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# Learn the Sounds of Fire Safety.



Is there a beep or a chirp coming out of your smoke or carbon monoxide alarm? What does it all mean? Knowing the difference can save you, your home, and your family! Make sure everyone in the home understands the sounds of the smoke and carbon monoxide alarms and knows how to respond. Learn the sounds of your smoke and carbon monoxide alarms by checking the user guide or search the brand and model online.

# What is your alarm telling you?

# **SMOKE ALARMS**

- A continued set of three loud beeps—beep, beep, beep—means smoke or fire. Get out, call 9-1-1, and stay out.
- A single "chirp" every 30 or 60 seconds means the battery is low and must be changed.
- · All smoke alarms must be replaced after 10 years.
- Chirping that continues after the battery has been replaced means the alarm is at the end of its life and the unit must be replaced.

# **CARBON MONOXIDE (CO) ALARMS**

- A continuous set of four loud beeps—beep, beep, beep, beep—means carbon monoxide is present in your home.
   Go outside, call 9-1-1 and stay out.
- A single chirp every 30 or 60 seconds means the battery is low and must be replaced.
- CO alarms also have "end of life" sounds that vary by manufacturer. This means it's time to get a new CO alarm.

 Chirping that continues after the battery has been replaced means the alarm is at the end of its life and the unit must be replaced. Make sure your smoke and CO alarms meet the needs of everyone in your home, including those with sensory or physical disabilities.

# Some tips:

- Install a bedside alert device that responds to the sound of the smoke and CO alarms. Use of a low frequency alarm can also wake a sleeping person with mild to severe hearing loss.
- Sleep with your mobility device, glasses, and phone close to your bed.
- Keep pathways like hallways lit with night lights and free from clutter to make sure everyone can get out safely.

# Hear a Beep, Get On Your Feet!

Get out and stay out! Call 9-1-1 from outside.

# **Hear a Chirp, Make a Change!**

A chirping alarm needs attention. Replace the batteries or the entire unit if it's over 10 years old. If you don't remember how old the unit is, replace it!









404 N. Wood Dale Road | Wood Dale, Illinois | wooddale.com City Hall Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30 AM-4:30 PM

Meetings take place at City Hall unless otherwise noted. All meetings are subject to change. Public notices, meeting cancellations and agendas are posted at City Hall 48 hours prior to the meeting date and time (located in the rotunda near the finance window). For the most up-to-date meeting dates and times visit www.wooddale.com.



SEPTEMBER		
City Hall Closed - Labor Day	9/4/23	
Wood Dale for a Greener Tomorrow Committee	9/6/23	6:30 PM - 7:30 PM
Public Works Open House	9/7/23	3:30 PM - 6:30 PM
City Council Meeting	9/7/23	7:30 PM - 8:30 PM
Move with the Mayor and Council Pura Vida 5K Run and Walk	9/9/23	9:00 AM - 11:00 AM
Brush Collection	9/11/23	
Board of Police & Fire Commissioners	9/11/23	7:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Committee of the Whole	9/14/23	7:30 PM
City Wide Garage Sale	09/15/23– 09/17/20	
Community Development Commission	9/18/23	7:00 PM - 8:00 PM
City Council Meeting - Cancelled	9/21/23	
Committee of the Whole	9/28/23	7:30 PM - 8:30 PM

OCTOBER		
Coffee with a Cop	10/4/23	9:30 AM - 11:00 AM
Coffee with a Cop	10/4/23	6:00 PM - 7:30 PM
City Council Meeting	10/5/23	7:30 PM - 8:30 PM
Green Fair	10/7/23	10 AM - 2 PM
Brush Collection	10/9/23	
Board of Police & Fire Commissioners	10/9/23	7:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Police Pension Board	10/12/23	12:00 PM - 3:00 PM
Committee of the Whole	10/12/23	7:30 PM - 8:30 PM
Community Development Commission	10/16/23	7:00 PM - 8:00 PM
City Council Meeting	10/19/23	7:30 PM - 8:30 PM
Committee of the Whole	10/26/23	7:30 PM - 8:30 PM
Trunk or Treat	10/29/23	1:00 PM - 3:00 PM
Trick or Treating Hours	10/31/23	3:00 PM - 8:00 PM

# **MAYOR'S LETTER**

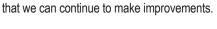
# MAYOR Nunzio Pulice (630) 595-8545 npulice@wooddale.com



# Dear Wood Dale Residents.

As we say goodbye to summer and welcome the autumn season, I take great pride in knowing that the City had a fantastic summer! This year's Prairie Fest was our best yet! We hosted the fantastic Sounds of Summer concert series, a Summer Movie Series, and Cruise Nights events. The City was filled with wonderful family-friendly activities for the community.

Your opinion matters! Please take the Prairie Fest survey noted on page 1 or scan this QR code. We'd love to hear how your experience was this year so



I am happy to share that several more special events are still forthcoming this year. They include the Green Fair, Trunk or Treat, and my favorite, the Tree Lighting event at City Hall.

Additionally, each year the City Council budgets to provide Wood Dale residents with various services to assist with issues faced by homeowners. The City of Wood Dale is pleased to offer many cost saving programs to residents and our senior residents. We're always investigating new ways to improve the quality of life for all residents. To learn more about cost saving City services and programs, please visit www.wooddale.com.

Check out the list of cost saving programs geared towards seniors. Please see page 7 for additional residential cost saving services offered by the City.

Sincerely, Nunzio Pulice, *Mayor of Wood Dale* 

# SENIOR PROGRAMS

The City takes great steps to build relationships, provide services, and plan for the needs of seniors in Wood Dale.

# **DIAL-A-RIDE SERVICES**

The City offers a Dial-A-Ride program to assist residents with getting around. The service area consists of Biesterfield Road to Rohlwing Road to Lake Street to Grand Avenue to York Road. Trips can also be requested to Elmhurst Hospital.

#### **Service Hours**

Monday to Friday - 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. City holidays observed

#### To Schedule a Ride

Call Dial-a-Ride at (630) 787-3763 and leave a message. Rides must be scheduled at least 24 hours in advance and are on a first-come/first-served basis.

#### **Fares**

Seniors and Disabled Individuals -

\$3.00 each way or 10 rides for \$18.00 All Other Riders -

\$4.00 each way or 10 rides for \$34.00 Passes can be purchased directly from the driver.

# GRASS CUTTING/SNOW REMOVAL DISCOUNT PROGRAM

The City of Wood Dale previously initiated a Senior/ Disabled Grass Cutting Program to assist residents with landscaping services who do not have the means of completing it on their own. The program is limited based on available funds and applications are accepted on a first come-first serve basis. The grass cutting program runs from April-November and certain qualifications are required. New this year, the City is implementing a similar program for snow removal. The qualification guidelines will be the same as those of the grass cutting program.

For information, please visit wooddale.com, stop in at City Hall or contact Public Works at (630) 350-3530.

# REFUSE & WATER UTILITY DISCOUNTS

Upon written application from a resident (retired seniors age 62 or older, widows or widowers with dependent children and those individuals totally disabled) whose household income is not more than the low income figures established regularly by the Department of Housing and Urban Development as verified by the resident's previous year U.S. Federal income tax return, a senior discount is available. The discount provides seniors with 50% off refuse services and the first 2,500 gallons of water for free. If you do not qualify for the low-income discount, you may qualify for a 15% refuse discount if you are age 65 or older, regardless of income. Applications are also available at City Hall or call (630) 766-4900 with questions.

# RTA FREE/REDUCED RIDE PASSES

Residents 65 years of age or older and/or those with a disability can apply or renew their Free/Reduced Ride RTA Pass at the City Hall. An appointment is required. For additional information, call the City Clerk's Office at (630) 787-3709.

# S.A.L.T. (SENIORS AND LAW ENFORCEMENT TOGETHER)

The SALT Committee meets monthly at the Police Department. This group discusses issues in the City affecting seniors and any

# MEET THE CITY COUNCIL



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Sandra L. Porch (630) 595-8923 sporch@wooddale.com



Alderman Peter A. Jakab (708) 557-2686 pjakab@wooddale.com



Alderman Gandolfo "Randy" Messina (630) 962-0398 rmessina@wooddale.com



Alderman Michael Curiale (630) 788-6507 mcuriale@wooddale.com

upcoming community events. In addition, they discuss crime data comparisons with other communities, traffic concerns, neighborhood issues and police response. SALT has served as a forum for community problem solving and direct input to police and city services. The Chief of Police provides updates to the residents with information regarding scams and other crimes in the area.

# **SENIOR WAKE-UP** SERVICE

The Wood Dale Police Department coordinates the Senior Wake Up Service program, which checks up on the well-being of senior citizen residents each day. The Police Department calls once in the morning. If they fail to make contact, a police officer is sent to their home to attempt to make contact. This program is designed for seniors who do not have any family or friends in the area that regularly check in with them. If you have a family member or elderly neighbor who you feel could benefit from this service, please call (630) 766-2060.

# **VEHICLE STICKERS**

All vehicles registered to Wood Dale residents or businesses must display vehicle stickers by July 1 of each year. Annual vehicle stickers are available beginning in mid-May from the Finance Department. Residents of Wood Dale that are 65 years of age or older, disabled, in the military, and veterans qualify for an honorary two-year vehicle sticker free of charge. For additional information, contact the Finance Department at (630) 766-4900.

# **VETERAN BANNERS**

The City's Veteran Banner recognition program honors current and former Wood Dale residents who served in a branch of the United States military. By filling out the application, and submitting a high-resolution digital photo, we will create a banner at no cost to be displayed

on Irving Park or Wood Dale Roads, to honor a Wood Dale veteran. To apply for a banner, visit wooddale.com for an application and submit a high-resolution photo. Applications are also available at City Hall or call (630) 766-4900.

# **Wood Dale New Business Report**

Join us in Welcoming the Following New Businesses!

- K9 Hair Design 135 E Front St. (An Existing Business - New Ownership)
- Division Street Coffee Bar & Market 199 E Division St.
- Modern Fadez 147 E Front St.
- Ambir Technology Inc 841 N Sivert Dr.
- American Alliance Group 763 N Edgewood Ave.
- R B Construction 220 W Gerry
- Lynden Logistics 950 N IL RT 83
- Meowoff 126 E Irving Park Rd.
- Sharp Staff 335 N Wood Dale Rd.
- Innovia Surgery Center LLC 203 E Irving Park Rd.

(Business Name Changed)

- ProLift Inc 760-66 N Edgewood Ave.
- HomeCare Nation, LLC 276 E Irving Park Rd.





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# HARVEST

PRESENTED BY WOOD DALE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

September 10, 2023 11 am-4 pm

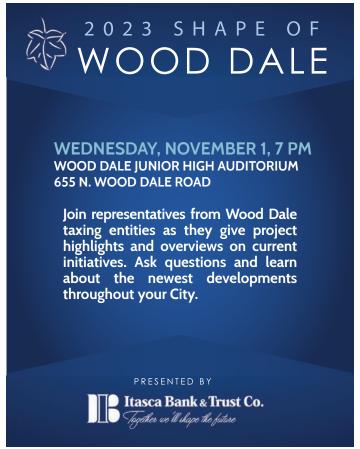
crafters, balloon art, bounce house, pony rides and petting zoo, Wings and Talons, food booth with

roasted corn on the cob. Please call (630) 595-0360 for more info.

YESTERDAY'S FARM MUSEUM 850 N. WOOD DALE ROAD













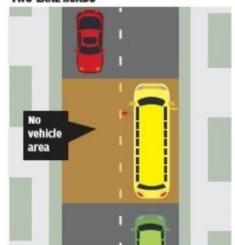
# Back to School



# When do I need to stop?

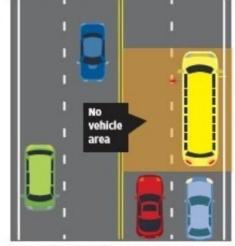
All school buses in Illinois are required to have stop sign safety arms. Motorists have to stop if the arm is extended or flashing lights are lit.

# TWO-LANE ROADS



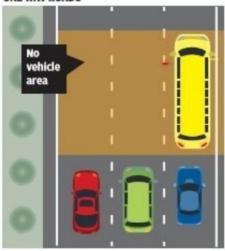
On two-lane roads, all traffic in both directions must stop if there's a stopped school bus.

# **FOUR (OR MORE)-LANE ROADS**



When a school bus is traveling on a four-lane road with at least two lanes of traffic going in the opposite direction, only the lanes of traffic traveling in the same direction as the school bus must stop.

# **ONE WAY ROADS**



When a school bus is traveling on a one-way roadway and is stopped to pick up or drop off pupils, all lanes of traffic must stop, regardless of the number of lanes.



PRESENTED BY

THE CITY OF WOOD DALE, WOOD DALE PARK DISTRICT, ITASCA BANK & TRUST, AND VFW TIOGA POST #2149

# BREAKFAST AT

SALT CREEK GOLF CLUB 1051 N. PROSPECT AVE 8:30 - 10:30 A.M.

THE CITY WILL "RETIRE" VETERAN BANNERS WITH A BRIEF PRESENTATION. RSVP AT 630-773-0184.

LIMITED SEATING IS AVAILABLE.

WALK-INS ARE ACCEPTED AS CAPACITY ALLOWS.

# CEREMONY AT VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING BREAKFAST. 269 W. IRVING PARK ROAD 11 A.M. IN THE EVENT OF INCLEMENT WEATHER

IN THE EVENT OF INCLEMENT WEATHER
THE CEREMONY WILL REMAIN AT SALT CREEK GOLF CLUB

# THANK YOU TO OUR HOST AND SPONSORS.









The City of Wood Dale offers several cost-saving programs designed to assist residents with financial burdens. These programs cover a wide variety of benefits that can assist with home ownership. We encourage you to visit www.wooddale.com to learn more about these programs and for all related forms and applications.



# Driveway-Sidewalk/Apron Reimbursement

Residents who are replacing their driveways are eligible for the City's costsavings program and can receive a reimbursement for \$50 per sidewalk square and/or up to \$300/50% of the total cost of the apron to be replaced. Over the last 12 months, the City has contributed \$3,400 to residents' replacement

# **Home Generator Grant Program**

The residential generator grant program assists residents with the purchase of a home generator, which can help keep sump pumps, refrigerators and other necessary equipment in the event of power outage. If you are interested in purchasing a generator, you may be eligible for a 50% refund of the cost up to \$250, or up to \$400 on a permanent generator. Since the beginning of the program, Wood Dale has provided over \$51,524 to residents to assist with generator purchases and \$3,386 to 13 residents in 2021 alone.





# **Rear-Yard Drainage**

If a residential property does not have proper drainage into the right of way, this program is designed to assist with 50% of the costs to install drainage into a yard to properly divert stormwater or melting snow. In the past year, the City has provided \$6,400 in funding to residents, with a total of \$25,057 since the program began.

# Skunk Removal

Wood Dale residents may qualify for discounted skunk trapping services. A non-refundable deposit of \$25 must be paid by the resident, and the City will pay for the remainder of the cost of setting of the trap, removal of any animals captured, and removal of the trap after completion. At this time, there are limited funds allocated to this program, and they are annually awarded on a first-come first-served basis.





# **Special Watch Service**

The Police Department provides a Special Watch Service for citizens who will be leaving their homes for any reason for an extended period of time. Contact the Police Department at (630) 766-2060 for additional information on this service or complete an online form at www.wooddale.com/police.



WOOD DALE

A plat is a map drawing prepared by a registered surveyor or engineer that defines the boundaries and improvements of an existing parcel of land. The plat shall show, with complete dimensions, the property lines, buildings, structures (decks, patios, fences), all other improvements (driveways, sidewalks), and monuments for the purpose of identifying property corners (iron pipes, stakes, rods). The plat of survey must be full size (and to scale) signed and stamped by a land surveyor licensed in Illinois.





# WHEN DO I NEED A PLAT OF SURVEY?

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Projects involving site work require a current plat of survey to be submitted with the permit application. These projects include, but are not limited to: swimming pools, fences, home additions, patios, decks, garages, mechanical equipment (AC, generator) and sheds.

Projects such as replacement of an existing driveway, sidewalk or patio will require a plat of survey that is accurate (depicting all current improvements on the property) can be submitted with a signed and notarized affidavit if the plat is more than one year old. A template for this affidavit may be obtained from the Community Development Department. Projects that add 50 square feet or more of lot coverage require a current survey (within one year of permit application).



# HOW DO I OBTAIN A PLAT OF SURVEY?

Most homeowners already have one. The plat is generally included during real estate transactions with closing documents. However, if you do not have a current plat of survey, you can contact a licensed land surveying company to prepare a new plat of survey for your property. Title companies that handle real estate closings also keep master records of plats and may be able to issue you a copy for a fee.



Saturday, October 7 • 10 a.m.-2 p.m. PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - 720 N. CENTRAL AVE

Free document shreading.

(no businesses)

Free electronics recycling.

# Free disposal of the following items:

- American Flags
- Printer Cartridges
- Prescription Drugs
- Household Batteries
- Cell Phones
- Eyeglasses
- Holiday Lights
- Hearing Aids









The City's Curbside Brush Collection is offered to Wood Dale residents to assist with landscape maintenance. The program is designed to dispose of large branches and tree limbs that cannot be collected through regular yard waste collection.

September 11

October 9

November 27

# **VOLUME & BRUSH COLLECTION REQUIR**

- Brush or trees trimmed by private contractors will not be removed.
- Branches must be 2" to 8" in diameter and can be up to 15' in length. Neatly stack all branches at the curb.
- Branches smaller than 2" in diameter must be securely tied into bundles with twine.
- Branches smaller than 2' in length must be disposed of in a waste container or yard waste bag.
- Collection is for large quantities of tree branches and bushes that cannot be disposed of during weekly pickup.
- No leaves will be accepted.
- Large roots and dirt must be removed from any brush and put into your yard waste container.
- Special pick-up services are made by the Public Works department following major storms in order to remove debris.
- Holiday tree removal is done in January.



Yard waste collection services are offered April–November of each year.

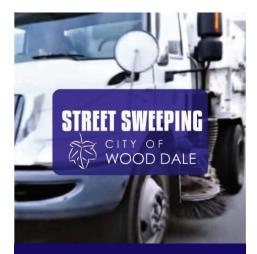
In order for a yard waste or leaf container to be collected, a City yard waste sticker, available at City Hall, must be visible. Paper yard waste bags may also be used and do not require stickers.

There is no limit on the number of residential yard waste containers or bags placed out for collection by a given household, provided all containers and bundles are not in excess of the 4-foot length requirement; bags containing unacceptable material, such as refuse or dirt will not be collected.

Flood Brothers offers an approved yard waste cart for an additional monthly cost.

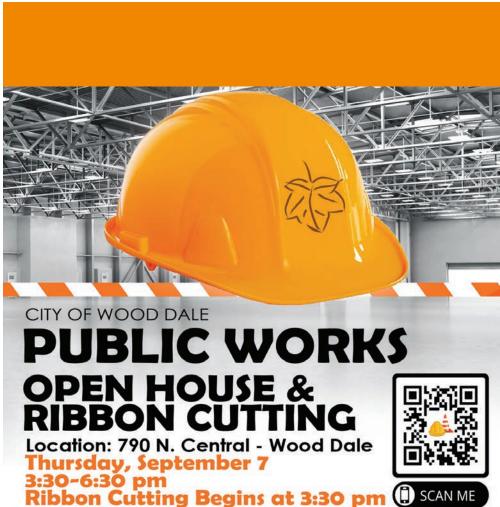
Flood Brothers will collect brush and tree trimmings as long as the materials are bundled and secured with biodegradable twine or other acceptable material, and no more than 4-feet in length and 50 pounds in weight. Each branch shall not exceed 2-inches in diameter, with the total diameter of the bundle not to exceed 18-inches.

> Flood Brothers www.floodbrothersdisposal.com 630-261-0400



Street Sweeping is scheduled to begin on select Wednesdays throughout the year, with the goal of having at least one sweep per month. The Wednesday scheduling coincides with the conclusion of refuse pickup. As always, weather and other conditions can affect the street sweeping schedule, which is subject to change.

> **SEPTEMBER 13 NCTORFR 4** NOVEMBER 1 **NOVEMBER 15** NOVFMRFR 29 DECEMBER 13



- Food and fun for everyone!
- Kids can climb on, explore and take pictures inside more than 10 trucks, plows & vehicles!
- Meet the Public Works crews!
- Visit with Community organizations!
- Ribbon Cutting at 3:30 pm

Giveaways, Demonstrations, Games & More!

For information, call (630) 350-3530 or visit www.wooddale.com.





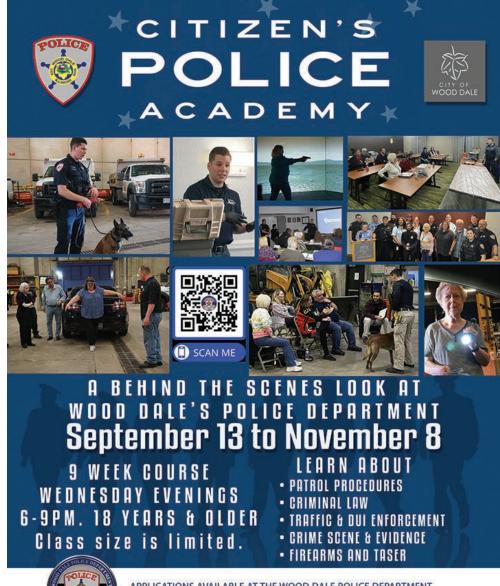
404 N. Wood Dale Road Wood Dale, IL 60191 www.wooddale.com/police

Non-Emergency: 630-766-2060

**Chief of Police** Chris Zito

**Deputy Chief** Chris Banaszynski





APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE AT THE WOOD DALE POLICE DEPARTMENT OR SCAN THE QR CODE. THE DEADLINE IS SEPTEMBER 1.

Contact Sergeant Alan Piecuch (630) 787-3886 or Meghan Spiewak (630) 787-3811.







# Railroad Safety Tips

WHAT TO KEEP IN MIND WHEN NEAR RAILROAD TRACKS IF YOU'RE EVER AT A RAILROAD CROSSING OR YOU HAVE CHILDREN WHO NEED TO KNOW ABOUT RAILROAD SAFETY, TEACH THEM TO REMEMBER THE "ACORN" RULE (SEE THE RULE IN THE IMAGE ABOVE).

Citizens should note that Wood Dale has cameras dedicated to the railroad crossings monitoring eastbound and westbound traffic at Irving Park Road and the railroad tracks. As the lights begin to flash, warning motorists of an incoming train, vehicles traveling in either direction are required to come to a stop before or at the white roadway markings, at least within 50 feet but not less than 15 feet from the nearest rail of the railroad. Motorists shall not proceed until the tracks are clear and when both the crossing gates and flashing lights are no longer activated. Illinois State Law requires motorists to immediately stop before the railroad tracks when the lights begin to flash. If a vehicle passes the tracks as lights are actively flashing, both video and photo are taken to document the infraction. The videos and photos are generated/captured by a third-party company and are sent to the Wood Dale Police Department for officers to review prior to issuing citations. Officers review the documented infractions and use their best judgment to decide if the motorist was in violation. For questions, please contact the Wood Dale Police Department at 630-766-2060.



# THANK YOU TO OUR NIGHT OUT SPONSORS AND VOLUNTEERS

Thank you for making our Police Night Out special! We could not have done it without the help of generous sponsors and their support!

- 7-Eleven
- Asti Italian Deli
- Bentley's
- Brunch Café
- Christv's
- City of Wood Dale
- City of Wood Dale Alderman Tony Catalano
- City of Wood Dale Alderwoman Nadine Ames
- Courtyard By Marriot
- Dairy Queen

- DoubleTree
- Dunkin' Donuts
- Green Thumb Florist & Greenhouse
- Itasca Bank & Trust Co.
- KBK Truck and Trailer Repair
- Kozy Glam
- Len's Ace Hardware
- Leon Korol Company
- Marquardt &Belmonte
- My Kids Place
- Pat's Place

- Shoeless loes
- Shorty's
- Starbucks
- Suburban Towing & Recovery,
- Sweet Baby Ray's
- Target
- VIP Express Car Wash
- White Cottage
- Wood Dale Park District
- Wood Dale Public Library

# Thank you to our wonderful vendors! • Addison Consolidated Dispatch

- (AAIM) Alliance Against Intoxicated Motorists
- Wood Dale Fire Department
- Wood Dale Library (Book Mobile)
- Regional Transportation Authority
- Martial Arts
- Metra

- Center
- Brain Freeze
- Phillips Meetings & Events -Steve Belliveau Balloons

The Wood Dale Police Department would like to give a special thanks to the Public Works Department, Police Staff, and all our local volunteers: Sam Sciortino, Janice Kay, Janice Crothers, Mark Meyer, Sandra Tumbarello, Janelle Silva, Mary Kate Guy, and the City Council.

Finally, we are extremely grateful to the Wood Dale Park District for allowing the City to use the Beach swimming pool for our event. We truly appreciate everyone's support!









The Wood Dale Police Department will again be participating in the Adopt-A-Family Program which assists local families in need for the Thanksgiving holiday.

You can take part in this program by filling out the below form; a suggested list of items based on either a 4 or 6 person family is provided. Please return the form below to the Wood Dale Police Department either in person or mail to: 404 N. Wood Dale Rd., Wood Dale, IL 60191.

- The last day to sign up for the Adopt-A-Family is November 4th.
- Please drop off baskets (or boxes) by November 11th at the Police Department Community Room between 9:00am and 4:30 pm.

Additional forms are available at the Police Department Records window. For additional information, please contact Meghan Spiewak at 630-787-3811 or Mspiewak@WoodDale.com.

# WOOD DALE POLICE DEPT THANKSGIVING ADOPT-A-FA **PROGRAM REGISTRATION** How many families would you like to sponsor? \_\_\_\_ 4 Person Families \_\_\_\_\_\_ 6 Person Families Organization: (if applicable) Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone:

# **Suggested Shopping List**

(feel free to add what you wish)

Please pack items into a box or basket prior to dropping off at the Police Department. Feel free to be creative and decorate your basket if you wish, or add any holiday items (napkins, paper plates, etc.)! However, please do not include any alcohol. Only nonperishable food items please. Thank you in advance for your participation.

# **4 PERSON FAMILY**

- ★ \$25 Gift Card to any Grocery Store for ham/turkey
- ★ 1 Box of stuffing
- ★ 1 Box of mashed potatoes
- ★ 4 Cans vegetables
- ★ 2 Cans sweet potatoes/yams
- ★ 1 Box muffin/biscuit mix
- ★ 1 Dessert (brownie mix, cake mix, etc.)
- ★ 2 Cans fruit (cranberry sauce, pie filling)

# **6 PERSON FAMILY**

- ★ \$25 Gift Card to any Grocery Store for ham/turkey
- ★ 1 Box of stuffing
- ★ 1 Box of mashed potatoes
- ★ 8 Cans vegetables
- ★ 2 Cans sweet potatoes/yams
- ★ 1 Box muffin/biscuit mix
- ★ 2 Dessert (brownie mix, cake mix, etc.)
- ★ 4 Cans fruit (cranberry sauce, pie filling)



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Non-Emergency: 630.766.1147 Fax: 630.766.7156

Follow us on Social Media: facebook.com/WDFPD Instagram: @wooddalefire



# FIRE PREVENTION WEEK OCTOBER 8-14, ZOZ3



This year's Fire Prevention Week™ campaign is

"Cooking safety starts with YOU. Pay attention to fire prevention™"

# **COOKING SAFETY**

Did you know? Cooking fires are the leading cause of home fires and home fire injuries. Unattended cooking is the leading cause of cooking fires and deaths.

What can you do? The good news is you can prevent most cooking fires and burns. Help keep your family safer with some simple but effective tips.

# "Cook with Caution"

- Be on alert! If you are sleepy or have consumed alcohol don't use the stove or stovetop.
- Stay in the kitchen while you are frying, boiling, grilling, or broiling food. If you leave the kitchen for even a short period of time, turn off the stove.
- Have a "kid-free zone" of at least 3 feet around the stove and areas where hot food or drink is prepared or carried.
- If you are simmering, baking, or roasting food, check it regularly, remain in the home while food is cooking, and use a timer to remind you that you are cooking.
- Keep anything that can catch fire — oven mitts, wooden utensils, food packaging, towels, or curtains away from your stovetop. If you have a small (grease) cooking fire and decide to fight the fire...
- On the stovetop, smother the flames by sliding a lid over the pan and turning off the burner. Leave the pan covered until it is completely cooled.
- For an oven fire, turn off the heat and keep the door closed. If you have any doubt about fighting a small fire...
- ▶ Just get out! When you leave, close the door behind you to help contain the fire.
- Call 9-1-1 or the local emergency number from outside the home





**EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION CENTER** 

Mrs. Melissa Favata, Principal

# **ECEC Family Partnerships**

At the Early Childhood Education Center and throughout Wood Dale School District 7, we believe educating a child to her/his fullest potential is nearly impossible without the support of parents and/or extended family. One of the goals included in the mission statement of ECEC is to provide a high-quality child-centered learning environment that fosters individual success and a love of learning in **partnership with families and the community**. To support this goal the ECEC staff works diligently to create an atmosphere where all families feel comfortable communicating with us about their children. Parents are encouraged to call staff members regarding any issues and respond to our parent surveys that are designed to help us improve our program.

An excellent way to build partnerships with families is to encourage them to participate in the parent events we host throughout the school year. These events are carefully planned to educate families about the school, the curriculum, and the expectations of our program. Another way to build home/school partnerships is by having families connect what their children are learning in school with activities at home. Parents are asked to talk to their children about what they learned during the school day. Parents can also find books related to the topics being discussed at school and read with their children. Parents can refer to the school calendar and the teachers' web pages should they want more information regarding family events. •

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# Wood Dale School District 7 Mission Statement

We will collaborate with all families to implement high quality instruction and provide engaging learning experiences, empowering each student to reach their full potential, in a safe and supportive environment.

# Administration

Dr. John Corbett, Superintendent Mrs. Elvia Villalobos, Curriculum Director Mr. Steve Wilt, Business Manager





Families and students in action.

# **OAKBROOK SCHOOL**

Dr. Theresa Ulrich, Principal



# Fully Engaged in the Fall at Oakbrook School

It is hard to believe summer has come and gone, and we are already well into the new school year. While students were enjoying a fun-filled summer of activities, many Oakbrook staff remained hard at work in preparation for the 2023-2024 school year. As a result, students returned to a clean and welcoming school with teachers prepared to engage them for a rigorous year of learning. We kicked off the year with our Meet and Greet evening where families were invited to visit their child's classroom and meet their teacher. The following week, the first day of school brought both excitement and tears for students and their parents. Not long after, parents attended another evening at school during our Parent Information Night, where teachers shared classroom expectations and the learning focus for the school year. Parents also had opportunities to speak with representatives from the Wood Dale Public library, Girl Scouts, and Boy Scouts. The annual Oakbrook and Westview Back to School Picnic will be held in September. The picnic is a family favorite and is filled with activities and games, as well as food options. The event is made possible through the hard work of our Oakbrook and Westview Schools Parent and Teacher Organization (PTO). We are grateful to



The Oakbrook and Westview PTO welcomes students and families back to school.

the PTO's organization, planning, and funding for a successful event that always attracts a large number of families. We are pleased to have so many parents involved in their children's education. By the end of September, we expect our students to be fully accustomed to school routines and their understanding of expectations will have them prepared for their learning journey. As we creep into October, we will begin planning fun Halloween related themes to support reading and learning, and expect to offer more opportunities to bring families into the school. •

# WESTVIEW SCHOOL

Mr. Alan Buttimer, Principal



# **Westview Awarded Grants from Local Subaru Corporate Office**



Students and staff from Westview School appreciate the generous grants over the past 3 years from Subaru of the Central Region, totaling over \$10,000!

Since the 2021-22 school year, Westview has been fortunate to receive funds for classroom supplies through a national nonprofit organization, Adopt-A-Classroom. The grants have been funded through Subaru of the Central Region corporate office in nearby Itasca. The \$3000 grant provides 6 staff members with \$500 each to spend on classroom supplies from an online marketplace. Funds were provided to classroom teachers during the first year, and specialists such as intervention and special education teachers this past school year. While District 7 provides all of the materials needed to teach the curriculum at each grade level, the

# **WESTVIEW CON'T**

grant funds provide staff members with an opportunity to purchase additional materials such as more books in Spanish to supplement classroom libraries, educational games to support mastery of strategies to develop math fact fluency, as well as cozy furniture for independent reading times!

This past Spring, Westview was also the recipient of a large bench made from 7,600 recycled disposable snack wrappers saved from landfills, and donated by Subaru.

We continue to be humbled by the generosity of Subaru! While the school district provides excellent resources to implement the curriculum, the financial support provided by this grant provides staff the opportunity to incorporate additional resources that can broaden student engagement with the curriculum, as well as enhance the environment through learning materials, games, manipulatives, supplies, and other items that we would not otherwise be able to afford. We are thankful for the generosity shown by the staff at Subaru of the Central Region, and look forward to our continued partnership benefitting the students of Wood Dale! •

# WOOD DALE JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Mr. Joe Krause, Principal | Ms. Gina DiFiglio, Assistant Principal



# The Arts Continue to be Celebrated at the Junior High!

Wood Dale Junior High has long been committed to providing Fine Arts education to our students. Each year there are a number of ways for students to be involved in the musical and dramatic arts. The Junior High has both band and choir programs available to all students. The choir program meets before school. Students are taught advanced vocal techniques and are provided with multiple opportunities throughout the year to perform in front of a live audience. During the 23-24 school year, students will perform at events such as the Winter Choral Concert and 8th Grade Promotional Exercises in June.

The Wood Dale Band includes students from 4th-8th grade performing on drums, trumpets, clarinets, flutes, and many more instruments. Band students are instructed in how to play their instruments as well as how to work together to

create a full band sound. The band performs concerts in November, February, and May. The band also marches yearly in the City of Wood Dale Memorial Day Parade and at a Fenton High School football game in the fall.

The teaching of the dramatic arts is also an important part of the junior high Fine Arts program. Each year in April the junior high students produce and perform a musical. This past year the students



Junior High Band Students Playing

presented two outstanding performances of Alice in Wonderland. The show for the upcoming year is announced in late fall so currently our students are eagerly anticipating the announcement of the title of the play for this spring. All of these musical and dramatic performances take place in the beautiful District 7 Center for the Arts at the Junior High, and the entire community is invited to attend. •

# WOOD DALE SCHOOL DISTRICT 7



From the **Business Manager** Steve Wilt, CSBO

Fun Run / Walk

Last September Wood Dale School District 7, in conjunction with the Rotary Club of Bensenville/Wood Dale, held their inaugural Pura Vida 5K Fun Run/Walk. This event

was developed by the District 7 Wellness Committee with the goal of encouraging our students, staff, and their families to get outdoors and participate in physical exercise. The first Pura Vida 5K Fun Run/ Walk was an enormous success with close to 200 children and adults participating. In addition to the physical fitness aspect of the 5K Run/ Walk, the Wellness Committee had the goal of encouraging our

families and community members to enjoy the forest preserve and recreational spaces in the City of Wood Dale.

This fall we will once again be hosting the 5K Run/Walk with the goal of attracting even more participants from the City of Wood Dale. This event is open to everyone and you do not need to be affiliated with the school district to participate. The 2023 Pura Vida Fun Run/Walk will be held on September 9th at 10:00 AM. If



Adults: \$20

Pre K-High School Students: \$2

you are interested in signing up, use the QR code at right or go to http://www.runreg.com/pura-vida-5k-fun-walk-run2023 to register. Participant packet pick-up will be held on September 8th between 3:30 PM and 8:00 PM at the Wood Dale Junior High Gymnasium. You can also pick-up your packet on the day of the race beginning at

8:30 AM. Participants will receive a gift bag and t-shirt commemorating the event. Cost is \$20 for adults and only \$2 for Pre K-High School students.

Questions can be directed to Steve Wilt at swilt@wdsd7.org.

We hope to see you September 9th!





# 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR

**WOOD DALE SCHOOL DISTRICT 7** is now accepting applications for

# **Substitute Teachers & Paraprofessionals Grades Pre K-8.**

Please visit our website & apply online: www.WD7.org or call 630-595-9510. Certification is required and must be registered with DuPage Office of Education.

# **EVENTS + CALENDAR**

# **AUGUST 29**

◆ EC First Day of School

# **AUGUST 30**

- ◆ Beginning Band Rental Night @ WV 4-7pm
- ♦ WV 5th Grade Bring Your Parents to School Night 6:30-7:30pm
- → JH 6th Grade Back to School Family Night 6:30-7:30pm

# **AUGUST 31** ♦ WV 4th Grade Bring Your Parents to School Night

- 6:30-7:30pm
- → JH 7th/8th Grade Back to School Family Night 6:30-7:30pm

# **SEPTEMBER 1**

◆ OB K-2 Back to School Family Night 6-6:45pm &

**SEPTEMBER 5** Labor Day – No School

# **SEPTEMBER 7**

→ JH PTO Meeting 6:30pm

# **SEPTEMBER 8**

◆ EC Parent Information Night 6-7pm & 7-8pm

# **SEPTEMBER 9**

◆ Fenton Band Night 7:30-8:30pm

#### **SEPTEMBER 13**

◆ OB/WV PTO Meeting @ OB 6:30pm

# **SEPTEMBER 14**

◆ OB/WV PTO Back to School Picnic @ OB 4-7pm

#### **SEPTEMBER 16**

◆ JH PTO Back to School Dance 7-9pm

# **SEPTEMBER 17**

◆ Pura Vida Fun Run JH Parking Lot 10am

# **SEPTEMBER 22**

- ◆ EC Ages 3-5 Developmental Screening 3-5pm
- ◆ School Board Meeting 7pm

# **SEPTEMBER 27**

◆ Cross Country Conference Meeting @ Lake Park 4-5pm

- ♦ WV 5th Grade Outdoor Education Program
- ◆ JH PTO McTeacher Night 5-7pm

# **OCTOBER 6**

- ♦ WV 5th Grade Outdoor Education Program
- → Multilingual Parent Advisory Committee Meeting 6-7pm

#### **OCTOBER 7**

♦ WV 5th Grade Outdoor Education Program

**OCTOBER 9** Columbus Day - No School

# **OCTOBER 11**

- ◆ Teacher Professional Development No School JH
- ◆ Parent/Teacher Conferences 12-4pm & 5-7pm

# **OCTOBER 20**

- ◆ EC Ages 3-5 Developmental Screening 3-5pm
- ◆ School Board Meeting 7pm

# **OCTOBER 21**

◆ JH PTO Halloween Dance 7-9pm

# **OCTOBER 31**

◆ Teacher Professional Development – Half Day



Welcome to the 2023-2024 School Year! We had a busy summer and are excited to have the sights and sounds of happy students in our hallways once again.

As we get back in the full swing of a school vear. I have several related topics listed below for our Fenton Families and neighbors to keep in mind.

# Three Years of Construction

As you have likely already seen, construction on our flood mitigation project is underway.

This project aims to alleviate stormwater accumulation around our building. A new underground water storage tank is being installed next to the stadium, with new drainage piping being placed underground in various locations.

All academic and extracurricular programs will continue. Some activities are relocated, but nothing is being canceled.

We need to obey the construction boundaries. Our website contains a map detailing the work zones that students, staff, and community members need to avoid. In simplest terms, the back parking lot and all fields behind Fenton High School will be off limits. Pedestrian foot traffic from the Route 83 bridge will also be blocked.

Students who walk to school may try to find shortcuts to avoid these construction detours. We strongly encourage students to stay on sidewalks and to NOT cross the railroad tracks or cut through residential backyards.

Although we don't know the exact boundaries just yet, we will have similar restricted areas for a few more years.

Once the water mitigation project is complete (estimated at March 2024), we will begin construction on a new STEM wing behind our auditorium. Doing these projects back-toback provides a cost savings in several ways.

# **Traffic Safety**

We should also exercise caution at the front of our building during morning drop off and afternoon pick up. Thousands of students, staff, and parents are moving through the area in the same short amount of time.

Please obey the 20 mile per hour school zone speed limit, the many pedestrian crosswalks, the prohibited use of cell phones while driving in a school zone, and the staff who are directing traffic. Remember, pedestrians always have the right of way.

We all have busy lives and overlapping priorities, but the safety of our children is of the utmost importance.

# Free or Reduced Price Meals

Food is important to learning, and we want all of our students to focus on their classes without hunger getting in the way. Everyone has to apply for free or reduced price meals every year.

Families can fill out the Free or Reduced Price Meals application online by visiting fenton 100. org or by completing a print application at our school. Eligibility in the program also provides students with indirect benefits through other fee reductions or waivers, as well as Fenton receiving additional federal funding.

Call 630-860-6258 with any questions about the Free or Reduced Price Meals program.

> -- James Ongtengco, Superintendent



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# Mission Statement

Cultivate successful, passionate, empowered learners through rigor, relevance and relationships.

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# Fenton Creates a Charitable Foundation



Patrick Robert Curran

# **New Memorial Scholarship** Honors Alum Lost in Vietnam

Fenton High School incorporated a charitable foundation earlier this year as a way to create opportunities for alumni and local businesses to support Fenton students via tax-exempt donations. The foundation's first initiative was to create the Patrick Robert Curran Memorial Scholarship.

Congratulations to Class of 2023 graduates Reagan Dakins, David Mathew, Mcaleigh

Logue, Patrick Karbowski, Natalia Szala, and Berenice Garfias for being the inaugural recipients of the Patrick Robert Curran Memorial Scholarship. The monetary values range between \$1,000 and \$3,000 each.

The Patrick Robert Curran Memorial Scholarship was made possible thanks to generous donations from alumni Bill and Joyce Curran. Mr. Bill Curran graduated with the Fenton Class of 1956. Mrs. Joyce (Balansky) Curran graduated with the Fenton Class of 1960.

Bill Curran's brother, Patrick, was missing in action during a recon flight in the Vietnam War. Patrick's crash site was finally located in 1996 and excavated a few months later, but his body was not returned to the United States until 2002.

Patrick Curran was part of the Fenton Graduating Class of 1961. He served as student body vice president and participated in football, wrestling, track, volleyball, and theater.

Each one of the graduating seniors possess skills, goals, or character traits that reflect the person Patrick Curran was or strived to one day

Superintendent Ongtengco, Mr. Kambic, and Mr. Martin hand delivered the award letters in May and explained the importance of carrying on Mr. Curran's legacy.

You can start or continue a legacy too! Call Fenton High School and ask to be connected with the foundation. Donations large or small are accepted and can be applied to a variety of student needs.



Reagan Dakins accepts the Patrick Robert Curran Memorial Scholarship



# The 1 and Only

Class of 2023 graduate Kaitlyn Hoffing's softball jersey #1 was retired at the end of the 2022-2023 season by Coach Dave Mello and his staff in honor of her outstanding career.

Kaitlyn broke the program's record of 117 stolen bases, finishing the season with 121 career stolen bases. That total ranks 38th all-time in Illinois.

But that's not all. She also scored 55 runs this season, which is the second highest single season total in Fenton's program history. For her career, she ranks third alltime at Fenton with 153 runs scored.

Kaitlyn is also Fenton's alltime career leader in batting average at .444, walks with 88, and on-base percentage at .598.

These were accomplished in just three years, as the IHSA cancelled all spring season sports during her freshman year (2020) due to the outbreak of COVID-19.



Kaitlyn's jersey #1 is now the third Fenton softball jersey number to be retired. She joins Sam Rubright (#12 retired in 2009) and Isa Lozada (#7 retired in 2019).

# The Fast Track to Fast Pitch All State

Congratulations to Fenton softball players Kayla Valadez (senior) for earning All State 3rd Team honors and Class of 2023 graduate Kaitlyn Hoffing for making

All State 2nd Team honors during the 2022-2023 season. They were both congratulated by the Fenton Board of Education in July.



# Musical Notes for Your Calendar

Fenton's state renown musicians have a full schedule of public performances during the 2023-2024 school year. All are invited to attend and enjoy the artistic creativity on display.



Bandarama Concert (7 pm)

# October 22

Fall Choir Concert (3 pm)

# **December 17**

Joint Holiday Concert (2 pm)

# February 28

Winter Choir Concert (7 pm)

# March 7

Winter Band Concert (7 pm)

# March 10

Spaghetti with a Song music department fundraiser (1 pm)

#### May 6

Spring Choir Concert (7 pm)

# May 8

Spring Band Concert (7 pm)







# LATINO HERITAGE MONTH KERMES

Brought to you by Fenton High School and the Bensenville Park District

Bensenville's newest cultural celebration and fundraiser returns Saturday, October 7 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at White Pines Golf Club.

- Authentic Mexican food
- Authentic Mexican music
- Fun for the whole Family

All proceeds benefit Fenton students!



Presentado por Fenton High School y el Distrito de Parques de Bensenville

La celebración cultural y recaudación de fondos más reciente de Bensenville regresa el sábado 7 de octubre de 9 a.m. a 3 p.m. en el club de golf White Pines.

- Auténtica comida Mexicana
- Auténtica música Mexicana
- Diversión para toda la familia

¡Todas las ganancias benefician a los estudiantes de Fenton!





Fenton High School's Theater Department and its 2023 State Champion Stage Crew present "Leaving Iowa" for its annual Fall Play this October.

"Leaving lowa" is the story of a journalist who takes his family on a road trip through places from

his childhood in an effort to find the perfect place to spread his father's ashes. His loving memories of family road trips is told with numerous flashbacks amidst his own children's lack of interest.

Show dates are scheduled for October 12, 13 and 14. Senior Citizens are invited to a free seniors matinee show at 1 p.m. on October 14.

Senior Citizens can reserve a spot at the October 14 free senior matinee by call (630) 860-8620. The senior matinee includes complementary coffee and cookies.

As the show dates approach, please check the Fenton website (www.fenton100.org) for updates.



Thursday, April 20 at 7 p.m. | Friday, April 21 at 7 p.m. | Saturday, April 22 1 p.m. AND 7 p.m.



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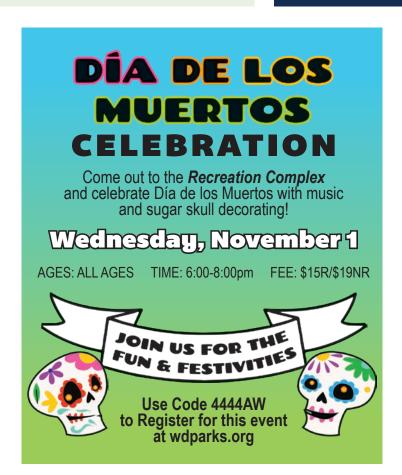
Vision Statement: Aspire to create positive memories and endless opportunities for the community.



the role that is assigned to them.

have a parent signature to participate.

· Volunteers in high school must





All Fenton High School volunteers are required

to have a signed permission form from the

Student Volunteer Coordinator at Fenton.

Thursday, September 28 6:30 - 8:00pm

Dress up as your favorite superhero and join us for an actionpacked, SUPER fun night! We will make superhero gear, participate in an obstacle course, and take photos with a special superhero guest. Light refreshments will be available. Pre-Registration is required.

Registration Deadline: September 18 **Location: Recreation Complex** Fee: \$10 R//\$15 NR

Use code 44S31AB to register for this event at wdparks.org

# **BEARS GOLF OUTING AND** VIEWING PARTY (4 PERSON SCRAMBLE)



**LOCATION: SALT CREEK GOLF CLUB** 





# **CETURALINATION**

- 9 Holes of Golf
- Hole Contests
- Buffet after Golf
- Drink Specials & Prizes



NIEWING PARTY ONLY (includes lunch buffet starting at 3:00pm)



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REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5TH BY 5:00PM







# OOD DALE PARK DISTRICT Dance el

Register now! You can register in person at the Recreation Complex (111 E. Foster Ave) or by phone at 630-595-9333.

CLASSES BEGIN THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 11



# **WIBA BASKETBALL**

WOOD DALE - ITASCA BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE: OCTOBER 24** 

Registration must be completed in person at the Recreation Complex at 111 E. Foster Ave.



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Monday-Thursday 10 am-9 pm Friday & Saturday 10 am-5 pm Sunday Closed



Spend the day with us at Open House Chicago on Sunday, October 15! OHC is an annual event when landmark buildings throughout the city open their doors to the public. The Wood Dale Public Library and Bensenville Community Public Library are co-sponsoring free, all-day walking tours of the Chicago Loop and the University of Chicago's south side campus. The only cost to attend will be lunch at a restaurant of your choice. Due to limited space, only patrons with Wood Dale or Bensenville library cards are able to register.

Round-trip Metra transportation from Wood Dale to Chicago will be provided by the Library. The group will depart from the Wood Dale Metra station at 8:27 a.m. and return before 6:00 p.m. Once we arrive in Chicago, library staff will lead tours and provide directions, information and a schedule for the day. Space is limited to 10 participants in each group. Please register all friends and family on one registration to ensure groups are kept together.

Registration opens September 1st. A complete overview of the day and registration instructions are available at the Library. For more information or assistance, please email contact@wooddalelibrary.org.



SIGN UP FOR ONE NOW

# September is Library Card Sign-up Month!

# Access so much more than books!

This September, sign up for a library card! From borrowing books, ebooks, and museum passes to getting homework help, learning new skills, or attending story time, a library card helps you do more of what you enjoy. Get a library card and dive into a new hobby. A library card is your most important school supply—and everyone should have one!



Get an online card by going to our website, www.wooddalelibrary.org. You must be at least 13 years old; afterward stop at the library within 90 days to verify residency to obtain a full access card.

# ADULT WORKSHOPS & EVENTS

Registration is strongly encouraged for all Library programs unless otherwise noted. Register by calling 630-766-6762 or go to our website, www.wooddalelibrary.org/events. All library programs are of no charge unless otherwise noted with this symbol: \$

# **Fall Outdoor Planter**

In-Person Program
Tuesday, September 12 at 7 pm
Peggy Garvin will show you
how to make a vibrant arrangement that
will brighten up your outdoor space all
autumn long. Registration is required. The
cost for supplies is \$20. \$

# Take & Make Craft: Harvest Truck Sign

Online Program September 18

Enjoy making a harvest truck sign this fall. Pick up your craft kits, then follow along at home with the YouTube video or instructions given.

# **Red Cross Blood Drive**

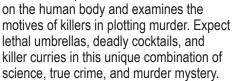
In-Person Program
Thursday, September 21 from 1-6 pm
Did you know one blood donation

can potentially save up to three lives? Come join us and the Red Cross in making a difference and donate your blood! You must register by going to the Red Cross website at www.redcrossblood.org and use the sponsor code: *WoodDaleLibrary*.

# A Taste for Poison

In-Person Program Tuesday, September 26 at 7 pm

Dr. Neil Bradbury explores the effects of poisons



POISON

MEIL BRADDURY, No.

# **Introduction to Wood Carving**

In-Person Program

Wednesday, September 27 at 7 pm
Do you need a new hobby for the winter
months? Discover the art of wood carving
with North Suburban Carvers!

# **Plant Swap**

In-Person Program Saturday, September 30 from 1-3 pm

Join us for an outdoor event on the Library's patio. This is the perfect opportunity to divide your indoor and outdoor plants, bring home something new and share tips with other plant lovers!

# **Fall Garden Clean-Up**

In-Person Program
Thursday, October 5 at 7 pm
The end of the growing season cleanup can be a daunting task, especially with large yards. An

Illinois Master Gardener shows you how to organize fall tasks into an easy month-by-month to-do list and create a checklist to help you check-off the tasks.

# Take & Bake: Apple Pie Cookies

Online Program Monday, October 16

Welcome fall baking with this delicious twist on a seasonal favorite: crunchy cookies filled with spiced apple slices. Come in to pick up a bag with supplies (just add eggs), then follow along with our YouTube video or make on your own with the provided recipe. Please register. One per family.

# 75th Emmy Awards Contest

Entries must be received by Monday, December 30 at 5 pm.

Join us in predicting the winners of the 75th Emmy Awards! We will find out the winners of this year's nominees on Monday, January 15. The contest will be open to library patrons 11 years and up (one entry per person). Forms will be available starting August 1 on the library website, and at the Public Service Desk. Two winners will receive twenty-five-dollar gift card to Marcus Cinema.

# **Introduction to Tarot Cards**

In-Person Program
Thursday, October 19 at 7 pm
Learn the history, myths and theory of tarot card reading with Barbara Meyer. She will discuss how to use tarot cards to see hope in the future and forge new paths in your life.

# **Scary Stories & Cupcakes**



In-Person Program Monday, October 23 at 7 pm Enjoy an evening filled

with scary stories and sweet treats. First course: calorie-free stories. For dessert, decorate two Halloween cupcakes with pastry chef Frannie Hargadon. Registration is required.

# Free Flu Shot & COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic

In-Person Program
Tuesday, October 24 from 4-7 pm
Hamdard Health Alliance medical staff,
through a partnership with Jewel-Osco,
will be onsite to provide free (no insurance
required) flu shots and updated COVID-19
Vaccines. No appointment is necessary to
receive either or both vaccines.

# **Halloween Centerpiece**

In-Person Program
Tuesday, October 24 at 7 pm

Enjoy the colors of the season by making your own Halloween floral arrangement with Peggy Garvin. Registration is required. The cost is \$20. \$

# **Cooking with Chef Dave: Winter Soups**

In-Person Program Wednesday, November 15 at 7 pm

Chef Dave Esau will present easy soups that can be made ahead of time and enjoyed multiple times on a cold week.

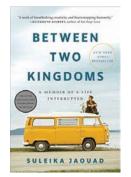
Proper cooking and prep techniques, recipes, and soup samples with be shared. Please register.



# **BOOK CLUBS**

Join one of our book clubs and meet in person to talk about books! We have a variety of different clubs for all types of readers. Electronic versions of books may be available for download on the library apps Hoopla, Libby, or Axis 360, or pick up a print copy at the Book Club Kiosk. Register by calling 630-766-6762 or go to our website, www.wooddalelibrary.org/events.

# **Book Club Express**



**Between Two Kingdoms:** A Memoir of a Life Interrupted by Suleika Jaouad

**In-Person Program** Wednesday, September 20 at 7 pm at Target Starbucks, 401 W Irving Park Rd. A searing, deeply moving memoir that traces one young woman's journey from illness to healing and self-discovery.



# Hang the Moon by Jeannette Walls

**In-Person Program** Wednesday, October 18 at 7 pm at Target Starbucks, 401 W Irving Park Rd. Hang the Moon follows the journey of Sallie Kincaid, a feisty, fearless, and damaged young woman who refuses to be corralled in her small Virginia town during the Prohibition era.

# **Mystery Lovers' Book Club**



# The Stranger Diaries by Elly Griffiths

# In Person Program Tuesday, October 3 at 7 pm

In this atmospheric, "bookish" mystery a high-school English teacher chronicles her suspicions about the murder of a colleague when she discovers a sinister message in her own diary.



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# Klub Książki – Polish Book Discussion



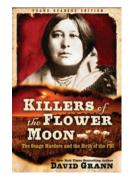
The Art of Racing in the Rain by Garth Stein

In Person Program Tuesday, October 17 at 7 pm at the Art Gallery Kafé

Books will be read and discussed in the Polish language. Copies of books are available at the Wood Dale Public Library.

Sztuka Ścigania Się w Deszczu autorstwa Gartha Steina. Książki będą czytane i omawiane w języku polskim. Kopie książek są dostepne w Bibliotece Publicznej Wood Dale.

# **History Pages Book Discussion**



Killers of the Flower Moon **by David Grann** 

**In-Person Program** Wednesday, October 25 at 7 pm

Join us to discuss this twisting, haunting true-life murder mystery about one of the most monstrous crimes in American history and the newly created FBI that took up the case.



# **AUTHOR VISITS**

Join the Library for author events! You must be registered for each program to participate. E-book and e-audiobook copies of the authors' books are available on Hoopla, Axis360, or Libby, Print books are available at the Library, Please place holds, call, or e-mail the Library to reserve your copies. Everyone is welcome, including those who have not read the book yet!

# VIRTUAL



# Mary Miley Theobald: The Mystic's Accomplice

Zoom Program • Tuesday, November 7 at 7 pm

Bestselling author May Miley Theobald will join us to discuss her mystery novel The Mystic's Accomplice and share related artifacts. Set during Chicago's Roaring 20s, this book skillfully combines the tantalizing atmosphere of a speakeasy-and-mob-filled Chicago, historical figures, and an intriguing mystery. You can participate from home or in-person at the library.



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# The Power of **Story with Colson Whitehead Zoom Program** Wednesday, September 6 at 7 pm



Join Illinois Libraries Present to meet two-time Pulitzer Prize winning author Colson Whitehead. He is the author of The Underground Railroad, The Nickel Boys, Harlem Shuffle, and his highly anticipated Crook Manifesto.

Join us for a viewing party at the Wood Dale Library or watch the live Zoom from home.

# **Chills & Thrills** with Stephen **Graham Jones** Zoom Program Wednesday,

October 4 at 7 pm

Stephen Graham Jones joins ILP to talk scary stories, horror and more with librarian Becky Spratford. Jones is the New York Times bestselling author of The Only Good Indians and Don't Fear the 25 books spanning genres.

Join us for a viewing party at the Wood Dale Library or watch the live Zoom from home.

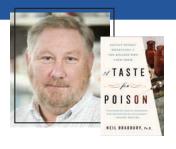




Children's book author and illustrator Grace Lin discusses food, family, and folktales, along with a drawing demonstration. Her latest middle grade book, Chinese Menu: The History, Myths, and Legends Behind Your Favorite Foods, is a beautifully written full-color book that explores the whimsical myths and stories behind your favorite American Chinese food.

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# **IN-PERSON**



# **Dr. Neil Bradbury: A Taste for Poison**

In-Person Program • Tuesday, September 26 at 7 pm

Dr. Neil Bradbury, author of A Taste for Poison, explores the effects of poisons on the human body, and examines the motives of killers in plotting murder. Expect lethal umbrellas, deadly cocktails and killer curries in this unique combination of science, true crime and murder mystery.



You have access to online library resources at home! Embark on a search for your family's history, read an e-book, or stream videos with the kids. These resources are available 24/7 on the library website with your Wood Dale Public Library card. Now, if you don't already have a library card, get an online card for digital access. Go to www.wooddalelibrary.org and follow the link to Get a Library Card Online. You must be 13 or older to register online.

# **New Electronic Resources!**

Check out these new electronic resources for entertainment and homework help as you head into the new school year!



Readers can have unlimited, simultaneous access to thousands of digital comics, graphic novels, and manga from a variety of libraryfriendly publishers.



A a digital platform providing access to hundreds of engaging, high-quality, bite-sized videos that teach kids the basics of different sports and activities. The database is comprised of athlete-led instructional videos designed by top physical educators.



Web-based educational software where kids will learn computer coding through a series of tutorials and projects. Work towards building websites, video games, apps, animations and

more. For Kids Ages 8-18

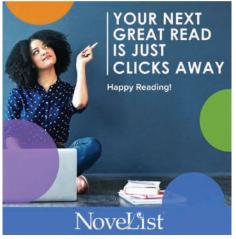


LOTE4Kids (Languages Other Than English) offers hundreds of animated stories in various languages. Listen to and read along with over 1,000 stories in more than 50 languages as well as English.

# **Questions?**

Give us a call at (630) 766-6762 or email us at contact@wooddalelibrary.org.





# ADULT COMPUTER CLASSES

Reservations are necessary for Computer Classes. Basic computer skills recommended.

# **Microsoft Word Basics**

**Zoom Program** 

Monday, September 25 at 7 pm
Are you new to Word? Watch as we demonstrate basic text formatting and editing, copying and pasting, inserting images, checking your document for spelling and grammar errors, and saving and printing in this Zoom class. You must be registered to receive a Zoom invitation by email on the day of the program.

# **Doing More with Microsoft Word**

**Zoom Program** 

Monday, October 23 at 7 pm

Watch as we demonstrate more advanced features of Word: mail merge, tables, text boxes, bulleted lists, columns, and insertion of text boxes and symbols in this Zoom class. You must be registered to receive a Zoom invitation by email on the day of the program.

# **Tech Help**

Have questions about your smartphone or tablet, social media, Microsoft Office, or accessing an electronic library resource? Call us to schedule a one-on-one appointment.



# **YOUTH SERVICES EVENTS**

Please register for <u>all</u> of these programs on the Library's program calendar at www.wooddalelibrary.org. When you register, please include an email address.



# **Early Learning**

Storytimes introduce little ones to new words and skills. Children learn about everyday tasks and basic concepts, like shapes and colors, while learning motor, listening, and socialization skills. Storytimes are not only educational; they're fun, including songs, movement, fingerplays, and other activities. Begin your child's early literacy education today by enjoying free, Librarian-led, storytimes.

**TODDLER TIME** Ages 0-4 years w/adult Wednesdays, September 20, 27, October 4, 11, 18, 25 • 10:30-10:50 am Join us for this fun pre-reader storytime including books, songs, and activities.



# **TODDLER TIME REPEAT**

Ages 0-4 years w/adult

Thursdays, September 21, 28, October 5, 12, 19, 26 • 10:30-10:50 am

Join us for this fun pre-reader storytime including books, songs, and activities. Can't attend on Wednesday? Join us for the same program on

Thursday mornings!

# Family Night!

Ages 5-11 years w/adult

Stop in any time between 7-8 pm for Family Night. You are welcome to stay as long or as little as you would like. Registration is required.

# FAMILY STEAM NIGHT: ENGINEERING

**Tuesday, October 3 • 7-8 pm**Build structures with various
materials. Design and test your
structure and make improvements!

# **BOOKWORMS STORYTIME** Ages 3-7 years

Thursdays, September 21, 28, October 5, 12, 19, 26 • 4:15-4:45 pm Join us for this interactive literature based storytime. We will read books, enjoy puppets, songs, activities and more.

# **POLISH STORYTIME** Ages 3-7 years

Tuesdays, September 12 & October 10 • 6-6:30 pm
Enjoy this fun storytime in Polish.

# **LET'S LEARN SPANISH STORYTIME**

Ages 3-7 years

Tuesday, September 19 & October 3 • 6-6:30 pm
Have fun and learn Spanish

through stories, songs, and games. This storytime is presented in English and Spanish, beginners are welcome.

FRIDAY FUN-DAY Ages 3 years & up
Fridays September 1, 8, 15, 22, 29,
October 6, 13, 20 & 27 • 11 am-4:30 pm
Join us for an informal play time. Explore
our new early education play stations. Drop
in anytime between 11-4:30 for this selfquided, free-play day.

**PETE THE CAT PARTY** Ages 4-8 years

Monday, September 25 • 4:30-5:15 pm
Do you like reading and singing along with
Pete the Cat? We do too! Join us for crafts
and activities based on the Pete the Cat
books.

# **TINY TOT PLAYTIME**

Ages 1-4 years w/adult

Tuesdays, September 26 & October 17 • 6-6:30 pm

Come explore some of the library's new toys and make some new friends.
A parent must stay with their child to supervise play. Registration is required.

# 1000 Books Before Kindergarten



Early literacy is important for families who want to help their children get ready to learn in Kindergarten. Wood Dale Library wants to help with this vital family project. This program is designed for children from birth to their first day of kindergarten. We invite families to spend time together outside the Library fostering a love of reading while gaining the valuable pre-literacy skills that are so essential to reading success. Register and receive your first reading packet, including your first 100-book log. We have paper logs or you can log on to Beanstack, our online reading program app.

# **SPANISH FUN & GAMES** Ages 5-11 years Tuesdays, September 26 & October 17 7-7:30 pm

Learn Spanish colors, numbers and more while playing fun games. This program is presented in English and Spanish, beginners are welcome.

**GAME DAY** Ages 5-12 years Monday, October 9

11 am-12 pm Join us to play the card game, UNO!



Stop in any time between 2-4 pm to try



out our robots! You are welcome to stay as long or as little as you want. Registration is required.

#### STEAM LAB: HALLOWEEN SPECIAL

Ages 7-11 years

Wednesday, October 18 • 4:30-5:15 pm Join us for Halloween experiments in this special STEAM Lab!



# STEAM TOTS: HALLOWEEN FUN

Ages 2-5 years w/adult

Monday, October 23 • 11-11:30 am Let's learn and play with STEAM! In each session we will explore different topics that relate to science, technology, engineering, art or math geared toward the younger ones. Messy clothes are strongly recommended!



HALLOWEEN BOO BASH Ages 4-8 yrs Monday, October 30 • 4:30-5:15 pm Calling all monsters and ghouls! Come and enjoy some spooky games and activities to celebrate Halloween. Costumes are optional!

# **MYSTERY IN THE LIBRARY**

4 <sup>™</sup> GRADE	5 <sup>™</sup> GRADE	JR. HIGH
October 6	October 13	October 20
6-8:45 pm	6-8:45 pm	6-8:45 pm

Join your classmates for an after hours mystery! While you walk alone through the closed and darkened library, you hear a scream! There has been a crime in the library! Heart pounding, you head to safety to begin the investigation to solve the mystery.

# Teens Ages 11-18 years

#### **WACKY WEDNESDAYS**

Wednesday, September 13, 27, October 11 & 25 • 2:30-4 pm

Enjoy a craft or activity with your friends on early dismissal Wednesdays. We will make back to school crafts, shrinky dinks and more!

#### **TEEN RESIN CRAFTS**

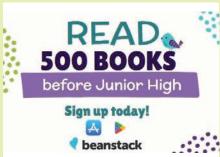
Tuesday, September 19 6:30-7:30 pm

Learn how to make resin journals and pens to use in the new school year!

# **TEEN FALL PAINTING**

Tuesday, October 10 • 3-4 pm Join us to make a beautiful fall painting.





500 Books Before Junior High is for children in kindergarten to 5th grade. It continues to encourage children to be read to as well as to read independently. We want children to choose books that will engage them, inform them, and be fun to read so that reading becomes an enjoyable daily activity. You can repeat books! Read fiction, graphic novels, and non-fiction - READ BOOKS YOU ENJOY! Sharing books and encouraging reading time will help them develop a love of reading and learning that will last a lifetime.

Pick up a paper bookmark log or use our Beanstack app to record every 50 books read. You can choose a paperback book to keep for every 50 books your read. Remember, children have six years to complete this program.

Are you looking for a new author or series? Request a kids' or teen Book Bundle. Fill out the form on our web page under Kids' Zone. Let us know the child's age, reading level, and genre the child would like to read and how many items you would like. We will put together a bundle of books, along with a few surprises, and leave them to be picked up at the Public

Services Desk.

# —— SEPTEMBER 2023 SPECIAL EVENTS —

SATURDAY	2	Northwestern University Band Day Fenton High School Move with the Mayor & Council Pura Vida 5K Run & Walk 9-11 am Wood Dale Junior High	Homecoming 16 Dance Fenton High School	ALE - 9 am-dusk	23	Plant Swap 30 1-3 pm Wood Dale Public Library
FRIDAY	12:08 Early Dismissal Fenton High School	<b>co</b>	15	CITY WIDE GARAGE SALE - 9 am-dusk	22	Senior Portraits 29 Retake/Make Up (after school) Fenton High School
THURSDAY	31	City of Wood Dale Public Works Open House 3:30-6:30 pm 790 N. Central City Council Meeting 7:30-8:30 pm City Hall	14	Fenton Homecoming Football Game 7 pm Triton College	Red Gross 21 Blood Drive 1-6 pm by appointment Wood Dale Public Library	Family Superhero 28 Night 6:30-8 pm Park District Recreation Complex
WEDNESDAY	30	•	13		20	Board of <b>27</b> Education Meeting 7 pm Fenton High School
TUESDAY	First Day of School District 7 Early Childhood Education Center	ហ	G WEEK		19	Author Visit: <b>26</b> Dr. Neil Bradbury 7 pm Wood Dale Public Library
MONDAY	28	NO SCHOOL – Labor Day District 7 & Fenton High School CLOSED – Labor Day City Hall & Library	FENTON HOMECOMING WEEK		<b>8</b>	25
SUNDAY		m	Bears Golf Outing 10 & Viewing Party Park District Salt	Creek Golf Club	CITY WIDE GARAGE SALE - 9 am-dusk	24

# LOCAL PHONE NUMBERS

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	Police Non- Emergency: (630) 766-2060
6	City of Wood Dale: (630) 766-4900
J	Addison Township: (630) 530-8161
	Attorney General - Chicago: (312) 814-3000
	Better Business Bureau: (312) 832-0500
	Wood Dale Chamber of Commerce/GOA: (630) 595-0505
	<b>COMCAST:</b> (866) 594-1234
0	COM ED Outages: (800) 334-7661
<u>~</u>	Curb-to-Curb Transit Service: (630) 350-8161
	Dial-a-Ride: (630) 787-3763
	DMV-Lombard: (630) 629-8305
am ch	DuPage County: (630) 407-6500
	DuPage Forest Preserve: (630) 933-7200
7	Fenton High School District #100: (630) 766-2500
2	Food Pantry Wood Dale: (630) 766-1805
	Garbage Customer Service: (630) 261-0578
	DuPage County Health Department: (630) 682-7400
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	J.U.L.I.E.: (800) 892-0123
	Library (Wood Dale Public): (630) 766-6762
	Metra Service: (312) 322-6777
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	School District #4: (630) 628-2502
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	School District #88: (630) 530-3988
0	Social Security - Bloomingdale: (800) 772-1213
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	Utility Billing: (630) 766-5228
	Water/Wastewater: (630) 350-3542
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**OCTOBER 2023 SPECIAL EVENTS** 

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	Senior Portraits Retake/Make Up (after school) Fenton High School	Senior Portraits Retake/Make Up (after school) Fenton High School	Senior Portraits Retake/Make Up (after school) Fenton High School Fresh/Soph/Jr Portraits Retake (during school) Fenton High School Coffee with a Cop 9:30-11 am OR 6-7:30 pm 40.1 W Inving Park Rd Target Starbucks	Senior Portraits RetakelMake Up (after school) Fenton High School City Council Meeting 7:30-8:30 pm City Hall	Senior Portraits 6 Retake/Make Up (after school) Fenton High School	Fenton Latino Heritage Month Kermes 9 am-3 pm White Pines Golf Club Green Fair 10 am-2 pm Public Works Dept. 720 N Central Ave
ω	Columbus Day – 9 NO SCHOOL District 7 & Fenton High School	Parent/Teacher 10 Conferences – NO SCHOOL 12:30-8 pm Fenton High School	Teacher Professional Development – NO SCHOOL District 7 Junior High School	Fall Play 12 "Leaving lowa" 7 pm Fenton High School	Fall Play 13 "Leaving lowa" 7 pm Fenton High School	Fall Play "Leaving Iowa"  1 pm & 7 pm Fenton High School
51	Bandaram 16 Concert 7 pm Fenton High School	17	100	City Council 19 Meeting 7:30-8:30 pm City Hall	20	Scarewalk 5:30-9 pm Park District Wnite Oaks Park
Concert 3 pm Fenton High School	23	24	Board of 25 Education Meeting 7 pm Fenton High School	26	27	28
Trunk or Treat 29 1-3 pm Wood Dale Rd & Commercial St	30	Teacher Professional Development – HALF DAY District 7 Trick or Treating Hours 3-8 pm	Dia de Los Muertos 1 Celebration 6-8 pm Park District Recreation Complex	2	m	4