



VILLAGE VIEWS



September/October 2011

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WELCOME TO WHEELING



From the Desk of President Abruscato

In our last newsletter I said I am eagerly anticipating more great things for our town, and I am now happy to say we are already seeing more great things. The 2011 Fireworks were a wonderful success, and I and the Board of Trustees are so thankful that with the help of local businesses, this event could be brought back for our residents. I'd like to give a heartfelt thank-you to those who partnered with the Village of Wheeling to make this year's fireworks festivities possible: Bill Stasek Chevrolet, Wheel-Inn, the Wheeling Park District, Carnicerias Jimenez, Waste Management, Gene's Towing, Fresh Farms, AmVets Post 66, Snow Systems, Wa-Pa-Ghetti's, and MB Financial.

*President
Judy Abruscato*

On August 2, Wheeling celebrated National Night Out with communities throughout the country. Thank you to all the Wheeling neighborhoods that participated and helped fulfill the National Night Out goals of heightening crime prevention awareness, generating support for local anti-crime programs, strengthening neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships, and sending a message to criminals to let them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back. I hope that next year even more neighborhoods participate to work towards these goals for all of Wheeling!

The much-anticipated grand opening of the new Fresh Farms store and shopping center at the southwest corner of Dundee Road and Milwaukee Avenue is coming soon! After watching this center take shape over the last few months I am excited to announce its completion.

On a more somber note, I would like to take a moment to remember the tragic September 11th events which took place ten years ago. As we commemorate this anniversary, I hope you will all join me in thanking those those who have bravely fought and selflessly given their lives for our freedom. I encourage you all to take a moment of silence and hang an American flag to honor those whose lives were tragically affected by these events, and also to take pride in our great nation and its citizens' ability to triumph in the face of adversity.

Village Offices will be closed:

Monday, September 5th in observance of Labor Day

Monday, October 10th in observance of Columbus Day

Welcome new Wheeling businesses!

Agora Cafe

1780 W. Hintz Road
restaurant and lounge

Auto Associates, LLC

210 Industrial Lane, Ste. 10
auto detailing

Executive Coach Chicago, Inc.

173 S. Wheeling Road
sales, storage and light repair of limousines

Family Video

740 W. Hintz Road
video rental store

Mama D's & Sons

345 Wolf Road, Unit A-B
catering/baking

Northstar DME & Dental Lab, Inc.

559 N. Wolf Road
light distribution dental/medical equipment

NutriBody Plus

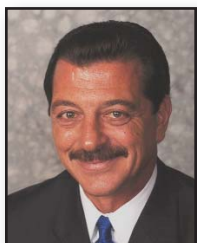
250 N. Wolf Road
Herbalife products

Moyo Laundromat

38 W. Dundee Road
laundromat

St. Andrew's Properties, Inc.

395 E. Dundee Road
property management office



Dean
Argiris



Ken
Brady



Bob
Heer



Bill
Hein



Ray
Lang



Dave
Vogel

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The Clerk's Corner



Village Clerk
Elaine E. Simpson

REMEMBER - WE ARE HERE TO HELP YOU

Wheeling Farm Stand Market

Come out and support your local Farmers' Market now located at Chamber Park on Wolf Road, just north of Dundee Road. The market is open Tuesdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. until October 16th.

Wheeling Historical Society

Wheeling Historical Society is part of preserving the Village's present for future generations. Some of the Society's many activities include monthly meetings with guest speakers, opening the museum during warmer weather, and Lollipop Lane, a winter celebration for children and the young at heart. Meetings are on the fourth Wednesday of each month at Chamber Park in the Community Church. Contact the Historical Society at 847.537.3119 or by email at curator@wheelinghistoricalsociety.com to learn more.

Putting on the Ritz

Join us for an evening of great
Food, Fun, & Entertainment!

- * Enjoy the limitless tastings by all the restaurants under one roof
- * Delight in the sounds of the Wheeling High School Jazz Band
- * Watch beautiful ballroom dancing - maybe try yourself!

This is a great time to come out with co-workers, family, and friends for a fun and relaxing evening of dining and dancing. Raffles, Silent Auction, and Cash Bar, are featured at this major annual fundraiser. **Come help celebrate America!**



**Putting
on the Ritz**
with Restaurant Row

Thursday, September 8, 2011 (5:00 - 8:00pm)
Atlantis Banquets in Prospect Heights
Call (847) 541-0170 or visit:
www.wphchamber.com or email info@wphchamber.com

HEALTH FAIR & OPEN HOUSE

Brought to you by the Wheeling Board of Health

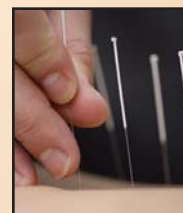
Community Health Fair & Open House

Saturday, October 15, 2011
9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

Wheeling Park District
Recreation Center
333 W. Dundee Road

Flu Shots
Glucose Testing
Bone Density Screening
Spine & Stress Evaluations
Massage Therapy
Chiropractics & Acupuncture Info
Nutritional Information
Blood Pressure Screening
Community Services
Local Health Care Facility Info
Senior Services
Library Services
Pace Bus
Chamber of Commerce
Wheeling Park District
and much more !!

For more information, please contact Health Officer Beverly Slaby at 847.499.9045 or by email at bslaby@wheelingil.gov



POLICE & FIRE DEPARTMENTS



Charity Fraud Prevention

In today's tough economy, many charities are dealing with a variety of ups and downs—increases in the demand for service and decreases in funding, to name just two. To meet their challenges many are asking for bigger contributions, asking for contributions more often and looking for a bigger pool of donors. In addition, legitimate charities are facing competition from fraudsters who either solicit for bogus charities or are not honest about how the so-called charity will use contributions. (*Federal Trade Commission 2010*)



Some charities pay professional fundraisers. They may claim to be collecting money for your local police department, but the actual officers are not making those calls. These professionals are entitled to keep a portion of the money they collect.

Warning signs of a charity scam. It is suggested that donors avoid any charity or fundraiser that:

- Refuses to provide written information about its identity, its costs and how the donation will be used.
- Will not provide proof that a contribution is tax deductible.
- Uses a name that closely resembles that of a better-known, reputable organization.
- Thanks a potential donor for a pledge the person doesn't remember making.
- Asks a potential contributor for credit card information before the person has agreed to contribute.
- Uses high-pressure tactics to secure a donation before the donor has a chance to make an informed decision.
- Asks for donations in cash.
- Offers to send a courier or overnight delivery service to collect the donation immediately.
- Guarantees sweepstakes winnings in exchange for a contribution.

Protect yourself!

- Ask for written information about the charity.
- Call the charity – find out if the organization is aware of the solicitation.
- Check to see if the charity or fundraiser is registered.

To search for a potential charity visit www.IllinoisAttorneyGeneral.gov and search the Charitable Database. Illinois law requires charitable organizations which solicit and/or hold charitable monies in Illinois to register and file annual financial reports with the Attorney General's Office. These annual financial reports provide a valuable source of information to help you ascertain a particular charity's programs, activities, grants, finances, and priorities. The Charitable Database allows you to search for public charities and private foundations which are registered in Illinois by name, registration number, FEIN, city, state and/or zip code.

REMEMBER: Be wary of charities that spring up overnight in connection with current events and natural disasters.

Citizen's Police Academy

The Wheeling Police Department's next Citizen's Police Academy will run from September 1 to November 17. These FREE classes meet Thursday evenings from 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. and cover just about everything of interest concerning law enforcement in Wheeling. This course allows residents an inside look at the expertise and operations of their Police Department.

Applications can be obtained from the Police Department or online at www.wheelingil.gov. Seats are limited, so register early. Residents wanting more information should contact the Crime Prevention Unit at 847.459.2994 or Officer Abbio at jabbio@wheelingil.gov.

Instruction will take place at the Wheeling Police Department, 1 Community Blvd., Wheeling, Illinois.

Volunteers Needed!

Do you have a flair for the dramatic? Do you want to help your community prepare for emergencies? Community Assisted Relief Efforts (C.A.R.E.) is planning for an emergency drill to be held this fall. We are looking for volunteers who are interested in playing the part of disaster victims for this drill. All volunteers will receive training prior to the event.

C.A.R.E. is a group 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. C.A.R.E. is a group partnership between the Wheeling Police, Fire, and Human Services Departments. If you are interested in participating in the emergency drill this fall, please contact Angela Burrell at 847.459.2640. Please help out your community and learn some new skills! Join us!

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & PUBLIC WORKS

One-Day Village Recycling Events

Document Destruction Event

On Saturday, September 24, the Village of Wheeling will host a one-day Document Destruction Event (DDE), sponsored by the Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County (SWANCC). The event will take place at the Public Works Department, 77 W. Hintz Road, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. only, rain or shine. The collection is at no charge for residents of SWANCC member communities. Wheeling is a member of SWANCC.

Residents may bring residentially generated paper for shredding, such as medical forms, bank statements, personal files, retired tax records and receipts. Place paper documents in a bag or box for easy removal. It is not necessary to remove paper clips and staples. Binders, however, must be removed. No materials from businesses, schools or other institutions will be accepted. Documents will be placed in a toter and loaded into a shredding truck onsite. The paper will be cross-shredded, baled and recycled. Please contact Public Works at 847.279.6903 with any questions, or for information on additional document destruction events scheduled by SWANCC for the fall.

Computer & Electronics Recycling Event

On Saturday, October 8, the Village of Wheeling will host a one-day Computer & Electronics Recycling Event, sponsored by the Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County (SWANCC) and Supply-Chain Services. The event will take place at the Public Works Department, 77 W. Hintz Road, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. only, rain or shine. The collection is at no charge for residents of SWANCC member communities. Wheeling is a member of SWANCC.

Items that will be accepted at this event include computers (PCs/laptops), computer monitors, DVD/VHS players, fax machines, mobile phones, peripherals (mouse, keyboards, zip drives), MP3 players, PDAs, printers, scanners, televisions, and video game consoles.

Please contact Public Works at 847.279.6903 with any questions, or for additional information on computer and electronic events scheduled by SWANCC.

Municipal Vehicles & Equipment Auction

The Public Works Department will be hosting a Northwest Municipal Conference Vehicles and Equipment Auction on Saturday, October 15 at 10:00 a.m. (registration at 8:00 a.m.) at 77 W. Hintz Road. Call Public Works at 847.279.6900 for details.

All Waste Management pick-ups will be
delayed by one day the week of
September 5, 2011 due to Labor Day

WASTE MANAGEMENT

Capital Improvement Projects

The **2011 Sewer Lining Program** will begin late summer or early fall and consists of rehabilitating the existing sewer (sanitary or storm) by lining it with a cured-in-place pipe (CIPP) which eliminates or thoroughly reduces the infiltration of ground water into the system and extends the life of sanitary sewers and deteriorated storm sewer pipes. Targeted locations are: Noel Ave., Alice St., Schoenbeck Rd., Sarasota Dr., Milwaukee Ave. (behind Pete Miller Restaurant), and Mayer Ave.

The **2011 Sidewalk Removal and Replacement Program** will begin late summer in the Dunhurst Subdivision, Units 1, 2 and 3. Public Works continues to compile a list of locations that qualify for this work. If you feel that you have a public sidewalk that is in need of repair, please call the Capital Projects & Design Division at 847.279.6900 and a Village Inspector will evaluate the sidewalk to see if it qualifies for replacement as funding becomes available.

The **2011 MFT Crack Sealing Program** is an ongoing annual project in which the Village seals cracks and joints in roadway pavements. This project is anticipated to begin late summer to early fall. Locations for this program are scattered throughout the Village. For a list of the streets included in this program, please contact the Capital Projects & Design Division at 847.279.6900.

Leaves, Leaves, Leaves...

With the arrival of the autumn season, Public Works reminds residents that Village Code 11.08.100 prohibits the deposit of leaves into streets, roads, or highways and along shoulders, curbs or edges of any street, road or highway. Intentionally raking leaves into such areas has a clear and immediate effect on the Village's storm sewer system; it can result in clogged storm sewer inlets and subsequent flooding.

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 body of the container. Containers and biodegradable bags may not exceed 45 lbs. 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.

Bundled brush is also collected as part of yard waste and must be bundled or tied with biodegradable twine or string. Branches cannot exceed 3" in diameter. Bundled brush must not weigh over 45 lbs., not exceed 4 ft. in length and not exceed 2 ft. in diameter. Loose or larger brush or logs will not be collected by Waste Management.

Yard waste collections conclude on November 30, 2011.

HUMAN SERVICES



Pavilion Senior Center * 199 N. First St. * 847.459.2670

The Pavilion Senior Center, part of the Department of Senior Services, announces the following programs to be offered to area adults 55 years or better:

Lunch at Pavilion

Join us for a great meal and great friends at LUNCH AT PAVILION. Excellent 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 1:00 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. **FRIDAY SOUP AND SALAD THROUGH SEPTEMBER!** Funds for this program are provided through an award from AgeOptions through the Illinois Department on Aging and the Federal Administration on Aging. Meals are provided by the Greek American Rehabilitation and Care Center. For more information regarding how to register or volunteer, please contact the Wheeling Pavilion Senior Center at 847.459.2670.

Wheeling Computer Learning Center for Seniors

Do you have a digital camera but don't know how to get the pictures off of it?

Do you want to keep in touch with your grandchildren through Facebook or email, but don't know where to start?

Have you never touched a computer, but would like to try?

Do you want to learn how to really get the most out of your smartphone or iPhone?

If you answered yes to any or all of these questions, then the Wheeling Computer Learning Center for Seniors is just the place for you. Our new session of classes will begin soon. **NEW SESSIONS BEGIN MONTHLY!** Call the Wheeling Pavilion Senior Center at 847.459.2670 for the latest information regarding class offerings and schedules.

Recession Boot Camp for Seniors

Friday, October 14th from 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.

For those 65 and older, learn how to shop and cook healthy meals for less, and get more out of retirement socially. Come for Lunch at Pavilion and stay to learn how to be smarter and save money in this economy. You must RSVP by 9:00 a.m. on October 14 to reserve your space for lunch and the program.

Boot Camp for Boomers

Saturday, October 29th from 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

For those between ages 60-64, learn what you need to know about Social Security, Medicare/Medicaid, VA benefit information, senior health, eating right at your age, organizing a new life today, volunteering & getting out, and more! Registration and light breakfast 8:30a.m. - 9:00a.m. Participants **MUST** RSVP for this program by Friday, October 21, 2011 to save their seat.

Boot Camps Sponsored by Right at Home

Social Services Division

The Social Services Division offers many services to needy 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.

Wheeling Special Needs Resident List

The Village of Wheeling Special Needs Resident Notification (Illinois Premise Alert Program Public Act 96-0788) is now available. The Illinois Premise Alert allows people with special needs to provide information to police, fire, and EMYS personnel to be kept in a database. This information will be provided to responders dealing with situations involving the special-needs individuals.

To let emergency personnel know about you or your family members' special needs, pick up a form at the Wheeling Police Department or Wheeling Pavilion Senior Center. Forms may be completed immediately or you may send them to the Wheeling Police Department at 1 Community Boulevard, Wheeling, IL. Your information will not be shared with anyone outside of the emergency personnel of the Village of Wheeling and any other agency needed to provide emergency response. The information provided on the list will not result in preferential treatment or change the response of trained emergency personnel. Inclusion on the list will result in emergency responders being better prepared to assist the individual residents with special needs.

Please contact either the Human Services Department at 847.459.2606 or the Wheeling Police Department Communications Supervisor at 847.459.2632 for further information.

NEWS YOU CAN USE

Wheeling Institutes In-House Administrative Adjudication Hearings

Starting September 6, any person receiving a Summons Notice for an administrative adjudication hearing for a code violation must now appear before a Hearing Officer at the Village of Wheeling.

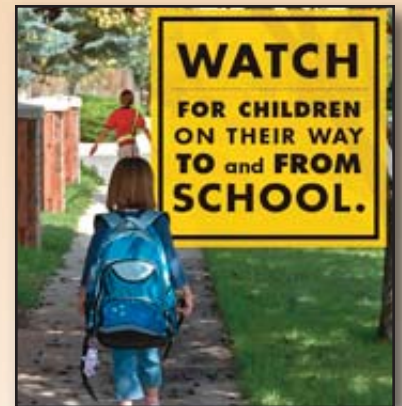
The Village of Wheeling will begin conducting Administrative Adjudication Hearings two (2) times per month at Village Hall as an alternative to hearings for code compliance issues at Rolling Meadows Circuit Court. These local Adjudication Hearings create a more efficient and practical way to enforce the Village's municipal ordinances, including violations concerning property maintenance and building codes. Compliance with municipal codes helps safeguard a consistent quality of life for all Wheeling residents. Additional objectives include reducing a citizen's time and expenses for travel to and from court, and reducing repeat offenses through prompt compliance. Administrative Adjudication Hearings are civil proceedings and all persons found liable may only be fined and/or ordered to comply with Village codes. For additional information regarding Administrative Adjudication hearings please contact Jodi Dister, Municipal Inspector, at 847.499.9049.

Back-to-School Safety

With the school year beginning August 23rd, both drivers and pedestrians need to remain aware of their surroundings, as the start of the school year brings an increase in the number of pedestrians in or near roadways. Drivers should take every precaution when traveling in residential and school areas where pedestrians may cross the street or walk along the roadway. Pedestrians—especially children—may dart out into traffic from unexpected places like between parked cars. Always monitor your speed, be prepared to take evasive action, and show that you care by setting a good example.

The National Safe Kids Campaign recommends the following walking safety tips for children:

- Do not cross the street alone if you're younger than ten years old
- Stop at the curb before crossing the street
- Walk—do not run—across the street
- Cross at corners using traffic signals, crossing guards, and crosswalks
- Look left, right, and left again before crossing
- Walk facing traffic
- Make sure drivers see you before crossing in front of them
- Do not play in driveways, streets, or parking lots
- Wear white clothing or reflectors when walking at night
- Cross at least ten feet in front of a stopped school bus



In addition, the Wheeling Police Department takes a zero-tolerance approach to vehicles speeding within 20 MPH school-zones. If drivers exceed the posted 20 MPH school-zone speed limit, they can expect to be stopped and cited. A citation for speeding in a school zone brings with it a mandatory court appearance, a conviction against your driving record, and minimum fine of \$285.

Motorists need to stay vigilant and obey the law when approaching a school bus stopped to load or unload children. When approaching a stopped school bus with its stop arm extended and red lights flashing, drivers are required to stop and remain stopped until the bus driver retracts the stop arm and turns off the red flashing lights. Receiving a ticket for failing to stop appropriately for a stopped school bus can result in a three-month suspension of the violator's driving privileges.

Also, please be reminded that the Vehicular Phone Use in School Zones ban states "A person, regardless of age, may not use a wireless telephone at any time while operating a motor vehicle on a roadway in a school speed zone." The ban carries a fine and can adversely impact your driving record.

With both pedestrians and drivers being more aware of their surroundings, we can all enjoy the new school year without incident.



Halloween Trick or Treat Hours are Monday,
October 31 from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Make a Difference—Shop in Wheeling

These days everyone is paying close attention to what they spend money on and when they spend it. However, thinking about *where* to shop is just as important. When you shop at a local business, your spending power strengthens your community, your local economy, and enhances Wheeling's character and appeal. Buying locally invests in the prosperity of your neighborhood, and supports:

Job Growth: Local businesses hire local residents, accountants, and service providers, advertise in local media, and bank locally. Your hometown purchases support the Wheeling economy.

Greater Retail Selection: Developers and potential new businesses often evaluate traffic and sales history when researching new locations. Your support of local business directly aids new business attraction.

Community Enhancement: Local businesses are invested in the community, and are more active in supporting community activities. For instance, in a food drive earlier this year, local businesses raised more than 1,200 lbs of food donations for families in need. As their customers, you make this possible.

Additionally, sales tax dollars represent 26% of the Village's total General Fund revenue, which helps pay for public services like police and firefighters, local roadway maintenance, and snowplowing. Support your neighborhood by making the decision to shop Wheeling businesses whenever possible. For shopping ideas, feel free to contact the Chamber of Commerce at: info@wphchamber.com, or call 847.541.0170. Thank you for shopping in Wheeling!



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
Open 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. M - F

Public Works Department

77 W. Hintz Road
Phone: 847.279.6900
Open 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. M - F

Community Development

2 Community Blvd.
Phone 847.459.2620
Open 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. 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

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to report code violations

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