



# VILLAGE VIEWS

JOIN US FOR THE LIGHTING OF THE LIGHTS  
ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 25TH!

details inside...



November/December 2012

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# WELCOME TO WHEELING

## From the Desk of President Abruscato

### Lighting of the Lights

It's hard to believe, but already we're planning to kick off the holiday season with our annual Lighting of the Lights ceremony. The event will take place on Sunday, November 25th at 6:30 p.m. and once again will be held outdoors at Friendship Park (northeast corner of Dundee Road and Milwaukee Avenue). In keeping with tradition, Santa and Mrs. Claus will be on hand for picture opportunities, to hear your holiday wishes, and to hand out gifts.

Music will also be provided by Wheeling High School band members. We hope you'll stop by to visit with Santa and your Village Board during this fun-filled family event!



*President  
Judy Abruscato*

### Wheeling Continues to Thrive

The Village continues to experience increased interest from developers, which is starting to be visible along the Dundee Road and Milwaukee Avenue corridors. We are happy to welcome D'Agostinos Pizzeria, which opened its doors just weeks ago. Also, Twin Peaks restaurant will open in the former Claim Jumper building early next year. Several shopping center owners have shown interest in renovating their centers in 2013—one more indicator of interest in investing in the development of Wheeling.

Our industrial parks are also enjoying increased demand this year, and two of Wheeling's largest available buildings sold in the past several months. Our industrial vacancy rate has declined to just nearly 6%, among the lowest in the region.

We were very pleased to have Governor Quinn visit Wheeling to congratulate Wheeling High School on their amazing new math and science programs. Governor Quinn was very complimentary of the fine work being done in collaboration with the Village and its community partners.

### New Newsletter Format to Debut Next Issue

Beginning with our January/February Village Views newsletter, there will be advertisements from local Wheeling businesses featured in the middle and on the back of the newsletter. The Village has partnered with Liturgical Publishing, Inc. to print the Village's newsletter at no cost to the Village, in exchange for newsletter ad revenue which is created by giving Wheeling businesses the opportunity to get their names in front of Wheeling residents. If your business is interested in advertising in the Village newsletter, please contact Lisa Leonteos at 847.499.9085 prior to November 15.

*On behalf of the Board of Trustees, Village Clerk, and Village Staff, I wish you and your family a happy and safe holiday season and a blessed 2013.*



Dean  
Argiris



Ken  
Brady



Bob  
Heer



Bill  
Hein



Ray  
Lang



Dave  
Vogel

## Welcome new businesses!

**All Quality Home Health Care**  
395 E. Dundee Road  
Healthcare Office

**Direct Envelope**  
2232 Foster Avenue  
Envelope Manufacturing & Printing

**Euroline Builders, Inc.**  
45 Huntington Lane  
Home Remodeling & Showroom

**Marco's Pizza**  
1990 S. Wolf Road  
Pizza Restaurant

**Only 1 Printers**  
540 Allendale #204  
Graphic Design & Printing

**Spider Gym**  
662 S. Wheeling Road  
Martial Arts Instruction

**Touge Factory**  
2181 Foster Avenue  
Auto Parts Distributor

## Village Offices will be closed:

Thursday, November 22  
Friday, November 23  
Tuesday, December 25



# WELCOME TO WHEELING

## The Clerk's Corner



Village Clerk  
Elaine E. Simpson

*Wishing you a safe and happy holiday season!*

### November U.S. Presidential Election

Remember to vote on Tuesday, November 6th. Your vote does count. Your candidate may not get elected, but you have the satisfaction of voting for your choice. If you are unsure of your polling location, contact Deputy Clerk Lisa Leonteos at 847.499.9085 or visit [www.cookcountyclerk.com](http://www.cookcountyclerk.com) and select "Your Voter Information."

### Village-wide Holiday Events

The holiday season is approaching and there are several family-friendly events happening throughout the village.

#### **Pancake Breakfast**

On Saturday, November 4, the Wheeling Citizens' Police Academy Alumni Association will be having a pancake breakfast at the Wheeling Pavilion Senior Center located at 199 N. First Street from 9 a.m. to noon. The cost of the breakfast is \$7 and children under the age of five eat for free.

#### **Lollipop Lane**

Have your picture taken with Santa and Mrs. Claus at Lollipop Lane, courtesy of Stasek Chevrolet! The annual Lollipop Lane festivities begin at Chamber Park on Saturday, December 1 and continue until Sunday, December 9. Lollipop Lane is open Saturdays and Sundays from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. and Monday through Friday from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. This free event is sponsored by the Wheeling Historical Society, the Wheeling Park District, Stasek Chevrolet, and numerous businesses in the Wheeling area.

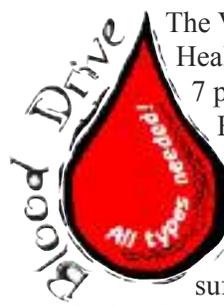
#### **Lighting of the Lights**

This annual lighting ceremony will take place on Sunday, November 25th, and Santa and Mrs. Claus will be arriving at Friendship Park at 6:30 p.m. Hot chocolate and cookies will be provided by Market Square Restaurant. We hope to see you there!



Brought to you  
by the  
Wheeling Board  
of Health

### **Wheeling Community Blood Drive**



The Village of Wheeling and the Wheeling Board of Health will be hosting a blood drive from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Wednesday, November 14 at the Village Hall.

Blood donors of all types are needed every day for critically ill patients, accident victims, people needing surgery, and those patients suffering from chronic diseases such as cancer and leukemia. If all eligible people would donate, there would never be a blood shortage. Every pint of blood donated will help save three lives!

Appointments are appreciated. To schedule an appointment, please call LifeSource at 877.543.3768 or visit [www.lifesource.org](http://www.lifesource.org) and use sponsor code WH98. You may also email Health Officer Beverly Slaby at [bslaby@wheelingil.gov](mailto:bslaby@wheelingil.gov).

There will be door prizes of gift certificates from Wheeling restaurants. Please donate. Walk-ins are always welcomed!

### **The Board of Health is now collecting used eyeglasses!**

Bring your used eyeglasses to the monthly medication/sharps drop-off. These eyeglasses will be donated to the *Lions Recycle for Sight* program. Prescription and reading glasses, sunglasses, and plastic and metal frames will be accepted. Children's glasses are especially needed.

The Wheeling Board of Health continues to provide the medication and sharps recycling drop-off every third Saturday of the month from 10 a.m. to noon in front of the Wheeling Police station. At the same time, used household batteries (AA, AAA, C, D, 9V) and rechargeable batteries (Lithium, NiMh, NiCad) will be accepted. Each rechargeable battery must have masking tape on contact points or be contained in an individual self-locking plastic bag.

# POLICE & FIRE DEPARTMENTS



## *What to do When Stopped by the Police*

The most common reasons people are stopped while driving a motor vehicle are for violations of the Illinois Vehicle Code. These violations fall into two categories: moving and equipment violations. Other reasons you may be stopped include criminal investigations (you and/or your vehicle may match the description of a suspect in a crime) or courtesy or safety concerns (your trunk may be open, or something may be hanging from or be on the top of your vehicle.)

### What you should do and what to expect when pulled over:

- Red & blue lights and/or a siren mean pull over to the right where it is safe and where you will not block traffic.
- Remain in your vehicle unless the officer advises otherwise.
- If it is dark, the officer will use a bright spotlight and a flashlight to illuminate you and your vehicle.
- Illinois State Law requires drivers to provide license and proof of insurance upon request. Do not reach for your license until requested.
- Depending on the circumstances, officers may request identification from passengers.
- Remain in your vehicle, keep your hands where the officer can see them, and follow the instructions given by the officer.
- It is reasonable and legal for an officer to require that you and your passengers exit the vehicle, but do not do so until asked.
- Ask all passengers in your vehicle to remain calm and comply with the instructions given by the officer.
- Avoid being argumentative. Arguing will not change the decision of the officer. If you want to contest the violation, you will have the opportunity to do so in a judiciary setting.

Each traffic stop is unique, and the police officer must alter his/her response to fit the circumstance. Remember, if you receive a citation, accept it calmly. Accepting the citation is NOT an admission of guilt.

### Generally, a police officer will:

- Provide his or her name upon request.
- Present proper identification when not in uniform. You may request the credentials of an officer to ensure he/she is a police officer.
- Inform you of the reason(s) for being stopped.
- Only use force when necessary to effect the arrest of a suspect and to maintain custody of the suspect.
- Only arrest a person for a crime committed in the officer's presence, or when the officer has probable cause to believe the person has already committed a crime, is wanted on a warrant, or should be held for investigation of a crime.

If you have any questions about procedures or a complaint about your treatment, contact the Police Department at 847.459.2642 and ask to speak to a supervisor. We hope this information will be helpful in answering common questions about traffic stop procedures as well as reducing stress when stopped by the police.

## *Holiday Safety Tips*

### Protecting Your Home

- Don't advertise that you are traveling over the holidays
- Stop your mail and newspaper delivery
- Use timers for your lights and television / radio
- Contact the police department for an EXTRA WATCH while you are gone
- ALWAYS keep your windows and doors locked

### Shopping Smarts

- Avoid carrying large amounts of cash; pay with a check, credit or debit card
- Carry your zipped purse close to your body or under your coat
- Don't place your purse in the top of your shopping cart
- Keep your wallet in an inside coat pocket or front pants pocket
- Be alert when shopping and don't overburden yourself with packages
- Keep your purchases secured in your vehicle's trunk or out of sight in your SUV if you have other stops

### Online Shopping

- Only shop on secure sites—look for a locked padlock or unbroken key icon on the page
- Web addresses will begin with "https" when the connection is secure
- Check your credit card statements for unauthorized charges

## Snow Season Procedures

As winter approaches, the Public Works Department prepares for snow. The department is responsible for clearing and de-icing arterial roads and residential streets as well as public sidewalks, bus stop shelters, the Metra station, and Village-owned buildings.

Public Works is not responsible for county or state roadways. County roads include Lake Cook Road, Buffalo Grove Road, Schoenbeck Road, Hintz Road, and Aptakisic Road (call 847.827.1164). State roads include Elmhurst Road (Route 83), Dundee Road, Milwaukee Avenue, Palatine Road, McHenry Road, and Wolf Road (Manchester north to Milwaukee Avenue and Marquardt south to Camp McDonald Road) (call 847.705.4222).

Residents are advised of the following during the snow season:

- For safety, please maintain a safe distance of 100 feet or more when driving behind a snow plow or salt truck.
- Please shovel snow away from fire hydrants so that they can be accessible in case of emergencies.
- Please do not place refuse or recycling containers in the street.

### Parking Restrictions

•Do not park vehicles on any street in the Village within eight hours after a snowfall of two inches or more (per Village Code 9.10.103). This allows streets to be plowed accordingly by Public Works. Vehicles in violation will be towed.

### Sidewalk Requirements

- Residents and property owners are responsible for clearing snow and ice from sidewalks adjoining or adjacent to their property whenever there is a snowfall and by 10 a.m. on every morning thereafter. If the snow and ice is frozen, owners are responsible for spreading the areas with sand, sawdust, salt, or other substances made for the purpose of melting snow and ice (Village Code 11.16.010).
- Snow or ice shall not be deposited into any street, road or highway or along the shoulder or edge of any street, road or highway within the Village (Village Code 11.16.040). Please deposit snow and ice from sidewalks and driveways onto the parkway.
- Residents and property owners who are in violation may be penalized.

Residents may contact the Public Works Department at 847.279.6900 with any questions or concerns.

## Protect Water Lines from Freezing

Water expands as it freezes, placing great pressure on anything that contains it. Expanding water can cause pipes found in basements, crawl spaces, attics, garages, and kitchen cabinets to rupture. Pipes against exterior walls with little or no insulation are also vulnerable to freezing.

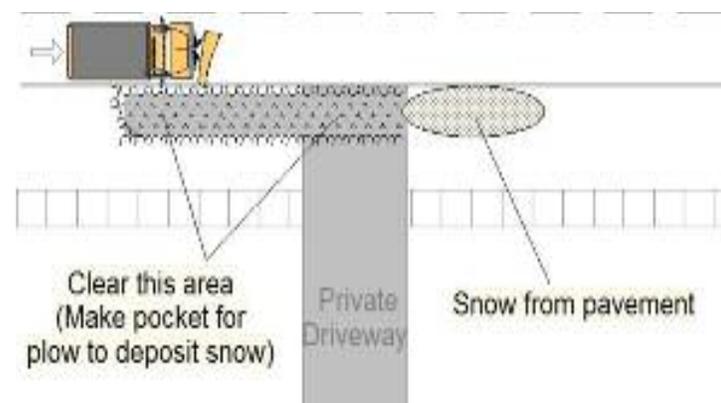
Residents can take measures to protect water lines from freezing and prevent water pipes from rupturing in homes during extreme cold conditions.

- If going away, keep home temperatures no lower than 55 degrees F.
- Disconnect and drain outdoor hoses.
- Allow cold water to drip or trickle through faucets. Dripping water prevents pipes from freezing since the temperature of the water running through them is above freezing.
- Open cabinets and closets containing water lines to allow warm air to circulate around plumbing.
- Consider installing pipe insulation.
- Check pipe insulation periodically to make sure it is dry.
- Seal cracks in doors, windows and foundations. Small openings that consistently bring in cold air can quickly freeze pipes.
- Know where your master valve (also known as the main water cut-off valve) is located in case you need to shut off the water.

If you know that a property has been unoccupied for several days, notify Public Works at 847.279.6900. This can prevent costly damage to the unoccupied property.

## Snow Shoveling Guidelines

When shoveling the end of the driveway near the street, place the snow to the right of the driveway (as you face the street). If it is piled on the other side, it is more likely to be pushed into the driveway apron when the streets are being plowed. Also, clear a few feet of the edge of the street and curb to the left of the driveway (as you face the street). This creates a pocket for the snow to spill into and will help reduce the amount of snow at the end of the driveway. Refer to the illustration below.



# HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT

## Pavilion Senior Center

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

## Social Services Division

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

## Lunch at Pavilion

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



**Tuesday, November 13  
Wheeling Pavilion  
Senior Center  
199 N. 1st Street**

The Human Services Department will be hosting an entire day of information and resources to commemorate the Alzheimer's Foundation of America's National Memory Screening Day. Screenings will be conducted in English, Spanish, and Russian, with half-hour appointments starting at 9:30 a.m. Please call 847.459.2606 for an appointment. En español, llame por la mañana.

### **Alzheimer's Family Education Workshop**

Are you caring for an aging parent or relative with Alzheimer's Disease? This workshop will help you learn about the causes, symptoms, diagnostic process, and behaviors of Alzheimer's disease.  
**Date:** Tuesday, November 13 at 11:30 a.m. (lunch will be served)  
**Place:** Wheeling Pavilion Senior Center  
**Cost:** FREE but registration is required by November 9, 2012. Register by calling the Pavilion Senior Center at 847.459.2670

### **Evening Alzheimer's Education Presentation**

Guest speaker Courtney Bayron, LNHA, Marketing Director of Arden Courts in Northbrook, will speak on the signs, symptoms, risk factors and types of dementia. Anyone looking for more information and supportive services should join us on November 13 at 6:30 p.m. at the Pavilion Senior Center.

### **Senior Health Insurance Program (SHIP)**

If you are puzzled by Medicare and don't know if your plan will fit your needs next year, SHIP can help. SHIP is a free counseling service provided by the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, Division of Insurance. SHIP does not sell or solicit insurance and is not an insurance plan. SHIP-trained volunteer counselors can answer questions about Medicare, Medicare Supplement Insurance, Medicare Advantage Plans with HMOs, PPOs, and PFFSs, prescription drug coverage through Medicare and other sources, long-term care insurance, Medicare claims and appeals, Medicare beneficiary rights and guarantees, etc. The SHIP representative in Wheeling is available by appointment at the Wheeling Pavilion Senior Center. Call for an appointment at 847.459.2670. You may also call the toll free number at 1.800.548.9034. Don't wait to get your questions answered—give SHIP a call!

## Pavilion Senior Center Events

### **Jewelry Boutique from Synergems Friday, November 30, 11:30 a.m.**

Are you looking for a one-of-a-kind gift for the holidays? We have a unique shopping opportunity for you: one-of-a-kind jewelry! Each piece is individually hand-crafted. This special collection will be available at the Senior Center for one day only!

### **Radio City Rockettes - December 18, 4 p.m.**

They are part of the holiday season, they are spectacular, they are none other than the Radio City Rockettes! Join us as we watch this amazing show while we get into the Christmas spirit. The cost of this trip includes transportation, ticket, and dinner from Wa-Pa-Ghetti's at the Senior Center before the show takes place at the Akoo Theatre in Rosemont, Illinois.  
**Cost:** \$65 members/\$85 non-members.

### **End of Year Party - December 27, 11:30 a.m.**

Where has the time gone? It's hard to believe 2012 is almost over and 2013 is about to begin! Join us as we welcome the new year at our annual End of Year Party. We will have a delicious lunch followed by a musical performance by Joan Hammel. This will be an afternoon of celebration that you won't want to miss. Make your reservations before December 21.  
**Cost:** \$12 members/\$27 non-members by December 10.

## Wheeling Food Pantry

The Wheeling Food Pantry is proud to have just completed its first year in operation. The pantry started with no recipients in September 2011 but grew to just shy of 500 families as of September 2012, with an average of just over 100 families per week. The pantry provides for the less fortunate residents of Wheeling as well as families with students in School District 21 and Wheeling High School. Due to the increasing numbers of new families, the amount of food needed is growing each week.

During these tough economic times, help is needed at the food pantry. Volunteers work approximately two hours per week during the pantry hours of Monday through Thursday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. and Friday from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. The best contributions you can make if you would like to help the pantry are donations for the purchase of food. Approximately 4,000 lbs of food are distributed per month, so every dollar counts. The pantry is a federal tax-exempt 501(c)3 organization and is also qualified for State sales tax exemption. If you would like to help you can mail a check made payable to:

Wheeling Food Pantry  
c/o the Rotary Club of Wheeling  
PO Box 75  
Wheeling, IL 60069

or stop by the pantry located approximately one block north of Dundee Road on Wolf Road., adjacent to the Wheeling Police Department Community Center on the east side of Wolf Road. Your assistance and consideration are appreciated!

## Village-Wide Water Meter System Upgrade

The upgrade of all water meters in the Village is now underway. Implementation of this upgrade consists of replacing all (approximately 8,000) water meters—including residential, commercial and industrial—and meter transmitters throughout the entire Village. During October, letters were mailed to water customers in areas identified for the Village's pilot program. The primary purpose of the letters is to request that water customers contact the installation company, United Meters, Inc. (UMI), to schedule an appointment to perform the upgrade work. Once the pilot program is complete, the Village will evaluate the program, make adjustments if necessary, and fully implement the program throughout the Village. This upgrade is being done at no cost to water customers.

## Volunteers Needed!

Do you have a flair for the dramatic? Do you want to help your community prepare for emergencies? Community Assisted Relief Efforts (CARE) is planning for an emergency drill and is looking for volunteers who are interested in playing the part of disaster victims. All volunteers will receive training prior to the event. CARE is a group partnership between the Wheeling Police, Fire, and Human Services Departments consisting of community volunteers trained and prepared to assist victims of disasters with shelter and comfort. Volunteers are trained in Red Cross Shelter Operations, CPR/AED/First Aid, and emergency procedures. If you are interested in participating in the emergency drill or learning more about CARE, please contact the Human Services Department at 847.459.2606.

## Leaf Disposal Guidelines

The Department of Public Works reminds residents that Village Code 11.08.100 prohibits the deposit of leaves into streets, roads, or highways and along the shoulder, curb or edge of any street, road, or highway. Leaves intentionally raked into such areas have a clear and immediate effect on the Village's storm sewer system; this can result in clogged storm sewer inlets and subsequent flooding.

The Village's contract with Waste Management provides an alternate, convenient method to dispose of leaves and other forms of yard waste. In addition to biodegradable paper yard waste bags (2-ply Kraft), residents may use rigid 32-gallon containers clearly marked with a red "X" around the body of the container. Containers and biodegradable bags may not exceed 45 pounds in weight when filled. 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 branches/limbs must not exceed three inches in diameter or four inches in length and must be tied in bundles with biodegradable twine or string. Bundles must not exceed two feet in diameter or weigh over 45 pounds. There is no limit to the number of bundled brush. Loose or larger brush or logs will not be collected by Waste Management.

**Yard waste collections conclude on November 30th.**

## Holiday Solid Waste Collection Reminders

**In observance of Thanksgiving Day, November 22, refuse, recycling and yard waste will be delayed by one day.**

**In observance of Christmas Day, December 25, refuse and recycling will be delayed by one day.**

## Holiday Tree Collections

Non-artificial holiday trees are collected at residential curbsides during the first two weeks in January at no additional charge. Please do not place trees in plastic bags. Trees that have decorations, are in stands, or in plastic bags will not be collected.

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## ***Putting on the Ritz with Restaurant Row***

***Monday, November 5, 2012***

***5:00-8:30 p.m.***

***At Westin Chicago North Shore, 601 N. Milwaukee Ave., Wheeling***



*Stroll Restaurant Row indoors, one bite and sip at a time.*

Sample and savor the culinary creations and drinks of the Wheeling/Prospect Heights Chamber's Restaurant Row Hospitality Group, enjoy the live music by the award-winning Wheeling High School Jazz Band, bid on fabulous silent auction items, enter the many raffles, and enjoy the camaraderie this event promotes!

Sponsorships and donations for the auction are now being accepted. Tickets are \$40/person and are available to be purchased ahead of time or at the door. Tables of 10 are \$240 (save \$60).

Call the WPH Chamber of Commerce at 847.541.0170, email [info@wphchamber.com](mailto:info@wphchamber.com) or visit [www.wphchamber.com](http://www.wphchamber.com).

## **WE ARE HERE TO SERVE YOU!**

### **Village Hall**

2 Community Boulevard  
Wheeling, IL 60090  
Phone: 847.459.2600  
Fax: 847.459.9692  
Website: [www.wheelingil.gov](http://www.wheelingil.gov)  
Open 7:00 am to 5:00 pm M - F

### **Public Works Department**

77 W. Hintz Road  
Phone: 847.279.6900  
Open 7:00 am to 3:30 pm M - F

### **Community Development**

2 Community Blvd.  
Phone 847.459.2620  
Open 7:00 am to 5:00 pm M - F

### **Human Services/Senior Ctr.**

199 N. First Street  
847.459.2670

### **Police Department**

1 Community Blvd.  
847.459.2632

### **Fire Department**

499 S. Milwaukee Ave.  
847.459.2662

### **Wheeling Local TV**

Comcast: Channel 17  
A T & T: Channel 99

### **Wheeling Park District**

333 W. Dundee Road  
847.465.3333

### **Indian Trails Public Library**

355 S. Schoenbeck Road  
847.459.4100

**847.459.CODE**  
to report code violations

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