

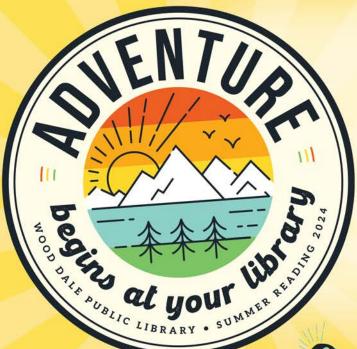


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Embark on a summer full of adventure at Wood Dale Public Library.

Kids, teens, and adults can earn rewards and chances to win prizes all summer long. More details on Page 26.

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Summer Reading Kickoff Party

Petting Zoo • Music • Balloon Artists

Bluey™ • Tech Petting Zoo • T-Shirt Giveaway •
 Free Kona Ice® • Food Truck (food available for purchase)

# BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND!

Kids and teens, complete one summer reading bingo card by June 26 to earn a free wristband

to the Prairie Fest carnival on Sunday, June 30, 1-5pm,

while supplies last.











The Prairie Fest carnival passes are made possible by the Library's partnership with the City of Wood Dale and the sponsorship by Wood Dale Bank and Trust, a Wintrust Community Bank.

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May 2	City Council Meeting	7:30 PM - 8:30 PM		
May 2	Special Events Committee	6:00 PM - 7:00 PM		
May 6	Streetscape & Economic Enhancement Committee	6:30 PM - 8:00 PM		
May 9	Committee of the Whole	7:30 PM - 8:30 PM		
May 11	Move with the Mayor and City Council	9 AM to 10 AM		
May 13	y 13 Brush Collection			
May 14	Board of Fire and Police Commissioners	6:00 PM - 7:00 PM		
May 16	City Council Meeting	7:30 PM - 8:30 PM		
May 20	May 20 Community Development Commission 7:00 PM - 9			
May 23	Committee of the Whole - Canceled			
May 24	Sounds of Summer Concert and Car Show	5:00 - 9:00 PM		
May 27	City Hall Closed - Memorial Day	8:30 AM - 4:30 PM		
May 27	lay 27 Memorial Day Parade 11:00 AM - 1:0			
May 30 5th Thursday - No Meeting Scheduled				
JUNE				
June 3	Streetscape & Economic Enhancement Committee	6:30 PM - 8:00 PM		
June 6	Special Events Committee	6:00 PM - 7:00 PM		
June 6	City Council Meeting	7:30 PM - 8:30 PM		
June 7	Sounds of Summer Concert and Car Show	5:00 - 9:00 PM		
June 11	Board of Fire and Police Commissioners	6:00 PM - 7:00 PM		
June 13	Public Works Open House	3:30 - 6:30 PM		
June 13	Committee of the Whole	7:30 PM - 8:30 PM		
June 14	Summer Movie Series: The Little Mermaid	8:00 - 10:00 PM		
June 17	Community Development Commission	7:00 PM - 9:00 PM		
June 20	City Council Meeting	7:30 PM - 8:30 PM		
June 22	Mayo with the Mayor and City Council	9 AM - 10 AM		
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**PRAIRIE** 

# **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 20-22

9 a.m. - Dusk

Open to all residents! Participant signage may be picked up at City Hall. To register, scan the QR Code or register in-person at City Hall, 404 N. Wood Dale Road

For questions, call (630) 787-3709.



& ENDS SEPTEMBER 1

# **MAYOR'S LETTER**

# **Dear Wood Dale Residents.**

Chicagoland has been fortunate this year to have experienced a mild winter and a welcoming spring. This mild weather has been especially helpful for special events planning too!

Wood Dale is bursting with events and this season we are combining our Sounds of Summer concerts series with the Cruise Night Car Shows, beginning Friday, May 24 featuring ARRA, a classic rock band. If you are considering a staycation this is the weekend to do it! The Wood Dale Park District's, Beach water park, opens Saturday, May 25 and we also celebrate our highly anticipated Memorial Day Parade on Monday, May 27. This year with MORE CANDY!





We are extremely excited to announce new dates for the City's four-day Prairie Fest, now on Thursday, June 27 through Sunday June 30. City staff and Council have worked for many months to organize the 2024 Prairie Fest, with live bands like the Smithereens, with quest vocalists Marshall Crenshaw on Friday night, plus a carnival, fireworks display on Saturday night, and many food favorites. Prairie Fest is the City's premier event, drawing thousands of

visitors, and this year we've added even more activities to enhance the experience for kids and families.

With the help of the *Wood Dale Bank and Trust* a Wintrust Bank, we've collaborated with the Wood Dale Public Library to incentivize their Summer Reading Program in a fun way. Students who complete milestones in the program will receive



# MEET THE CITY COUNCIL



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a wristband, providing participants with unlimited rides at the carnival on Sunday, June 30.

And that's not all. This year's Prairie Fest will have expanded times for BINGO with the VFW and we're hosting Sip and Paint events on Thursday and Friday nights, with a portion of the proceeds going to the Wood Dale Community Food Pantry. (Pre-registration is required.)

SUMMER THE LITTLE MERMAID (2023) FRIDAY. JUNE 14 AT 8:30 PM **BEACH WATERPARK** INDIANA JONES AND THE DIAL OF DESTINY FRIDAY, JULY 12 AT 8:30 PM THE WOODLANDS AT WHITE OAKS SUPER MARIO BROTHERS FRIDAY, AUGUST 23 AT 8:00 PM WOOD DALE RD & COMMERCIAL ST AND ZOWA Live Wrestling Entertainment is coming back to Prairie Fest on Sunday June 30!

We're ready to host the best festival Wood Dale has seen yet!

Special Events are not the only thing happening in Wood Dale - It's also construction season! If you are curious about the scheduled projects in Wood Dale, please scan the QR code or visit the City website and click on "Construction Updates" from the home page to view the interactive GIS map which details the upcoming Capital Improvement Projects (CIP)



for this spring/summer. Projects include the placement of a traffic signal at Irving Park & Central Ave, Water Main Replacements and Street Resurfacing to name a few.

If you have questions about the construction programs and schedule, please visit the Public Works department at 790 N Central Ave, during

normal business hours, Monday-Friday, 7:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. They also welcome your phone call at 630-350-3530.

Be safe and enjoy all the special events coming up. I look forward to seeing you this summer!

npulice@wooddale.com

Sincerely,

# **MAYOR** Nunzio Pulice (630) 595-8545 |



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Wood Dale is proud to partner with the National Move with the Mayor initiative, part of the National Forum - For Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention, to inspire Wood Dale to be more physically active. We are providing accessible activities. Are you up for the challenge? The program begins May 11. Activities start at 9 a.m. and range from simple movement to walking an average of 1 to 3 miles. These are family-friendly events. All ages and strollers are welcome.

# Tai Chi Returns on August 10!

Additionally, for any Wood Dale resident attending two or more Move with the Mayor & Council events, the City will support your registration for the School District 7 annual Pura Vida 5k Run/Walk family event on September 28. It's a great way to get active, enjoy our community, and wrap up the summer with a fun celebration.

Let's move Wood Dale!

# Locations and Schedule:

- May 11 9 a.m. Wood Dale Grove Forest Preserve, 895 N Wood Dale Rd
- June 22 9 a.m. The Woodlands at White Oaks Park, 111 S. Wood Dale Rd (With fitness equipment instruction, post-walk with the Wood Dale Park District)
- July 13 9 a.m. Westview Elementary School, 200 N. Addison Rd
- August 10 9 a.m. Tai Chi Day! Wood Dale Rd and Commercial St
- September 28 Pura Vida 5k with School District 7 (Registration Required) Please check District 7's website for the start time of the 5k. WOOD DALE PARK DISTRICT







Active Places, Friendly Faces



# MEMORIALDAY



# PARADE & CEREMONY

Monday, May 27

ADDISON ROAD & VETERANS MEMORIAL





**POST 2149** 

For information, road closures, parade route map, participant applications and more, scan the QR code.

# WANT YOUR GROUP TO PARTICIPATE

Call (630) 766-0334 or Scan the QR Code to reserve your position.



SCAN ME

# **Wood Dale Memorial Day Parade Route**





Carnival

Community Park - Mittel Dr. & Wood Dale Rd.
LIVE MUSIC

**Family Fun** 

Sip and Paint w/Bottle & Bottega

Food & Drinks

Fireworks
(Saturday Night)

Live Wrestling







# THURSDAY. JUNE 27 – GATES OPEN AT 5:30 PM

6:00 10:00 p.m. Carnival

6:00-7:30 p.m. **BLOOZE BROTHERS** 

Blues Brothers Tribute

8:15-10:00 p.m. HELLO WEEKEND

Non-Stop Hits, Party Band

# FRIDAY, JUNE 28- GATES OPEN AT 5:30 PM

6:00-11:00 p.m. Carnival 6:15-8:15 p.m. **IPOP** 

Decades of Dance Hits

9:00-10:30 p.m. THE SMITHEREENS with guest vocalist Marshall Crenshaw

# SATURDAY. JUNE 29 – GATES OPEN AT 12:30 PM

1:00-11:00 p.m. Carnival

3:00-4:15 p.m. GOOD CLEAN FUN

Retro Hits

RENEGADE WILDFLOWER 5:00-6:30 p.m.

Southern Rock/Country

7:15-8:45 p.m. **ALT 101** 

90's Alternative Rock

9:30-11:00 p.m. TOO HYPE CREW

Old School Hip Hop

# SUNDAY, JUNE 30 – GATES OPEN AT 12:30 PM

1:00-10:00 p.m. Carnival

5:15-6:45 p.m. HI-FI SUPERSTAR

70's and Beyond

7:30-9:30 p.m. 7th HEAVEN

"30 Songs in 30 Minutes"

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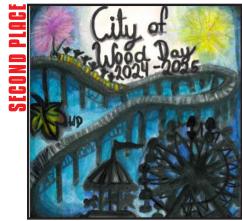
# EHICLE STICKER

Each year, we receive many amazing drawings from Wood Dale children for our annual Vehicle Sticker Artwork Contest and this year is no different. There are so many talented children in Wood Dale! This year's art theme was "Your Favorite Weekend in Wood Dale." It was very challenging to select the top three, and you've inspired us to get out and discover our favorite weekend activity in Wood Dale!

The first-place honor this year goes to Liliana, age 7. She has earned a \$100 Target gift card, a commemorative plaque, a vehicle sticker for her parents, and the privilege of seeing her work on the 2024/25 sticker! The second-place award goes to Wiktoria, age 13, and the third-place award goes to Maja, age 10 (they will each receive a \$50 Target gift card).

Thank you to all children who participated in the contest. You make Wood Dale a more colorful and fun place to live and work!









# City Vehicle Stickers

The 2024-2025 City Vehicle Stickers may be purchased online in late May. The sticker should be displayed on windshields by June 30 to avoid late fees/penalties. Please wait for the renewal form before purchasing a new vehicle sticker. This form contains the information needed to purchase a new vehicle sticker. Scan this QR code with your smartphone to visit wooddale.com to purchase a vehicle sticker.





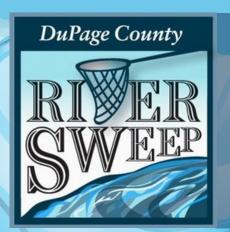
Residents can update their vehicle information either online or on the printed renewal form.

Other ways to purchase a new vehicle sticker:

- Return the renewal form to City Hall by dropping it in the drop box within the City Hall parking lot
- Mail the renewal form in the envelope provided
- Payments are accepted at the Finance Department during regular business hours (8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday).

\*Honorary vehicle sticker recipients: Honorary stickers are valid until June 2025. A new sticker is not required this year. Please contact the Finance Department with any questions at 630-766-4900 or finance@wooddale.com.





# SATURDAY MAY 4TH 9AM-NOON

Join us for this annual river clean-up event that empowers residents to improve local rivers by removing trash from DuPage County waterways. Find out how you can make positive change while working together with members of your community.

# Benefits are Many

Since the DuPage County River Sweep was launched in 1991, more than 14,000 volunteers have removed nearly 300 tons of garbage from DuPage County waterways! Volunteers help make our streams and communities more attractive while improving water and shoreline quality for the benefit of wildlife and recreation. Have fun while getting some exercise and meeting other serviceminded individuals.





The Conservation Foundation 10S404 Knoch Knolls Road Naperville, IL 60565 (630) 428-4500, Ext 113



REGISTER ONLINE AT THECONSERVATIONFOUNDATION.ORG/SWEEP OR SCAN THE CODE

# BUILDING PERMITS

With this warmer weather among us, many of us may be thinking of home repair projects or renovations. The Community Development Department is available to assist with the permitting process to ensure your project is done safely and accurately.





- One-story detached accessory structures used as playhouses provided the floor area does not exceed one hundred twenty (120) square feet; and
- Swings and other playground equipment.

# What work requires a building permit?

A permit is required for any alteration or repair of a current building or structure or any new construction. Examples of work that would require a building permit outside include installation/replacement of fences, driveways, sheds, decks, sidewalks, patios, garages, roofs, or pools. Interior remodeling of your home including adjustments to plumbing, electrical, windows, doors, or walls also require a permit. Replacement of air conditioners, furnaces, and water heaters also need a permit. While most projects require a permit, the following projects are exempt and do not require a permit:

- Painting, papering, tiling, carpeting, cabinets, countertops (with no changes to electrical).
- Non-fixed and movable fixtures, cases, racks, counters, and partitions not over five feet nine inches (5'9") in height

which do not contain electrical devices.

 Prefabricated swimming pools which can hold less than twenty-four inches (24") of water, do not exceed five thousand (5,000) gallons, and are installed entirely above ground. The Community Development Department also offers <u>Same Day permits</u> for the following:

- Roofs
- Siding
- Water Heaters
- Windows
- Furnace Replacement

Please note permit applications are ONLY being accepted through the online, self-service portal (my.wooddale.com) at this time. For more information on the permitting process, please contact the Community Development Department at (630) 766-5133 or email at permits@wooddale.com.







In May 2024, the City of Wood Dale will participate in the annual Building Safety Month, a worldwide campaign presented by the International Code Council. its members. and partners to promote building safety.

year's campaign, "Mission Possible" raises awareness about the importance of building codes and ensuring safety in the spaces in which we live, work, and learn. Homes and buildings that are built in compliance with building safety codes and the officials who enforce the codes are essential to helping communities become affordable. resilient, and energy and water-efficient. Building Safety Month provides homeowners, government officials, and the public with the necessary information and resources to prepare and protect our built environment.

The City of Wood Dale's Community Development Department is always available to assist with any questions, comments, or concerns. Visit us on the first floor of City Hall, or by calling (630) 766-5133 or by email at permits@wooddale.com.

Show your commitment to building safety and become a Building Safety Month sponsor. Visit buildingsafetymonth.org/become-a-sponsor to learn more.

www.buildingsafetymonth.org



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International Code Council family of solutions

The City was recently awarded grant funding in the amount of \$12,500 through the Morton Arboretum's Chicago Region Tree Initiative to complete a GIS-based tree inventory of all trees maintained by the City. The inventory will include tree species, size, health and condition, treatment needed, REGION TRE open planting spaces and location data of each tree. This assessment will help City operations to

maintain our urban forest efficiently and adequately. This grant will also support the development of an urban forestry management plan which will help shape policies and procedures surrounding City tree management following

the devastating impacts of

emerald ash borers. Funding was provided by the Urban and Community Forestry Programs of the Illinois Department of Natural Resources and **USDA** Forest Service Eastern Region. This institution is an equal opportunity provider. During the summer months, you may see surveyors out-measuring and collecting the data on these trees!





# The Household **Hazardous Waste Facility is Available to Wood Dale Residents**



The Household Hazardous Waste facility in Naperville - located at 156 Fort Hill Drive, Naperville - is open and available to all residents of Illinois at no charge. Household hazardous items are materials purchased for cleaning or maintaining a home. Business waste is not accepted.

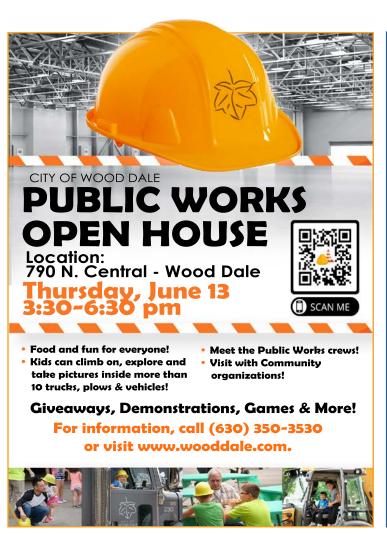
The Household Hazardous Waste Facility is open every Saturday and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

No appointment is necessary, and there is no fee for using the facility. Visit the City of Naperville's website for more information and to view a list of what is accepted or call (630) 420-6095.

Please scan the QR code to view

about more the City's green initiatives or please call the **Public Works** Department at 630-350-3530.







# MOSQUITO ABASEMENT IN WOOD DALE

The City of Wood Dale contracts with Clarke Environmental to provide mosquito abatement services for the Wood Dale community. The contractor performs multiple citywide sprayings each year as part of an integrated pest management plan that includes inspections, surveillance of mosquito populations, and treatments for both larval and adult mosquito control. The program does not eliminate all mosquitoes but controls the population to help prevent the spread of the West Nile Virus.









Clarke Mosquito Control has a hotline established to answer all residents' questions and concerns at 1-800-942-2555. Citizens can also register with Clarke online for notifications at https://www.clarkeportal.com/hotline.



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Non-Emergency: 630-766-2060

**Chief of Police** Chris Zito

**Deputy Chief** Chris Banaszynski





# OFFICER AND CIVILAN OF THE YEAR



Each year, the Wood Dale Police Department recognizes one police officer and one civilian employee with the Officer of the Year and Civilian Employee of the Year awards. The award recipients are nominated by their co-workers and selected by command staff.

The Officer of the Year award is given to an officer who best exemplifies the performance, principles, and purposes of the law and the Wood Dale Police Department. Officer Kevin Perez, the recipient of the 2023 award, began his career with the Wood Dale Police Department in 2017 as a Community Service Officer (CSO). He served as a CSO for thirteen months before becoming a Police Officer in 2018. Officer Perez currently works on the afternoon shift, where he serves as a Senior Services Officer, Juvenile Officer, Field Training Officer, and Officer-In-Charge. Ofc. Perez is also a member of the Northern Illinois Police Alarm System (NIPAS) Mobile Field Force, a multi-jurisdictional team of law enforcement officers that responds to civil disturbances, public demonstrations, and other events involving large or disorderly crowds.

The Civilian Employee of the Year Award honors non-sworn members of the Wood Dale Police Department whose roles are vital in helping the department's daily operations. Michael Marra, the recipient of the Civilian Employee of the Year Award 2023, began his career with the Wood Dale Police Department as a Property Custodian in 2022 after retiring as a Police Officer with the Chicago Police Department after twenty-four years of service. As the Property Custodian, Michael performs specialized clerical and routine technical work relating to securing, storing, and disposing of seized evidence and property. Michael is also responsible for preserving, maintaining, and releasing digital video evidence for the Police Department and provides service to both internal and external customers.

Please join us in congratulating Police Officer Kevin Perez and Property Custodian Michael Marra, who have made significant contributions to the Wood Dale Police Department and the City of Wood Dale!









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# Department in Springfield

On March 13th and 14th, Chief Johl and Deputy Chief Steines attended the 24th Annual Illinois Fire Service Legislative Day in Springfield. They were able to meet with our local state representatives and promote fair legislation on the behalf of our firefighters and residents.

Chief Johl and Deputy Chief Steines are pictured here with other area Chief's and State Senator Seth Lewis (above) and State Representative Jennifer Sanalitro (below).



# Don't Let Bugs

# This Summer

Don't let mosquitoes and ticks ruin your carefree summer fun. As we spend more time outdoors for activities like camping, hiking, swimming, picnicking and barbecuing, there is a greater chance of getting bitten by mosquitoes and ticks.

Mosquitoes and ticks are more than just itchy and annoying — if infected, these pests can pose a major health risk to people by possibly transmitting diseases. Follow these tips to prevent mosquito and tick bites this summer:

- Use insect repellents containing DEET (N, N-diethyl-meta-toluamide) when you are outdoors. Be sure to follow the directions on the package.
- Consider staying indoors at dusk and dawn, when mosquitoes are most active.
- Wear long-sleeved shirts and long pants and tuck your pant legs into your socks or boots.
- Tuck your shirt into your pants. Wear light-colored clothing to make it easier to see tiny insects or ticks.
- When hiking in woods and fields, stay in the middle of trails. Avoid underbrush and tall grass.

- If you are outdoors for a long time, check yourself several times during the day. Especially check in hairy areas of the body like the back of the neck and the scalp line.
  - Inspect yourself carefully for insects or ticks after being outdoors or have someone else do it.
- If you have pets that go outdoors, spray with repellent made for their breed/type. Apply the repellent according to the label and check your pet for ticks often.
- Get rid of mosquito breeding sites by emptying sources of standing water outside of the home, such as from flowerpots, buckets and barrels.

# **SUMMER PET SAFET**

Summer's heat can be dangerous for your family pets. Follow these steps to take to help ensure your pet stays safe this summer.

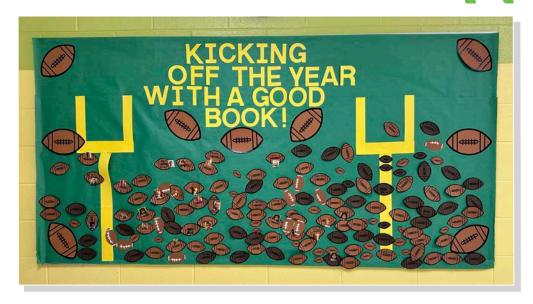
- Don't leave your pet in a hot vehicle, even for a few minutes. The inside temperature of the car can quickly reach 120 degrees even with the windows cracked open.
- Oftentimes we do not realize how hot the ground is because we're wearing shoes. Animals don't wear shoes so pavement and asphalt can be painful and potentially dangerous. Walking your pets in the grass or avoiding taking them outside during the hottest part of the day can help. A good tip is to touch your own palm to the pavement to see if it is too hot for your animal.
- Animals can suffer heat stroke, a common problem for pets in the warmer weather. Dogs with short noses or snouts, like the boxer or bulldog, are especially prone to heat stroke, along with overweight pets, those with extremely thick fur coat or any pet with upper respiratory problems such as laryngeal paralysis or collapsing trachea.
- Some of the signs of heat stroke in your pet are heavy panting, being unable to calm down, even when lying down, brick red gum color, fast pulse rate and being unable to get up.



- ☼ If you suspect your pet has heat stroke, take their temperature rectally. If the temperature is above 105 degrees, cool the animal down. The easiest way to do this is by using the water hose. Stop cooling the animal when the temperature reaches 103 degrees
- Bring your pet to the veterinarian as soon as possible as heat stroke can lead to severe organ dysfunction and damage.

# **EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION CENTER**

Mrs. Melissa Favata, Principal



Celebrating with Miss Carole!

# **Fostering a Love for Reading:**The Impact of Early Childhood Reading Programs

Instilling a love for reading in early childhood is fundamental to student success. At ECEC one way we support this idea is through our annual reading program. This year the reading program was implemented at ECEC from January - March. The reading program not only encouraged children to read but also celebrated their achievements in a memorable way.

Reading logs were sent home with the children to be used to track the books read by them each week. Students enthusiastically brought back their completed logs,

with many even returning more than one! For every ten books read, students proudly put up a paper football on a bulletin board in the front entrance of the school to be displayed for all to see. By the program's end, an impressive total of 154 footballs were put on the bulletin board, symbolizing the dedication to reading.

To celebrate this remarkable achievement, a special performance was arranged by none other than "Miss Carole" Stephens, an esteemed music specialist known affectionately as the "Pied Piper of Children's Music." Miss Carole's performance reinforced the importance of integrating music and literacy in early childhood education. Through her interactive session, Miss Carole illuminated the joy and magic that literature and music can bring into children's lives.

With the success of this program, the ECEC staff remain committed to continuing to promote literacy at home, ensuring a lifelong passion for learning among our students. •



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# **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

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# 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



# **Busy Days at Oakbrook School**

The end of winter kept Oakbrook staff and students busier than ever. Early in the year, the Tim Hannig Kids PRO Show once again returned to District 7. Tim Hanning is always fun and entertaining for students and their families. Mr. Hanning captures his audience's attention through magic tricks, puppet characters, and jokes. Through all the fun, he intersperses messages about making good choices and quality parenting.

Another fun event Oakbrook families, students, and staff engaged in was an activity that took advantage of the large snowfall in January. The school hosted a "Snowman Challenge". Students were asked to build snowmen at home

and send their photos their teachers.

received many cute photos. The

photos were posted on our Snowman Challenge bulletin board in our main hallway for all students and staff to see. Students, staff, and administrators throughout the district came to vote for their favorites. The Snowman Challenge winners were selected based on three different categories: tallest, funniest, and most school spirit. Our winners were named in the student morning announcements. These students also received a winner ribbon and certificate of recognition. We had a lot of fun hosting the event.

To round out the end of winter. Oakbrook second graders visited



Snowman Challenge Bulletin Board

Radcliff Residence Center once again. This is our second year visiting the residents to celebrate Valentine's Day with them. Students treated the residents with their rendition of The Sound of Music's Do Re Mi. Singing was conducted by our second grade music teacher, Mr. Thoms. After the song, students interacted with the residents, passing out their homemade Valentine's Day cards and reading their favorite books to them. Oakbrook School has been requested to return again next year with the hope of a good-bye song added to the repertoire of activities. •

# WESTVIEW SCHOOL

Mr. Alan Buttimer, Principal

# **Students Thrive at Westview Elementary** Even After the Bell!

At Westview School, learning does not stop when the dismissal bell rings! That is because we offer multiple opportunities for children to continue learning and having fun, beyond the regular school day. For the last several years, we have offered an Afterschool Sports Club with a rotation of activities including soccer, floor hockey, basketball, wiffle ball, and running club. Our P.E. teacher provides instruction on the fundamental movements and skills, as well as basic strategies for intermediate-aged children to learn these games, and begin to compete with one another.



Westview students that participate in the District 7 Spanish/English Dual Language Program recently began additional practice twice per week in our Spanish Conversation Club!

Thanks to a grant District 7 was recently awarded, we were able to purchase several sets of choir chimes. Our general music teacher has provided an opportunity for students to participate in a Choir Chimes Club

after school for the past two years. Students in the Choir Chimes Club have had the opportunity to sharpen their skills in the areas of reading music and learning rhythms. The Choir Chimes Club also performs at our

Annual Open House in the Spring!

In addition to athletic and fine arts opportunities after school, Westview continues to provide academic support through our PowerHour program. Staffed by Westview teachers and paraprofessionals, this afterschool club includes a snack, small group instruction, games, and practice with essential literacy skills such as vocabulary, reading fluency and comprehension and math skills such

as fact fluency, number sense, and word problem solving.

Recently, we recognized the need to provide additional support to students who participate in our Spanish/ English Dual Language program, but do not have the opportunity to practice their Spanish skills beyond the school day. This school year we launched the Spanish Conversation Club at Westview, in which functional oral language skills are practiced so that students gain vocabulary and confidence with speaking and listening in Spanish, beyond what they are able to practice during class.

We are proud that we are able to continue providing enriching after school experiences focused helping our students learn, grow, and have fun, even after the regular school day is over! •

# WOOD DALE JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

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

# **Spring Brings Outdoor Fun to** the Junior High

As spring brings warmer weather, outdoor clubs and activities are in full swing at the junior high. A new club established this year has generated a great deal of buzz among the students. Mr. Hovey, the junior high health teacher, came up with the idea to provide our students with exposure to one of his lifelong passions, fishing. Nearly 30 students have joined this exciting 1st time club to learn everything about the sport of fishing. Students who have their own fishing gear are encouraged to use it on outings. Those in the club in need of gear were fitted with a rod and reel so they could fully participate in all the activities. Members of the club learned fishing basics like casting, tying a lure, and techniques to draw fish to the line. A related topic the students explored was conservation and the importance of natural waterways. The students had the opportunity to hear a speaker from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources who provided information regarding conservation, fishing safety,



The Fishing Club Practices Casting at the Junior High

and the types of fish native to Illinois waters. Students take trips to nearby watering holes to practice what they have learned and hopefully "Catch the big one"!

Students in the Environmental Club are researching what they will plant in their garden this spring. The club's garden is located at the southwest corner of the school. The students are responsible to care for their garden, as well as the two planters in front of the school. Students in the Environmental Club learn about different flowers and

ground covers that can be planted in Illinois to beautify the surroundings. Students in the club also use the compost they have acquired through their yearlong composting program to organically feed and grow strong and vibrant plants.

Spring means the track and field season is underway as well. Students participate in running events and field events such as long jump, high jump and shot put. The season culminates in May at the conference meet at Lake Park High School. •

2024 Summer Projects for School District 7





Written by: Dr. John W. Corbett, Superintendent

Most people who work for a school district look forward to summer because it is a time to relax and recharge for the upcoming school year. That is different for the Buildings and Grounds Department as it is their busiest time of the year! With students and staff away for vacation, summer

is the perfect time to clean the buildings, conduct routine maintenance, and make needed repairs. In addition to the routine maintenance, during the summer of 2024, there will be several capital projects completed.

The major construction work this summer will take place at Oakbrook Elementary and Wood Dale Junior High. At each of these schools we will be reconstructing the entrances to enhance security by reducing access to these schools. At Oakbrook, the project will involve extending the current entrance to enlarge the existing foyer. This will allow our office staff to interact with visitors through a service window to eliminate the need for anyone to enter the school for routine activities. At Wood Dale Junior High, the classroom that shares the north wall with the front foyer will be converted to the main office. The door to the office will be located in the foyer and visitors will only be allowed to enter the office after they have been screened. This will eliminate the need for visitors to walk through the school to get to the office.

In addition, the district will complete its conversion from electric to natural gas heating and cooling at Wood Dale Junior High. Nine rooftop units and two air handlers will be installed to service the gym and auditorium. At Westview Elementary, the playground will be resurfaced, adding striping for play activities for recess and physical education classes. Finally, needed roof repairs will be made at Wood Dale Junior High.

These important projects, totaling \$2.5 million, will be completed before the start of the new school year. The Board of Education is proud to inform Wood Dale residents that no borrowing will be required to finance these projects. In fact, a \$300,000 tax abatement of Debt Service is scheduled for the upcoming tax year which will provide tax relief to our local homeowners. This is all possible due to the ongoing fiscal health of the school district.



# **EVENTS CALENDAR**

### **APRIL 25**

 WV Open House & Ice Cream Social 6:30pm

### MAY 2

→ JH PTO Meeting 6:30pm

### **MAY 2 & 3**

JH Spring Musical "Annie"
 @ Center for the Arts 7pm

### **MAY 8**

 JH 5th Grade Parent Orientation Night

### **MAY 9**

 OB Open House & Ice Cream Social 6pm

### **MAY 10**

JH PTO Food Truck Event

# **MAY 14**

OB/WV PTO Meeting@ OB 6:30pm

# **MAY 16**

School Board Meeting 7pm

### **MAY 21**

- EC Ages 3-5 Developmental Screening 3-5pm
- OB 23-24 Kindergarten/Dual Orientation @ 6pm

# **MAY 22**

 EC Ages 3-5 Developmental Screening 3-5pm

# **MAY 23**

Spring Band Concert@ Center for the Arts 7pm

### **MAY 24**

Half Day - School Improvement Day
 Students Attend AM only

# **MAY 27**

→ Memorial Day — NO SCHOOL

# JUNE 3

- ♦ OB Field Day
- JH 8th Grade Promotional Exercises7pm

### **JUNE 5**

♦ Last Full Day of School for Students

### **JUNE 6**

 Half Day - School Improvement for Teachers

# **JUNE 20**

School Board Meeting 7pm

# **Dear Fenton School Community,**

I am Dr. Sam Bentsen, Fenton's Interim Superintendent. Many of you already know me from our many school events and student celebrations over the years.

The Board of Education voted unanimously in March to appoint me as District 100's Interim Superintendent. I will also continue to be Associate Superintendent and Principal to maintain continuity. I look forward to earning your trust in this new role and partnering with you on our joint mission of educating our future leaders.

I started serving at Fenton in July 2018. Prior to that I served multiple roles at nearby DuPage High School District 88, where I oversaw Special Education programming, Disciplinary practices, Guidance programming, and Safety and Security.

Working together we can achieve all our goals, generate new ideas, and inspire our children each and every day. Fenton is a great place to be with great traditions thanks to our dedicated students, parents, teachers, and community partners.



As we head into May, our Fenton Class of 2024 is in the homestretch of their high school careers and we have a lot of hard-working students to celebrate.



Here's a rundown of all the exciting events:

- May 1 Decision Day, with celebrations during all lunch periods
- May 10 Movie Night and BBQ, 7 p.m. in the Fieldhouse
- May 16 Graduation Practice, 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. in the Fieldhouse
- May 16 Senior Brunch, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at White Pines Golf Club
- May 16 Senior Awards, 6:30 p.m. in the Fieldhouse
- **May 17** Prom
- May 19 Graduation, 12 p.m. in the Fieldhouse

Fenton's Commencement Ceremony is Sunday, May 19 at noon. All seniors get four tickets, with overflow seating in our auditorium to watch the livestream. If you live or work in our community, please give a friendly shout out to any Bison graduates you know.

Sam Bentsen, Ed.D. Interim Superintendent Associate Superintendent/ Principal





**Fenton Community High School** District 100

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

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Sam Bentsen, Interim Superintendent & Associate Superintendent/Principal

# **Construction Updates**

Fenton's \$10 million water mitigation project is nearly complete, with new artificial turf



and a new modern track surface in the stadium almost ready for students to use this summer. Likewise, Fenton plans to begin construction of our new two-story STEM wing in May, shortly after school is dismissed for the summer.

STEM stands for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics. This new addition will feature a variety of modern classrooms and learning spaces in these subject areas. It will be attached to the back of our auditorium and face toward

Route 83. We anticipate a 15-month construction timeline.

All classes will operate as normal next school year. The most disruptive construction will take place this summer and next summer, when a majority of students and staff are not present.

This \$32 million STEM project is being paid for by non-referendum construction bonds that do not raise taxes.

# Fenton Students Discover Potential Careers at Northwestern Medicine







Six outstanding Fenton students were accepted into and participated in the Northwestern Medicine GM Grosvenor Discovery Program, which is highly competitive and acceptance is based on applications. These students include:

- Paulina Krajewski Laylah Ortiz
- Giselle Garcia
   Natalie Ramirez
- Adamary Gomez Mariam Rihani

These students spent one Saturday per month since November visiting different medical settings throughout Illinois and participating in hands-on experiences that focus on fields such as oncology, proton therapy, wellness, rehabilitation, nursing, and others.

This year's program included a variety of sessions across Kishwaukee, Delnor and Central DuPage Hospitals, such as:

- » NM Stop the Bleed Training with the Emergency Medicine team at Delnor Hospital
- » Discovering the Anatomy Lab and medical student panel
- » Discovering Oncology at Kishwaukee Hospital
- » Discovering Proton Therapy and the Living Well Cancer Resource Center in Warrenville
- » Discovering Pathology Clinical Lab, The Leishman Center for Culinary Health, and a conversation with Dr. Mathen, Family Medicine D.O.
- » Discovering Rehabilitation Services at Marianjoy Rehabilitation Hospital
- » Discovering Nursing at CDH

The Discovery Program is designed for students interested in health care and who may have limited access to opportunities to explore related careers.

Fenton also maintains numerous other partnerships in support of our Career Pathways programming, such as career treks (AKA field trips), guest speakers, our annual career fair, and full-blown semester-long internships.

If you or your business are interested in sharing your wisdom, hosting a class for a day, or are able to take an intern for a few hours every day, please contact Michelle Papanicolaou (papanicolaou@fenton100.org) — Fenton's Director of Post Secondary Pathways and Division Leader for Career and Technical Education (CTE).

# FENTON IS SEEKING PARTNERS IN EACH OF THESE CAREER PATHWAYS:









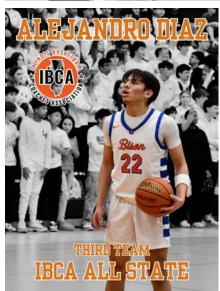


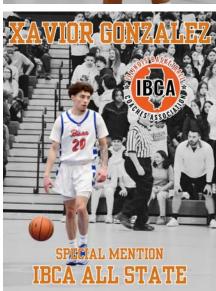




# **FENTON COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL**







Congratulations to the Bison Boys Basketball Team on an exciting and magical 28-5 season, filled will personal scoring records and an Upstate Eight Conference title. Fenton even advanced to the Regional Championship and took Niles Notre Dame to overtime!

This is the first time a Fenton athletic team has won the Upstate Eight Conference since the Bison joined in 2019. Fenton was 17-1 against conference opponents this year.

Following the 2024 season, two Fenton Bison were recognized by the Illinois Basketball Coaches Association (IBCA).

Senior Alejandro Diaz was named to the 2024 IBCA 3rd Team All State, which means he's among the top 50 high school basketball players in Illinois. Alejandro finished this season averaging 16.4 points per game, 3.1 steals per game, 3.6 assists per game, 5.9 rebounds per game, a 52% overall field goal shooting percentage, and he made 39% from behind the 3-point arc.

Alejandro is also Fenton High School's new All-Time Leading Scorer with 1,258 points – the previous record was set in 2020. He also is Fenton's record holder for career steals (263), career blocks (90), and career assists (336). On June 8th, Alejandro will play in the IBCA All-State game. He has committed to playing basketball with North Central College next year.

Senior Xavior Gonzalez was an IBCA All-State Special Mention. Xavior finished this season with 17.9 points per game, 3.0 steals per game, 3.2 assists per game, a 47% overall field goal shooting percentage, and he made 28% from behind the 3-point arc.

Xavior finishes his Fenton career with 1,129 points (any scoring total over 1,000 points is rare), as well as 205 assists and 166 steals.

Both Alejandro and Xavior were named to the Upstate Eight All Conference Team, along with teammate Brandon Block. Alejandro was named Upstate Eight Player of the Year.

For his leadership in this historic season, Fenton Coach Chaz Taft was named the IBCA District 7 Co-Coach of the Year.





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### MISSION STATEMENT

Serving the community with quality recreational experiences that provide a fun and healthy lifestyle.

### **VISION STATEMENT**

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





# MOTHER'S DAY BRUNCH

10:00am - 1:00pm \$40 per person and \$20 per child (12 and under)

Cheers to you, Mom! Celebrate that special lady with us at 390 Gold Experience for a Mother's Day Brunch Buffet and Golf. Each Mom will receive a flower, mimosa, and entry into a giveaway.

### **FEE INCLUDES:**

\*Hitting Bay, VIP Room Access, **Breakfast Buffet with Omelette Station**  GLOW FRISBFF GOLF

8:30 - 11:30pm \$55 per person

Kick off the summer with a 6 hole Night Disc Golf and Top Tracer Golf Tournament at 390 Golf Experience for a chance to win some great prizes and food from Parlay Sports Bar.

### **FEE INCLUDES:**

6 Glow Disc Golf Holes Contest. \*Hitting Bay, Dinner Buffet, Cash Bar

\*Hitting Bay available during event time frame.



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# Dance Parties & Summer Camps

Dance Parties are one day sessions and Summer Camps are three day sessions of dance technique, movement games, crafts, a mini-performance, and much more! Participants of all levels are encouraged to get involved through these camp-style classes that are designed to help participants fill their evening with fun, educational, and movement oriented programming. Wear comfortable formfitted clothing, dance shoes or bare feet. Feel free to dress to match the theme too! Please bring a water bottle. All Dance Parties and Summer Camps held at Wood Dale Park District.



For More Information or to register: Call 630-773-0184 Registration Deadline: Friday, May 24 at 5:00pm

# Father & Son Saturday, June 15 Fishing 8:30-11:30am

**Ages: 4-15** 

Fee: \$15 R/\$18 N R per pair,

\$5/Each Additional Child Code: 3311HSE

**Location: Wood Dale Grove 895 S Wood** 

Dale Rd. Registration Deadline: June 10



# All swim lessons provide a variety of skills and activities to swimmers of all levels. We strive to provide each child with the opportunity to become a safe, confident swimmer while having fun too! Parent/Child, Preschool, Youth, Private, and **Summer Camp Lessons are available.**

# **NEW! 3v3 Bubble Soccer** Tournament All new this summer is our Adult Bubble 3v3 Soccer Tournament! Grab three of your friends and get ready

fun, competition and prizes. Registration deadline is May 27.

for a tournament filled with

Ages: 18+ years	Time: 6:00 - 8:00pm	Fee: \$40 per team		
Session	Day	Date	Code	
1	Thu	Jun 6	330475	

Location: Community Park 655 N. Wood Dale Rd.



# **OPENING WEEKEND**

Saturday, May 25 – Monday, May 27

**CLOSED** 

Tuesday, May 28 - Friday, May 31

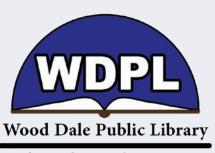
Waterpark reopens for the season starting Saturday, June 1.

# **SEASON SCHEDULE**

Saturday, June 1 – Sunday, August 11 (subject to change)

Adult Swim (Mon-Fri) 10:00 - 11:45am \*Pool Pass is required. Daily Admission is not accepted.

Open Swim (Mon-Sun) 12:00 - 6:30pm



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Fri-Sat	10am-5pm
Sun	Closed

### LIBRARY CLOSINGS

Monday, May 27 ..... Memorial Day

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### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

Chris Renkosiak

# Adventure begins at the Wood Dale Public Library this summer!

We have something for everyone. Kids, teens, and adults, we've prepared some awesome bingo cards packed with fun activities. You'll be tracking your reading, checking out cool stuff from the library, and even events around town. It's like a treasure hunt but with books and community fun.

Once you score 5 in a row on your bingo card, swing by the library for a prize. Guess what? That's just the beginning. After snagging your first two prizes\*, your mission, should you choose to accept it, is to complete the entire bingo card!

Kids and teens, if you finish your bingo card by June 26, you'll score an all-access pass for a day of fun at PrairieFest on Sunday, June 30. Adults, not to worry—completing your second card earns you a \$20 gift card to a Wood Dale restaurant of your choice. Yum!

But wait, there's more! You can keep the adventure going all summer long. Each age group can complete up to three bingo cards by August 31. Complete two rows on each card, and you'll get to choose another awesome prize. Plus, every completed card scores you a raffle ticket for a chance at a super cool grand prize.

Sign up begins on May 15 at wooddalelibrary.beanstack.com or through the Beanstack app (available in the Google Play or Apple app stores). If you've participated in a previous reading program, log in using that information. Prefer to participate on paper? Sign up inperson at the library beginning May 31 for your first bingo card of the season.

# Summer Reading Kickoff Party Fri, May 31 · 47pm

After signing up for summer reading (at the event or ahead of time), spend an afternoon at the library with free fun, including a petting zoo, Knoa Ice, balloon artists, and more. Aunt Tina's Sound Bites Food Truck will also have food available for purchase. We'll be showing off some of our newest library technology at a "tech petting zoo," and don't forget to grab your summer reading t-shirt. Adults, in addition to all the above, stop by to receive a special coupon from our friends at Church Street Brewing.

<sup>\*</sup>Two prizes per card, 3 cards maximum per reader

<sup>\*\*</sup>Wood Dale restaurant gift cards will be available for pickup in September.

# ADULT WORKSHOPS & EVENTS

Unless otherwise noted, all adult events are held in person at the Library, free of charge, and require registration. Please stop by, visit wooddalelibrary.org/events, or call us at (630) 766-6762 to register.

Registration opens Wed, May 1 at 10am for programs with this symbol 😯 next to the title.

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# **Congressman Raja** Krishnamoorthi **Office Hours**

First Wednesday of Every Month | 10am-1pm

Meet with Congressman Krishnamoorthi's staff. Stop by with any questions you may have about federal topics including social security, veterans' affairs, immigration, and taxes.



# **Wood Carving** Meetup

Mondays, May 6, 20, Jun 3, 17 | 6:30-8:30pm

Discover the joys of wood

carving and join the North Suburban Carvers for their regular club meeting at the Library. No registration required.

# The Path to "On the Job" (and where TV Cop **Shows Fail)**

Thu, May 16 | 7-8pm

Author Daniel P. Smith guides audiences into the closed-door society that is the Chicago Police Department, and shares never before told stories.



# **Outdoor Planters with** Peggy Garvin &

Fri, May 17 | 7-8pm

Tue, May 21 | 7-8pm

With the help of an expert floral designer, explore the basics of floral arrangements with your own creation. Supply costs for this program are \$30, payable at the time of the event with cash or a check made out to Peggy Garvin. Each session is the same; please only register for one.

# **Red Cross Blood Drive**

Thu, May 23 | 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 and use the sponsor code: WoodDaleLibrary.

# Thursday Mix

Join us for a mix of cof and engaging progran

month on Thursday afternoons, aimed at adults over 55. Come between 1-2pm for light refreshments and conversation, then stay for relaxing watercolors starting at 2pm.

# **Relaxing Watercolors**

Thu, Jun 6 | 1-3pm

Many consider watercolors to be relaxing and meditative. Learn how you can slow down, relax, and create a masterpiece with the help of local artist Audrey Ra of Audrey Ra Design.

# **Summer Dinner** the Thai Way 😵

Thu, Jun 6 | 7-8pm

Chef Alex will demonstrate coconut-based green curry with ginger and lemongrass that is both rich and refreshing for summer, paired with a popular Thai salad. Recipes and samples will be available.

# An Afternoon at the Illinois Holocaust Museum



Sun, Jun 9 | 11:30am-5:45pm

Explore museum exhibitions through docent-led tours. Transportation to and from the museum as well as museum admission will be covered by the Library; lunch will be available for purchase at the museum's cafeteria. Wood Dale Public Library cardholders may register beginning Wednesday, May 1 at 10am; non-Wood Dale Public Library cardholders may register beginning Friday, May 31 if space is available.

# **Beach Scene Cupcake Decorating**

Mon, June 10 | 4-5pm and 7-8pm

Soak up some sun and frosting by decorating cupcakes using beach-themed designs. Pastry Chef Frannie will guide you through the process and share decorating tips. Supplies for 2 cupcakes per adult registrant will be provided. Due to popularity, please only register for one session; children may accompany caregivers and participate using their supplies.



# Can't make it to a program you've registered for?

No problem! Out of consideration for other patrons, please cancel your registration if you cannot make it, and be sure to include your email address and phone number so we can remind you ahead of events.

# **Dinner & Bunco for Seniors**

# Wed, Jun 12 | 6-8pm

In partnership with the Wood Dale Park District, we invite you and your friends to enjoy a fun-filled evening of Bunco. This fast-paced, easy to learn dice game will have you laughing while making new friends. Doors open at 6pm to enjoy pizza before starting games at 6:30pm sharp! Prizes for the winners and losers. This is a can't miss event. Register by June 3 at wdparks.org using the code 33814AJ. There is a \$2 fee for residents (\$3 for nonresidents).

# UNSOLVED **Unsolved Hollywood Murders**

# Thu, Jun 13 | 7-8pm

Fame couldn't save these celebrities...or find their killers. Historian Susan Gibberman will discuss three celebrity unsolved mysteries: Director William Desmond Taylor and actors George Reeves and Natalie Wood.



# **Plant Swap**

Sat, Jun 15 | 1-3pm Bring a plant cutting

and pick up new plants

to add to your collection! Registrants may take home one free annual plant.

# **COMPUTER CLASSES**

# **Computacion Basica**

# Mon, May 6 | 6:30-8:30pm

Demostramos technicas básicas de computacion con un enfoque en redactar/ enviar correos electrónicos, responder a correos electrónicos recibidos, adjuntar archivos y navegar/organizar correos electrónicos.



# **iPhone Basics**

# Mon, May 20 | 6:30-8:30pm

Let us introduce you to your iPhone! We will cover topics such as basic navigation, making calls, and sending messages and texts, and more.

# **ADULTING 101**

# **Container Gardening** for Beginners

# Thu, May 9 | 7-8pm

Whether you have a balcony, deck, porch, or yard, you can grow a container garden! Wood Dale Public Library's own expert gardener will take you through selecting the perfect pots, soil, and plants to create the perfect garden fit for your space. Each registrant will receive one plant to take home.

# **Makeup Fundamentals** with Gloria

# Sat, Jun 15 | 1-2:30pm

Local makeup artist Gloria will share tips and tricks for a natural and elevated everyday look during this master makeup class.



# TAKE AND...

# Take & Bake: Summer Coconut Cake Bites

# Pick up beginning Mon, Jun 17 at 10am

These sweet crowd-pleasers are perfect for any Summer party. A walnut topping instead of coconut is available. Pick up a bag of supplies, add the perishables from home, and follow along with the recipe provided. One per household.

# **Take & Make: Patriotic** Luminary &

Pick up beginning Mon, Jun 17 at 10am Create an American flag mason jar luminary to decorate for the Fourth of July. One per household.













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- » pressure washer
- » karaoke machine
- » acoustic quitar
- » cotton candy machine
  - » ice cream maker
  - » and more!



# Stay tuned for new outdoorsy **THINGS** coming this Summer. such as:

- » gardening tools
- » a telescope
- » volleyball/ badminton set



- » soccer ball
- » and a fishing set



# **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. Pick up a print copy in the Library at the Book Club Kiosk. Registration is required at wooddalelibrary.org/events, by stopping by, or by calling (630) 766-6762.



# **Book Club Express**

# The Alice Network by Kate Quinn

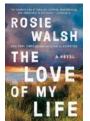
Wed, May 15 | 7-8pm

Two women—a spy during World War I and a 1940's American Socialite—are brought together in a mesmerizing story of courage and redemption.

# The Love of My Life by Rosie Walsh

Wed, Jun 19 | 7-8pm

In this love story wrapped in a mystery, Emma loves her husband Leo and their young daughter Ruby. While she'd do anything for them, almost everything she's told them about herself is a lie.

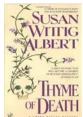


# **Mystery Lovers' Book Club**

Thyme of Death by Susan Wittig Albert

Tue, Jun 4 | 7-8pm

This witty mystery features ex-lawyer turned herbalist China Bales and her search for a small-town Texas killer.



# Klub Książki - Polish Book Club

Amerykański Brud autorstwa Jenine Cummins

Tue, Jun 18 | 7-8pm | Art Gallery Kafe (127 Front St.)

Książki będą czytane i omawiane w języku polskim. Amerykański Brud by Jeanine Cummins. Books will be discussed in the Polish Language.



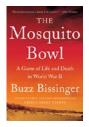
# New! Not Your Mother's Book Club

This Spells Love by Kate Robb

Fri, Jun 21 | 11:30am-1pm



A young woman tries to heal her heartbreak by casting a spell to erase her ex from her past. But when she wakes up in an alternate reality where she's lost more than she wished for, whimsical friends-to-lovers debut. What if one little wish changed everything? Children are welcome to free-play while we discuss. Book kit pick-up will begin May 13.



# **History Pages Book Discussion**

The Mosquito Bowl: A Game of Life and Death in WWII by Buzz Bissinger Wed, Jun 26 | 7-8pm

Bissinger takes us from America's campus football fields where boys played at being Marines, to the darkest and deadliest days that followed Okinawa.

# VIRTUAL AUTHOR VISIT

The program will be available through Zoom.

# The Many Lives of Kal Penn

Tue, May 7 | 7-8pm

Penn is an actor, writer, producer, and former Associate Director of the White House of Public Engagement. He is known for starring roles in

Designated Survivor, House, The Namesake, and More.



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

# **Early Learning**

Let's have fun and learn together with storytime! It's a cool way for little ones to discover new words and skills. Kids get the scoop on everyday stuff, like shapes and colors, all while picking up motor, listening, and social skills. And guess what? Storytimes aren't just educational, they're a blast! We've got songs, movement, fingerplays, and more. Jump into your child's literacy journey with our free, Librarian-led storytimes. To make it extra awesome, we recommend parents and caregivers join in too. If your child is 0-3 years old, make sure to tag along—they need a caregiver by their side for all the fun!



# **Toddler Time**

**0-4 years with a caregiver Wednesdays, Jun 19, 26 | 10:30-10:50am**Join us for this fun pre-reader storytime including books, songs, and activities. Stay and play after the storytime ends.

# Sunshine, Stories, and Stretches!

3-7 years with a caregiver Thursdays, Jun 20, 27 \ 11-11:45am

Together we will read books, sing songs, and move our bodies while we explore balance, nature, and the world around us. Join us each week for a new topic and activity!

# **Animal Lovers Storytime**

Rabbit: Mon, Jun 17 | 2-2:25pm Hedgehog: Mon, 24 | 2-2:25pm

Join us for storytimes about rabbits and hedgehogs, featuring real live animals for children to meet! Stay and play after the storytime ends. If these storytimes fill up,

we will add another one at 2:35pm.



# **Yoga Adventure Jr.** 3-5 years with a caregiver

Tue, Jun 18, 25 | 4:30-5pm

Join us for a yoga adventure!

We will experience a story

through yoga poses and learn some relaxation strategies too. You may bring your own yoga mat/towel or use of our mats.

# **Polish Storytime**

3-7 years with a caregiver Tuesdays, May 14, June 11 \ 6-6:30pm

Enjoy this fun storytime in Polish. Stay and play when the storytime is finished.



# **Toddler Play**

2-4 years with a caregiver Tue, Jun 18 | 10:30-10:50am

Toddlers will play group games as they learn the social skills needed to play with others. Have fun while meeting other toddlers and their caregivers.

# **Adventures in Art!**

3-5 years with a caregiver Tuesdays, May 14, 28, Jun 11, 25 | 11-11:30am

Join us on an adventure in art! In this class, we will use our imagination and creativity to explore art together. Children will create a piece of art to display at home!

# **STEAM Tots**

2-5 years with a caregiver Baby Chicks: Mon, May 13 | 11-11:30am Building and Balance: Mon, Jun 24 | 11-11:30am

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!

# **Friday Fun Day**

3 years+ with a caregiver Fridays, May 3, 10, 17, 24, Jun 7, 14, 21, 28 | 11am-4:30pm

Explore, discover, and imagine with our 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 Public 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

# **Mother's Day Paint Party**

5-11 years with a caregiver Thu, May 9 | 4:30-5:30pm

Celebrate the special mom in your life! Spend time together while creating a work of art. Please be sure to register each child and adult attending.

# **Father's Day Sundae**

All ages with caregivers Fri, Jun 14 \ 4-4:45pm

Celebrate the special father in your life! Come enjoy an afternoon of sundaes and games together. Please be sure to register each child and adult attending.

# **Baby Chick Visits**

All Ages | Fri, May 17 | 10am-4:30pm

Drop in during the time listed to have a one-on-one personal experience with our newly hatched chicks.



6-11 years old Wed, May 15 | 4:30-5pm

Let's learn and play with STEAM! In this special session, we will learn about chickens and the hatching process. Plus, you'll get to view our newly hatched baby chicks!

# **STEAM Lab: Boats**

6-11 years old | Thu, Jun 20 | 3:30-4pm Let's learn and play with STEAM! In each session, we will explore different topics that relate to science, technology, engineering, art, or math.

# **Yoga Adventure**

6-9 years old

Tue, Jun 18, 25 | 6-6:45pm

Join us for a yoga adventure! We will experience a story through yoga poses and learn some relaxation strategies too. You may bring your own yoga mat/towel or use one of our mats.

# Crafternoon

6-11 years old Fri, Jun 21 | 3-4pm Feeling crafty? Join us for an afternoon of all things crafts.

# **Game On**

**5-11** years

Mon, Jun 17 11am-12pm

Join us for a morning filled with your favorite board games.



5-12 years old

Mon, Jun 17 | 3:30-4:15pm

Children will have a great time as they learn (and take home) a collection of thrilling and entertaining tricks! They will learn card tricks, vanishing effects, and much more.

# **Loom Knitting**

8-14 years old Fri, Jun 21, 28 | 11am-12pm

Learn to make a scarf or a hat, work on your existing projects, or start something new.



# **Wacky Wednesday**

11-14 years old

Wednesdays, May 8, 22 | 2:30-4:30pm

Enjoy a craft, activity, and snack with your friends on early dismissal Wednesdays.

# Mystery in the Library – Jr. High

11-14 years old Fri, Jun 7 | 6-8:45pm

There has been a crime in the library! Heart pounding, you head to safety to begin the investigation to solve the mystery. You must be going into 6th, 7th, or 8th grade.

# **Teen Resin Craft**

11-14 years old

Wed, Jun 19 | 3-4pm

Make a fun resin figure for your room!

# Family Entertainment Night Scales & Tales Traveling Zoo Thu, Jun 20 | 6:30-7:30pm Join us to meet and learn about sloths, anteaters, macaws, barn owls, bullfrogs, dancing ferrets, and more. This live animal presentation is sure to wow the entire family!



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.

# --- MAY 2024 SPECIAL EVENTS ---

SATURDAY	4	Move with the Mayor & City Council 9 am Wood Dale Grove Forest Preserve	<b>18</b>	Beach Waterpark 25 Opening Weekend Open Swim Hours 12–6:30pm	Beach Waterpark Regular Season Begins Open Swim Hours 12-6:30pm	
FRIDAY	Junior High Spring 3 Musical "Annie" 7 pm Center for the Arts	10	17	District 7 Half Day - School Improvement Day Students attend AM only Sounds of Summer Concert & Car show 5 pm Commercial St & Wood Dale Rd	Summer Reading 31 Kickoff Party 4 pm Wood Dale Public Library	
THURSDAY	City Council  Meeting 7:30 pm City Hall Junior High Spring Musical "Annie" 7 pm Center for the Arts	Committee of the Whole 7:30 pm	City Council Meeting 7:30 pm City Hall School Board Meeting 7 pm	Committee of the 23 Whole CANCELED Spring Band Concert 7 pm Center for the Arts	5th Thursday – 30 No Meeting Scheduled	riday May 31
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MONDRY	29	9	COLLECTION DAY Put on curb no later than 6:30 am	20	City Hall & 27 Library CLOSED District 7 & Fenton High School NO SCHOOL Memorial Day Parade 11 am Addison Rd & Veterans Memorial Beach Waterpark Opening Weekend Open Swim Hours 17-6:30pm	
SUNDRY	28	n	Mother's Day 12 Brunch 10 am 390 Golf Experience	19	Beach Waterpark 26 Opening Weekend Open Swim Hours 12–6:30pm Memorial Day Scramble 1 pm Saft Creek Golf Club	

# LOCAL PHONE NUMBERS

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<b>-</b>	Addison Township: (630) 530-8161
	<b>Attorney General - Chicago:</b> (312) 814-3000
	Better Business Bureau: (312) 832-0500
	Wood Dale Chamber of Commerce/GOA: (630) 595-0505
	<b>COMCAST:</b> (866) 594-1234
	<b>COM ED Outages:</b> (800) 334-7661
th the	Curb-to-Curb Transit Service: (630) 350-8161
orty council	<b>Dial-a-Ride:</b> (630) 787-3763
rest Preserve	DMV-Lombard: (630) 629-8305
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•	DuPage Forest Preserve: (630) 933-7200
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	Garbage Customer Service: (630) 261-0578
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	IDOT Irving Park Maintenance: (847) 705-4000
aternark 25	J.U.L.I.E.: (800) 892-0123
	<b>Library (Wood Dale Public):</b> (630) 766-6762
m Hours	Metra Service: (312) 322-6777
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	<b>School District #7:</b> (630) 595-9510
pen Swim -6:30nm	<b>School District #88:</b> (630) 530-3988
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