

August 2014

## City Notes

### Job Opportunities

The City seeks applicants for a part-time Facilities Maintenance position, a part-time GIS Technician, and a full-time Police Services Representative.

To find out more about these positions and to learn how to apply, [visit the City's website](#).

### Business News

Businesses that recently opened in Wheaton include:

- **Next Yoga**, 120 Liberty Drive, and
- **Armand's Pizzeria**, 120 Liberty Drive.

### Get Connected with the City

Looking for how you can receive information from the City of Wheaton? Check out the "Stay Connected" page on the City's website to find all the ways you can find out what's happening from your municipal government. From Email Updates to Twitter, videos, Pinterest, the monthly newsletter and more, visit [www.wheaton.il.us/connect](http://www.wheaton.il.us/connect) to stay connected.

## City Replacing Water Meters

*Long-term project expected to take 5 years to complete*

The City's Water Division soon will begin replacing the majority of the 16,500 water meters within the City as part of its multi-year Water Meter Replacement Program.

The current water meters have been in service for 10-15 years and have reached the end of their useful lives. As water meters age, they can lose accuracy, resulting in incorrect billing. The new meters, which have an expected 20-year battery life, will ensure accurate readings and billing.

The new water meters will operate the same as the old meters. All water meters in Wheaton currently have a wireless device that transmits the meter readings on a licensed radio frequency over a short distance to a handheld or mobile device. Readings are transmitted once a month, when a Water Division meter reader drives by each location to wirelessly collect water usage data from each meter. This technology has improved



**ABOVE:** The new meter (at right) looks similar to the current meters (at left) but has a longer battery life.

**LEFT:** Water meters ready to be installed line the shelves at the City's Water Division.

the efficiency of the meter reading program.

This program is expected to take about 5 years to complete. When your water meter is set to be replaced, you will receive a letter from the City requesting a meter replacement appointment.

During this appointment, a Water Division customer service representative will visit

your home to replace the water meter, free of charge. Each appointment takes about 30 minutes to complete, during which the water will be shut off for approximately 15 minutes. Appointments may be scheduled between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

For questions about the City's Water Meter Replacement Program, please contact the Water Division at 630-260-2090 or visit [www.wheaton.il.us/watermeter](http://www.wheaton.il.us/watermeter).

## 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](mailto:feedback@wheaton.il.us)

# How do Schools Prepare for Emergencies?

*Learn how DuPage County, Wheaton and local schools work together*

**A**s the new school year approaches, students and parents are preparing by gathering school supplies, completing back-to-school physicals and more. But do you know what emergency management agencies and local schools are doing to be prepared for emergencies?

[Watch a new City of Wheaton video](#) with the DuPage County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management to find out how the Wheaton Fire and Police Departments, DuPage County and local schools work together to make student safety



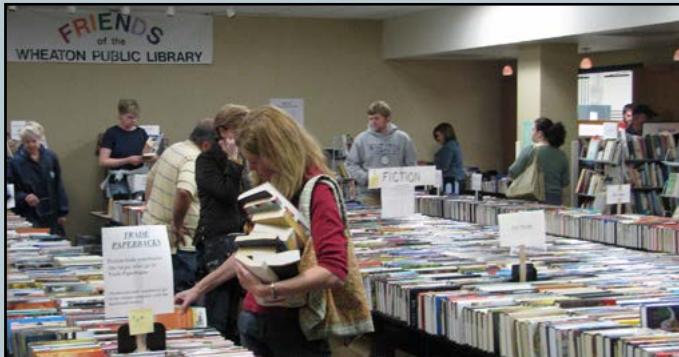
a top priority. Formal preparations address everything from building fires and tornadoes to violent intruders and hazardous materials incidents.

David Gervino of the DuPage County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management discusses the types of drills schools prac-



important tips for parents on what to do and what not to do in an emergency.

This video is now available on the City's website and on City of Wheaton Channel 10 (CWC10). For more information on school and campus preparedness, you can also visit [www.protectdupage.org](http://www.protectdupage.org).



**The Library's annual book sale will take place Sept. 25-28.**

## Library Now Accepting Book Donations for September Sale

**T**he Wheaton Public Library is accepting donations for its upcoming Friends Book Sale, which benefits library programs. Between now and Sept. 22, the library welcomes your new and used hardback and paperback books, audiobooks, DVDs, VHS tapes, CDs, LPs and cassettes.

Please drop off your items at the library during regular library hours in a box or bag that can be left behind. Framed and unframed art also is being collected for a sale at a later date.

The Book Sale is Sept. 25-28, 2014, with a Preview Sale on Sept. 24 for Friends of the Wheaton Public Library members.

## Results of Police Department's "Click It or Ticket" Campaign

**T**he Wheaton Police Department participated in a statewide "Click It or Ticket" campaign by conducting 37 "Occupant Protection Enforcement Zones" from June 23, 2014 through July 6, 2014.

Officers issued 263 tickets for not wearing a seat belt, 15 tickets for not securing a child in a safety seat, and 41 tickets for talking on a cellular telephone while driving.

The City of Wheaton received an Illinois Department of Transportation grant to

fund this holiday enforcement effort. The goal was to boost the state's safety belt use rate, and reduce fatalities and injuries.

Safety belt use is important for all motor vehicle occupants. Motor vehicle crashes in the United States are the leading cause of death for ages 5 to 24. The Wheaton Police Department wants all motorists and passengers know that they are more at risk of suffering a serious injury or death should they choose not to buckle up.

## Watch Video of Fourth of July Parade

**I**f you missed the Wheaton Fourth of July Parade in downtown Wheaton July 4, you can now [watch a video of the parade](#) on

the City's website. Wheaton cable subscribers can also watch the parade video on [City of Wheaton Channel 10](#) (CWC10).

# Upcoming Events

## Vintage Rides

**Dates:** Fridays through Sept. 5

**Time:** 6:30 p.m.-9 p.m.

**Location:** [Front Street in Downtown Wheaton](#)

Each Friday through Sept. 5, classic cars roll into town for the Vintage Rides car show. This free family-friendly event allows you to stroll down Front Street and admire outstanding automobiles. Each week features a different make or theme. For information, visit the [Downtown Wheaton Association's website](#).

## French Market

**Dates:** Saturdays through Nov. 15

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

**Location:** [Parking lot near Main Street and Liberty Drive](#) in downtown Wheaton (just south of the railroad tracks)

From 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays through Nov. 15, visit the French Market near Main Street and Liberty Drive to find fresh produce, locally made gifts, art, specialty foods, handmade jewelry, flowers and more. For information, contact Bensidoun USA at 312-575-0286.

## Wheaton Brew Fest

**Date:** Saturday, Aug. 2

**Time:** 1-4:30 p.m. (VIP Access noon-4:30 p.m.)

**Location:** [Memorial Park, 208 W. Union Ave.](#)

The Wheaton Park District invites the community to attend Wheaton Brew Fest on Aug. 2 in Memorial Park. The event will feature beer tasting from more than 30 breweries. [More information](#)

## Municipal Band Concert at Edman Chapel

**Date:** Saturday, Aug. 2

**Time:** 8 p.m.



**The French Market takes place from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays near Main Street and Liberty Drive.**

**Location:** Wheaton College's Edman Chapel, [401 E. Franklin St.](#)

This special concert of the Wheaton Municipal Band will take place at Wheaton College's Edman Chapel. The concert is free, and no tickets are required. [More information](#)

## Municipal Band Summer Concerts

**Dates:** Aug. 7 & 14

**Time:** 8 p.m.

**Location:** Memorial Park, [208 W. Union Ave.](#)

Founded in 1930, the Wheaton Municipal Band is carrying on a long-standing Wheaton tradition with its summer band concerts in Memorial Park. The concerts are free for the community to attend and feature a variety of music styles and themes. For more information about each concert, visit the [Municipal Band's website](#).

## Electronic Recycling

**Date:** Saturday, Aug. 9

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

**Location:** Public Works Storage Yard, [820 W. Liberty Drive](#)

Bring your unwanted electronics to the Public Works Storage Yard, 820 W. Liberty Drive, between 9 a.m. and noon. It is a drive-through event; volunteers will unload items from your car. Household batteries no longer accepted (only rechargeable batteries accepted). No refrigerators, air conditioners or other items with refrigerant/coolant liquids. **PLEASE NOTE: This will be the final monthly electronic recycling collection until further notice.**

## Library Outdoor Concert: Fast Eddie and the Corvettes

**Date:** Tuesday, Aug. 12

**Time:** 7 p.m.

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

It's back to the days of sock hops, hot rods, and golden oldies. Enjoy the sounds of the '50s, '60s, and '70s, including doo-wop vocals, rock & roll, and impressions of your favorite artists. The concert is provided by the Friends of Wheaton Public Library. Con-

certs are held outdoors on the West Plaza, weather permitting. Limited seating provided; bring blankets or chairs.

## WWI Lecture Series: Airpower

**Date:** Wednesday, Aug. 13

**Time:** 7 p.m.

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

Don Sander will give a lecture on the great air battles of the Western Front. He will discuss Richthofen's Flying Circus, the Zeppelin raids on England, and the technological advances that resulted. No registration required.

## Story Time at Town Square Wheaton

**Date:** Thursday, Aug. 14

**Time:** 11 a.m.-noon

**Location:** Town Square Wheaton, [Naperville Road & Blanchard Road](#)

WTTW Kids Readers are Leaders presents story time, singing and dancing followed by a meet and greet with Curious George. [More information](#)

## WWI Lecture Series: Women Heroes of WWI

**Date:** Wednesday, Aug. 27

**Time:** 7 p.m.

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

Kathryn Atwood, author of "Women Heroes of World War I: 16 Remarkable Resisters, Soldiers, Spies, and Medics," discusses women's roles in WWI featured in her book. Copies of her book will be available for purchase and signing. No registration required.

**See more events on the [Things to Do section of the City's website](#).**

## Program for E-waste Drop-off to be Suspended

**F**ollowing the [Aug. 9 electronic recycling collection](#), the City will be suspending its monthly electronic drop-off program until further notice. The vendor the City previously used is no longer able to provide this service.

After the August event, residents still have several options for recycling their electronics properly.

Advanced Disposal, the City's garbage/recycling hauler, will accept electronics curbside if you call 630-587-8282 at least one day before your garbage day to request a pickup. A separate truck comes by to pick up electronics only when requested. Each large item (such as a television) requires one garbage sticker, but smaller items (i.e. cell phone, camera, network cable and a keyboard) can be bundled, up to 4 items, with one sticker.

A number of stores, non-profit organizations and recycling locations will also accept electronics for recycling. Please see [this information regarding locations accepting various electronics](#).

The City is working to arrange a collection event that will take place in October. Information will be posted on the City's website and sent to [Email Updates subscribers](#) once details are available.

## County Farm Road Resurfacing Begins Soon

**A**s part of a DuPage County project to resurface various County highways, crews will be working on County Farm Road from Roosevelt Road to Jewell Road.

Work is currently scheduled to begin the week of Aug. 4 and extending through the end of September.

Crews anticipate temporary lane closures, but no permanent lane closures are planned. The contractor will be restricted from blocking lanes before 8:30 a.m. and after 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Crews will maintain access to adjacent properties during construction.

This project will include

milling and resurfacing County Farm Road, and may also include improvements such as pavement patching, curb and gutter repairs, sidewalk replacement and drainage structure adjustments. The goal of this program is to extend the road's existing service life and improve rideability.

## Attend County Event, Take Watershed Survey

**R**esidents whose properties fall within Spring Brook #1 watershed can attend an upcoming educational event and participate in a survey. Much of Wheaton falls within the Spring Brook #1 watershed, which is an area in which all of the precipitation and groundwater drains into a single larger body of water. The Spring Brook #1 watershed also includes portions of Warrenville and Glen Ellyn. [See this map to find out if your property falls within Spring Brook #1 watershed.](#)

DuPage County Stormwater Management, the Forest Preserve District of DuPage County and several other partners will present the "What's in Your Watershed?" event from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 2, 2014 at the Urban Stream Research Center in Blackwell Forest Preserve. The purpose of the event is to familiarize property owners with the Spring Brook #1 watershed, and demonstrate how to protect DuPage County's waterways both at home



and work. Learn how small changes to everyday habits can help reduce pollutants in stormwater runoff. DuPage County Stormwater Management staff will also discuss how you can become more involved in protecting and enhancing the local Spring Brook #1 watershed.

Property owners within the Spring Brook #1 watershed can also take an online survey at [www.surveymonkey.com/s/SpringBrookWatershed](#) to enable the County to learn more about the watershed. This includes areas of repeated flooding, streambed erosion, polluted stormwa-

ter runoff, unlawful discharge and other potential water quality impairments. County staff and other stakeholders will use this information to develop projects and initiatives throughout the watershed. The survey will be open through Aug. 15.

If you are unable to make the event but would like to learn more about the initiatives in your area or are interested in joining the Spring Brook #1 Stakeholder Group, please contact DuPage County Stormwater Management by email at [stormwater-mgmt@dupageco.org](mailto:stormwater-mgmt@dupageco.org) or by phone at 630-407-6700.

## 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](http://www.wheaton.il.us) for a complete list of meetings and events.

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- 4** City Council Meeting, 7 p.m.
- 11** City Council Planning Session, 7 p.m.
- 18** City Council Meeting, 7 p.m.
- 25** City Council Planning Session, 7 p.m.