latest example of the Village's aggressive flood mitigation program: \$40 million in future projects that will be funded by our innovative stormwater utility. Our engineers are also in the process of conducting a Village-wide study to revise floodplain maps in the hope of achieving insurance savings for hundreds of Wheeling homeowners who'll no longer be in a flood zone. And thanks to a Cook County disaster recovery grant, we'll soon finally be able to relocate the residents of the Fox Point mobile home community that was so badly impacted by Des Plaines River flooding in 2013, and to permanently clear the floodway.

The Village has pursued these initiatives both ambitiously and responsibly, approving balanced budgets in the last two years and ending the past three years with surpluses. These positive results are a testament to the dedication of the Board of Trustees and the Village staff, who are always hard at work seeking opportunities for creative partnerships that benefit our residents. Recent examples have included the lease of office space at our Public Works facility to the Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County, a deal with School District 21 that maintains crossing guard services at critical locations, and an agreement to provide emergency dispatch services to the City of Des Plaines at a cost savings to both communities. This year we look forward to working with our friends at the Wheeling Park District to finally bring about the long-discussed transfer of services from the Pavilion Senior Center to the Community Recreation Center in Heritage Park; after many years of distinguished service, the Pavilion is no longer able to meet the community's needs, and both we and the Park District are excited to provide our seniors with the programming they rely on in the first-class facilities they deserve.

Although much of the Village's most important work takes place behind the scenes—in conference rooms, training rooms, and vehicle bays, beneath parkways and streets—we've recently had the opportunity to make two improvements that are highly visible. The first is our redesigned website, which now features an attractive modern look and is optimized for mobile devices. The second is our new holiday lighting, which you surely noticed this winter in prominent locations; it's a stunning improvement that utilizes state-of-the-art LED technology to reduce both labor and utility costs. Holiday decorations may not serve the same practical function as patching roads or fixing water mains, but it's impossible to overstate their value as a demonstration of Wheeling's pride in its identity as a community of shared interests and values. It's this sense of community that first inspired me to serve the public, and it's what has guided my decisions and actions during my four years as Village President. I look forward to many future successes as we make our collective vision of Wheeling a reality!

WELCOME TO WHEELING

The Clerk's Corner



Village Clerk
Elaine E. Simpson

Vote April 4, 2017

On Tuesday, April 4, Wheeling residents will be voting for Village President, three Trustees, and Village Clerk. Visit www.cookcountyclerk.com to see a sample ballot, verify your voter registration, determine your polling place, request a mail ballot, and find early voting locations. Early voting takes place March 20–April 3 (locations to be announced). You can request a mail ballot from now until March 30.

If you are not yet registered, you can do so at the Village Hall Monday–Friday from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. You may also register online at www.oiva.elections.il.gov. The last day to register to vote for the Consolidated Election is March 7 for in-person registration and March 19 for online registration.

Upcoming Events for Village Residents

The Knights of Columbus are hosting fish fries at Saint Joseph's Social Hall every Friday through April 14, from 4 to 8 p.m. The cost is \$10. This is a great place to socialize with your friends and neighbors and enjoy delicious food.

On Sunday, March 26, the Wheeling Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association (WCPAAA) is hosting an all-you-can-eat spaghetti fundraiser at Wa-Pa-Getti's from 1 to 4 p.m. The cost per person is \$10 and children six years and younger eat for free. Please call Linda at 847.459.6697 for further information.

This year the Wheeling Garden Club is celebrating their 20th anniversary! The club has two "Master Gardeners" who are willing to help with your gardening questions. The club meets on the second Wednesday of each month. To join the club or get further information, please call Kathy at 847.541.6783. Mark your calendar for their annual plant sale on Saturday, May 20.

In the next two months the Wheeling Historical Society will be holding two special events. The first event will be on Wednesday, March 22nd at 6:30 p.m. where Martha Peterson will be speaking on the "Purple Heart," featuring families of veterans from World Wars I and II. The second event will be an old-fashioned tea on Sunday, April 22 from 2 to 4 p.m. Both events will take place at Chamber Park. The Society meets on the fourth Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. For further information please call Terry at 847.537.7287.



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Community Blood Drive

The Wheeling Board of Health will be hosting a blood drive from 2 to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, March 8 at the Village Hall located at 2 Community Boulevard.

Blood donors of all types are needed every day for critically ill patients, accident victims, people needing surgery, and patients suffering from chronic diseases such as cancer and leukemia. Every pint of blood donated will help save three lives!

To schedule an appointment, please call Health Officer Beverly Slaby at 847.499.9045 or email her at bslaby@wheelingil.gov. You may also contact LifeSource Blood Services at 1.800.LIFESOURCE. Walk-ins are always welcomed! Please join us!

REMINDER: Medication and sharps drop-offs will take place Saturday, March 18 and Saturday, April 15.

Welcome New Businesses!

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Cafe Zupas 1590 W. Lake Cook Road Restaurant 847.777.0526	The Health Cuisine 520 Quail Hollow Dr., # 300 Organic meals/delivery 847.440.4902
Done with Pride 140 Shepard Avenue, Unit K Plumbing contractor 224.676.0127	NEMA Food Service 2039-2041 Foster Avenue Grocery wholesaler/distributor 224.588.9992
Dundee Hot Dogs & More 849 W. Dundee Road Fast food restaurant 847.777.1921	Prime Storage Arlington Heights 2500 E. Hintz Road Storage facility 847.255.8400

HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Pavilion Senior Center

Programs at the Wheeling Pavilion Senior Center

To register for any of these events, contact the Senior Center at 847.459.2670.

Dinner Out at The RAM

Join us for a Really Amazing Meal at The RAM in Wheeling. Meet new friends, enjoy your current friends, and have a fun evening.

Date: March 2, 2017, 5:30 p.m.

Cost: The cost of this event is determined by what you order. When you register, a \$2 refundable cash deposit will be needed to reserve your space.

St. Patrick's Day Celebration

This party will take place as part of the Lunch at Pavilion Program. Tim Wilsey will share stories and music during our celebration. Feel free to wear green!

Date: March 17, 2017

Place: Senior Center

Hollywood Casino

Are you feeling lucky? Take a break from your routine and journey with us to the Hollywood Casino in Aurora for an exciting day out. Try your luck at the slots and table games. Enjoy their delicious buffet at your expense.

Date: April 25, 2017; depart Senior Center at 10:15 a.m.

Cost: \$16 members/\$21 non-members

Chicago the Musical

Set in the legendary city during the roaring 20's, *Chicago* tells the story of two rival vaudevillian murderesses locked up in Cook County jail. The cost of this trip includes roundtrip transportation, lunch, and a ticket to the performance.

Date: April 19, 2017; depart Senior Center at 10:30 a.m.

Place: Oakbrook Terrace

Cost: \$81 members/\$96 non-members by March 1, 2017; \$86 members/\$101 non-members March 2-9, 2017.

Support Group for Families Dealing with Mental Illness

Are you living with and/or caring for a mentally ill loved one? Please join us for a six-week psycho-educational support group beginning March 15 that will cover many different topics and aspects of mental illness treatment and recovery, including dual diagnosis, crisis situations, treatment, self-care, recovery, and future planning.

If you are interested in attending this group, please contact Angela Burrell, Police Social Worker, at 847.459.2640 for information and registration.

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Social Services Division

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

- 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 the Village of Wheeling. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact the Human Services Department Social Services Division at 847.459.2606.

The Social Services Division would like to invite you to take advantage of the many services and great information available.

Safe Babies, Safe Place, Safe Haven

Please remember that in Illinois, a parent who cannot care for their newborn baby, up to 30 days old, can legally give the unharmed infant to a staff member at a staffed fire station, police station, hospital, or emergency care facility and walk away, no questions asked. No one will ask your name. Your baby will get medical care and be placed for adoption into a loving family. You can even provide anonymous medical information, so your baby will grow up with a medical history. A packet of information is given to the parent, and the baby is transported to a hospital for a check-up. The baby is then placed with a pre-approved adoption agency. If you or anyone you know is pregnant and does not feel like they have any options, please call either a crisis counselor at the Save Abandoned Babies Foundation at 888.510.BABY (2229) or a Social Worker with the Social Services Division at 847.459.2606. Assistance is available, and choices and resources will be given.



(Para hablar con alguien en español sobre este programa, llame a Miriam Mayorga al 847.459.2957.)

POLICE & FIRE DEPARTMENTS

National Crime Victims' Rights Week

National Crime Victims' Rights Week (NCVRW) is an annual observance bringing communities together to educate the public about victims' rights, protections, and services. It will be observed April 2–8, 2017. This year's theme—Strength, Resilience, and Justice—reflects this vision of the future, one in which victims are strengthened by the response they receive, organizations are resilient in response to challenges, and communities are able to seek collective justice and healing.

The Village of Wheeling Human Services Department, working with the Wheeling Police Department, has provided and will continue to provide strength, resilience, and justice for victims of crime individually, for their families, and for the community collectively.

In the last year, Victim Services staff provided services to 212 cases of domestic violence, 24 cases of sexual assaults, 16 cases of child abuse, and 11 cases of elder abuse. These victims received crisis counseling and intervention in English and Spanish, court escort and court advocacy, preparation of Victim Impact Statements, and assistance with transportation to and from court. Victims were assisted with petitions for all types of protective orders through the court. Victims were also provided with short-term counseling and assistance with tangible needs such as food, housing, and finances.

Assistance can be provided to access public benefits, child support, and legal referrals and resources. Victim Services staff are also able to assist with the application to the Illinois Crime Victims Compensation, which may help victims pay for out-of-pocket expenses such as counseling, funeral expenses, and lost wages.

No crime victim is the same. Their unique experience and how they heal is determined by the intervention, services, and resources provided to them, to promote emotional and financial stability and self-sufficiency. The Village of Wheeling Human Services Department is proud to be a part of this healing process and to be a positive impact in victims' lives. Should you need assistance for you or someone you know, please contact the Village of Wheeling Human Services Department at 847.459.2606.

Auto Burglary Prevention

Wheeling has been the recent target of auto burglaries. Vehicles targeted have been unlocked and/or had valuables in plain view. The most common items stolen are:

- briefcases, wallets, and purses
- GPS devices
- radar detectors
- cash
- aftermarket auto stereo systems
- laptop computers and small electronics



In order for criminal activity to succeed, criminals must have three things: desire to commit the crime, ability to commit the crime, and opportunity to commit the crime. The only thing potential victims can control is the OPPORTUNITY. Take away the opportunity by following these tips:

- Do not leave anything of value in your vehicle (especially in plain view), not even power cords
- ALWAYS lock your doors and close all windows
- Make it a practice to be aware of your surroundings
- Report ALL suspicious activity to Police

Follow the advice above, and together we can make a difference. If you see anything suspicious or are a victim, call 9-1-1. Otherwise, please contact the Crime Prevention Unit at 847.459.2994 with any questions.

IRS Scam Alert

Area residents are receiving several calls a day from individuals claiming to be from the Treasury Department or Internal Revenue Service demanding money and threatening arrest or jail for non-compliance. They are scammers, trying to lure people into sending them money. The Wheeling Police Department advises that if you receive such a call, simply hang up.

The IRS will not:

- Call you to demand immediate payment. If you owe taxes, you will first receive a bill in the mail.
- Demand that you pay taxes and not allow you to question or appeal the amount you owe.
- Require that you pay your taxes a certain way. For instance, require that you pay with a prepaid debit card.
- Ask for your credit or debit card numbers over the phone.
- Threaten to arrest you for not paying.

If you don't owe taxes, or have no reason to think that you do, do not give out any information. Hang up immediately.

If you have questions regarding this information or would like to receive a free security assessment of your residence, please call the Crime Prevention Division at 847.459.2994.

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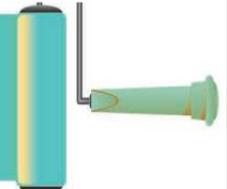
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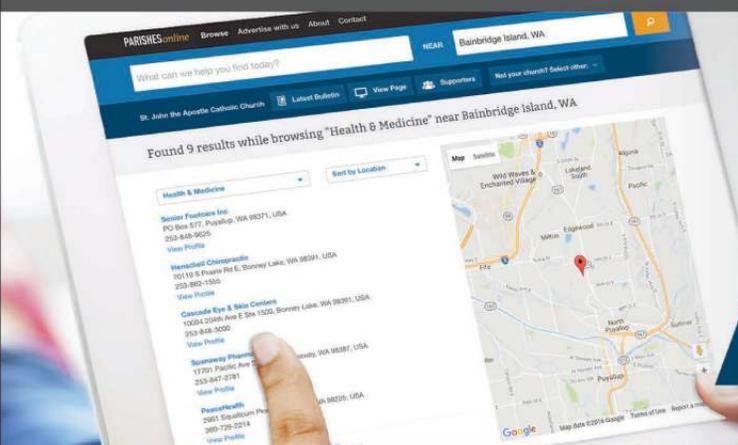
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Stormwater Runoff Pollution

Stormwater runoff and the pollutants it collects from streets, driveways, rooftops, etc. can enter water sources such as creeks, streams, rivers, and lakes. Public Works personnel constantly have to extract some of this waste out of the system for efficient flow. Residents and businesses can take the following measures to prevent stormwater runoff pollution from entering our water sources:

- Checking vehicles for leaks. Repair leaks and dispose of used auto fluids at designated drop-off facilities.
- Using pesticides and fertilizers sparingly. Use organic mulch or safer pest controls whenever possible.
- Composting or mulching yard waste, or following local yard waste programs. Do not sweep yard waste into storm drains.
- Sweeping litter/debris from properties—including sidewalks, driveways, and parking lots—and properly disposing of it.
- Sweeping and properly disposing of construction debris (e.g. concrete and mortar).
- Cleaning up after pets. Village Municipal Code 7.10 requires cleaning up after pets on public or others' property.

Yard Waste Collections

Yard waste collections begin on April 1 and continue through November 30 on your regularly scheduled collection days. Townhouses and condominiums do not have this service.

- Yard waste must be placed in paper bags or in a container clearly marked with a red X. Bags and containers must not be larger than 33 gallons or exceed 45 pounds. There is no limit to the number of bags or containers.
- All yard waste must be placed at the curb by 6 a.m. the day of collection, but not before 5 p.m. the evening before.
 - Brush must be bundled and tied with twine or string. Bundles must not weigh over 45 lbs, exceed four feet in length or two feet in diameter, or contain limbs greater than three inches in diameter. There is no limit to the number of brush bundles.



What is Arbor Day?

Arbor Day is an annual celebration of the function trees have in our daily lives, and also promotes tree planting and care. It is celebrated in Illinois on the last Friday in April. This year, Arbor Day will occur on Friday, April 28. The Village of Wheeling has received the Tree City USA recognition—which acknowledges the Village's forestry program—for 27 consecutive years and the Tree City USA Growth Award for 15 consecutive years. By celebrating Arbor Day, the Village continues to demonstrate the importance of trees in our community and acknowledges the efforts of the Village's forestry program.

Household Hazardous / Chemical Waste

Numerous household items such as cleaners, lawn or garden care products, auto fluids, and fertilizer/pesticides can contain hazardous ingredients that are harmful to human health and the environment, and require proper and safe disposal.



It is highly recommended to purchase limited quantities of these types of household items whenever possible so that the amount of potentially hazardous waste is limited.

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. For information on these locations and items that are accepted, please visit www.epa.state.il.us or contact Public Works at 847.279.6900.

Latex Paint

Because latex paint is not hazardous due to water replacing most of the oil components typically found in paint, it is not accepted at hazardous waste drop-off facilities. The following method is required for proper disposal of latex paints:

Open paint cans in a well-ventilated area (i.e. outdoors) and add an absorbent such as kitty litter, sand, oil-dry, or shredded paper into the paint cans. When the liquid paint is absorbed and the paint is hardened, place lids back on the paint cans and dispose closed paint cans in regular refuse containers—not in recycling! If paint cans are full, residents must divide the paint into empty cans to solidify or repeat the absorbent process.

For additional information on other possible drop-off locations for various household hazardous/chemical waste, please visit www.swancc.org or contact Public Works at 847.279.6900.

Batteries

In conjunction with the Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County, the Village sponsors a Battery Recycling Program. A drop-off bin for batteries is kept at the Wheeling Village Hall, 2 Community Boulevard, and is accessible Monday–Friday from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Acceptable materials include any rechargeable, NiCd, NiMh, lithium ion, lithium polymer, or household alkaline batteries (AA, AAA, C, D, 9V). Please note that each rechargeable battery must have masking tape on contact points or be contained in an individual self-locking plastic bag. Visit www.swancc.org for other drop-off locations.



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 39-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 raises 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, 2014, our rating was upgraded to Class 6, which provides a 20% 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 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 regarding the risk of flooding.

Development Regulated

Development of any type within special flood hazard areas is strictly regulated. In order to construct a building or an 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 (a link to which can be found 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.

COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

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.

Lunch to Go! Lunch at Pavilion participants may order additional meals to take home for a spouse or for use over the weekend. There is a cost of \$6 per meal, and they are not eligible for use 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 Wheeling Pavilion Senior Center at 847.459.2670 and ask for Jesus Delgado.



Show us Wheeling through your lens!

The Village is seeking resident photos to be used for the cover of *The Wheeling Circular*.

Photos should:

- be taken outdoors and show the season in which they were taken
- not include people
- not include any business signs and/or logos
- be in jpeg, gif, or png format

Please send your photos to fb@wheelingil.gov. Photos chosen for the cover will include a credit for the photographer.

Electric Aggregation Program Suspension

The Village of Wheeling established an electric aggregation program in 2012 in which the average participating ratepayer has saved \$185 to date, for a cumulative Village savings of \$2,483,000. The program's renewable energy component reduced carbon dioxide emissions by 169,660 tons.

The current program expires in May 2017. The Village received competitive bids to extend the program; however, the Village could not obtain rates that would be guaranteed to be lower than the current ComEd rate. The Village will monitor the market and may re-establish the program should rates turn more favorable in the future.

Participating ratepayers will receive a confirmation letter from ComEd in April notifying them of the return to ComEd supply. Residents do not need to take any action; they will automatically be moved back to ComEd, which will be reflected on ComEd bills received in June.

Residents are encouraged to take a look at options for electric rates. It is anticipated that with the suspension of the Village's program, residents may receive more solicitations from electric companies. When considering any solicitations, residents are strongly advised to avoid any monthly fees (that may be added to a fixed supply rate), early termination fees, and variable rates which may float with no upward cap. Never provide your ComEd account number to a solicitor unless you have contacted them directly to enroll and you have reviewed all terms and conditions. Also avoid any "deadlines" associated with signing up for a program. If solicitors contact you in person and indicate that they are associated with the Village's program, please contact the Village so that we can determine if the entity has a proper solicitor's license. For more information, visit: www.PlugInIllinois.org.

If you have any questions regarding the program, you may call the Village's consultant, NIMEC, at 800.727.3820 to leave your question and callback number. You will be contacted by NIMEC within 24 hours.

Relay for Life of Mt. Prospect & Wheeling

Join Relay for Life at Wheeling High School on May 20–21 from 6 p.m.– 6 a.m. for the Relay For Life of Mt. Prospect & Wheeling! Relay For Life is a fundraising event that celebrates cancer survivors, remember lost loved ones, and fights back against this terrible disease. This is not a timed run or walk, simply an event where teams of friends or family rally together in support of fighting cancer.

The event is open to the public, free of charge, and all are invited to participate for any amount of time. Ceremonies throughout the afternoon and evening will bring together everyone who has ever been affected by cancer.

10 For more information or to register, please visit www.RelayForLife.org/mpwil, call 847.317.0025, or email the community manager for this event at Beth.Thompson@cancer.org.

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•CPR classes

Police Department

1 Community Blvd.
847.459.2632 (non-emergency)
•Citizens Police Academy
•DARE program
•Graffiti removal
•Neighborhood watch

Public Works Department

77 W. Hintz Road
847.279.6900, 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. M - F
•Fire hydrant flushing
•Street/pothole repairs
•Streetlight maintenance
•Snow plowing
•Forestry & landscape
•Sanitary sewer service televising
•Water quality concerns
•Flooding
•Capital Improvements Division
•Cable TV
•Waste management
•Electric aggregation

Human Services/Senior Center

199 N. First Street
847.459.2670
•Social services
•Wheeling Food Pantry
•Pavilion Senior Center events
•Community Assisted Relief Efforts

847.459.CODE
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2 Community Boulevard
www.wheelingil.gov
Phone: 847.459.2600
Fax: 847.459.9692
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•Village Manager's office
•Liquor licenses
•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
•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

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•Fire alarm & sprinkler permits
•Inspections

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Outside Agencies

Wheeling Park District

333 W. Dundee Road
847.465.3333

Indian Trails Public Library

70 W. Dundee Road, Buffalo Grove
(temporary location)
847.459.4100

Chicago Executive Airport

847.537.2580
Noise Hotline: 847.537.2580 x 117

Chamber of Commerce

2 Community Blvd., Suite 203
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