



CITY OF WHEATON

NEWSLETTER

August 2019

CITY NOTES

Downtown Update

Did you know...

- During Phase 1 of the Downtown Streetscape project, 11 new parking spaces were created for a total of 112 spaces available on Front Street.

- When Phase 2 is complete, 21 new spaces will be added for a total of 174 spaces on Wesley, Hale & Cross Street.

- 153 new trees were planted, and 106 bike racks and 82 benches will be installed.

[Watch this latest video update](#) to see more of the progress being made on Wesley Street and more.

Employment Opportunities

The City of Wheaton is seeking applicants for the following employment opportunities:

- Community Service Officer

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See You at Northside Park on Aug. 6 for National Night Out

Event includes fun for all ages

The Wheaton Police Department encourages the community to come out and connect with your neighbors and Wheaton Police for National Night Out, a night of family fun. This year's event will be from 5-8 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 6 at Northside Park, 1300 N West Street, featuring the following activities and events:

- Food & beverages
- Dunk-a-Cop (proceeds benefit NAMI DuPage*)
 - see page 2 for items being collected)
- Face painting
- Balloon twister
- DJ
- DuPage County Sheriff's Office K-9
- Touch-a-Truck
- Medic helicopter (7 p.m.)
- SWAT obstacle course



The Wheaton Police Department will host the National Night Out celebration at Northside Park on Aug. 6.

for kids

- Illinois Fallen Heroes Traveling Memorial Wall, provided by the Illinois Patriot Riders
- Fishing contest (Bring your own equipment. Prizes will be awarded. IL fishing license required for ages 16+.)

This is a free event for the entire community. We hope to see you there! This

will be the 36th year of National Night Out, and more than 16,000 communities across the nation will take part in this community-building campaign, which promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie.

For information on

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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

Crews Working to Improve Adams Park Walkways



Construction crews have made progress making the paths in Adams Park accessible to all, replacing pavers with stamped concrete. Work has been focused in the southwest quadrant, where crews have poured the concrete for the paths and the area around the fountain. The

rock riverbed has been installed in this same quadrant.

Pouring of concrete is 30% of the way done. Crews are continuing to work on the main pathways toward the fountain.

For more information about this project, [see this video](#) or visit www.wheaton.il.us/AdamsPark.

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- Maintenance Worker
- Utility Locator
- Police Services Representative
- Seasonal Crossing Guard

To learn more about these positions and to find out how to apply, visit www.wheaton.il.us/jobs.

See Updates for Memorial Park

In the latest edition of the [Wheaton Insider](#), representatives from the Wheaton Park District talk about upcoming improvements to Memorial Park, including a new band shell. [Check out this video](#) to see what changes you will see coming to the park for the community to enjoy.

Save the Date for Festival

Wheaton's Community Relations Commission

encourages the community to save the date for the Festival of Cultures, which will take place Sunday, Sept. 15, 1-5 p.m. at Main Street & Liberty Drive (Lot 4, the Wheaton French Market site). Don't miss this fun afternoon of storytelling, culture, food, arts, activities, music and more. More than 30 participants and groups will be at booths sharing their heritage and cultures. The event will feature live music, food trucks and prizes for those who fill out a Festival of Cultures passport.

Commission News

The City Council reappointed Shamili Ajgaonkar to a 3-year term on the Environmental Improvement Commission.

A Warm Neighborhood Welcome



These young Wheaton residents were all smiles to see members of the Wheaton Fire Department in their neighborhood. Wheaton's Police and Fire Departments bring their equipment to neighborhood block parties upon request as a way to connect with the community and teach youngsters a little bit about what the Police and Fire Departments do every day.

Night Out

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Wheaton's event, visit www.wheaton.il.us/NNO.

*100% of donations for Dunk-a-Cop will go to National Alliance on Mental Illness DuPage (NAMI DuPage). They also appreciate

donations of these items: facial tissue boxes; paper towel rolls; travel size toiletry / personal hygiene / cosmetic items; art supplies: watercolor paper, gel pens, washi tape; and office supplies: post-it notes, paper clips, binder clips, pens.



Council Thanks Todd Scalzo for His Service to Wheaton

At the July 15 City Council meeting, the Wheaton City Council honored outgoing City Councilman Todd Scalzo, who has served for the past 10 years as the West District City Council representative. In expressing the

City's appreciation for his service, the City Council presented Councilman Scalzo with a proclamation and a plaque. Thank you, Councilman Scalzo for your commitment and dedication to the City of Wheaton, its businesses and residents.

City Seeks Candidates for West District Council Seat

The Wheaton City Council is seeking individuals who would be interested in being appointed to the currently vacant West District City Council position. The West District includes properties in the City generally located south of Front Street, west of Naperville Road/Plamondon Road to the western City limits. An Election District map is on the City's website. This position became vacant on July 16 as a result of Councilman Scalzo's resignation from the Wheaton City Council. The appointment to this position would be for the

remaining two years of Councilman Scalzo's term as Councilman for the West District, ending in May 2021.

Individuals interested in being considered for this position are asked to submit an application to the Wheaton City Clerk, Wheaton City Hall, 303 W. Wesley St., Wheaton, IL 60187, no later than 5 p.m. on August 6. Applications can be obtained by contacting the City Clerk at 630-260-2012 or sbarrett-hagen@wheaton.il.us.

Any questions pertaining to this solicitation should be addressed to the City Clerk, Sharon Barrett-Hagen, at 630-260-2012.

Peddlers & Solicitors Ordinance Changes Being Considered

Over the last year, the Wheaton City Council and City staff have worked together on amendments to the city's existing Peddlers and Solicitors Ordinance. A first reading will take place during the Aug. 5 City Council Meeting. See below for a summary of the proposed changes, or [read the proposed amendments in full](#).

Public Ways:

- Commercial solicitation is not allowed in public ways.
- Non-Commercial solicitation is allowed in public ways, however,

there are certain intersections that are prohibited due to safety concerns. Please view list of prohibited locations in the proposed amendment.

- Public ways shall be available on a first-come, first serve basis.

Door to Door Solicitation:

- Commercial solicitors must notify the Wheaton Police Department of their intent to solicit activity in the City of Wheaton. Notification will include name, date of birth, address, dates and hours during which commercial solicitation

shall occur, and a statement of affirmation that the solicitor has not been convicted of a felony.

- Non-commercial solicitors do not need to notify the Wheaton Police Department for door-to-door solicitation.

Solicitation by Minors:

- All minors (ages 16 + younger) must be accompanied by a supervising adult (age 21 + older).
- Minors and adults must carry photo identification when soliciting.
- Examples of

commercial solicitation includes but is not limited to roofing companies, storm damage repair companies, and lawn service companies. Examples of non-commercial solicitation includes but is not limited to Girl & Boy Scout Troops, youth sport teams or leagues, youth groups.

Wheaton residents and businesses may post "Solicitors Not Invited" notices on their property. If any resident/ business has a question about a solicitor within the City of Wheaton, please contact the Police Department at 630-260-2161.

Apply for 2019 Citizens Fire Academy

Seven-week course begins Sept. 17

Have ever wondered what it takes to become a firefighter? Are you interested in learning about the Wheaton Fire Department and how it 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. 17 to Oct. 29. The program covers day-to-day fire station



The Citizens Fire Academy teaches many aspects of how the Fire Department operates.

operations, breathing apparatus, vehicle extrication, and much more. The academy culminates with the opportunity to extinguish a fire at the Carol Stream burn tower.

To take part in the academy, you must be a Wheaton resident who is at least 18 years old. Participants should plan

to attend all seven weeks, as the information and skills learned will build upon prior sessions.

There is no fee to participate and no minimum level of physical fitness required. Academy instructors will modify activities to meet individual abilities. The Wheaton Fire Department intends for the academy

to represent a cross-section of the community, including a range of ages and abilities.

Registration begins Aug. 1 and will be filled on a first-come first-serve basis. To register, visit www.wheaton.il.us/fireacademy, or call 630-260-2175 and provide your name, address, and phone number.

Aug. 12 Meeting to Include Roosevelt Road Discussion

The Wheaton City Council will hold a discussion during its Aug. 12 Planning Session regarding the Roosevelt Road Corridor Study.

In 2018, the City enlisted a consultant to prepare a Comprehensive Plan/Market Study/Zoning Ordinance Update for Roosevelt Road from Carlton Avenue to the eastern boundary of Wheaton/Glen Ellyn. The City asked the consultant to review existing zoning regulations and propose

City Council will discuss Roosevelt Road Corridor Study



new categories of land uses that respect their physical constraints, are reflective of market conditions, and present realistic options for maintaining & enhancing the existing affordable housing along the

corridor.

The goal of the Aug. 12 meeting is to facilitate a City Council discussion with the consultant and determine how the Council would like to proceed. There will be an opportunity for public

comment at this and future meetings. This meeting will be recorded & will be available on the City's website for those who are unable to attend.

For more information, please visit www.wheaton.il.us/RooseveltRoad.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wheaton Municipal Band Outdoor Concert

Date: Thursday, Aug. 1
Time: 7:30 p.m.
Location: Memorial Park, 208 W Union Avenue

Join the Wheaton Municipal Band for this season's final outdoor summer concert in the park. For more information, visit www.wheatonmunicipalband.org.

Vintage Rides Car Show

Dates: Fridays through Aug. 23
Time: 6-9 p.m.
Location: Front Street, downtown Wheaton

Enjoy classic cars, music, and entertainment Friday nights on Front Street. The Downtown Wheaton Association sponsors these free community events, with a different theme or type of car featured each week. For more information, see www.downtownwheaton.com.

Wheaton French Market

Dates: Saturdays through November
Time: 8 a.m.-2 p.m.
Location: Commuter Parking Lot at Liberty and Main Street

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.

Wheaton Brew Fest

Date: Saturday, Aug. 3
Time: Noon-4:30 p.m.
Location: Memorial Park,

208 W Union Avenue
The Wheaton Park District will host this annual outdoor craft beer fest in Memorial Park, featuring more than 80 unique brews from more than 35 local and national breweries. For information, please visit www.wheatonparkdistrict.com/events/brewfest.

Wheaton Municipal Band Indoor Concert

Date: Saturday, Aug. 3
Time: 8 p.m.
Location: Edman Chapel on the Campus of Wheaton College, 401 E Franklin Street
Join the Wheaton Municipal Band for a special indoor concert at Edman Chapel celebrating the band's 90th season. Admission is free. For more information, visit www.wheatonmunicipalband.org.

National Night Out

Date: Tuesday, Aug. 6
Time: 5-8 p.m.
Location: Northside Park, 1300 N West Street
Join the Wheaton Police Department for a night of fun for all ages. See page 1 for more information.

Concert on the Park: June's Got the Cash

Date: Tuesday, Aug. 6
Time: 7 p.m.
Location: Wheaton Public Library, 225 N Cross Street, West Plaza
In costume and in character, come hear all your favorite Johnny Cash tunes from this Johnny and June Cash tribute show. Held outdoors on the

library's West Plaza. In the event of inclement weather, concerts will be held in Meeting Room A.

Limited seating provided on a first come, first served basis, please feel free to bring own chairs. No registration required.

Wheaton Wine Walk

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

Join the Wheaton Wine Walk and celebrate a festive evening in Downtown Wheaton. Check in at Martin Memorial Plaza to pick up your souvenir wine glass, tasting ticket and walking map.

Your self-guided tour will take you through many of the shops and restaurants where you will taste wines from around the world. For more information, [see the Downtown Wheaton Association's website](#).

Association will host the 5th annual Bike Wheaton Festival with a parade, bike decorating contest and more. See page 6 for more information.

Wheaton Science Theater at Dry City

Date: Tuesday, Aug. 20
Time: 7 p.m.
Location: Dry City Brew Works, 120 N Main Street, Wheaton

WPL and Dry City have teamed up to bring you a classic cinematic experience! Come by the taproom to watch (and laugh at) the cult classic "Killers from Space" on the projector screen stage.

Doors open at 6 p.m., movie begins at 7 p.m. Feel free to bring your own food. No registration required.

Friends of Wheaton Public Library Book Sale

Dates: Aug. 21 – 24 during library hours
Location: Wheaton Public Library, 225 N Cross Street

The popular Friends of WPL annual book sale returns August 21-24.

All proceeds benefit library programs for all ages. See page 6 for more information.



Friends of the Library Book Sale Starts Aug. 21

More than 20,000 books will be for sale at the Friends of the Library Annual Book Sale Aug. 21-25 at the Wheaton Public Library, 225 N Cross Street. Fiction, nonfiction, paperbacks and hardbacks will all be available at bargain prices. A separate area of the sale features children's books. All proceeds benefit library programs.

The sale is open:

- 9 a.m.-9 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 21 and Thursday, Aug. 22
- 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday, Aug. 23 and Saturday, Aug. 24.

On Fab Friday, books are just \$1 and mass market paperbacks are \$0.25. On Saturday, \$5 buys a whole bag of books. A Preview Sale for Friends Members only will be from 5-8 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 20.

You can help the Friends publicize the sale by picking up a yard sign at the library.

A Media Sale featuring adult and children's dvds, cds, ips, vhs tapes, audiobooks and more is scheduled for Sept. 18-22. Donations of books and media are being accepted now, but no donations can be accepted Aug. 10-Sept. 1.

For information, visit www.wheatonlibrary.org/friends or email friends@wheatonlibrary.org.



The Bike Wheaton Festival will begin with a bike parade and bike decorating contest.

Bike Festival Returns Aug. 10

Help celebrate the 5th annual Bike Wheaton Festival on Saturday, Aug. 10, from 10 a.m. to noon. Led by the Wheaton Bicycle Advisory Commission and the Downtown Wheaton Association, this is a free family-friendly event celebrating fun on two wheels.

This year's Bike Wheaton Festival will take place in the parking lot behind Wheaton City Hall, 303 W Wesley Street. A bike parade begins at 10 a.m., followed by a bike decorating contest and a bike rodeo with Wheaton Police.

Also included are exhibitions promoting cycling, bike safety and maintenance; a live DJ; and a place to donate bicycles to the

organization Working Bikes.

Parade:

Bike rides of all ages are invited to take part in a bike parade at 10 a.m., starting near Wheaton City Hall. No registration is necessary to participate, and riders are encouraged to decorate their bikes. The parade will use the following route:

- Start at Karlskoga & Wheaton Avenue
- North on Wheaton Avenue
- West (left) on Jefferson Avenue
- South (left) on West Street
- East (left) on Union Avenue
- South (right) on Wheaton Avenue to Wheaton City Hall.

Due to the parade, the following roads will

be temporarily closed from approximately 10 a.m. to 10:30 p.m.:

- Wheaton Avenue, between Wesley & Jefferson
- Jefferson Avenue, between Wheaton and West Street
- West Street, between Jefferson & Union
- Union Avenue, between West Street & Wheaton Avenue.

The City asks for your cooperation in not moving barricades to ensure the safety of the Bike Parade participants. During the event, the Wheaton Police Department will have uniformed police officers assisting and directing traffic.

Drivers may experience temporary traffic delays during the parade and may want to use an alternate route.

Councilwoman Selected for Fellows Program

Wheaton City Councilwoman Suzanne Fitch has been selected to be part of the eighth annual Edgar Fellows Program, which will take place in Champaign, Ill., Aug. 4-8. The Edgar Fellows Program is an initiative designed by former Illinois Governor Jim Edgar to inspire respectful and collaborative leadership to address the state's major challenges.

The 41 participants selected this year include elected and appointed officials from all levels of government, leaders of nonprofit organizations and individuals who are making their mark in the business world.

The Edgar Fellows week includes an intense executive training program designed and hosted by Edgar and the University of Illinois Institute of Government and Public Affairs.

Organization Provides Tips for Preparing Youth for Emergencies

Emergencies and disasters can happen at any time. Disaster planning, response and recovery efforts should always consider the unique needs of children, who make up roughly a quarter of the U.S. population. That is why the Illinois Emergency Management Agency, and county emergency management agencies, are taking steps to promote youth preparedness.

Tips for incorporating children into disaster preparedness:

Promote interactive activities within your family. One way to do this is by involving children in the development of a family emergency plan.

Use real world events to teach about emergency situations and disasters. Using media coverage of current disasters (floods, tornadoes, hurricanes, power outages), talk to children about



Using media coverage of real-world events, such as severe storms, can help you talk to your children about how your family would respond if this happened to you.

how your family would respond if this happened to you. Using your family emergency plan, discuss where would you go, what would you do and how you will ensure their safety during an emergency.

Children who are prepared experience less anxiety and feel more confident during actual emergencies and disasters.

For younger children, the Federal Emergency Management Agency

(FEMA) has collaborated with the American Red Cross to produce a disaster preparedness activity book, Prepare with Pedro. This booklet is designed to encourage youth and their families to be better prepared for disasters by offering safety advice alongside crosswords, coloring pages, matching games and more.

For more information about youth preparedness, please visit Ready.Illinois.gov.



CITY CALENDAR

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 for a complete list of meetings and events.

August 2019

- 5** City Council Meeting, 7 p.m.
- 12** City Council Planning Session, 7 p.m.
- 19** City Council Meeting, 7 p.m.
- 26** City Council Planning Session, 7 p.m.