



August 2015

City Notes

City Seeks Applicants for Position

The City seeks applicants for a Project Engineer position to perform civil engineering tasks related to local stormwater studies, analysis of drainage concerns, data collection and organization on major storm events, and stormwater capital projects. [Find out more on the City's website.](#)

Fight the Bite

The City of Wheaton is within the boundary of the Wheaton Mosquito Abatement District. The district has contracted with Clarke Mosquito Control to control nuisance mosquitoes, reduce the potential of mosquito-borne disease transmission, and provide a comfortable and healthy atmosphere for district residents.

Environmentally sensitive mosquito control is accomplished using Integrated Pest Management, an approach that includes: larval site monitoring, biological control, and the careful and strategic use of U.S. Environmental Protection Agency-labeled and registered

(Continued on next page)

Join Wheaton's First Bike Festival

New event taking place on Aug. 8

Save the date for a new family-friendly event in downtown Wheaton. The inaugural Bike Wheaton Festival will take place from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 8, 2015. This event is being organized by the Wheaton Bicycle Advisory Committee and the Downtown Wheaton Association.

Festivities will begin with a family bike parade at 10 a.m. at West and Front streets, ending in Memorial Park. Participants are encouraged to decorate their bikes for the parade. Organizers will present awards for the best decorated bikes at 10:30 a.m. in Memorial Park.

From 10:45 a.m. to 1 p.m., there will be family activities



The festival will begin with a bike parade. Participants are encouraged to decorate their bikes.

in Memorial Park and along Karlsga Avenue (which is along the south end of the park).

For more information, [visit the Downtown Wheaton Association's website](#) or contact the Wheaton Bicycle Advisory Committee at bike-wheaton@gmail.com.

Bike Wheaton Festival

- **Date:** Saturday, Aug. 8
- **Time:** 10 a.m.-1 p.m.
- **Location:** Starts with bike parade at West and Front streets

Signal Work at West & Childs to Affect Traffic

Drivers should expect delays near the intersection of West Street and Childs Street starting the week of Aug. 3, 2015. Contracted crews will be replacing the traffic signals

and related components at this intersection, which will require it to become a four-way stop during the duration of this work.

This project is expected to take several weeks, bar-

ring any unforeseen circumstances. Drivers should use caution while crews are working in this area. Motorists can expect some delays and may want to use alternate routes.

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

City Notes

Continued from page 1

pesticide products. Biological control agents (fish, insect growth regulators, and Bacillus bacteria byproducts) are used whenever possible. The adult mosquito population is scientifically monitored; pesticides are strategically applied only when necessary.

To be notified by phone when future mosquito spraying will take place, call 1-800-942-2555. You can also report standing water areas that could develop larvae or excessive mosquito annoyance conditions by calling 1-800-942-2555.

Business News

New business: AAA Car Care Plus Repair and Services, 1100 E. Roosevelt Road

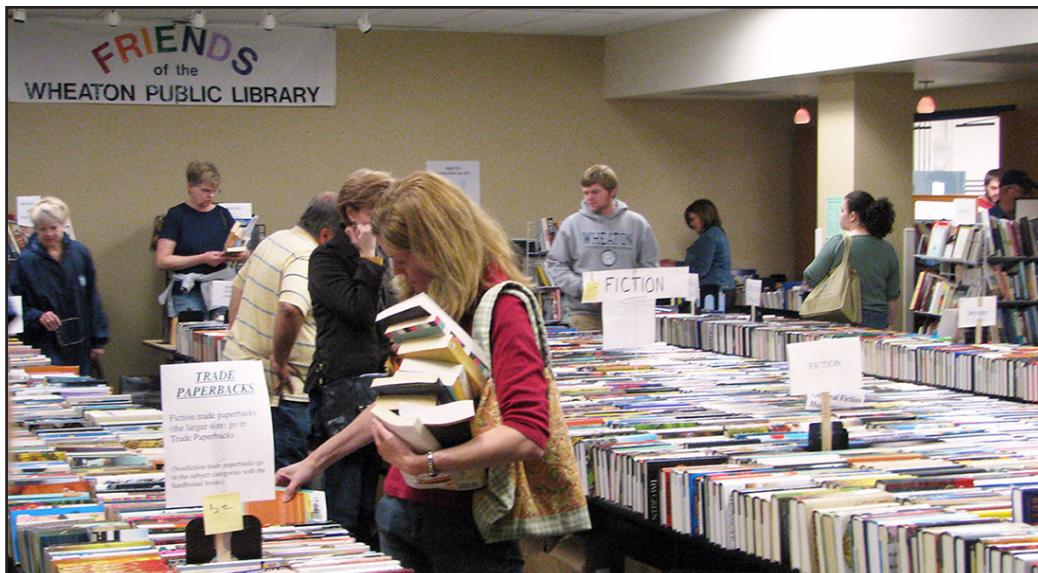
Commission News

The Council appointed Jean Lindsey to the Library Board, reappointed Eileen Pearse to the Liquor Control Commission, reappointed Jan Kay to the Housing Commission, appointed Erik Miller to the Community Relations Commission, and appointed Emily Consolazio to the Group Care Home Commission, all for three-year terms, respectively.

Watch Video of Wheaton Fourth of July Parade

If 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](#) and on City of Wheaton Channel 10 (CWC10).

The complete video is available [on the City's website](#), and Wheaton cable subscribers can view it on CWC10.



The Friends of the Wheaton Public Library Book Sale will feature more than 20,000 books.

Library Book Sale Begins Aug. 26

It's back and better than ever. The Friends of the Wheaton Public Library annual book sale Aug. 26-29, 2015 will feature more than 20,000 books and a separate children's area with thousands of books, movies, and music, all at bargain prices. All proceeds benefit library programs.

The sale will take place at the library, 225 N. Cross St.: • 9 a.m.-9 p.m., Wednes-

day, August 26 and Thursday, August 27

• 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday, August 28 and Saturday, August 29.

A Preview Sale for Friends Members only will be from 5-9 p.m. Tuesday, August 25.

Donations of books and more are being collected in the lobby of the library now. For donation guidelines and more information about the upcoming sale, [visit the](#)

Friends of the Wheaton Public Library Book Sale

• 9 a.m.-9 p.m., Wednesday, August 26 and Thursday, August 27
• 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday, August 28 and Saturday, August 29

[Wheaton Public Library's website](#).

ComEd Performing Tree Trimming Soon

Crews contracted by ComEd will be trimming trees along portions of Naperville Road and Blanchard Street in August and September. Because trees and branches are the leading cause of electrical outages, ComEd periodically performs preventative tree maintenance to prevent power outages and eliminate safety hazards. The work area is shown on this map from ComEd.

All work is performed by qualified arborists. In some cases, trees near electrical wires may need to be

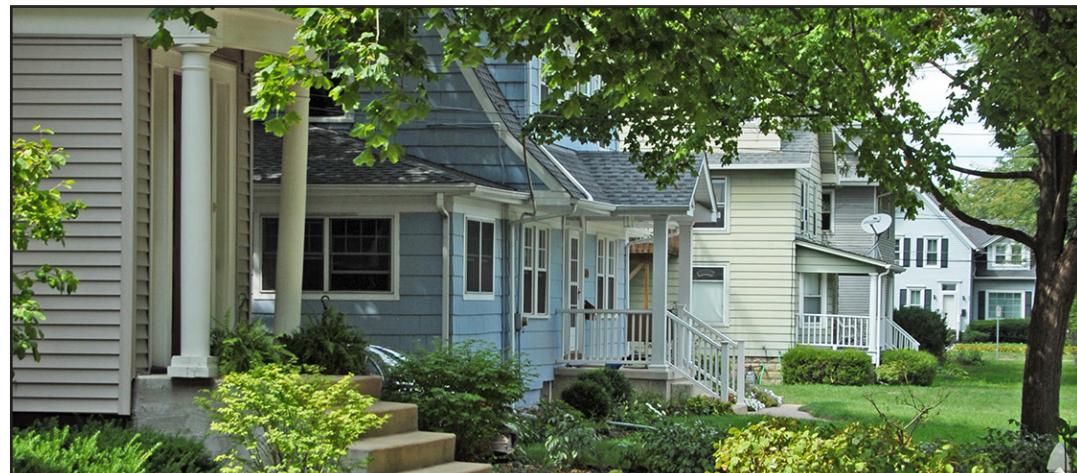


significantly trimmed or removed. Following removal, tree stumps are treated with an approved herbicide

to prevent future regrowth. For information, visit [www.comed.com/trees](#) or call 800-334-7661.

Read Reminder on Rules for Solicitors in Wheaton

Solicitors should look for 'No Soliciting' signs



The City reminds residents and solicitors of its ordinances relating to soliciting on private property. These rules are meant to protect the First Amendment Rights of solicitors while allowing property owners or tenants to determine whether or not solicitors are invited onto their property.

Residents who want to prohibit solicitors, canvassers and peddlers from their private property should post a "No Soliciting" sign near the main entrance to their home

or business. The sign's text must be at least one-third inch in height. [The City has "No Soliciting" signs available on its website to download and print out](#), or for purchase at City Hall and the Wheaton Police Department for \$1 each.

Solicitors should look for "No Soliciting" signs near the main entrance of every building or home they approach. If a sign is posted, solicitors

should immediately leave. Soliciting only is allowed from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. weekdays and from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. week-

end days.

To read the full ordinances, [See Chapter 46 of the Wheaton City Code](#).

Tips for Residents:

- Never allow a solicitor access to your residence.
- If you feel threatened or in immediate danger, or if a solicitor refuses to leave, call 9-1-1 immediately.
- Residents are not required nor should they feel compelled to answer the door if the resident believes that the individual is a solicitor.

Program to Replace Parkway Ash Trees Underway

A City-funded program to restore Wheaton's parkways is underway, with a plan to plant approximately 5,000 trees over a period of six years.

Between 2008 and 2015, the City removed nearly all of the 6,500 parkway ash trees in Wheaton due to infestation by the emerald ash borer. Now, through a large reforestation effort, the City is working to replace these trees in all of the sites deemed suitable for replanting.

"The emerald ash borer had a devastating effect on Wheaton's tree population," said Forestry Superintendent Kevin Maloney. "Our community values trees, so this program will make a significant

Approximately 5,000 trees being planted in Wheaton parkways

difference in replacing the trees we lost due to infestation."

To ensure a healthy, diverse tree population, the City developed an Urban Reforestation Policy in conjunction with this program. It aims to distribute trees evenly throughout the city by species, with a goal of using no more than 10 percent of any genus or 5 percent of any one species. Limiting the planting of single species yields a tree population that would not be as greatly impacted by invasive species or diseases in the future. For this reason, the City, with the help of a forest-

ry consultant, will determine the species of trees that will be planted in all sites.

"While some residents might wonder why the City is selecting the trees for this program, I think it's important for them to know that the tree species are being chosen strategically to safeguard the community from having a repeat of the emerald ash borer situation," Maloney said.

Residents who will be receiving a new tree adjacent to their property will receive a postcard outlining which year of the program they can expect contracted crews to plant the tree.

Approximately 1,500 sites have been deemed unsuitable for replanting by today's tree planting standards. Sites are often not suitable for replanting due to proximity to existing trees, corner lot restrictions, location of utility lines and poles, or insufficient space in relation to the street or sidewalk. Residents whose property is adjacent to a site deemed unsuitable for replanting will also receive a notice from the City.

More information about this program is available on the City's website at www.wheaton.il.us/AshTreeReplacement.

Upcoming Events

Wheaton Municipal Band Summer Concert Series

Dates: Thursdays through Aug. 13, 2015

Time: 8 p.m.

Location: Memorial Park, located at [Wheaton and Karlskoga avenues](#) (near City Hall)

Founded in 1930, the Wheaton Municipal Band is carrying on a long-standing tradition with its summer concerts in Memorial Park. The concerts are free and feature a variety of music styles and themes. [More information](#)

Vintage Rides

Date: Fridays through Aug. 28

Time: 6-9 p.m.

Location: [Front Street near Main Street](#), downtown Wheaton

Rev up your summer with Vintage Rides, a weekly car show featuring classic cars, custom vehicles, muscle cars and more each Friday night in downtown Wheaton. From 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. each Friday through Aug. 28, see vehicles displayed along Front Street between Main and Cross streets. This family friendly event is an annual tradition of the Downtown Wheaton Association. [More information](#)

Wheaton French Market

Dates: Saturdays through Nov. 14, 2015

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

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

This outdoor market, modeled after those found in France, offers much more than your typical Farmers Market. Find flowers, gifts, seasonal items, produce,



Shakespeare in the Park

jewelry, specialty foods and much more each week. For more information, contact Bensidoun USA at 312-575-0294 or ccbcec@sbcglobal.net.

Wheaton Brew Fest

Date: Saturday, Aug. 1

Time: 1-4:30 p.m.

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

The Wheaton Park District will bring back Wheaton Brew Fest, featuring more than 80 brews, entertainment, food vendors and more. This year's event will close with a live 80s band. Tickets required. [More information](#)

Band Concert at Edman Chapel

Date: Saturday, August 1

Time: 8 p.m.

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](#)

Electronic Recycling

Date: Saturday, Aug. 8

Time: 9 a.m.-noon

Location: Public Works

blankets or chairs. In the event of rain, concerts will be held in the lower level large meeting room. No tickets or registration necessary.

Story Time in Center Circle

Date: Thursday, Aug. 13

Time: 11 a.m.-noon

Location: Town Square Wheaton, [Naperville Road & Blanchard Circle](#), Center Circle of shopping center

Join Town Square Wheaton for WTTW Kids Readers are Leaders story time, singing and dancing featuring Miss Lori's Campus and Clifford the Big Red Dog. This event is free; no registration required. [More information](#)

Library Book Sale

Dates: August 26- 29; Preview for Friends Members August 25

Time: 9 a.m.-9 p.m. Aug. 26-27, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Aug. 28-29

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

The Friends of the Wheaton Public Library book sale will feature 20,000+ books and a separate children's area with thousands of books, movies, and music at bargain prices. All proceeds benefit library programs. See page 2 for more information.

Shakespeare in the Park

Dates: Aug. 28-29

Time: 7 p.m.

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

The Wheaton Park District and Wheaton College Arena Theater will present "Midsummer Night's Dream" at 7 p.m. Aug. 28 and Aug. 29 in Memorial Park. This is a free event, but donations will be accepted. [More information](#)

Police Issue Warning about Cell Phone Case

Danger posed by cases that closely resemble handgun

Recently several large U.S. cities have witnessed an increase of cellular telephone cases shaped as a replica of a handgun.

These telephone cases are equipped with a gun handgrip, trigger, and closely resemble an actual firearm. They are primarily available by internet purchase from overseas companies.

The Wheaton Police Department is compelled to educate the public about the dangers posed by these telephone cases, as they can easily be mistaken by a police officer or other individuals as a real firearm with a potential for a deadly encounter.

While no incidents have been reported to the Wheaton Police Department, parents and residents alike are cautioned.

Be Safe; Never Touch a Bat

This is the time of year when bats are most active and the DuPage County Health Department is warning county residents to never touch or try to catch a bat or wild animal, especially in your home.

Bats are the primary carriers of rabies in Illinois. You cannot tell by looking at a bat if it is rabid. The animal does not have to be aggressive or exhibit other symptoms to have rabies. Any wild mammal, such as a raccoon, skunk, fox, coyote or bat, can have rabies and transmit it to humans or their pets.

Changes in any animal's normal behavior, such as difficulty walking or an overall appearance of illness, can be early signs of rabies. A bat that is active during the day, found on the ground and unable to fly, is more likely to be rabid. Such bats should never be handled.

Rabies is a virus that affects the nervous system of humans and other mammals. Humans or pets can get rabies after being bitten by an infected animal. Rabies can also be contracted when saliva from a rabid animal gets directly into the eyes, nose, mouth or a wound.

Without preventive treatment, rabies is a fatal disease. If you have been bitten or

Tips to Prevent Spread of Rabies

The following tips can help prevent the spread of rabies:

- Be a responsible pet owner. Keep vaccinations up-to-date for all pets.
- Seek immediate veterinary assistance if your pet is bitten by a wild animal or exposed to a bat.
- Call the Wheaton Police Department to remove stray animals from your neighborhood.
- Do not handle, feed or attract wild animals with open garbage cans or litter.
- Never adopt wild animals or bring them into your home. Do not try to nurse sick animals to health. Call the Wheaton Police Department for assistance.
- Teach children never to handle unfamiliar animals, wild or domestic, even if they appear friendly.
- Maintain homes and other buildings so bats cannot gain entry.
- If a bat is in your home, do not release the bat outdoors until after speaking with animal control or public health officials. If you are able to do so without putting yourself at risk for physical contact or being bitten, try to cover the bat with a large can or bucket, and close the door to the room.

exposed to a bat, seek immediate medical attention. Bat bites may not be felt while sleeping, and special consideration also needs to be taken when a bat is found in a child's room or in a disabled person's living area. Preventive treatment with rabies immune globulin and a vaccine series must begin immediately. One bat has tested positive in DuPage County so far this year. Preventive treatment was recommended for

eight potentially exposed persons.

All animal bites to humans that occur in DuPage County must be reported to DuPage County Animal Care and Control at 630-407-2800; fax reports to 630-407-2801. All potential human rabies exposures must be reported to the DuPage County Health Department at 630-221-7553, or after hours at 630-682-7400. For more information, visit www.dupagehealth.org.



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.

City Calendar

August 2015

- 3** City Council Meeting, 7 p.m.
- 10** City Council Planning Session, 7 p.m.
- 17** City Council Meeting, 7 p.m.
- 24** City Council Planning Session, 7 p.m.