

May 2016

City Notes

Paper Shredding Results

The April 9 paper shredding event organized by Wheaton's Environmental Improvement Commission resulted in 29,200 pounds of paper shredded in just four hours. This amount was 16,140 pounds more than the previous year's event.

The Environmental Improvement Commission would like to thank the student volunteers from Wheaton Warrenville South High School and Benedictine University for helping with this event.

Lawn Watering Restrictions

Annual lawn watering restrictions go into effect from May 15 to September 15. Residents with odd-numbered street addresses can water their lawns on odd-numbered days and those with even-numbered addresses are limited to even-numbered days. Lawn watering is prohibited between noon and 6 p.m. every day.

Contact the Water Division at 630-260-2090 for a 10-day new sod/seed permit.

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See Results of Garbage Survey

Input will help select City's next garbage contract

Thanks to 2,172 Wheaton residents who completed the City's survey on garbage, recycling and yard waste service, the City received useful feedback on the type of service residents want in Wheaton's next waste hauler contract.

[You can see the results of the February survey](#), which was conducted online and was also available in a paper format.

Some findings from the survey results include:

- Approximately 85% of survey respondents felt satisfied or very satisfied with garbage collection, while 95% felt satisfied or very sat-



isfied with recycling collection.

- 59% of respondents were satisfied or very satisfied with purchasing stickers for garbage and yard waste, while 27% were dissatisfied or very dissatisfied with the process.

- Survey takers expressed strong support for "pay-as-you-throw" pricing for gar-

80% of survey takers agreed that garbage collection costs should be based on how much garbage they generate.

bage (where you pay for the volume of garbage you produce); 80% of respondents agreed or strongly agreed that the cost of garbage collection should be distributed to households based on how much garbage they generate. 16% said they agree or strongly agree that the cost should be distributed evenly among households.

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Wheaton Welcomes New City Manager

Michael Dzugan, who has served as Assistant City Manager for the past 24 years, will begin as Wheaton's new City Manager on May 1, 2016. Dzugan will replace Donald Rose, who retired after serving the City of Wheaton for

42 years.

Prior to working for the City of Wheaton, Dzugan was the Assistant City Manager in Crystal Lake, Illinois.

Director of Human Resources John Duguay will become Assistant City Manager on May 1.



Contact the City

Police/Fire: 911
After-Hours Water/Sewer Emergency: 630-260-2161
General Information: 630-260-2000, 630-260-8090 (TDD)
City Hall Hours: 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday

Feedback:

Please mail your comments to:
Mayor's Office, 303 W. Wesley St., Wheaton, IL 60187
Or, email comments to: feedback@wheaton.il.us

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Garbage Holiday

Due to the Memorial Day holiday, there will be no trash pickup on Monday, May 30. Pickup for the week of May 30-June 3 will be one day later than usual.

City Offices Closed

Non-emergency City of Wheaton offices will be closed on Monday, May 30, 2016. They will reopen on May 31.

Employment Opportunities

The City is currently seeking applicants for a Project Engineer – Capital Improvements. For more information, see the City's website at www.wheaton.il.us/jobs.

Commission News

The City Council reappointed that Michael Savegnago and Charles Hartman to the Board of Trustees – Fire Pension Fund, each for a three-year term; reappointed Teri Ash to the Sister City Commission for a three-year term; appointed Gavin Engel to the Community Relations Commission for a three-year term; reappointed Brett Mathieson to the Board of Trustees – Police Pension Fund for a two-year term; reappointed Kevin Maguire to the Downtown Wheaton Design Review Board for a three-year term; and appointed Nicole Aranas and Dan Wanzung to the Planning & Zoning Board, each for a five-year term.

May 7 Class Teaches Bike Safety for Children and their Parents

Registration required for this free class

The Wheaton Bicycle Advisory Committee and the Wheaton Park District are teaming up to provide a free bike safety class for children and their parents to encourage biking for both transportation and fun.

There will be two sessions of this one-hour class starting at 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. Saturday, May 7, 2016. Participants should be ages 5-11 and must be accompanied by a parent. Both classes meet in the parking lot of Rice Pool at the Community Center. In case of rain, the class will meet in the Community Center.

Laurel Salvador, League of American Bicyclists Cycling Instructor and member of the Wheaton Bicycle Advisory Committee, will be the class instructor. Parents



Bike Safety Class

- Date:** Saturday, May 7
- Times:** 10 a.m., 11 a.m.
- Location:** Parking lot of Community Center
- Register:** Class is free, but [register through Wheaton Park District](#)

and their children will learn a proper helmet fit, bicycle

fit, bicycle safety checks and practical bicycle handling skills.

You will need to bring your own bicycle and helmet to the class and wear comfortable clothing for riding.

There is no fee for this class, but you must register through the Wheaton Park District at www.wheaton-parkdistrict.com. The class section numbers are 215406-01 and 215406-02.

Survey

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- 49% agreed or strongly agreed that the cost of recycling should be distributed evenly among households, while 35% said they agree or strongly agree that cost for recycling should be based on how much recyclable material they generate.

- When asked if they would prefer a monthly fee-based cart service over the current sticker system, 32% would favor or strongly favor a monthly fee; 56% disfavor or strongly disfavor a monthly fee-based cart service.

- 47% would favor or

strongly favor a program where they were charged automatically only when they set their garbage cart at the curb; 34% would disfavor or strongly disfavor this alternative.

- 61% of respondents said they would like a standardized wheeled cart of a size of their choice supplied for garbage collection. 41% said they would like a similar cart for yard waste.

- 26% said they would like the option of having food waste collected in the same cart as their yard waste for composting; 25% said they didn't know if they would like the food scrap composting option.



Watch the Video

[See the video](#) of the City Council's April 11 discussion of this survey.

The Wheaton City Council discussed the results of the survey at its April 11 Planning Session. You can [watch a video of the discussion](#) on the City's website.

From the Council's feedback and public input, the City will put out a request for waste haulers to submit proposals for the next garbage, recycling and yard waste contract.

Preservation Month Celebrates History

Each May the City's Historic Commission celebrates Wheaton's history with Preservation Month. The commission invites the community to check out the special events and activities planned for 2016.

Pride in Preservation Signs

From May 13-22, look for "Pride in Preservation" purple lawn signs designating Wheaton Historic Landmarks and locations on the Wheaton Register of Historic Places.

Downtown Wheaton Historic Walking Tour

Enjoy a stroll through historic Downtown Wheaton with DuPage County Historical Museum's architecture walk at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 7. Register at 630-510-4941 or dupagemuseum@wheaton-parks.org.

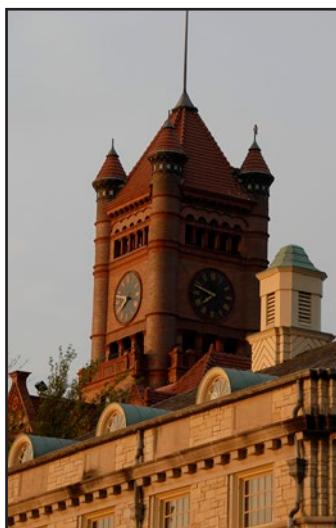
Home History Research Help

Historic Commission members and Wheaton Public Library staff will provide assistance from 1-4 p.m. May 7 and 6-8 p.m. May 9 at the Library, 225 N. Cross St. Discover available resources to learn about your home's construction date, past owners or architecture. Reservations are recommended by calling 630-868-7520.

Also, visit the library's Home History Exhibit to learn what records reveal and explore city directories, newspapers, census returns, Sanborn maps, aerial views, cemetery records and local histories.

Celebrating Historic Wheaton Parks: Former Estate Gardens

The DuPage County Historical Museum, 102 E. Wesley St., will host a program look-



ing at gardens of one-time estates transformed for public enjoyment, including Memorial Park, Hurley Gardens, Adams Park and Cantigny Gardens. The program will take place at 7 p.m. May 12.

Cantigny Park – Free Parking Days for Wheaton Residents

Cantigny Park will provide free parking May 13-22 for Wheaton residents. Just show proof of Wheaton residency at the parking booth.

Cantigny Park, 1S151 Winfield Road in Wheaton, is the 500-acre estate of Robert R. McCormick (1880-1955), long-time editor and publisher of the Chicago Tribune.

Pride in Preservation



Preservation Week

For more information about these events, see the City's website at www.wheaton.il.us/PreservationMonth.

Lecture: "The Man Who Fired the First Shot at Gettysburg"

Marcellus E. Jones served as Township Collector, City Councilman, DuPage County Sheriff and Postmaster. But he is most famous for his claim to have fired the first shot at the Civil War Battle of Gettysburg.

Robert Shuster, archi-

vist from Wheaton College's Billy Graham Center Archives, will present this lecture from 7-8:30 p.m. May 17 at the Wheaton Public Library, 225 N. Cross St.

Lecture: "The Foulis Family of Wheaton and their Impact on the History of Golf in the Midwest"

Bob Jacobsen, chairman of the Milton Township Cemeteries, will host a lecture from 10 a.m. to noon June 11 at the Wheaton Cemetery, 1209 S. Warrenville Road.

Learn about the Foulis family, who played an important part in the history of golf in Wheaton and in the U.S.

West Nile and Zika Virus Update

To inform Wheaton residents about West Nile virus and Zika virus, the Wheaton Mosquito Abatement District provides the following update on these mosquito-transmitted viruses.

West Nile Virus

Since 1999, West Nile virus (WNV) has rapidly spread across the United States causing over 43,739 human cases, including 1,867 fatalities, during the past 17 years. Intensive mosquito population surveillance is performed by the State of Illinois Department of Health, DuPage County Health Department, the Forest Preserve District of DuPage County and Clarke Mosquito Control.

WNV symptoms are initially similar to the flu, with muscle weakness and disorientation. Though the majority of those infected will have mild symptoms or no symptoms at all, in some individuals, WNV can cause inflammation of the brain (encephalitis) and in severe cases, paralysis, coma or death.

Take the following steps to help protect yourself against infection and assist in the fight against West Nile Virus:

- If outdoors when mosquitoes are active, dress in light-colored, long-sleeved clothing, long pants and socks. Apply mosquito repellent with DEET to clothing and exposed skin.

- Neglected swimming pools can be ideal sources for larval development to the mosquito species that transmits West Nile virus. Report neglected pools to the Wheaton Mosquito Abatement District's Mosquito Hotline at 800-942-2555. Techni-



cians will be dispatched to inspect and treat the pool, if necessary.

- Discard any outdoor container that might hold water or empty water from wading pools and birdbaths once a week.

- Keep grass cut short and shrubbery well trimmed around the house so adult mosquitoes will not hide there.

- Do not dump grass clippings into low-lying areas that collect water after rain falls to prevent mosquito larvae development.

- Report dead birds on your property to the DuPage County Health Department. Dead birds (crows, blue jays and raptors) can be the first indicators of the presence of WNV in the area.

- To be notified by phone when mosquito spraying will take place, Call 1-800-942-2555.

- Questions about the district's mosquito control program should be directed to Clarke's mosquito hotline at 1-800-942-2555.

Zika Virus Update

According to the Illinois Department of Public Health, local transmission of Zika virus in Illinois is unlikely.

To date, the reported U.S. cases have been from vaca-

tioners returning from South America and Caribbean islands.

Zika virus is primarily transmitted from person to person by the bite of an infected mosquito, *Aedes aegypti* (the yellow fever mosquito), a species native to tropical areas, including the deep south of the United States. *Aedes aegypti* is rare to absent in most of Illinois because it cannot survive freezing temperatures.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, about 20% of people infected with Zika virus will manifest clinical symptoms of fever, rash, and joint pain. The other 80% of the population will not exhibit any symptoms or ever know they have the disease.

The highest risk population is pregnant women and women of child-bearing age. The CDC has stated Zika virus can be transmitted to the fetus and also through breast milk. Therefore, pregnant women are recommended to avoid travel to areas of active Zika virus transmission.

There have been recent reports of sexual transmission of Zika virus, but further research is necessary to fully understand the role and impact of sexual transmission in the spread of this virus.

Reminder on Garage Sale Rules

City ordinance sets number of sales and signs allowed

To help maintain the character of residential neighborhoods, the City of Wheaton has an ordinance placing limits on garage sales in Wheaton. The ordinance defines "garage sales" to include sales, bartering, trading or giveaways conducted outdoors or partially outdoors.

The rules prohibit you from operating any of the above at a single address:

- Before 8 a.m. or after 5 p.m.
- More than two consecutive days
- More than two times in any calendar year
- On the public right-of-way (the parkway).

In addition, there are rules for the number and type of signs allowed.

- You may display one sign, sized 3 square feet or less, on your lawn.
- You can also use no more than two directional signs, each a size of 3 square feet or less, at other locations, as long as you receive permission from the property owners.
- All signs must be on private property, not in the public right-of-way (such as the parkway or sidewalk).

• You can put out garage sale signs no more than two days before the sale, and you must remove all signs on the final day of the sale.

Violating any terms of this ordinance can result in a minimum fine of \$100.

Upcoming Events

French Market

Date: Saturdays through November

Time: 8 a.m.-2 p.m.

Location: [Commuter Parking Lot at Liberty Drive and Main Street](#)

Held in the commuter parking lot near Liberty Drive and Main Street, the French Market is an outdoor market selling locally grown produce, flowers, handmade gifts, jewelry, baked goods, specialty foods and much more. For information, contact Bensidoun USA at 312-575-0294 or ccbcec@sbcglobal.net.

Biking in Wheaton

Date: Tuesday, May 3

Time: 7 p.m.

Location: Wheaton Public Library, [225 N. Cross St.](#)

Doug Jones from Midwest Cyclery will explain how you can lead a greener, healthier lifestyle with your bicycle. He will talk about local bike trails and the different types and styles of bicycles. Register online at [wheatonlibrary.org](#)/calendar or call 630-868-7520.

Downtown Wheaton Historic Walking Tour

Date: Saturday, May 7

Time: 10 a.m.

Location: Starts at DuPage County Historical Museum, [102 E. Wesley St.](#)

See page 3 for information.

Go Fly a Kite

Date: Saturday, May 7

Time: 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Location: Graf Park, [1701 Manchester Road](#)

The Wheaton Park District encourages you to enjoy spring and fly kites at the Go Fly a Kite event. The "grand launch" will be at



11:15 a.m., followed by kite demonstrations by Chicago Fire Kite Team, and contests and 1 and 1:30 p.m. [More information](#)

Home History Research Help

Dates: Saturday, May 7, 1-4 p.m.; Monday, May 9, 6-8 p.m.

Location: Wheaton Public Library, [225 N. Cross St.](#), First Floor Genealogy Section

See page 3 for information.

Exploring Van Gogh: A Drawing Workshop

Date: Tuesday, May 10

Time: 7 p.m.

Location: Wheaton Public Library, [225 N. Cross St.](#)

Join art instructor Christine

Thornton to learn more about Vincent Van Gogh and his paintings. After a presentation, you will choose one of Van Gogh's paintings to copy for your own small colored pencil study. Register online at [wheatonlibrary.org/calendar](#) or call 630-868-7520.

Former Estate Gardens – Through the Years

Date: Thursday, May 12

Time: 7 p.m.

Location: [DuPage County Historical Museum Auditorium](#), Main & Wesley streets, Wheaton

See page 3 for information.

Cantigny Park – Free Parking

Days for Wheaton Residents

Dates: May 13-22

Location: Cantigny Park, [1S151 Winfield Road](#), Wheaton
See page 3 for information.

Electronic Recycling

Date: Saturday, May 14

Time: 9 a.m.-noon

Location: Public Works Storage Yard, [820 W. Liberty Drive](#) (just east of the Police Station)

Recycle unwanted electronics including computers, video game consoles, microwaves, blenders, hair dryers, and almost anything with a cord (except no CRT – large tube – TVs, projection-screen TVs or console TVs can be accepted; only flat-screen TVs and monitors). You can also bring scrap metal, household batteries, cooking oil and fluorescent tube bulbs (no CFL bulbs, please). [More information](#)

Lecture: "The Man Who Fired the First Shot at Gettysburg"

Date: Tuesday, May 17

Time: 7-8:30 p.m.

Location: Wheaton Public Library, [225 N. Cross St.](#), Lower Level Large Meeting Room

See page 3 for information.

Meditation for Healthy Living

Date: Thursday, May 19

Time: 7 p.m.

Location: Wheaton Public Library, [225 N. Cross St.](#)

Join Michael Ribet, who has been practicing meditation for over 40 years as he discusses how meditation can improve our

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physical, mental and spiritual health. The audience will have a chance to practice this simple technique that can reduce stress, enhance relaxation and promote inner growth. No registration required.

Vintage Rides Car Show

Date: Fridays, May 20-Aug. 26
Time: 6-9 p.m.
Location: [Front Street, between Wheaton Avenue and Cross Street](#)

See classic cars on display and enjoy music on Front Street from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. The Downtown Wheaton Association hosts these summer events. Each week has a different theme. Visit [www.downtownwheaton.com](#) for more information.

DuPage River Sweep

Date: Saturday, May 21
Time: 9 a.m.-noon
Location: DuPage County waterways

Help with this annual volunteer cleanup effort to remove debris and litter from streams and ponds. Supplies, technical support, snacks, water and trash pokers will be provided.

Register online at [www.theconservationfoundation.org/sweep](#) or call 630-428-4500, Ext. 212.

Lunch & Learn: Wills and Powers of Attorney

Date: Tuesday, May 24
Time: Noon
Location: Wheaton Public Library, [225 N. Cross St.](#)

Bring your own lunch and learn about the basics of a Last Will and Testament and Powers of Attorney from John Pankau and Lisa Knauf of the Law Office of John Pankau, P.C. Water will be provided, or bring your own beverage. Please register online at [wheatonlibrary.org/calendar](#) or call 630-868-7520 to reserve your spot.

Memorial Day Parade

Date: Monday, May 30
Time: 10 a.m. parade, 11 a.m. ceremony
Location: [Downtown Wheaton to Wheaton Cemetery](#)

The American Legion will host Wheaton's annual Memorial Day parade and ceremony. The parade will begin at Memorial Park. It will proceed south on Hale Street, west on Wesley Street, then south on West Street to Wheaton Cemetery. The Memorial Day Ceremony led by American Legion Post 76 will begin at 11 a.m.

Learn Why a Creek near You Might Look Green

Wheaton's Sewer Division occasionally performs dye testing in sanitary sewers. This method uses a safe, non-toxic dye to check for places where rain water can enter the sanitary sewers, overwhelming the sanitary sewer system and potentially causing backups in basements.

First, crews use water and a non-toxic green dye to saturate the ground, or crews will temporarily plug storm sewers near the testing area and fill them using a fire hydrant and dye. Then, they use video cameras in the sanitary sewers to see where the dye is



entering the sanitary sewer. This shows crews the exact locations that need repairing and what repairs need to be made.

If you happen to see a local creek looking green, it is likely from dye testing in the area. This dye begins to dissipate when exposed to sunlight and normal dilution.

Road Closures: Lowell School 5K Run/Walk May 7

The 2016 Lowell School 5K Run/Walk will be held on Saturday, May 7, 2016, beginning at 9 a.m. The following streets will be closed for this event:

- Willow – between President & Chase
- Chase – between Evergreen & Crescent
- Crescent – between Chase & Washington
- Washington – Runners/walkers will remain on sidewalks
- Evergreen – between Chase

& Washington
[See a map of these closures.](#)

The closures will exist for approximately two and one-half hours (8:45 a.m. until 11:15 a.m.). During the event, these streets will be adequately staffed with uniformed Police Officers to assist and direct traffic.

Motorists may experience temporary traffic delays and may choose to alter their travel route to avoid these areas.

City Calendar



City Council Meetings and Planning Sessions are held in the Council Chambers at Wheaton City Hall, 303 W. Wesley St. Coffee with Council takes place in the Gamon Room at City Hall. Visit [www.wheaton.il.us](#) for a complete list of meetings and events.

May 2016

- 2** City Council Meeting, 7 p.m.
- 7** Coffee with Council, 10 a.m.
- 9** City Council Planning Session, 7 p.m.
- 16** City Council Meeting, 7 p.m.
- 23** City Council Planning Session, 7 p.m.
- 30** City Offices Closed, No garbage pickup