



# CITY OF WHEATON NEWSLETTER

August 2018

## CITY NOTES

### City Seeks Crossing Guards

Looking for a great way to help keep the students in our community safe as they head back to school? The City is seeing applicants for part-time school crossing guards. This is a seasonal paid position with the Wheaton Police Department. For more information, please visit [www.wheaton.il.us/jobs](http://www.wheaton.il.us/jobs).

### Other Employment Opportunities

The City also seeks applicants for the following positions:

- Assistant Director of Finance
- Part-time Media Assistant
- Sewer Superintendent

For more information, visit [www.wheaton.il.us/jobs](http://www.wheaton.il.us/jobs).

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## New Neighborhood Speed Limit

*Drive 25 in Wheaton neighborhoods*

**O**n July 16, the Wheaton City Council voted to lower the speed limit for City of Wheaton residential neighborhoods from 30 mph to 25 mph. The City is making this speed limit change to improve safety for the community.

The new speed limit goes into effect Aug. 1, before the new school year begins. The Public Works Department will be updating signs on City streets throughout August.

The City Council explored the process of lowering the speed limit based on a traffic study conducted by the engineering firm Kenin, Lindgren, O'Hara, Aboona, Inc. (KLOA).

While 25 mph will be the speed limit for the majority of residential

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### Streets that won't change:

#### Maintaining a 30 mph speed limit:

- Main Street – north of Seminary Avenue
- President Street
- Blanchard Street – south of Roosevelt Road
- West Street – south of Willow Avenue
- Warrenville Road – south of Roosevelt Road
- Wiesbrook Road
- Orchard Road – south of Wiesbrook Road
- Manchester Road
- East Loop Road
- West Loop Road
- Leask Lane
- 22nd Street
- Lorraine Road – south of Roosevelt Road

#### Maintaining a 35 mph speed limit:

- Gary Avenue – north of Harrison
- Shaffner Road

## 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: Communications Department, 303 W. Wesley St., Wheaton, IL 60187 Or email [communications@wheaton.il.us](mailto:communications@wheaton.il.us)

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## Save Date: Festival of Cultures

The Community Relations Commission is pleased to host the Festival of Cultures from 1-5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 16 in Memorial Park. Formerly "World Tour Day," the new Festival of Cultures will feature diverse community members at cultural booths where they will share their heritage and stories. Also included are live entertainment, ethnic foods and more for the whole family.

## Library Seeks Maker Day Presenters

The Wheaton Public Library is seeking presenters for its first Maker Day to be held Oct. 20. They are accepting applications from individuals, organizations, and businesses that wish to present at this event. Presentations for all ages may include technology, robotics, LEDs, arts and crafts, sewing, ceramics, woodworking, and more.

Apply by Aug. 10 at [www.wheatonlibrary.org/makerday](http://www.wheatonlibrary.org/makerday).

## Commission News

The Wheaton City Council approved the following appointments/reappointments to City boards and commissions:

- Appointed

Alex Mayster to the Community Relations Commission to fill a remaining term through 10/21/19

- Appointed Larniecia "Nominee" Smith to the Community Relations Commission to fill a remaining term through 3/20/20

• Reappointed Erik Miller to a 3-year term on the Community Relations Commission

• Reappointed Emily Consolazio to a 3-year term on the Group Care Home Commission

• Reappointed Jan Kay to a 3-year term on the Housing Commission

• Appointed Robert Lyon and Robert McDonough to 3-year terms on the Library Board

• Reappointed Laurie Metanchuk to a 3-year term on the Library Board

• Reappointed Eileen Pearse to a 3-year term on the Liquor Control Commission.

## City of Wheaton Videos

Visit the City's website at [www.wheaton.il.us/videos](http://www.wheaton.il.us/videos) to check out these new videos produced by the City of Wheaton:

- [U.S. Senior Women's Open Panel Discussion](#)
- [Wheaton Fourth of July Parade](#)
- [Talk About Choices: Steve Beck](#)



Stay up-to-date with downtown improvements and other news by email, on Facebook, Twitter and more.

## Get Updates on What's Happening in Wheaton

The City of Wheaton offers several ways to keep you updated on what's happening in Wheaton.

Follow the City's Facebook and Twitter accounts at [www.facebook.com/CityOfWheaton](http://www.facebook.com/CityOfWheaton) or [www.twitter.com/CityOfWheaton](http://www.twitter.com/CityOfWheaton). Or, sign up to receive email updates – including a notification when this newsletter is available – at [www.wheaton.il.us/EmailUpdates](http://www.wheaton.il.us/EmailUpdates).

Wheaton Comcast customers can see City meetings and programming produced for the community on City of Wheaton Channel 10 and Channel 17. These programs are also available on the City's website at [www.wheaton.il.us/videos](http://www.wheaton.il.us/videos).

## Speed

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streets, there are some streets considered major collector and arterial streets, where traffic volumes exceed 6,000 cars per day. These streets serve as major access routes to and from Wheaton, and they will maintain their current speed limit.

Drivers and pedestrians will see new street signs, neighborhood yard signs, electronic

message boards and more in the coming weeks.

If you posted a "Drive 25" yard sign, we appreciate your support. Please place it on your property, not in the parkway. Typically, this means posting it behind the sidewalk (closer to your home).

For more information, contact [communications@wheaton.il.us](mailto:communications@wheaton.il.us) or call Public Information Officer Arin Thrower at 630-260-2190.

# Join Police for National Night Out Aug. 7

Join the Wheaton Police Department from 5-8 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 7 in Memorial Park, 208 W Union Avenue, for National Night Out. As a part of a nationwide night where communities connect with their local police departments and raise awareness about safety in the community, the Wheaton Police Department encourages you to bring your family for a fun night in Memorial Park.

This event will include:  
• food & drinks



- Touch-a-Truck station
- SWAT obstacle course for kids
- DJ
- face painter/glitter tattoos
- balloon twister
- performances by local groups
- visits from our high school mascots & more.

Plus, don't miss the Dunk a Cop for Charity!

A donation for Family Shelter Service will give you the chance to dunk a Wheaton Police Officer in the dunk tank. Accepted items include:

- Personal hygiene items
- Cleaning products
- Diapers & Pull-ups size 5
- Hand/bath towels
- Batteries

## National Night Out

**Date:** Tuesday, Aug. 7

**Time:** 5-8 p.m.

**Location:** Memorial Park, 208 W Union Avenue

- Boxed pasta
- Gasoline gift cards
- Monetary donations

Family Shelter Service is a local organization that helps those affected by domestic violence. Questions can be directed to Officer Patti Potter, 630-260-2059, or [ppotter@wheaton.il.us](mailto:ppotter@wheaton.il.us).

## Library Director Receives Award

*Statewide honor recognizes service and leadership*

Wheaton Public Library Director Betsy Adamowski was recently named the 2018 Illinois Library Association (ILA) Librarian of the Year Award recipient. The award recognizes a librarian's distinguished service and leadership in Illinois libraries.

Among Adamowski's accomplishments noted by the Illinois Library Association are her work to improve the Wheaton Public Library, creating a business resource



center, a coffee shop, a 21st-century interior remodel vision plan, a community engagement department, and an arts and culture center. She has instituted numerous partnerships and is active in the Chamber of Commerce, Rotary and Lions Club. The Wheaton Chamber of Commerce

also recognized the Wheaton Public Library as its 2017 winner of the Large Business of the Year award.

The ILA also recognized Adamowski's leadership in the Illinois Library Association, serving as its president in 2015-16 and in a variety of leadership roles.

## Mosquito District Spraying for Mosquitoes

In response to a positive West Nile virus mosquito pool and a local human case, the Wheaton Mosquito Abatement District performed an adult mosquito control spraying in the neighborhood of the human case and treated larval habitats. It also treated the DuPage County Fairgrounds and major parks July 25-27. All areas were treated on July 10 and 19.

Future treatments will be determined by surveillance and WNV activity. Call 800-942-2555 or email [wmad@clarke.com](mailto:wmad@clarke.com) to report standing water or excessive biting.

# Take Part in Citizens Fire Academy

Seven-week course gives residents a unique hands-on learning opportunity

**H**ave you ever wondered what it takes to become a firefighter? Are you interested in learning how the Wheaton Fire Department operates? The Wheaton Fire Department invites you to participate in a hands-on learning experience that will have you gearing up in fire equipment and learning what the life of a Wheaton firefighter is really like.

The Citizens Fire Academy is a 7-week course offered exclusively to Wheaton residents. The academy runs from 6:30-9:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Sept. 25 through Nov. 6. The program covers everything from day-to-day fire station operations, breathing apparatus, vehicle extrication, and much

## Citizens Fire Academy

To apply, you must be a Wheaton resident and at least 18 years old. Apply at [www.wheaton.il.us/fireacademy](http://www.wheaton.il.us/fireacademy)

more. The academy will culminate with the opportunity to extinguish a fire at the Carol Stream burn tower.

To take part in the Citizens Fire Academy, you must be a Wheaton resident who is at least 18 years old. Participants should plan to attend all seven weeks of the academy, as the information and skills learned will build upon prior sessions.

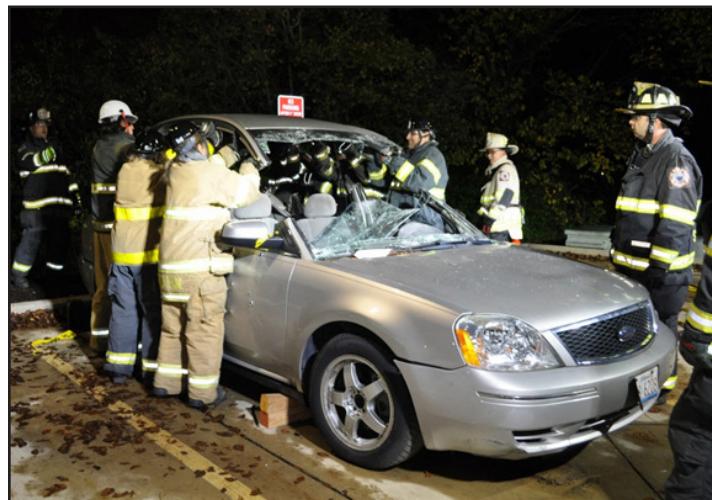
There is no fee to



participate in the Citizens Fire Academy and no minimum level of physical fitness required. Academy instructors will modify activities to meet individual abilities. The Wheaton Fire Department intends for the Citizens Fire Academy to represent a cross-section of the community, including a

wide range of ages and abilities.

Registration begins Aug. 1 and will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis. To register, please visit the City's website at [www.wheaton.il.us/FireAcademy](http://www.wheaton.il.us/FireAcademy), or call 630-260-2175 and provide your name, address, and phone number.



Participants in the 2017 Citizens Fire Academy learned about various firefighting equipment (left) and how firefighters extricate someone who is trapped inside a vehicle (above). The course culminated with an exercise at the Carol Stream Burn Tower (top).

# Fourth Annual Bike Wheaton Festival Returns Aug. 11

Join the Wheaton Bike Commission for its annual family-friendly event, the Bike Wheaton Festival, from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Aug. 11, in downtown Wheaton. The event will be in Memorial Park, 208 W Union Avenue.

Events include:

- Decorated bike parade in downtown Wheaton at 10 a.m.
- Festival in the park, including exhibits, healthy lifestyle and biking information
- Bike Rodeo with the Wheaton Police Department, where young riders can test their skills

## Bike Wheaton Festival

**Date:** Aug. 11  
**Time:** 10 a.m.-noon  
**Location:** Memorial Park, 208 W Union Avenue

- Bike donation collection for Working Bikes, a nonprofit organization distributing bikes to people in need (accepting bikes of any size; donations tax-deductible)
- 10-mile group bike ride following the event, ending with ice cream downtown

Kids and adults can



decorate their bikes and join the parade, no registration necessary.

Prizes will be awarded for decorated bikes in different age categories.

# Library Book Sale Begins Aug. 22

The Friends of the Wheaton Public Library annual book sale returns Aug. 22 featuring more than 20,000 adult books and a separate children's sale with thousands of books, movies and more at bargain prices. All proceeds benefit library programs.

The sale is open from 9 a.m.-9 p.m. Aug. 22 & 23; and 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Aug. 24 & 25. Buy one get one free on Friday and buy books by the bag on Saturday.

A Preview Sale for Friends Members only will be from 5-8 p.m. Aug. 21.



A Media Sale featuring DVDs, CDs, LPs, VHS tapes, audiobooks and more is scheduled for Sept. 19-23. Donations of books and media are being accepted

now for the sales. For more information, visit the Wheaton Public Library's website [www.wheatonlibrary.org/friends](http://www.wheatonlibrary.org/friends) or send us an email at [friends@wheatonlibrary.org](mailto:friends@wheatonlibrary.org).

## Roosevelt Road Project Information

The Illinois Department of Transportation is resurfacing Roosevelt Road from Nicoll Way in Glen Ellyn to just west of Pierce Avenue in Wheaton. The project started in Glen Ellyn and is working west. This project includes replacing sidewalks at all intersections for ADA compliance, clearing some trees, and resurfacing the roadway.

R.W. Duntzman is the general contractor performing this work, which is anticipated to be complete by late fall.

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## Wheaton Municipal Band Concerts

**Dates:** Aug. 2 & 9  
**Time:** 7:30 p.m.  
**Location:** Memorial Park, 208 W Union

The Wheaton Municipal Band continues its tradition of Thursday night summer concerts in the park. Each Thursday through Aug. 9, the band will present a different concert at 7:30 p.m. in Memorial Park.

For information about all of the concerts, visit [www.wheatonmunicipalband.org](http://www.wheatonmunicipalband.org). All concerts are free.

## Vintage Rides Car Shows

**Date:** Fridays through Aug. 31  
**Time:** 6-9 p.m.  
**Location:** Hale Street, between Liberty and Willow streets

The Vintage Rides antique and custom car show will take place in a new location for the summer of 2018 due to the Front Street improvements that are underway. Head just south of the railroad tracks on Hale Street for this year's show. Visit [www.downtownwheaton.com](http://www.downtownwheaton.com) for each week's theme.

## French Market

**Date:** Saturdays through November  
**Time:** 8 a.m.-2 p.m.  
**Location:** Municipal Parking Lot at Main Street & Liberty Drive

The popular outdoor Wheaton French Market takes place every Saturday. Each week, vendors will sell specialty foods, fresh produce, locally made goods and more. Vendors vary by week.

## Wheaton Brew Fest

**Date:** Saturday, Aug. 4  
**Time:** Noon-4:30 p.m.  
**Location:** Memorial Park, 208 W Union Avenue  
Join the Wheaton Park District for Wheaton Brew Fest 2018, an outdoor craft beer festival featuring unique brews, live entertainment, food and more. For more information, see [www.wheatonparkdistrict.com](http://www.wheatonparkdistrict.com).

## National Night Out

**Date:** Tuesday, Aug. 7  
**Time:** 5-8 p.m.  
**Location:** Memorial Park, 208 W Union Avenue  
Join the Wheaton Police Department for National Night Out on Tuesday, August 7 from 5-8 p.m. in Memorial Park in Wheaton. Enjoy music, food & drinks, touch-a-truck, a dunk tank (dunk a cop for charity!), a SWAT station with a kids obstacle course, live performances by local dance & martial art studios and visits from our High School Mascots! For more information, see page 3.

## Concert on the Park: Zydeco Voodoo

**Date:** Tuesday, Aug. 7  
**Time:** 7-8:30 p.m.  
**Location:** Wheaton Public Library, 225 N Cross Street, West Plaza

It's Mardi Gras in August! Zydeco Voodoo plays a unique blend of traditional New Orleans music and popular rock and blues songs adapted to the Zydeco style. Concerts are held outdoors on the library's West Plaza overlooking Adam's Park. Limited seating available,

please feel free to bring chairs and blankets. Seating is first come, first served. In case of inclement weather, concerts will be held inside the library.

## Wheaton Summer Wine Walk

**Date:** Thursday, Aug. 9  
**Time:** 5-8:30 p.m.  
**Location:** Downtown Wheaton

Sip, stroll and shop your way through downtown Wheaton while tasting fine wines.

This event is provided by the Downtown Wheaton Association. For more information, see [www.downtownwheaton.com](http://www.downtownwheaton.com).

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## Electronic Recycling

**Date:** Saturday, Aug. 11

**Time:** 9 a.m.-noon

### Temporary Location:

Commuter Parking Lot 9, Carlton & Liberty Drive

Bring your electronics for recycling at this monthly drop-off event. Please note there is a charge for TVs

and monitors. This event is for electronics only. Please note that no cooking oil, scrap metal or fluorescent tube bulbs will be collected at the August event due to its temporary relocation.

## Library Book Sale

**Dates:** Aug. 22-25; Friends Members Preview Aug. 21

**Location:** Wheaton Public Library, 225 N. Cross Street

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## Shakespeare in the Park

**Date:** Aug. 30 & 31, Sept. 1

**Time:** 7 p.m.

**Location:** Memorial Park, 208 W Union Avenue

The Wheaton Park District and Wheaton College Arena Theater present Shakespeare in the Park: The Tempest on Aug. 30, Aug. 31 and Sept. 1. This annual theater event is free of charge to the public. Limited seating is available; guests are encouraged to bring their own lawn chairs and picnic blankets. For more information, see [www.wheatonparkdistrict.com](http://www.wheatonparkdistrict.com).

## Save the Date:

- **Sept. 16:** Festival of Cultures
- **Sept. 19-23:** Library Media Sale

## Temporary Closures for Lot 9 Spaces

The City of Wheaton has temporarily closed some of the leased parking spaces in Commuter Parking Lot 9 due to construction on the City's adjacent Public Works Storage Yard. The spaces are needed to allow construction trucks and City trucks to access the construction site.

During this project, the City will be allowing Lot 9 lease holders to park in the daily fee parking spaces in Lot 9, which are along the west side of the parking lot. The project is anticipated to be completed by October.

The City encourages citizens who use the daily fee parking spots in Lot 9 to use metered parking along Carlton and Liberty or unmetered parking south of Childs Street.

This project will produce some dust and debris as trucks access the lot. We apologize for the inconvenience and appreciate your patience.



# Location Change for August & September Electronic Recycling

Due to construction work at the Public Works Storage Yard, the City's monthly electronic drop-off on Aug. 11 will be moved to Commuter Parking Lot 9 at Carlton & Liberty.

The event usually takes place in the Public Works Storage Yard. Please note that the August event will ONLY accept electronics. You will not be able to drop off scrap metal, cooking oil or fluorescent tube bulbs at this particular pickup.

The September

### August collection only for electronics

collection will be at the Green Fair from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Sept. 15 at the DuPage County Fairgrounds, 2015 Manchester Road.

Another option is to take advantage of the curbside electronic recycling option available for Lakeshore Recycling Systems customers. To have your electronics collected at the curb on your garbage day, you must call Lakeshore Recycling Systems at 773-685-

8811 at least one day before your garbage day. Curbside collection requires the following number of stickers:

- E-Waste single item: 1 sticker = \$2.81
- E-Waste bundle (within brown paper bag): 5 stickers = \$14.05
- E-Waste TV or computer monitor: 10 stickers = \$28.10

For more information about the drop-off events and curbside electronic recycling, [see the City's website](#).

## Share Feedback on County Budget

DuPage County residents can share feedback with County Board members and staff by completing DuPage's annual budget survey. The resident survey is

available online at [www.surveymonkey.com/r/FYPRHJ6](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FYPRHJ6).

Each year, the DuPage County Board asks the residents to provide their thoughts pertaining to County

programs and spending priorities.

The information helps shape the next year's budget, determining spending levels for the County's various programs.

## CITY CALENDAR

Wheaton City Council Meetings and Planning Sessions are held in the Council Chambers at Wheaton City Hall, 303 W. Wesley St. Visit [www.wheaton.il.us](http://www.wheaton.il.us) for a complete list of meetings and events.

### August 2018

- 6 City Council Meeting, 7 p.m.
- 13 City Council Planning Session, 7 p.m.
- 20 City Council Meeting, 7 p.m.
- 27 City Council Planning Session, 7 p.m.