

City Notes

Job Opportunities

The City of Wheaton has employment opportunities available in several City departments, including a part-time administrative assistant, part-time auxiliary officer, part-time customer service representative, part-time systems & data analyst, school crossing guard, streets supervisor and water plant operations supervisor. To find out more about these positions and how to apply, [visit the City's website](http://www.wheaton.il.us/roads).

Business News

Now Open:

- **Circle K**, 100 W. Geneva Road: full service gasoline station, car wash, convenience store.
- **Sierra Trading Post** (opening May 6), 95 Danada Square West: retailer of high performance outdoor and active brands.
- **Le Salon de Pooch**, 360 W. Front St.: A different kind of dog grooming salon.
- **Eyes on Wheaton**, 127 W. Wesley St.: an independent optometry

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Find Out if Your Street will be Under Construction This Year

Some road projects require different levels of work

Each year, the City develops a plan for which streets will be improved during the construction season. In the spring and summer months, construction crews will be working on streets throughout the community.

Some of these projects require more work than others.

- **Street reconstruction**, the most extensive type of project, involves removing the pavement, the base below it and sometimes the curb, too.
- **Street rehabilitation** includes replacing the curb and resurfacing the entire pavement surface (but not removing the entire pavement and base below it).
- **Street resurfacing** involves grinding the existing pavement and placing a new pavement layer.



• Road maintenance,

the least extensive type of project, can include patching, partial resurfacing, filling potholes and fixing other surface defects.

Additionally, some projects require underground water main work, which extends construction time.

All of the streets in this year's road construction program are listed on the City's website at www.wheaton.il.us/roads, and you can also see a map of these projects on the City's website. You can see the street segments planned for



Areas of Construction

Visit the City's website at www.wheaton.il.us/roads to see which roads will be improved this year.

construction and the current status of each project.

Based on the type of project, construction will be completed either by crews contracted by the City (R.W. Duntelman Co), state of Illinois (K-Five Construction) or the City's Public Works Department.

Contact
the City

Police/Fire: 911
After-Hours Water/Sewer Emergency: 630-260-2161
General Information: 630-260-2000
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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practice carrying popular brands of eyewear and unique frame lines.

Lawn Watering restrictions

Annual lawn watering restrictions go into effect from May 15 to Sept. 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. Sprinkling 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 variance.

Council Passes Annual Budget

At its April 17 meeting, the City Council voted to approve the 2017-18 annual City budget. For all funds, revenues are projected at \$96,301,809, with expenditures at \$96,797,941. The budget includes planned deficit spending to draw down fund balances and invest those funds into capital projects. These capital projects include implementing the Downtown Strategic Plan and Streetscape Plan, roadway improvements, sidewalk improvements and other infrastructure improvements.

City staff prepared a draft budget for the Council's consideration, and the City Council and City staff held three public Budget Workshop Sessions to discuss the proposed budget. The [annual budget is available on the City's website](#).

New Option Available for Paying Your Garbage & Recycling Bill

More detailed information on pickups available

Lakeshore Recycling Systems now offers a prepaid auto-replenishing option for paying for your garbage/recycling service in Wheaton, as well as secure access to more information about your account.

Auto-Replenishing Billing Option

Similar to the Illinois Tollway Authority's iPass method of payment, you can now keep a running credit on your Lakeshore Recycling Systems account. You choose the dollar amount by which you would like to auto-replenish your account. Each time your LRS account balance falls below \$5, your account will automatically replenish with the amount you have chosen (\$15 is the



recommended balance).

If you do not want to use the auto-replenishing prepaid option, you will still have the option of on-demand payment. If you choose to pay your invoice this way, you will set the dollar amount that Lakeshore Recycling Systems is authorized to draw from either a credit card or checking account. Each monthly invoice will draw the balance due up to the authorized amount, and nothing more (balances beyond this amount roll over into your next invoice).

Detailed Service Information

Also, Lakeshore Recycling Systems has added the option for residents to securely review the details of their account in a calendar format. This allows each resident a protected way to verify when their home was serviced and the charge for each service.

To view your account or pay for garbage and recycling service online, visit Lakeshore online at www.lrsrecycles.com and click "PAY BILL."

Hydrant Flushing Process Under Way

The City's Water Division began its 2017 Hydrant Flushing Program on April 30 and will continue for approximately two weeks. To minimize inconvenience to residents, hydrant flushing will be done between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. Sunday through Thursday.

The purpose of this program is to flush out particles that accumulate in water lines.

During or immediately following the hydrant flushing, water discoloration



may occur. It is best not to draw large amounts of water if you experience

discoloration. If you have questions, call the Water Division at 630-260-2090.

Preservation Month Celebrates Wheaton History

Events feature Wheaton in World War I, historic homes and more

Each May, the City of Wheaton Historic Commission coordinates Wheaton's Preservation Month to celebrate Wheaton's history. It coincides with the National Trust for Historic Preservation's Preservation Month. The commission coordinates the activities below for the community.

Pride in Preservation Signs

From May 13-21 the Historic Commission places "Pride in Preservation" purple lawn signs throughout Wheaton at sites designated Wheaton Historic Landmarks or listed on the Wheaton Register of Historic Places.

Doughboy Scanning Project

Saturday, May 6, 1-4 p.m., Wheaton Public Library, 225 N. Cross St., Computer Services Department

Help preserve the community's memories of Wheaton during the Great War. If you have any photographs, letters, artifacts or memorabilia related to Wheaton in WWI, bring it to the Wheaton Public Library where it will be scanned or photographed. Anyone who brings in items for historical recording will receive a free copy of an electronic archive Wheaton in WWI on DVD. All items must be related to Wheaton or its residents. Drop-ins are welcome but reservations are recommended. For information or to make a reservation, email wheatonhistoriccommission@gmail.com.



[gmail.com](mailto:wheatonhistoriccommission@gmail.com).

Cantigny Park - Free Parking Days

May 15-21, Cantigny Park, 15151 Winfield Road

From May 15-21, Cantigny Park is waiving the parking fee for Wheaton residents with proof of residency at the entrance. Cantigny Park is the 500-acre estate of Robert R. McCormick (1880-1955), longtime editor and publisher of the Chicago Tribune. The grounds feature gardens, the McCormick House, the First Division Museum and a 27-hole golf course. McCormick House was listed on the Wheaton Register of Historic Places in 2011 by the City of Wheaton Historic Commission.

Honoring Wheaton's WWI Heroes

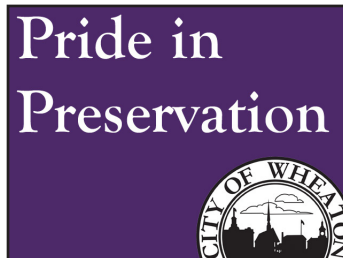
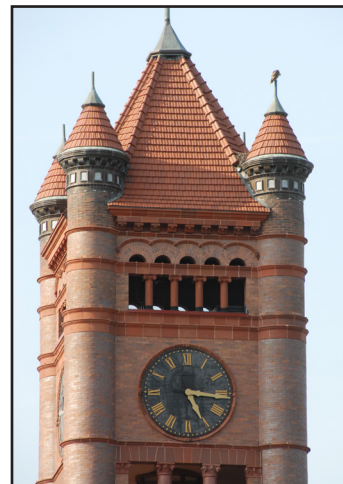
Thursday, May 18, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Mary Lubko Center, Memorial Park, 208 W. Union St.

Five hundred men from the Wheaton area enlisted to serve their country in World War I, 13 of whom died in service. Join us at the Mary Lubko Center for a lecture on Wheaton's Heroes during WWI and a viewing of several of WWI propaganda silent films from 1915-1919. For more information, contact wheatonhistoriccommission@gmail.com.

DuPage County Historical Museum Architectural Walking Tour

Saturday, May 20, 10-11:30 a.m., DuPage County Historical Museum, 102 E. Wesley St.

Stroll through historic Downtown Wheaton while learning the history and architectural features of the county seat of DuPage. Participants should wear comfortable shoes and dress for the weather.



Approximately 1.5 miles are covered during the tour. All ages are welcome. A small fee applies. To register or for information, call 630-510-4941 or visit www.dupagemuseum.org/.

Home History Research Help

Saturday, May 20, 1-4 p.m.; Monday, May 22, 6-8 p.m., Wheaton Public Library, 225 N. Cross St., first floor Genealogy Section

Interested in learning more about your historic property? Whether your interest is a home's construction date, past owners, or its architecture, drop by Wheaton Public Library to discover available resources, where to find them and what each reveals. City of Wheaton Historic Commission members and Wheaton Public Library staff will assist you. Reservations are recommended by calling 630-868-7520.

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Put an End to Distracted Driving

During the week of April 24-28, the Wheaton Police Department participated in the first-ever Illinois Distracted Driving Awareness Week to bring attention to the dangers associated with driving distracted.

A few facts about distracted driving:

- 3,477 people were killed in auto accidents involving distracted drivers in 2015. This increased 9% from the previous year.
- 10% of fatal crashes and 15% of injury crashes in 2015 were attributed to distracted driving.
- While 8 in 10 drivers believe it is unacceptable for



a motorist to text or e-mail behind the wheel, more than a third of these respondents admit to reading text messages while driving.

Ways you can reduce distractions:

- Turn off your phone or switch it to silent before you drive. If you need to make a call, have a passenger call for you, or pull over to a safe place.

- Apply makeup or shave before getting in the car.
- Stay safer, text later. Don't text and drive, check email or surf the web while driving.
- Plan ahead by reviewing directions or programming your GPS system before you start driving.
- Secure your pets before driving.
- If a situation arises with a child passenger that needs addressing, pull over to a safe

location so you can address the situation, not while you are driving.

- Refrain from eating, drinking, smoking or another activity that takes your hands, mind or eyes off the road.

Help keep our roadways safe. Illinois Distracted Driving Awareness Week was a joint effort by the City of Wheaton, Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police, the State of Illinois and AAA.

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Historic Bike Tour of Wheaton

Saturday, May 20, 2-4 p.m., beginning from Adams Park fountain

Bring your bike and join the Wheaton Bicycle Committee and the City of Wheaton Historic Commission for a bicycle tour of the historic site markers of Wheaton. This moderately-paced 7.3-mile bike tour will provide a new way to experience the historic and cultural resources of our community. All riders must provide their own bicycle and wear a bike helmet during the tour. All riders must complete a [waiver, available on the City's website](#), and bring it to the ride. Children under 18 years of age must be accompanied by an adult rider and a parent/guardian must sign the waiver for riders under 18.



For more information, email wheatonhistoriccommission@gmail.com.

Brick by Brick: Tracing Your Home's History

Sunday, May 21, 2 p.m., Wheaton Public Library, 225 North Cross St.

Was your home moved, damaged by fire or enlarged to accommodate a growing family? Tina Beaird will provide strategies for researching the history of your home by using government records, newspapers, phone

directories, maps and other resources. Light refreshments will be served. For more information, contact the Wheaton Public Library, 630-868-7520, www.wheatonlibrary.org.

Recreating World War I

Wednesday, May 24, 7 p.m., Wheaton Public Library, 225 N. Cross St.

Would you like to know more about a family member's service in WWI? Many federal WWI personnel records were destroyed in a National Archives fire

in the 1970s. Genealogist Tina Beaird offers ways to locate copies of peripheral federal military records and provides solutions for recreating some of the lost history in these "fire" records. For more information, call 630-868-7520 or visit www.wheatonlibrary.org.

Rags and Stubby Go to the Front

Thursday, May 25, 6:30 p.m., Wheaton Public Library, 225 N. Cross St.

A talk for children and families on animals that served their country during WWI will be presented at the Wheaton Public Library. Several famous WWI veteran animals will be featured including Cher Ami, a female passenger pigeon used to carry messages on the battlefield, Rags, US 1st Infantry Division mascot dog, and Sergeant Stubby, the most decorated dog in WWI. For more information, visit www.wheatonlibrary.org.

Upcoming Events

Book Buzz

Date: Tuesday, May 2

Time: 7 p.m.

Location: Wheaton Public Library, 225 N. Cross St.

A representative from Penguin Random House will fill you in on new and upcoming titles. All attendees will receive a booklet sample of new titles. Please register online at wheatonlibrary.org/calendar or call 630-868-7520.

Franklin Art Walk

Date: Friday, May 5

Time: 5-8 p.m.

Location: Downtown Wheaton

The students and graduates of Franklin Middle School will be sharing their art with the Wheaton community at an Art Walk on May 5. Over the past five years, the Fine Arts department at FMS has worked with the Downtown Wheaton Association to design this annual event. While students showcase their talents throughout downtown Wheaton, residents, families, and friends can congregate to enjoy the creativity of Franklin students. For information, visit www.fmsartwalk.squarespace.com.

French Market

Date: Saturdays through Nov. 11

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

Location: Main Street & Liberty Drive

Flowers, locally grown produce, jewelry, crafts and more are sold from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. each Saturday at Wheaton's French Market. The outdoor market is at Main Street and Liberty Drive in downtown Wheaton. For information, contact Bensidoun USA at 312-575-0286.



Star Wars Saturday with the 501st + Free Comic Book Day!

Date: Saturday, May 6

Time: 10 a.m.-noon

Location: Wheaton Public Library, 225 N. Cross St.

Stop by the library to pick up a free comic book (while supplies last) and celebrate Star Wars Day (May the 4th be with you!). Hang out with members of the 501st Legion, a Star Wars costuming organization, dressed as storm troopers and other characters.

Go Fly a Kite

Date: Saturday, May 6

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

Location: Graf Park, 1701 Manchester Road

Come out and help break the community's record of 843 kites in the air simultaneously! This is a free event including a grand kite launch, crafts, contests, kids candy drop and kite

demonstrations by Chicago Fire Kite Team and more.

Vintage Rides Car Shows

Date: Friday nights, May 19-Aug. 25

Time: 6-9 p.m.

Location: Front Street, downtown Wheaton

Check out antique cars during this weekly summer car show on Front Street each Friday night. The free family-friendly event is hosted by the Downtown Wheaton Association, and a different make or model of a classic car will be featured each week. Enjoy music, cars and more. [See the Downtown Wheaton Association's website](http://www.downtownwheaton.org) for each week's theme.

Wheaton World Tour: A World of Fun

Date: Sunday, May 21

Time: 12:30-3:30 p.m.

Location: West Plaza outside the Wheaton Public Library, 225 N. Cross St.

Games, demonstrations, and more for all ages outside on the West Plaza! In the case of bad weather, the event will be held inside the library. No registration required.

Memorial Day Parade

Date: Monday, May 29

Time: 10 a.m. parade, 11 a.m. ceremony at Wheaton Cemetery

Location: Downtown Wheaton & Wheaton Cemetery

American Legion Post 76 will lead the Memorial Day Parade starting at Hale and Wesley Street, west on Wesley Street, south on West Street to Wheaton Cemetery. All veterans, youth groups, bands, and schools are welcome to join. A ceremony honoring those who have given their life in service will begin at 11 a.m. at Wheaton Cemetery. For information on participating, [see American Legion Post 76's website](http://www.americanlegionpost76.org).



New Council Sworn in May 1

Four City District representatives elected to serve

Four Wheaton City Council members representing Wheaton's four districts will be sworn into office for four-year terms at the May 1 City Council meeting. These residents were elected into office during the April 4, 2017 Consolidated General Election.

Representing the North District is incumbent Philip Suess. Incumbent John Rutledge will represent the South District. Newcomer Michael Barbier will represent the East District. Representing the West District is incumbent Todd Scalzo.

West Nile Virus and Zika Virus Update

Each year, the Wheaton Mosquito Abatement District (a separate government entity from the City of Wheaton covering a 22-square-mile area) monitors the area for mosquito-transmitted diseases in cooperation with the Illinois Department of Health, DuPage County Health Department and Forest Preserve District of DuPage County.

Under the authority of the Illinois Mosquito Abatement District, field technicians from Clarke Mosquito perform mosquito control activities on public and private properties for the control of mosquitoes and protection of public health. This includes larval site monitoring, biological control and strategic use of EPA-labeled and registered pesticide products, if necessary.

West Nile Virus

West Nile virus is spread through the bite of infected mosquitoes. 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. The disease is most serious – even fatal – in those with compromised immune systems and the elderly.

Since 1999, West Nile virus (WNV) has rapidly spread across the United States causing over 45,892 human cases, including 1,988 fatalities. In 2016, DuPage County recorded 10 human WNV cases.

Zika Virus

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. *Aedes albopictus* (Asian tiger mosquito), a species found south of I-80, is believed to be a less efficient vector of Zika.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, about 20% of people infected with Zika virus will exhibit 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. Sexual transmission of Zika is another confirmed path that this disease will be spread.

According to the Illinois Department of Public Health, local transmission of Zika virus in the state of Illinois is unlikely. As of February 2017, the Illinois Department of Public Health reported 94 cases of Zika virus – all of which occurred by traveling to a region where the Zika virus is present in mosquitoes. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reports that the only state with Zika acquired from local mosquitoes are Florida and Texas.

To be notified by phone when mosquito spraying will take place in Wheaton, 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.

For the latest information, consult the Illinois Department of Health website at <http://www.idph.state.il.us>, or the DuPage County Health Department website at <http://www.dupagehealth.org/ftb>.



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 2017

- 1** City Council Meeting, 7 p.m.
- 6** Coffee with Council, 10 a.m.
- 8** City Council Planning Session, 7 p.m.
- 15** City Council Meeting, 7 p.m.
- 22** City Council Planning Session, 7 p.m.
- 29** City offices closed; No trash pickup