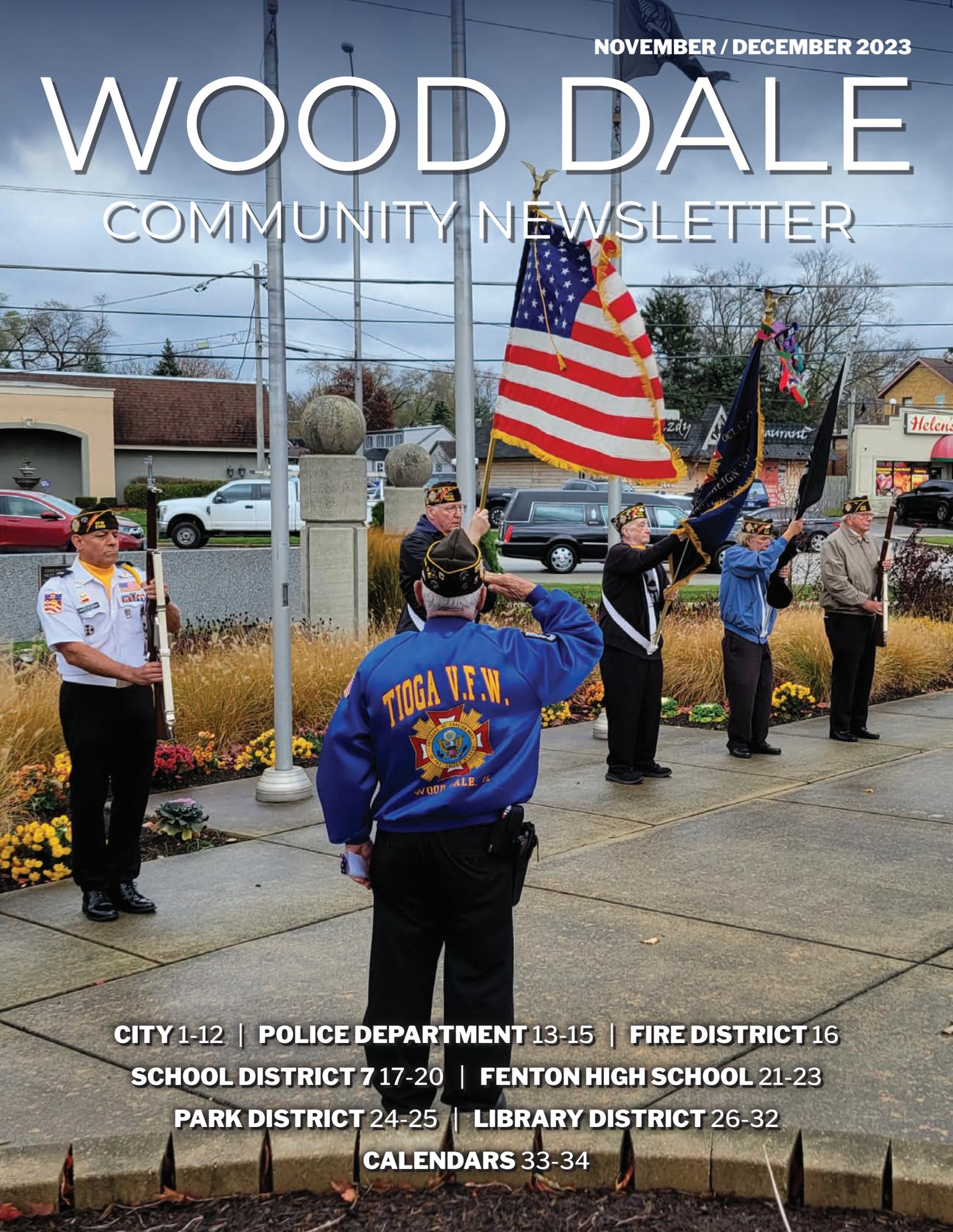


NOVEMBER / DECEMBER 2023

# WOOD DALE

## COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER



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# 2023 SHAPE OF WOOD DALE

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 7 PM  
WOOD DALE JUNIOR HIGH AUDITORIUM  
655 N. WOOD DALE ROAD

Join representatives from Wood Dale taxing entities as they give project highlights and overviews on current initiatives. Ask questions and learn about the newest developments throughout your City.

PRESENTED BY





# CITY OF WOOD DALE

404 N. Wood Dale Road | Wood Dale, Illinois | [wooddale.com](http://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](http://www.wooddale.com).



Tree Lighting  
at City Hall  
See Page 6



**CHRISTMAS TREE PICKUP**  
**REFUSE COLLECTION DAYS**

**JANUARY 10 & JANUARY 17**  
**JANUARY 24 & JANUARY 31**

## NOVEMBER

11/1	Shape of Wood Dale	7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
11/2	City Council Meeting	7:30 PM - 8:30 PM
11/9	Committee of the Whole	7:30 PM - 8:30 PM
11/10	City Hall Closed - Veterans Day	8:30 AM - 4:30 PM
11/11	Veterans Appreciation Events	8:30 AM - 11:00 AM
11/13	Board of Police & Fire Commissioners	7:00 PM - 8:00 PM
11/16	City Council Meeting	7:30 PM - 8:30 PM
11/20	Community Development Commission	7:00 PM - 8:00 PM
11/23	City Hall Closed - Thanksgiving Day	8:30 AM - 4:30 PM
11/23	Committee of the Whole - Canceled	7:30 PM - 8:30 PM
11/24	City Hall Closed - Day After Thanksgiving	8:30 AM - 4:30 PM
11/27	Brush Collection	Starts at 6 AM
11/30	5th Thursday - No Meeting Scheduled	7:30 PM - 8:30 PM

## DECEMBER

12/2	Tree Lighting Event	3:00 PM - 5:00 PM
12/7	City Council Meeting	7:30 PM - 8:30 PM
12/11	Board of Police & Fire Commissioners	7:00 PM - 8:00 PM
12/14	Committee of the Whole	7:30 PM - 8:30 PM
12/18	Community Development Commission	7:00 PM - 8:00 PM
12/21	City Council Meeting	7:30 PM - 8:30 PM
12/22	City Hall Closed Half Day - Christmas Eve Observed	12:30 PM - 4:30 PM
12/25	City Hall Closed - Christmas Day	8:30 AM - 4:30 PM
12/28	Committee of the Whole - Canceled	7:30 PM - 8:30 PM
12/29	City Hall Closed Half Day - New Year's Eve	12:30 PM - 4:30 PM

# MAYOR'S LETTER

## Dear Wood Dale Residents,

As we approach the end of another year, I'd like to take a moment and reflect on the many improvements made in the community.

One example includes completing the Public Works Facility Improvement Project. The project officially broke ground in February 2022. It included renovating two existing facilities, constructing a new vehicle storage building, salt dome, material storage bins, and associated site work. The project cost approximately \$16 million and, due to its location and use, was able to be entirely funded by the Industrial TIF district. Significant funds (nearly 50%) were saved by renovating existing facilities instead of building from scratch. The renovations allow the City to bring the Administrative, Streets, Water Utilities, and Vehicle Maintenance



**PUBLIC WORKS FACILITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

Divisions all within the same complex and provide updated amenities for 31 full-time staff members.

The City celebrated the completed project with a Ribbon Cutting/Open House event on September 7. Approximately 200 people joined the City Council, staff, and various partnering agencies to enjoy food, touch-a-truck, various vendors, and kids' activities. We thank all those who attended.

The City also recently hosted the 13th annual Green Fair. With each Green Fair event, we assist residents with safely shredding documents in a secure fashion to prevent identity theft. We also collected nearly 10,000 lbs. of electronics recycling and diverted two, 30-yard dumpsters of older, non-functional electronics from landfills. This diversion from the landfill also prevents toxic chemicals from leaching into the soil, polluting the groundwater and the air.

The Green Fair event is made possible by the support of several sponsors and the planning efforts of the Wood Dale for a Greener Tomorrow Committee. The Committee exists to protect, sustain and improve a healthy environment to benefit present and future generations of Wood Dale.

This holiday season, we continue to encourage green initiatives, by collecting old or



**RIBBON CUTTING/OPEN HOUSE**

nonfunctioning holiday lights through January 29 at Public Works, and eyeglasses and tattered American flags ongoing at City Hall. We also encourage residents to drop off their expired prescription medicine. If you missed this opportunity at the Green Fair, know that the City maintains a RxBox for disposing of the medication safely at City Hall all year long. By dropping off unused medication, we prevent possible household poisoning and drug abuse. We also protect our environment. The medications will be incinerated in collaboration with the Illinois EPA using state-of-the-art technology. The medications will not be reused in any way.

Caring for our community does not stop there. We continue to build a relationship with S.C.A.R.C.E. (School & Community Assistance for Recycling and Composting



**RxBOX**  
Disposing Meds Safely

## MEET THE CITY COUNCIL



**CLERK**

Lynn Curiale  
(630) 787-3709  
lcuriale@wooddale.com



**TREASURER**

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



**WARD 1**

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



**WARD 1**

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



**WARD 2**

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

Education) to improve our sustainability practices. The City anticipates receiving a "Water Quality" Flag from DuPage County in partnership with S.C.A.R.C.E. at the November 2, 2023 City Council meeting.

This November, we also honor and celebrate all veterans for Veterans Day. The Park District generously hosts a breakfast for all Wood Dale veterans and their families on November 11 from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. at Salt Creek Golf Club. This year at breakfast, we will "retire" the 2022 Veterans' banners, and a brief presentation will be included. All present 2022 Veteran banner participants will receive their banner and a certificate from the City. A ceremony follows, at Veterans Memorial Park at 11 a.m. We hope you have noticed the Veterans' Banners on display along Irving Park Road. If you are interested in submitting a photo of a veteran for display in 2024, please see page 5 for program details. This is another way the City can share its gratitude for the men and women who serve our community and country.

I'm proud to call Wood Dale home and see all the things the City does for our community. Our small-town charm and economic prosperity make Wood Dale a wonderful place to live, work and thrive together.

On behalf of the Wood Dale City Council, we wish you all a Happy Thanksgiving, a Merry Christmas, and a Happy and healthy New Year!

Sincerely,

**MAYOR**

Nunzio Pulice  
(630) 595-8545

[npulice@wooddale.com](mailto:npulice@wooddale.com)




# Holiday Light RECYCLING

**720 N. CENTRAL - WOOD DALE**

## DROP OFF YOUR USED LIGHTS

The City of Wood Dale encourages residents to recycle older, broken and unwanted holiday lights.

**FROM DECEMBER 11, 2023  
UNTIL JANUARY 29, 2024.**

### ACCEPTED LIGHT TYPES

- |                |           |             |
|----------------|-----------|-------------|
| MINI-LIGHTS    | C7 LIGHTS | ROPE LIGHTS |
| ITALIAN LIGHTS | C9 LIGHTS | LED LIGHTS  |

### EXTENSION CORDS ALSO ACCEPTED

Drop off lights at the south entrance of 720 N. Central.



WARD 2



Alderman Art Woods  
(630) 886-5163  
[awoods@wooddale.com](mailto:awoods@wooddale.com)

WARD 3



Alderman Antonino  
"Tony" Catalano  
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WARD 3



Alderman Artie Woods  
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WARD 4



Alderwoman Nadine Ames  
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WARD 4



Alderman Mike Susmarski  
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NOVEMBER 11, 2023

# VETERANS APPRECIATION EVENTS

## HONORING ALL WHO SERVED

NOVEMBER 11, 2023

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  
THE CEREMONY WILL REMAIN AT SALT CREEK GOLF CLUB

**THANK YOU TO OUR HOST AND SPONSORS.**



WOOD DALE PARK DISTRICT  
*Active Places. Friendly Faces.*



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# VETERAN BANNER PROGRAM



**JOHN SMITH**  
NAVY  
WOOD DALE VETERAN

The City of Wood Dale is pleased to present its Veteran Banner recognition program, honoring current and former Wood Dale residents who served in a branch of the United States military. By filling out this application and submitting a high-resolution digital photo, we will create a banner to be displayed on Irving Park or Wood Dale Roads to honor a Wood Dale veteran.

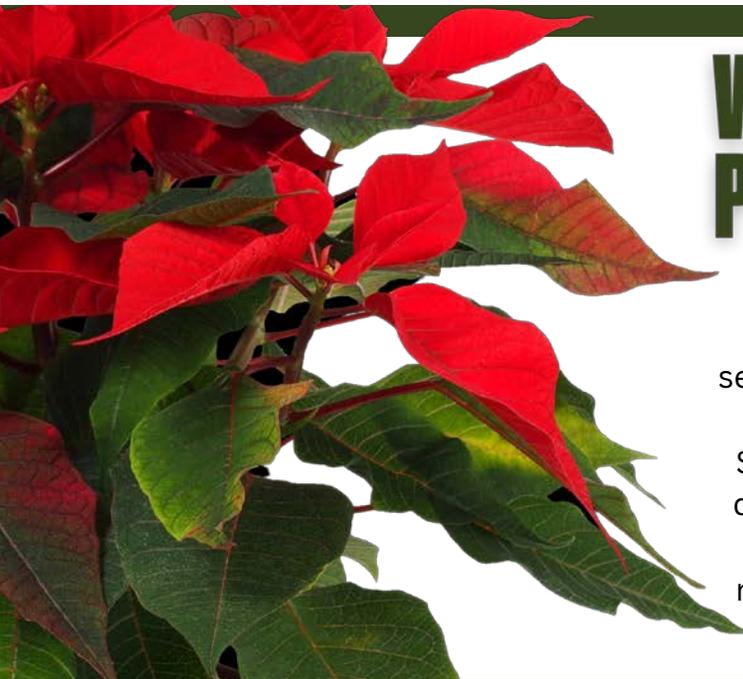
Veteran banners will be displayed prior to Memorial Day and Veterans Day for a period of at least one year before being retired. Due to the limited number of banner locations, applications are on a first-come, first-served basis. There is no cost to participate in the program or have a banner created.

Applications can be found online and at City Hall.

Please e-mail the application and photo to [marketing@wooddale.com](mailto:marketing@wooddale.com).

A high-resolution photo could also be placed on a flash drive or disc and dropped off at the Administration Department at City Hall, 404 N. Wood Dale Road.

**Please call 630-766-4900 with questions.**



## WOOD DALE LIONS CLUB POINSETTIA PLANT SALE

The Wood Dale Lions Club is holding its annual *Poinsettia Plant Sale* just in time for this holiday season. They are offering beautiful poinsettia plants or Norfolk pines. Each foil-wrapped, 6½ inch plant is \$20.00, and each 4-inch pine is \$16.00. The delivery date is Friday, Dec. 1st. All proceeds directly support neighborhood programs, such as vision and hearing needs of community members, scouting, local youth sports teams, and other various community needs.

### TO PLACE YOUR ORDER:

**BY PHONE**

C/O ART WOODS  
630-886-5163

Please leave a message.

**BY E-MAIL**

[artwoods@woodsdc.com](mailto:artwoods@woodsdc.com)

**BY MAIL**

Wood Dale Lions Club  
P.O. BOX 14  
Wood Dale, IL 60191

**Please place your order by Monday, November 20.**

**Thank You for your continued support!**



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# Tree Lighting at City Hall

December 2 • 3-5 pm

404 N. Wood Dale Road

- VISIT WITH SANTA
- FIREWORKS
- SEASONAL TREATS
- HOLIDAY CRAFTS



The City of Wood Dale is pleased to host its annual Tree Lighting event at City Hall. Enjoy a tree lighting ceremony as we officially illuminate the holiday lights at City Hall! Meet Santa and embrace the holiday spirit with facepainting and crafts. We close the evening with fireworks. Portions of the event will take place outside. Please dress for the weather.



WOOD DALE PARK DISTRICT  
*Active Places. Friendly Faces.*

## Psst, local restaurants, we've been trying to reach you!

Are you a local restaurant and would like to reach our Tree Lighting friends? New this year, the City is launching an initiative to provide Tree Lighting attendees with a 10% discount to Wood Dale restaurants. **Because Local=Good!** If you are interested in participating in accepting 10%-off coupons for your regular menu between December 2 – 9, all you need to do is contact the City at 630-787-3711 no later than Friday, November 17. The City will also provide your establishment with a poster indicating that you are a participating restaurant for the event. Join us in supporting local!



WOOD DALE CITY HALL

# HOLIDAY ORNAMENT CONTEST

Help to decorate the City Hall Christmas tree. Children are invited to participate in the annual ornament decorating contest for a chance to win a \$50 Target gift card!

**Instructions:**

Design and create an ornament to be placed on the tree inside the rotunda at City Hall. You can use any materials you can think of such as paper, clay, household items, etc. Be as creative as you like! The ornament must include a loop or hook so it can be hung on the tree. Drop your ornament off at the City Clerk's office by 4:30 pm on November 17 along with your child's name, age and contact information. Contest forms can be found at [www.wooddale.com](http://www.wooddale.com) and at City Hall, 404 N. Wood Dale Road.



One winner will be chosen from each group:  
Ages 3-6 | Ages 7-9 | Ages 10-13 | Ages 14-18

**ORNAMENTS CANNOT BE RETURNED.  
LIMIT ONE ENTRY PER CHILD.**

# TOILETS ARE NOT TRASHCANS



Many items marketed as disposable and/or flushable do not degrade like toilet paper, and end up clogging pipes and tangling pumps. They can also cause messy sewer backups that spill onto streets or even businesses and homes.

## WHAT NOT TO FLUSH

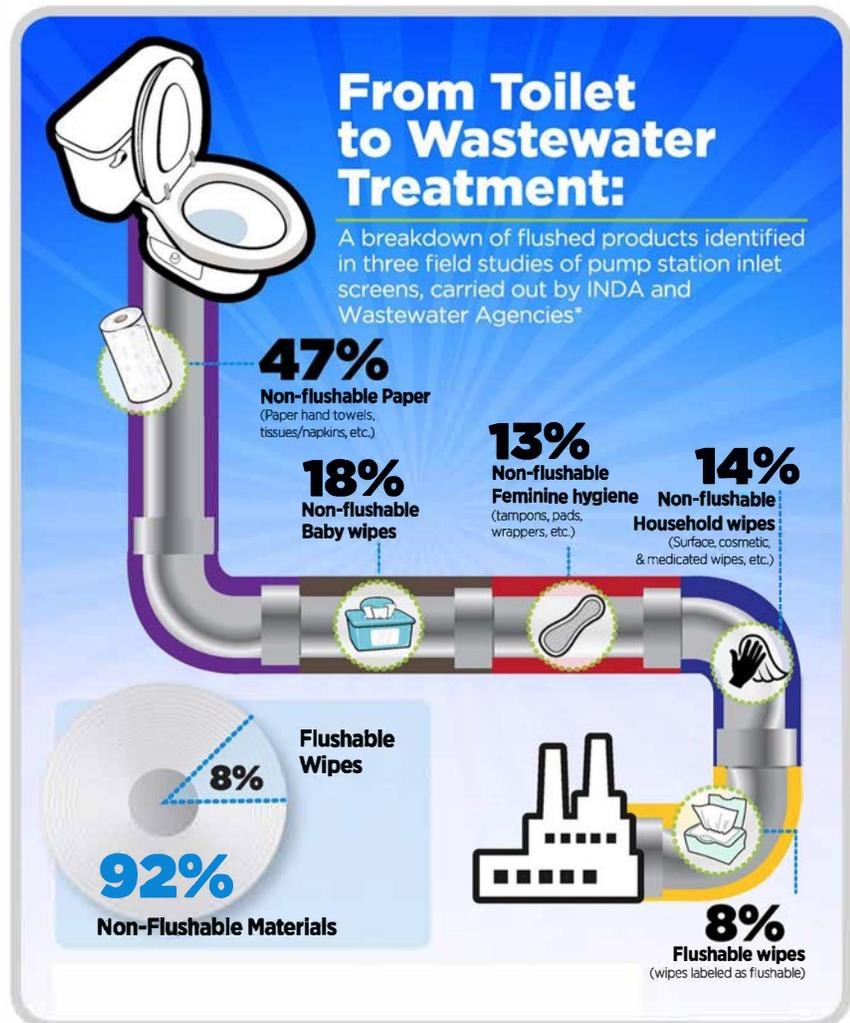
- Vitamins, medicines or pharmaceuticals (these could be securely dropped off at the Wood Dale Police Department through the Drug Disposal Program)
- Diapers (cloth, disposable, or "flushable")
- Facial tissue
- Baby wipes, disinfectant wipes, etc.
- Toilet bowl scrubs pads
- Napkins or paper towels
- Dental floss
- Fats, oils and greases
- Sanitary napkins, tampons, condoms
- Wash cloths, towels, rags or cloth items
- Plastic wrappers or packaging
- Any NON-organic material

## WHAT CAN I DO?

- Only flush human waste and toilet paper.
- Avoid purchasing "flushable" items.
- Compost your food waste.
- Discard hazardous material such as motor oil, antifreeze, etc. properly.
- If it can't be reused, recycled or composted, place it in the garbage.



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**Read the label before flushing - it is important to follow package instructions!**



# Did You Know Cooking Oil Can Be Recycled?

## Let's Keep Cooking Oil Out of The Sink

The City's Wood Dale for A Greener Tomorrow Committee is excited to partner with SCARCE to bring a cooking oil drop-off location to Wood Dale! The collected cooking oil is then recycled into biodiesel.

The drop-off location is on the south side of the Public Works building at 720 N Central Avenue. There is a bin where citizens may drop off oil containers.

Grease and cooking oil do not belong in residential drains. Even if hot water is running and grease is liquid when it goes down the drain, cooking oils and fats solidify when they reach cold pipes. Cities and homeowners spend thousands of dollars on resulting sewer clogs. Additionally, refuse containers are for solid waste only, so what's a person to do?

Recycle your used cooking oil and turn it into biodiesel! Save your vegetable cooking oil in a container and bring it to a cooking oil recycling location or special event. Sites only accept liquid, vegetable-based cooking oil – no animal fats (i.e., those solid at room temperature).

Thanks to a grant from the DuPage Foundation, SCARCE has been able to help communities establish permanent cooking oil collection sites. Contact the Wood Dale Public Works Department for more information at 630-350-3530.

## RECYCLING GUIDELINES

### YES!

**METAL**  
Steel & aluminum containers and foil

**PAPER**  
Cardboard (flattened), office paper, newspaper, magazines

**Clean & Empty**  
LEAVE CAPS & LIDS ON

**FOOD & BEVERAGE CARTONS**

**GLASS**  
Bottles & jars only

**PLASTIC**  
Bottles, tubs, & jugs only

### NO!

**Do Not Bag Recyclables**

**No Plastic Bags or Product Wrap**  
Return clean to retailer

**No Big Items**  
Electronics, wood, propane tanks, scrap metal or styrofoam

**No Tangles**  
Hangers, hoses, wire, cords, ropes or chains

**No Food, Liquid, Diapers, Batteries, or Needles**

**No Clothing, Textiles or Shoes**  
Visit [swalco.org](http://swalco.org) for a list of Clothing & Textile or Reuse-A-Shoe collection drop-off sites.

# SNOW REMOVAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The City of Wood Dale has initiated a Snow Removal Assistance Program to assist those in the community that need help with snow removal and do not have the means to complete it on their own. The program will be limited based on available funds and a first-come, first-served basis for those who qualify.

## ABOUT THE PROGRAM:

The City has obtained a private contractor to fulfill the services specified in this program. The City will subsidize the cost per visit at fifty percent based on your property's snow removal needs. Participants must meet the criteria set forth below to qualify for participation. Snow removal services will be initiated when two inches of snow has fallen. The contractor will be directed to wait until the storm is complete to begin the snow removal work. It may take several hours before your property has been completed. The contractor may need to make repeated trips to the residence with heavy snow accumulation. This extra assistance will result in further charges for those services.

### The services include:

- ✦ Removal of snow from hardscape at the front or side of corner of the property.
- ✦ No salting or deicer will be used.

To obtain an application, please call the Public Works Department at 630-350-3530 or visit the 790 N Central Ave facility.



*Memorial Pavers*  
Contact the City Clerk's Office for more information at 630\*787\*3709.



*These commemorative bricks are installed twice per year prior to Veterans Day and Memorial Day.*

4"x 8" - \$50 | 8" x 8" - \$100



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## MAILBOX DAMAGE



Unfortunately, mailboxes on the curb line are subject to truck plows with heavy snow deposits connected to them, causing damage to them. To report damage or concerns about your mailbox or parkway areas due to snow-clearing operations, please contact the Public Works Department at 630-350-3530.



## LET IT SNOW!

The City of Wood Dale Public Works Department, has its snow removal equipment ready to keep the City's streets clear for another winter. With everyone doing their part, snow removal can be completed in a timely manner. The faster the roads are cleared of snow, the sooner Fire and Police personnel have unhampered access to homes and businesses in case of an emergency.

- ✦ Parking on streets forty-eight (48) hours following 2" or more of snowfall is prohibited.
- ✦ Snow shoveled or plowed from driveways should be placed on the parkway, not the street. Throwing snow back on the road is a traffic hazard, which is against the law. Be courteous to your neighbors by clearing snow from the sidewalk in front of your home. Children would like to utilize the sidewalks to avoid the additional hazards of walking in the streets during snowy weather.
- ✦ Please do not deposit snow on or around fire hydrants. Keep the area clear in case of a Fire emergency.
- ✦ Please understand that there are over 4,000 driveways in Wood Dale. It is not possible to clear each driveway after plowing your street. To help prevent the plow from dumping unnecessary amounts of snow in your driveway, always shovel or blow the snow to the left of your driveway unless your driveway abuts your neighbor's driveway, then refrain from depositing snow anywhere other than your property.
- ✦ The City has established a priority plowing system and snow removal routes. The main streets in the community will be cleared first, followed by local streets, cul-de-sacs, alleys, and sidewalks on State and County roads, in that order.
- ✦ The City will not plow private streets and parking areas in multi-family unit developments or private roads in industrial areas.

To report an icy or snow-covered street that needs additional attention, you can contact the Public Works Department at 630-350-3530, Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. When calling after hours, please contact the Wood Dale Police Department at 630-766-2060.

### Roads in Wood Dale that are Plowed by Other Governmental Organizations:

Wood Dale Rd and  
Addison Rd  
DuPage County  
Highway Department  
630-407-6900

Irving Park Rd  
and Route 83  
Illinois Department  
of Transportation  
847-705-4000

Foster Ave and  
Oak Meadows  
Addison Township  
Highway Department  
630-766-2228

## SAND BAGS



**Sandbags are available for pickup at 720 N. Central Ave during a rain event.**

Public Works will dispatch sandbags to pre-determined locations when the creek level reaches a certain level. These locations can be found by visiting: [www.wooddale.com/residents/flood-procedures](http://www.wooddale.com/residents/flood-procedures)

For FEMA Assistance, call 1-800-621-3362.

Be Prepared! Have your plumber inspect your sump pumps regularly.



SCAN ME

# FROZEN PIPES

## What are some common reasons for frozen pipes?

Water pipes will usually be more susceptible to freezing when the outdoor air temperature is below freezing for more than a few days. Special attention should be given when the outdoor air temperature does not rise above zero degrees during the daytime hours.

### Some reasons include:

1. Unheated basement where the water meter and pipes are located.
2. Un-insulated pipes which are against outside walls.
3. Open windows near the water meters or pipes.
4. Openings or cracks which allow cold outside air near the water meter or pipes.
5. Water meter or pipes enclosed or boxed in against the outside wall.

## How do I know if my pipes are frozen?

Generally, when a pipe that feeds a certain fixture such as a shower, sink, or toilet freezes, you will no longer be able to get water through that fixture. This will be the case if the pipe is frozen solid.

## Why do frozen water pipes break?

When water freezes within a pipe, the volume of the water expands. The same amount of water takes up more space as a solid than a liquid. This causes the pipes to expand and possibly break at a weak point. This may not be noticed immediately. However, the pipes may thaw from the inside-out with the pipe actually breaking only when the full water pressure is restored.

## Do only pipes inside the house freeze?

No. Not only is your inside plumbing susceptible to freezing, but your water service could also be subject to freezing. This is caused by frost in the ground encasing your service in ice, thereby freezing your service. This is especially typical of shallow (less than five feet deep) services.

## What is a water service?

Water service is a pipe that begins with a connection to the water main in the city right-of-way. This pipe was designed solely to deliver fresh water to your home plumbing fixtures (i.e., sinks, toilets, showers, etc.) This line has valves on it to allow your water to be turned on or off.

## Where are my shutoff valves?

There are actually two major shutoff valves in line with your service. The first valve, called a curb stop, is generally located in the parkway and is normally housed by a cylinder with a cap on it called the Buffalo Box or "B Box" for short. The other major valve is located in the home next to the water meter. Other valves may be near plumbing appliances such as sinks and toilets.

## Should I maintain my main shutoff valve?

Keeping your main valve in good working condition will assure you that you can turn your water off in the event of an emergency, in case one of your water pipes break, for example. Older-style gate valves should be turned periodically due to possible corrosion build-up. Newer Teflon-coated ball valves should stay in working order without any regular turning.

## What should I do if my pipes freeze?

If your pipes freeze, there are some procedures that you can follow to thaw them. The quicker that the problem is recognized, the better chance that damage will be minimized.

### Some techniques for thawing frozen pipes include:

1. If possible, expose a boxed-in area to the inside heat. An example includes opening some ceiling tiles if your home has a drop ceiling.
2. Use a hair dryer.
3. DO NOT use torches to thaw pipes!
4. Rubbing the pipes with warm damp rags may slowly thaw the line.

## How can I prevent my pipes from freezing?

There are many ways to help prevent your water pipes from freezing in extreme weather.

### Some suggestions include:

1. Keep the location where the water meter or pipes are exposed heated.
2. Providing ventilation to pipes allowing warmer air to circulate around them.
3. Insulating your pipes.
4. Caulking and sealing any openings near your water pipes.
5. Keeping some tap water running. (Moving water is more difficult to freeze, understanding, however, this will affect your bill.)
6. In severe cases, it is best to turn your main valve off and drain your system by turning your sinks on. This way, there will be no water in your pipes to freeze. Even if your pipes have not frozen in the past, severe cold can cause electricity blackouts and thereby disable your furnace. Your home can then become closer to the outdoor temperature very quickly. Draining your system will ensure that your pipes do not freeze. This is normally done if no one will be home for an extended period in extreme weather.

## ATTENTION: RESIDENTIAL, COMMERCIAL & INDUSTRIAL WITH BACKFLOW DEVICES

These devices should be checked and maintained annually.

Call the Public Works Department for more info on this topic at 630-350-3530.  
Help keep our water supply safe for everyone.



## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW POLICE OFFICER, RUBEN URBINA

The Wood Dale Police Department congratulates Ruben Urbina, who was sworn in as a Probationary Police Officer on August 17, 2023, by the Wood Dale Board of Fire & Police Commissioners!

Officer Urbina will attend the Suburban Law Enforcement Academy (SLEA) at the College of DuPage for 16-weeks of training to be certified as a Police Officer. Officer Urbina will return to Wood Dale in December to begin a 13-week in-house field training program.



404 N. Wood Dale Road  
Wood Dale, IL 60191  
[www.wooddale.com/police](http://www.wooddale.com/police)

Non-Emergency: 630-766-2060

Chief of Police  
Chris Zito

Deputy Chief  
Chris Banaszynski

## PLEASE WELCOME OFFICER NELSON AND OFFICER JONES AS THEY BEGIN THEIR SERVICE TO THE WOOD DALE COMMUNITY

On August 18, the Wood Dale Police Department congratulated Officer Jesse Nelson and Officer Danny Jones and their 79 Class BA 23-04 classmates who graduated from the sixteen-week Suburban Law Enforcement Academy (SLEA).

Both Officers have begun a thirteen-week Field Training Program where they will receive on-the-job training in the City of Wood Dale.

**Congratulations Officer Nelson and Officer Jones!**





The City of Wood Dale is proud to announce the launch of CodeRED/Onsolve, a NEW high-speed telephone communication service that will alert residents and businesses of any emergency situations, dangerous weather conditions, boil orders, gas leaks, City events, and any important information that requires attention. CodeRED has the ability to provide emergency information to cell phones via text messages, email, and phone calls. This replaces our previous version and provides many improvements to expedite City communication.

This service is free to all residents and businesses. The information provided will be used for notification purposes only and will be kept confidential. Residents and businesses are urged to scan the QR code to enroll.



The Wood Dale Police Department and the Wood Dale Public Library is collecting newly purchased and unwrapped toys for children in the community through Tuesday, December 5. Monetary donations can also be given by scanning the QR Code. Please get in touch with Meghan Spiewak at 630-766-2060 with questions.





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.

**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 non-perishable 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)



**WOOD DALE POLICE DEPT**

**THANKSGIVING ADOPT-A-FAMILY**

**PROGRAM REGISTRATION**

**How many families would you like to sponsor?**

\_\_\_\_\_ 4 Person Families \_\_\_\_\_ 6 Person Families

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization:  
(if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

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## We're Honored to Serve



On September 11th we were provided dinner by 17-year-old Travis Hall and his family. Travis has been providing 9/11 dinner for firefighters and police officers since he was 4 years old. It all started with he asked his father Scott, a Cook County Deputy Sheriff, what happened to the firefighters and police officers that day. Travis said that he then felt compelled to help. That first year he donated 2 pizzas to the Leyden Fire District firefighters. Each year since then has allowed him to provide dinner for more firefighters and police officers. He and his family now go to numerous restaurants and pick up donated food, to then deliver to different firehouses. This year, he provided dinner for approximately 170 first responders. Travis has been doing this for 13 years now. He has also raised money for Muscular Dystrophy and delivered donated bottled water to Flint Michigan to help during their water crisis. Definitely not your average 17-year-old!

We had 50+ on-duty first responders come through the Wood Dale station tonight. Agencies represented were:

Addison Fire • Addison Police • Bensenville Fire • Bensenville Police  
Itasca Fire • Itasca Police • Wood Dale Fire • Wood Dale Police

We provided Travis with a Certificate of Recognition for all that he's done for first responders, a WDFD/WDPFFA challenge coin, and a WDFD t-shirt as a thank you.

## KEEP THE WREATH RED



Wood Dale Fire Protection District will hang a holiday wreath decorated with red light bulbs at both of their fire houses. Keep the Wreath Red" program is a visual reminder to residents of the importance of fire safety and prevention, particularly during the holiday season. If a fire should occur during the holiday season because of holiday decorations, one red light bulb will be changed to a white one. Let's be safe this holiday season and "Keep the Wreath Red".

## SANTA STOP FOOD DRIVE

Once again, the Wood Dale Fire Department will be teaming up with Santa to collect donations for the Wood Dale & Bensenville Community Food Bank. In exchange for a personal visit from Santa, who will be riding on the fire truck, firefighters will be accepting donations of non-perishable food, paper products and toiletries for the Wood Dale Food Pantry. Santa will need to get back to 'The North Pole' so only a limited number of families can be visited. If you would like to show your holiday spirit and help Santa on December 3rd, please contact Megan Warfield at 630-766-1147 or email her at mwarfield@wdfd.org. **Deadline for registration is November 30th.**



*Happy Holidays from the Board Members & the staff of the Wood Dale Fire Protection District*



# WOOD DALE

## SCHOOL DISTRICT 7

STRIVE FOR EXCELLENCE

### EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION CENTER

Mrs. Melissa Favata, Principal



### Building Partnerships with Families Through Home Visits

A cornerstone of the District 7 Early Childhood Program is building a partnership with the families of our students. An important component to beginning this process is through our home visit program. Before a child begins attending ECEC his/her teacher will visit them in their family home. This visit provides the teacher, the student, and the family with a unique opportunity to meet and have a comprehensive conversation about the child and their educational goals for the upcoming school year. Prior to visiting the homes of their students the ECEC staff prepares thoughtful questions, such as, why the family moved to Wood Dale? What does the family enjoy about living in Wood Dale? Families are also provided with an opportunity to share any of their own special traditions or cultural experiences with the ECEC staff. During the home visit, our staff is able to provide more information about the EC program and other community resources that will be of assistance to families with preschool age children. The EC staff enjoys the time they spend learning about the students and their families during these visits and families begin to feel more connected to the school. Home visits align with our Mission Statement at ECEC to foster individual success and a love of learning in partnership with families and the community. •



First days at preschool!!

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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

**OAKBROOK SCHOOL**

Dr. Theresa Ulrich, Principal



**Oakbrook School Partners with Diverse Populations and Families**

Once again this year, some Oakbrook School classrooms are partnering with Child’s Voice school for children with hearing loss. In October, Ms. Louie’s Kindergarten, Mrs. Kwilos’s First Grade, and Mrs. Ruscitti’s Second Grade classes went to Child’s Voice (CV) school to learn about hearing loss and how students in the school learn. Oakbrook students also had time to ask questions about different hearing aides and enjoyed sharing some playtime in the CV playground. Approximately once a month thereafter, children from Child’s Voice school will visit their Oakbrook grade level counterpart classrooms. CV students participate in the same lessons as Oakbrook students. In this way, children with hearing loss experience learning in a typical public school setting. This partnership offers an opportunity for children to learn about and accept differences of others, making this a great practice to support our school’s social and emotional instructional goals.

Also this year, Wood Dale School District 7 is once again implementing the Home Visits program. Last year, several Oakbrook School teachers participated in the program. Through the program each teacher attempts to arrange at least one home visit with every child in their classroom. The visits are informal, with times agreed upon by both the family and the teacher. We have received positive feedback about the program from teachers, parents, and students. Families appreciate meeting teachers in a non-academic setting where they can have rich conversations about their children and how to best support them in school. Students report how fun it is to have their teacher in their home to show them aspects of their lives. These meetings go a long way in supporting students’ social and emotional needs, and building communication and trust between the school and families. •



*Some Oakbrook and Child's Voice students at the CV playground*

**WESTVIEW SCHOOL**

Mr. Alan Buttimer, Principal



*5th Grade Students continue a decades-long tradition of participating in an Outdoor Education Program, recently moving to Camp Duncan in Ingleside, IL.*

**Annual 5th Grade Outdoor Education Program Moves to Camp Duncan!**

For several decades, 5th grade students in Wood Dale School District 7 have enjoyed a rite of passage—the 5th Grade Outdoor Education program! After examining the long travel time and complexities of an overnight trip to Lorado Taft Field Campus in Oregon, Illinois, we are pleased to share that we are continuing this incredible opportunity for our 5th graders in partnership with Camp Duncan, a YMCA camp located in Ingleside, Illinois. Our students will enjoy a brand-new Outdoor Education experience designed to provide our 5th graders with a unique and immersive outdoor itinerary.

There’s no denying the value of outdoor education. It fosters a deeper connection with nature, promotes teamwork, and instills a sense of responsibility for our environment. In a world where screen time often dominates, this program is a refreshing chance for our 5th graders to step away from their devices and into the beauty of the natural world.

The Outdoor Education Program at Camp Duncan offers a wide range of activities and lessons that blend education with adventure. Camp Duncan’s expert staff will lead interactive lessons on topics such as wildlife, ecology, and conservation. Students will gain a deeper understanding of the natural world around them. Through fun and challenging group activities, our 5th graders will learn the

importance of teamwork, communication, and problem-solving. They will also acquire practical outdoor skills, from fire building to orienteering. Safety remains a top priority, and students will be closely supervised by trained camp counselors as well as teachers and staff from Westview.

The Outdoor Education Program continues to take place in early October and we are pleased to begin a new partnership with the staff at Camp Duncan so that children from the Wood Dale community will continue to participate in this annual outdoor adventure in a setting that fosters a love of nature, building lifelong skills, and making cherished memories. •



## WOOD DALE JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

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



### After School Activities are a Hit at the Junior High!

The new school year is off to a great start at the Wood Dale Junior High! Clubs, sports, and activities are in full swing with multiple opportunities for students to play a new sport, try a club, or even work on homework in a quiet place after school. One of our new clubs this year is the Spanish Language Club. This club meets twice a week after school and teaches students the foundations of speaking Spanish. Two of our dual language teachers, Mrs. Cira Olivella and Mrs. Luz Zaragoza work closely with the students to learn basic grammar, vocabulary, important phrases, and much more. Participation in this club can be an important step for students who are interested in learning the language, and hopefully they will continue this pursuit in high school and beyond.

There are numerous other clubs students are enjoying as well. Art Club allows students to work on advanced techniques to improve their artistic skills in a variety of ways. This club is open to all students and meets weekly. Chess Club allows students to test their skills against each other, or even take on the teacher Mrs. Subach in a match. Yearbook Club is already underway and provides students with the opportunity to put together a memento of the school year. Students take pictures, write captions, learn related software, and even come up with a concept for the yearbook.



*The Wood Dale Soccer Team in Action!*

In sports, the soccer and cross country seasons were completed successfully with many students participating and working together. The girls basketball season has been launched and the Panthers are off to a fantastic start. Mr. Allaire and Ms. Ward coach these teams and focus on fundamentals and skills to ensure our players improve throughout the season. •

## Wood Dale District 7 Board of Education Goals 2023/24



The Wood Dale Board of Education believes it is important to have a clear focus for what they want the school district to accomplish each year. This summer the Board met to discuss their priorities and develop goals for our schools. The goals focus on the areas of: student achievement, family/community engagement & finance and operations. Below are some of the details of the 2023/24 Board of Education goals:

- ✦ Increase student math achievement at a rate that will exceed typical growth as measured by NWEA MAP Growth Test.
- ✦ Increase student reading achievement at a rate that will exceed typical growth as measured by NWEA MAP Growth Test.
- ✦ Provide family/parent education information & resources to assist families in supporting their students in increasing average daily attendance to 93% or above.
- ✦ Increase the engagement of all families with the school community by hosting three special events designed to increase parent/family awareness regarding issues that impact their child(s) academic, social/emotional, and physical growth.
- ✦ Review existing student wellness programs and identify strategies to increase their effectiveness. Examples include: Nutrition of school meals (sugars, carbohydrates, fats, and overall calories), parent and student health education programs, and fitness/movement opportunities for students.
- ✦ Improve communication channels with District 7 families and the community by: a) Updating the District 7 website design and format and b) Installing an electric sign in front of the district office.
- ✦ Maintain a Financial Score of Recognition for FY24.
- ✦ Complete 90% of the 10 Year Life Safety Priority List by the end of FY24.
- ✦ Increase efficiency of district document management through the expanded use of digital technology.
- ✦ Complete selected projects from the operations & maintenance plan, to ensure an engaging and safe learning environment for all students and staff.

These goals will drive the work of the Board, administration, teachers, and staff throughout the 2023/24 school year. Many activities are underway in pursuit of these goals and they are discussed at our monthly Board meetings. Should you like additional information regarding the goals please consider attending a Board meeting or checkout the goals and other information related to our schools on the District 7 website, [www.wd7.org](http://www.wd7.org).

*We're Hiring!*

**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](http://www.WD7.org) or call **630-595-9510**.  
 Certification is required and must be registered  
 with DuPage Office of Education.

## EVENTS CALENDAR

### OCTOBER 31

- ✦ Half-Day Inservice – Students attend in the AM only

### NOVEMBER 2

- ✦ JH PTO Meeting 6:30pm

### NOVEMBER 10

- ✦ Fall Band Concert @ Center for the Arts 7:00pm

### NOVEMBER 15

- ✦ OB/WV PTO Meeting @ WV 6:30pm

### NOVEMBER 17

- ✦ School Board Meeting 7:00pm

### NOVEMBER 21

- ✦ Parent/Teacher Conferences All Schools – No School

### NOVEMBER 22

- ✦ Parent/Teacher Conferences EC/OB & WV – No School

### NOVEMBER 23–25

- ✦ No School

### DECEMBER 6

- ✦ WV Winter Music Program @ Center for the Arts 6:30pm

### DECEMBER 8

- ✦ OB Holiday Music Program @ Center for the Arts

### DECEMBER 13

- ✦ EC Holiday Program

### DECEMBER 14

- ✦ Winter Choral Concert @ Center for the Arts

### DECEMBER 15

- ✦ School Board Meeting 7:00 PM

### DECEMBER 23–JANUARY 5

- ✦ Winter Break – No School

### JANUARY 8

- ✦ Teacher Professional Development – No School

### JANUARY 9

- ✦ Classes Resume

## Dear Fenton Families,

The 2023-2024 School Year is off to a great start and we have plenty to share and celebrate. Fenton is your high school and we are proud to be the hub of this community.

### Construction Update

I'm thrilled to report that our construction project in and around our stadium is progressing on-schedule. As you know, a large underground tank was installed behind the stadium and new, larger pipes were buried in the stadium as well as various locations around our school to collect stormwater and move it into the new tank.



The tank is complete and almost all of the new pipes are installed. We are now largely focusing on the installation of new artificial field turf. This incredible opportunity is a byproduct of needing to replace stormwater pipes inside the stadium. Once completed, we can bring soccer home to Fenton for the first time in decades. We can also have multiple teams, clubs, and classes use the field every day without pausing to let grass regrow.

### Homecoming

Congratulations to our Homecoming Royalty and all the winners from our Homecoming Bonfire competitions. Thank you to Mrs. Casterton, her team of Class Council Advisors, and Assistant Principal Julia Bray for all the awesome tropical themed activities.

We also had visits from the Alumni Class of 2003, 1993, 1983, and 1963. We value our school's rich history and all the



**LET'S GO BISON!**



relationships we maintain that promote our legacy and often lead toward opportunities for current students.

### Day of Service

Community Service is a unique and cherished graduation requirement at Fenton High School. Volunteering one's time and energy to improve their community creates common ground, builds empathy, and unites us as neighbors.

In late September about 60 students participated in Fenton's Day of Service by volunteering with projects at Fischer Farm, making blankets at the Bensenville Public Library as part of the Linus Project, and several stayed at Fenton cleaning Homecoming decorations or writing thank you letters to military veterans and those who donate to the Bensenville Wood Dale Food Pantry.

Thank you to our neighbors and community partners for allowing our students to learn and grow from your passions.

### Band & Choir Holiday Concert

Our 98th Annual Band & Choir Concert takes place Sunday, December 17 at 2 p.m. in the Fenton Auditorium. This incredible show is a must-see event that is free and open to the public.

-- James Ongtengco, Superintendent



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#### Mission Statement

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

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#### Administration

- James Ongtengco, *Superintendent*
- Sam Bentsen, *Associate Superintendent/Principal*



## Bear Down Fenton Flag Football

Thank you to Chicago Bears Coach Matt Eberflus for generously donating money for our new girls flag football team to get competition jerseys. The Mighty Bison visited Halas Hall in August to talk with female employees and learn about career opportunities in the NFL. Their visit was featured on a Fox gameday broadcast. We are so very grateful for these incredible opportunities to play ball with Bison Pride and to plan for life changing careers.



Photo by Andrew Jakubowski

## Fenton Basketball Player Earns All State Honors



Congratulations to Alejandro Diaz of the boys basketball team for earning All Upstate Eight Conference recognition and being named an honorable mention for the Class 3A All State Team during the 2022-2023 school year.

“I want to thank my parents for investing their time and energy into me. I also want to thank Coach Taft. He does everything he can to get the most out of his players, and I think that’s a big reason I received this All State honor,” Alejandro told the Fenton School Board.

Alejandro averaged of 17 points, 5 assists, 5 rebounds, and 3 steals per game. He also took 15 charges while on defense and made 87% of his free throws. His efforts contributed toward the basketball team setting a new program record for most wins in a single season, now set at 24 wins against 8 losses.

Better yet, Alejandro earned these honors as a junior and is returning to lead the charge this year.





## Fenton Students Command the Classroom

Students in Introduction to Education with Mrs. Seredy Williams are doing mini internships at Johnson School and Tioga School in Bensenville, as well as Westview School in Wood Dale.

When visiting these schools 2 hours per day, three days per week (60 total hours per semester), Fenton students gain valuable experience working with children and speaking in front of classes. These valuable experiences help advance Mrs. Williams' curriculum and the lessons she can develop for the Fenton students.

Intro to Education is part of Fenton's growing Career Pathway programming aimed at helping students explore and choose careers to pursue after high school. This course is part of the Education and Training college and career pathway, which offers an endorsement on high school diplomas if all courses are completed.

Thank you Bensenville School District 2 and Wood Dale District 7 for your partnerships.

## Fenton Students Earn 5s on AP Exams

Congratulations to the 15 remarkable Fenton students and alums who earned 5 out of 5 points on their Advanced Placement (AP) exams last spring. A high score, especially a 5 out of 5, means the students earned college credit while still in high school.

The Fenton Board of Education recognized each student during its regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, September 27.

Seven of the top scores are from returning students who have more opportunities to earn college credit. Two students even earned a 5 on multiple exams! Each returning student received a congratulatory yard sign and Take 5 candy bars.





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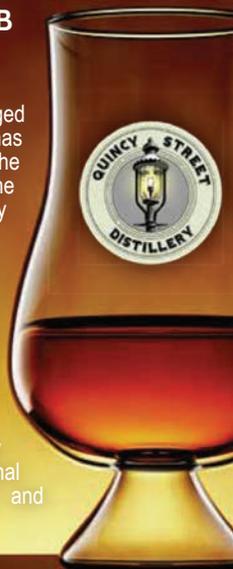
**BOURBON & WHISKEY TASTING**

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9TH | 6:00-8:00PM  
 LOCATION: SALT CREEK GOLF CLUB  
 AGES: 21+ | FEE: \$50

Bourbon is a type of American Whiskey, a barrel-aged distilled spirit made primarily from corn. Bourbon has been distilled since the 18th century. The use of the term "bourbon" for whiskey has been traced to the 1820's, and the term began to be used consistently in Kentucky in the 1870's.

While bourbon may be made anywhere in the United States, it is strongly associated with the American South, and with Kentucky in particular. We will be learning the basics and tasting several outstanding bourbons and whiskeys as well as bourbon inspired/paired hors d'oeuvres.

Each participant will receive a Quincy Street Distillery Glencairn glass. Quincy Street Distillery creates historically-inspired, handcrafted artisanal spirits based on classic formulas with unique and distinctive expressions of taste.



**TO REGISTER FOR THIS EVENT  
 CALL 630-773-0184 BY NOVEMBER 2ND**



**HOLIDAY TROLLEY & PIZZA WITH SANTA**

Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup> | 5:00 - 9:00pm

Dress in your favorite holiday apparel and join us to celebrate the holiday season! Hop on the Holly Jolly Trolley to venture through the area streets of Wood Dale. During our ride, we will sing Christmas Carols, see houses decorated for the season, and do holiday-themed trivia. Upon arrival back from the ride you will have time to visit Santa, enjoy pizza and treats, and make a holiday craft.  
*Please be sure to register for your desired trolley time!*

Time	Code
5:15 - 5:45pm	4446AW
6:00 - 6:30pm	4447AW
6:45 - 7:15pm	4448AW
7:30 - 8:15pm	4449AW



\*Under 1 Year Free w/ Paying Adult  
 Max Per Time: 25 People



# Winter Camp

## Kindergarten – 6th grade

Looking for something fun to do instead of sitting inside all Winter Break? Look no further – the Wood Dale Winter Camp is here to fill these days off with exciting field trips, unique craft projects, and exhilarating games to play with friends! Participants should bring a nut-free lunch every day and can be signed up for individual days or maximize your fun and register for all 8 days at a discounted rate!

DATE	TYPE	FEE	CODE
Dec 26	Full Day	\$57	6856D23
Dec 27	Full Day	\$57	6856E23
Dec 28	Full Day	\$57	6856H23
Dec 29	Full Day	\$57	6856F23
Jan 2	Full Day	\$57	6856C23
Jan 3	Full Day	\$57	6856G23
Jan 4	Full Day	\$57	6856A23
Jan 5	Full Day	\$57	6856B23
8 Days	Full Days	\$416R/\$426NR	6856J23

Registration deadline: Friday, December 15 (Accepted requests for enrollment past the deadline will be subject to a \$10 late fee.)



# FAMILY GINGERBREAD HOUSE Decorating & Contest TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup> 6:00 – 7:30PM

Join us on National Gingerbread House Day and spend time creating a gingerbread house with family. Each family will be provided with one gingerbread house, frosting, and candy needed to decorate the house. All registered gingerbread houses will be posted on Facebook for people to vote for the best gingerbread house. The house with the most likes will receive a prize!

*Pre-Registration is required.*

**Registration Deadline: December 5**

**Location: Woodlands at White Oaks Park**

**Fee: \$15/family (up to four people)**

**Use code 44GBH23 to register for this event at [wdparks.org](http://wdparks.org)**





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Mon-Thu: 10am-9pm  
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**LIBRARY CLOSINGS**

Fri, Nov 10: Staff In-Service  
Wed, Nov 22: Library closes at 5pm  
Thu, Nov 23-Fri, Nov 24: Library Closed  
Mon, Dec 25: Library Closed

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Chris Renkosiak, Executive Director

# Holiday Open House

Thu, Dec 7 | 6-9pm

Ring in the holidays at the Library with a night of music, crafts, treats, puppet plays, and merriment for all ages. We've been coordinating with the North Pole to ensure Santa will be back in Wood Dale, making an extra stop for children to relay their gift requests. To make sure everyone has a chance to meet with him, please register for one of 5 sessions with Santa that evening—he may be bringing a special present for everyone, and the elves need to know how many gifts to prepare!

## HOLIDAY PHOTO AT THE LIBRARY

November 20 – December 14

Get the matching holiday outfits and smiles ready! We'll provide a Candyland-themed photo scene that will make the perfect backdrop for a family photo just in time for sending holiday cards.

Don't delay!  
Register today!

Space is limited for the above events. To register for a time with Santa on December 7 or to reserve a time for your photo session, please visit wooddalelibrary.org, stop by, or call us at (630) 766-6762.

## ADULT WORKSHOPS & EVENTS

Unless otherwise noted, all adult events are in person at the Library, free of charge, and require registration. Please visit [wooddalelibrary.org/events](http://wooddalelibrary.org/events) or call us at (630) 766-6762 to reserve your spot.

### Composting: Building Your Garden from the Ground Up

**Thu, Nov 9 | 7-8pm**

Explore the benefits of composting! An Illinois Master Gardener shows you how to improve the health and vitality of your garden by using the organic matter generated in your home and yard.

### Cooking with Chef Dave: Winter Soups

**Wed, Nov 15 | 7-8:15pm**

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 will be shared.

### Take & Bake:

#### Santa Hat Cupcakes

**Pick up begins Mon, Dec 11 at 10am**

Enjoy making holiday cupcakes with us. Pick up supplies (just add eggs and milk), then follow along with the provided recipe. One per family.

### Holiday Cake Decorating:

#### Snow Globe Cake

**Mon, Dec 18 | 7-8:30pm**

Come for a holiday cake decorating workshop. Pastry chef Frannie Hargadon will guide you through the process and share helpful tips. Supplies for a small cake will be provided. Due to space and supply limits, children and other unregistered participants may not be admitted.

### Take & Make: Wood Slice Ornaments

**Pick up begins: Mon, Nov 20 at 10am**

Make festive ornaments for your holiday tree. Pick up your craft kits and follow along at home with the instructions given.



### Assembling the Pieces of Your Family History

**Thu, Nov 16 | 7-8:30pm**

Genealogist Debbie Kroopkin will share many examples of documents, resources, and methods you can use to explore your family history.



### Christmas Carols of Olde England

**Sat, Dec 16 | 2-4pm**

Have you ever wondered why most of our Christmas songs have a decidedly English Victorian feel to them? Discover the origin stories behind some classic holiday music, and hear some of your favorite Christmas songs.

### Medicare 101

**Sat, Nov 11 | 10:30am-1pm**

Tom Perrucci of Premier Medicare Benefits joins the Wood Dale Library to help demystify the confusing world of Medicare.

### 75th Emmy Awards Contest

**Virtual program entries must be received by Sat, Dec 30 at 5pm.**

Predict the winners of the 75th Emmy Awards! We will find out the winners of this year's nominees on Mon, Jan 15. Open to patrons 11 years and up (one entry per person). Forms are available at [wooddalelibrary.org](http://wooddalelibrary.org) and at the Library. Two winners will receive a twenty-five-dollar gift card to Marcus Cinema.



### Red Cross Blood Drive

**Tue, Nov 21 | 1-6pm**

Did you know one blood donation can potentially save up to three lives? Join our community and the Red Cross in making a difference by donating blood! You must register by going to [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) and use the sponsor code: *WoodDaleLibrary*.

## Making the Holidays Beautiful with Peggy Garvin

Registration for the following programs opens at 10am on Wed, Nov 1. Supply costs for each program are noted in the description, and are payable at the time of the event with cash or a check made out to Peggy Garvin.

### Thanksgiving Day Centerpiece

**Fri, Nov 17 | 7-9pm**

**Tue, Nov 21 | 7-9pm**

Create a colorful flower arrangement for your Thanksgiving table. Both sessions will be the same. The program cost is \$20.

### Holiday Outdoor Planter

**Wed, Nov 29 | 7-9pm**

**Mon, Dec 11 | 7-9pm**

Celebrate the season by making an outdoor planter. Both sessions will be the same. The program cost is \$30.

### Holiday Outdoor Swag

**Thu, Nov 30 | 7-9pm**

Design and make your own festive outdoor holiday swag. The program cost is \$25.

### Holiday Centerpiece

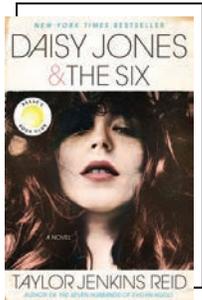
**Wed, Dec 13 | 7-9pm**

Create a holiday centerpiece, the perfect complement to any holiday meal. The program cost is \$25.



## BOOK CLUBS

Joining one of our Book Clubs is a great way to get answers to questions, discover themes you may have missed, and make new friends. We have a variety of book clubs for all types of readers. Digital versions (eBooks and eAudiobooks) may be available for download through Hoopla, Libby, or Boundless (formerly Axis 360). Pick up a print copy in the Library at the Book Club Kiosk. Registration is required at [wooddalelibrary.org/events](http://wooddalelibrary.org/events) or by calling (630) 766-6762.



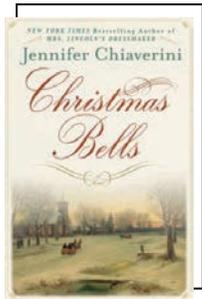
### Book Club Express

*Daisy Jones and the Six*  
by Taylor Jenkins Reid

Wed, Nov 15 | 7-8pm

Wood Dale Target Starbucks (401 W. Irving Park Rd.)

The making of a legendary 1970's rock band, written as an oral history, is chronicled in this riveting novel.



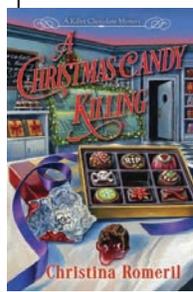
### Christmas Bells

by Jennifer Chiaverini

Wed, Dec 20 | 7-8pm

Wood Dale Target Starbucks (401 W. Irving Park Rd.)

This holiday tale inspired by Longfellow's classic poem follows the experiences of a dedicated Boston teacher who finds inspiration and renewal at the church where she volunteers.

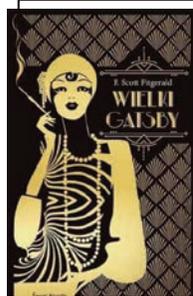


### Mystery Lovers' Book Club

*A Christmas Candy Killing*  
by Christina Romeril

Tue, Dec 5 | 7-8pm

This upbeat cozy mystery is set in a charming Montana bookshop where veronal vanilla creams and murder are on the menu.



### Klub Książki (Polish Book Club)

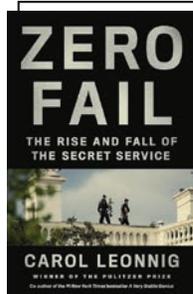
*Wielki Gatsby*

autorstwa F. Scotta Fitzgeralda

Tue, Dec 19 | 7-8:45pm

Książki będą czytane i omawiane w języku polskim. Kopie książek są dostępne w Bibliotece Publicznej Wood Dale.

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



### History Pages

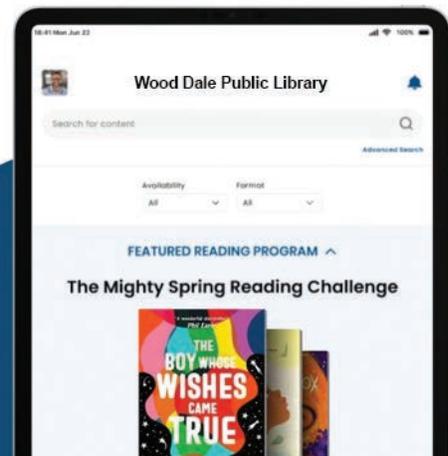
*Zero Fail: The Rise and Fall of the Secret Service*  
by Carol Leonnig

Wed, Dec 27 | 7-8pm

Leonnig recounts the origins, reforms, and ongoing challenges of the Secret Service.

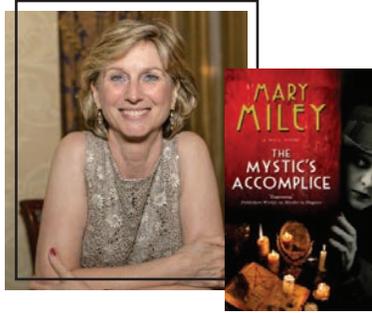
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## AUTHOR VISITS

Skip the cold and snow and stay home to enjoy your favorite authors or come to the Library to watch with us! Please register to save a spot or to receive the link to attend virtually. Print books are available in the Library, while eBooks and eAudiobooks may be available on Hoopla, Libby, and Boundless (formerly Axis 360). Please stop by or give us a call at (630) 766-6762 to place a hold on a book or register for these programs.



### Mary Miley Theobald *The Mystic's Accomplice*

Tue, Nov 7 | 7-8pm

Bestselling author Mary Miley Theobald will join us to discuss her mystery novel, *The Mystic's Accomplice*, and share related artifacts.



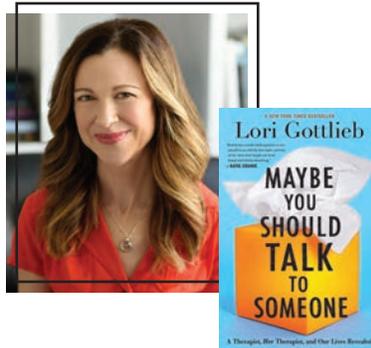
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### A Taste of Love with Maya-Camille Broussard

Wed, Nov 8 | 7-8pm

Join Maya Camille Broussard, star of Netflix's *Bake Squad*, and owner of Chicago-based Justice of the Pies for a demo from her kitchen just in time for Thanksgiving. Join us for a viewing party at the Library or watch from home via Zoom.



### Surviving the Holidays with Lori Gottlieb

Wed, Dec 6 | 7-8pm

Lori Gottlieb, author of *Maybe You Should Talk to Someone* and co-host of the Dear Therapists podcast, joins us for a conversation about mental health in anticipation of the winter holiday season. Join us for a viewing party at the Library or watch from home via Zoom.



### The Nutcracker (The Royal Ballet virtual screening)

Sat, Dec 16 through Sun, Dec 17

Watch the 2016 stage recording of *The Nutcracker*, danced by The Royal Ballet (United Kingdom), with music played by Royal Opera House Orchestra. Registrants will receive an email with a special link and instructions for viewing on YouTube.

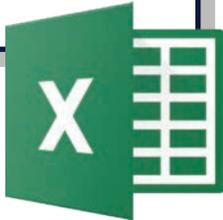
## Cook with Confidence

Looking for a little food-based inspiration this holiday season? From appetizers to dessert, and everything in between, visit the library to see our cookbook collection, magazines with seasonal tips and tricks, or browse our digital offerings on Hoopla, Libby, and Boundless (formerly Axis 360).



# ADULT COMPUTER CLASSES

Registration is required for all computer classes. These classes are offered via Zoom. To get the most out of these classes, we recommend having basic computer skills.



## Excel Basics

Mon, Nov 20 | 7-8pm

Learn how to create a basic Excel spreadsheet, enter data, and practice simple calculations in this online class. Register with an email to receive a Zoom invitation on the day of the program.

## Excel Formulas and Functions

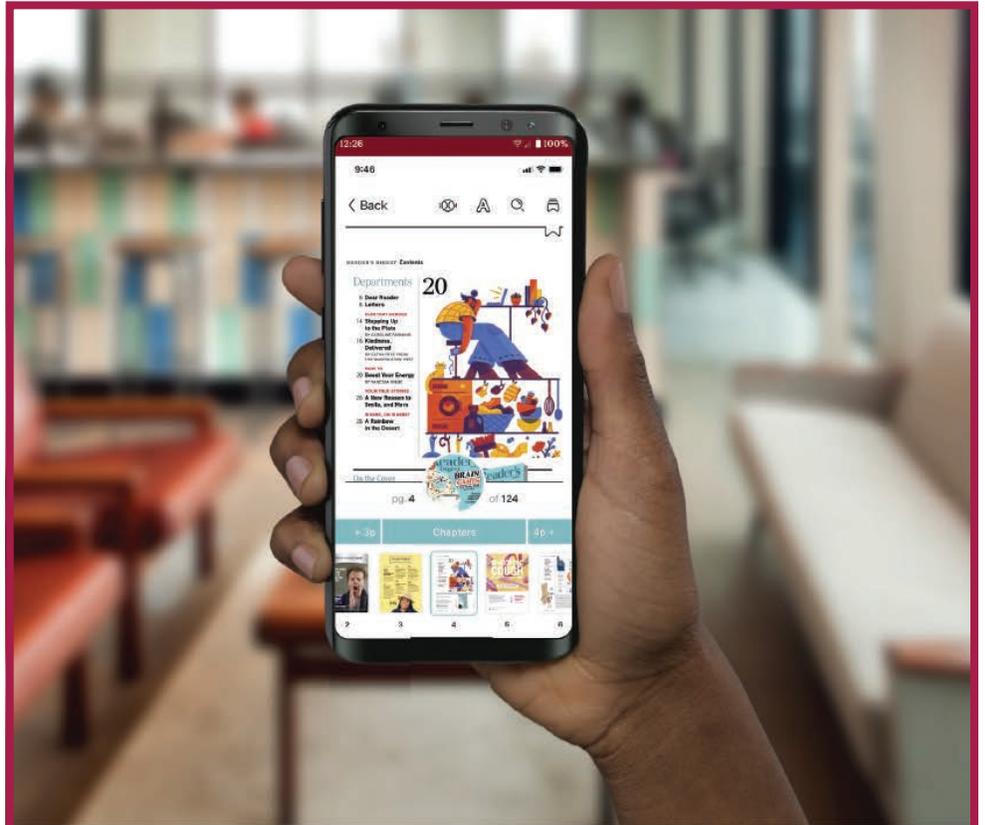
Mon, Dec 18 | 7-8pm

Learn about formulas and functions in Excel, including averages, data analysis, and loan payment calculation. Register with an email to receive a Zoom invitation on the day of the program.

## Tech Help



Have questions about your smartphone or tablet, social media, Microsoft Office, or one of the Library's online resources? Call us at (630) 766-6762 or stop by to schedule a one-on-one appointment.



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## YOUTH SERVICES EVENTS

Unless otherwise noted, all youth and teen events are in person at the Library, free of charge, and require registration. Please visit [wooddalelibrary.org/events](http://wooddalelibrary.org/events) or call us at (630) 766-6762 to reserve your spot. 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. For the most beneficial early learning experience, we encourage parents and caregivers to participate in storytimes with their children. Children ages 0-3 need to have a caregiver with them at all times.

#### Toddler Time 0-4 years

Wednesdays, Nov 1, 8, 15;  
Dec 13 & 20 | 10:30-10:50am

Join us for this fun pre-reader storytime including books, songs, and activities. Stay and play after the storytime ends.

#### Toddler Time Repeat 0-4 years

Thursdays, Nov 2, 9, 16;  
Dec 14 & 21 | 10:30-10:50am

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! Stay and play after the storytime ends.



#### Bookworms Storytime 3-7 years

Thursdays, Nov 2, 9, 16,  
Dec 14 & 21 | 4:15-4:45pm

Read books, sing songs, and play with friends in this interactive literature-based storytime. Join us each week for a new topic and activity.



#### Let's Learn Spanish

Storytime 3-7 years  
Tue, Nov 7 & Dec 19 | 6-6:30pm

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

#### Polish Storytime 3-7 years

Tue, Nov 14, Dec 12 | 6-6:30pm

Zajęcia dla dzieci po Polsku. Zapraszamy na czytania książek, wierszyki, zabawy i piosenki. Enjoy this fun storytime in Polish.

#### Steam Tots

2-5 years  
Mon, Nov 6 &  
Dec 18 | 11-11:30am

Learn and play with STEAM! We will explore different topics in each session that relate to science, technology, engineering, art, or math geared toward the younger ones. Messy clothes are strongly recommended!



#### Tiny Tot Playtime 1-4 years

Tue, Nov 28 | 6-6:30pm

Explore the Library's new toys and make some new friends.

#### Friday Fun Day 3 years and up

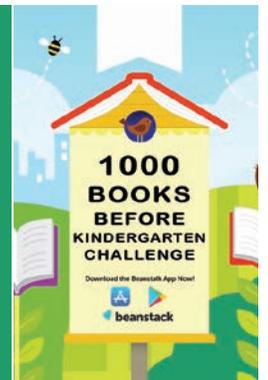
Fri, Nov, 3, 17; Dec 1, 15 & 22  
11am-4:30pm

Explore, discover, and imagine with our new educational play stations. We rotate our toys every week to ensure our future veterinarians, doctors, chefs, and store clerks never get bored!



## 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.





## Kids and Teens

### Family Arts & Crafts Night: Loom Crafts 5-11 years with an adult Tue, Nov 7 | 7-8 pm

Explore making various crafts using looms as a family. Make a bracelet, necklace, keychain, or a potholder. You are welcome to stay as long or as little as you would like.

### Wacky Wednesdays 11-15 years Wed, Nov 8, Dec 13 | 2:30-4 pm

Enjoy crafts, activities, and snacks with your friends on early dismissal Wednesdays.

### Dino Dig 7-11 years Wed, Nov 15 | 4:30-5pm

Calling all young paleontologists! Learn about dinosaurs and fossils with us as we dig for our very own.

### Dino-Rific Party 4-8 years Wed, Nov 22 | 2-3pm

Explore the world of dinosaurs with fun crafts, games, and other activities. You'll have a roaring good time!



### Loom Knitting Ages 8-14 years Mon, Nov 20; Tue, Nov 21; Wed, Dec 27; Thu, Dec 28 | 2-3pm

Learn to make a scarf or hat on a knitting loom. Loom knitting is a fun entry level yarn craft. Did you learn to loom knit this summer? Join us to work on your project or start something new!

### Spanish Fun & Games 5-11 years Tue, Nov 28 | 7-7:30pm

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

### Reindeer Fun & Games 4-8 years Wed, Dec 20 | 4:30-5:15pm

Join in all our reindeer games! We'll play, create, and more!

### DIY Gingerbread Houses 7-11 years

Thu, Dec 21 | 6-7pm

Build and decorate your own gingerbread houses using all sorts of candy. Take it home to display for the holidays!

### Frozen Fun & Games 5-11 years Tue, Dec 19 | 7-7:45pm

Brave the wind and the snow to have some fun playing games inspired by the *Frozen* movies.

### Battle Of Books Kickoff Parties

3rd Grade: Tue, Dec 12 | 4:30-5:30pm

4th Grade: Thu, Dec 14 | 4:30-5:30pm

5th Grade: Tue, Dec 19 | 4:30-5:30pm

Join your BOB teammates to make your t-shirts, pick up flash cards, and enjoy some tasty treats. These programs are only for BoB team members.

### Noon Year's Eve Party 6-8 years Fri, Dec 29 | 11:30am-12:15pm

Countdown to noon with us! Children who are too young to stay up until midnight can celebrate the coming of the new year with us. Enjoy crafts, a story and then countdown to noon!



**READ**  
**500 BOOKS**  
before Junior High

Sign up today!



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.

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## LOCAL PHONE NUMBERS

Fire Non-Emergency: (630) 766-1147
Police Non-Emergency: (630) 766-2060
City of Wood Dale: (630) 766-4900
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
COMCAST: (866) 594-1234
COM ED Outages: (800) 334-7661
Curb-to-Curb Transit Service: (630) 350-8161
Dial-a-Ride: (630) 787-3763
DMV-Lombard: (630) 629-8305
DuPage County: (630) 407-6500
DuPage Forest Preserve: (630) 933-7200
Fenton High School District #100: (630) 766-2500
Food Pantry Wood Dale: (630) 766-1805
Garbage Customer Service: (630) 261-0578
DuPage County Health Department: (630) 682-7400
IDOT Irving Park Maintenance: (847) 705-4000
J.U.L.I.E.: (800) 892-0123
Library (Wood Dale Public): (630) 766-6762
Metra Service: (312) 322-6777
NICOR: (888) 642-6748
Post Office: (630) 766-0504
Public Works: (630) 350-3530
Report Plane Noise: (800) 435-9569
School District #4: (630) 628-2502
School District #7: (630) 595-9510
School District #88: (630) 530-3988
Social Security - Bloomingdale: (800) 772-1213
U.S. Post Office General: (800) 275-8777
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Water/Wastewater: (630) 350-3542
Willowbrook Wild Life Center: (630) 942-6200
Wood Dale Park District: (630) 595-9333
DuPage Co. Div. of Transportation: (630) 407-6920

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**29** District 7 Half-Day Inservice – Students attend in the AM only

**30** NO SCHOOL  
Fenton High School

**31** Shape of Wood Dale 7-9 pm Wood Dale Junior High Auditorium

**1** City Council Meeting 7:30-8:30 pm City Hall

**2** Latin Flavor Mix (Dance) 7 pm Fenton High School

**3** Medicare 101 10:30-1 pm Wood Dale Library  
Veterans Appreciation Events 8:30-11 am Salt Creek Golf Club and Veterans Memorial Park

**5** NO SCHOOL  
Fenton High School

**6** Fenton Student Council Blood Drive 7 am-1:30 pm Fenton High School  
Bourbon & Whiskey Tasting 6-8 pm Salt Creek Golf Club  
Vocal Solo & Ensemble Contest 6 pm Fenton High School  
Committee of the Whole 7:30-8:30 pm City Hall

**7** Picture Retakes for Fresh/Soph/Juniors (during school) Fenton High School

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District 7 Fall Band Concert 7 pm Center for the Arts

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			WV Winter Music Program 6:30 pm Center for the Arts	Holiday Open House 6-9 pm Wood Dale Library City Council Meeting 7:30-8:30 pm City Hall	OB Winter Music Program 6:30 pm Center for the Arts	
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		Family Gingerbread House Decorating & Contest 6-7:30 pm Woodlands at White Oaks Park	EC Winter Music Program Center for the Arts	Winter Choral Concert District 7 6:30 pm Center for the Arts Committee of the Whole 7:30-8:30 pm City Hall	Holiday Assembly Fenton High School Holiday Trolley & Pizza with Santa 5-9 pm Park District District 7 School Board Meeting 7 pm	
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