



West Dundee Village Newsletter

Summer
2009



A MESSAGE ABOUT VOLUNTEERISM

A frequent comment we hear from residents is, "I love West Dundee." To this we add our wholehearted support and belief that West Dundee is a great community in which to live and work. This is true primarily because of the people who live here and their willingness to help out when needed.

Volunteering often brings out the best in people. Two years ago, we were hit with a strong storm which caused a great deal of damage north of Main Street. During the 48 hours that followed, volunteers helped with sandbagging and a variety of tasks assisting the Police, Fire and Public Works Departments to help West Dundee return to normal.

When faced with budget cuts this year, West Dundee families, the Backyard Garden Club and downtown businesses stepped up to plant flowers in front of the Village Hall, in the downtown planters and along the Riverwalk, which would have otherwise remained empty.

Community assistance is often needed for fun events like Heritage Fest, Dickens in Dundee, or for our new series of free events (planned by a West Dundee resident volunteer!).

Our elderly neighbors are often in need of help with mowing, painting or domestic tasks. Many people can be counted on to donate to the needy. Do you see a need in our community that you could fill? What is your preference to help out?

We are forming a list of volunteers who would like to help, as well as a list of tasks to be done. These lists could be used for emergencies and/or regularly scheduled events. You could volunteer for one task, or many, whatever fits your schedule. You can unsubscribe from the list at any time and your name will not be given to any other groups. Please sign up at Village Hall or e-mail us at villagehall@wdundee.org, indicating how we may contact you (via e-mail or phone), and in what capacity you would like to volunteer.

Our door is always open for your suggestions on how to best utilize this core group of volunteers. We would like to use your passion and talent to benefit your community. Our citizens are what make West Dundee a great place to live!

Please join us!

Larry Keller
Village President

Becky Gillam
Village Trustee

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VILLAGE BOARD

Village President	Larry Keller
Village Board of Trustees	Rebecca Gillam Thomas Price Julie Voss Andy Yuscka Norm Osth Patrick Hanley
Village Manager	Joseph A. Cavallaro

Board Meetings are held on the **first** and **third Monday** of each month at **7:30 pm at Village Hall.**

Committee of the Whole Meetings are held on the **second Monday** of each month at **7:30 pm at Village Hall.**

The public is invited to attend all Board & Committee meetings and citizen participation is encouraged.

Please visit our website at www.wdundee.org for meeting agendas, news and information.

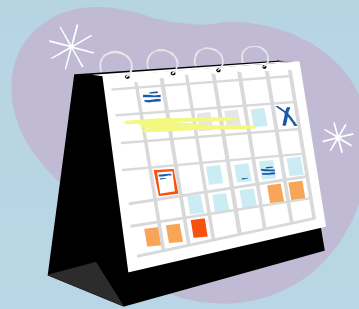
HOURS OF OPERATION

Village Hall: 102 S. Second Street	Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 4:30 pm
Public Safety Center #1: 555 S. Eighth Street (Rt. 31)	Monday – Friday 7:00 am – 9:00 pm Saturday 8:00 am – Noon
Public Safety Center #2 100 Carrington Drive	Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 5:00 pm
Public Works: 900 Angle Tarn	Monday – Friday 7:30 am – 4:00 pm

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS



Police/Fire Emergency	911
Village Hall	551-3800
Building Inspection	551-3805
Fire Non-Emergency	551-3805
Police Non-Emergency	551-3810
Public Works	551-3815



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JUNE

- 21 **Happy Father's Day!**
- 22 **Planning & Zoning Commission** 7:30 pm
- 24 ECC Concert in Grafelman Park 7:00 pm

JULY

- 3 Village Offices Closed / Normal Refuse Collection
- 4 **Happy Independence Day!**
- 6 **Regular Board Meeting** 7:30 pm
- 10 Concert & Movie in Grafelman Park 7:00 pm
- 13 **Committee of the Whole** 7:30 pm
- 17 Concert & Movie in Grafelman Park 7:00 pm
- 19 Water Balloon Fight! 1:00 pm
- 20 **Regular Board Meeting** 7:30 pm
- 22 Blood Drive at Public Safety #2 3:30-7 pm
- 22 ECC Concert in Grafelman Park 7:00 pm
- 24 Concert & Movie in Grafelman Park 7:00 pm
- 27 **Planning & Zoning Commission** 7:30 pm
- 31 Concert & Movie in Grafelman Park 7:00 pm

AUGUST

- 3 **Regular Board Meeting** 7:30 pm
- 4 **Appearance Review Commission** 7:30 pm
- 4 National Night Out
- 10 **Committee of the Whole** 7:30 pm
- 17 **Regular Board Meeting** 7:30 pm
- 24 **Planning & Zoning Commission** 7:30 pm





SHOP WITH A COP FUNDRAISER

On August 8th, from 7pm to 1am, Shop with a Cop is joining with Rosie O'Hare's (East Dundee) for a Dinner/Dance fundraiser for the annual holiday shopping event in December. There will be food, dancing, a DJ, cash bar and raffles (including 50/50 and door prizes).

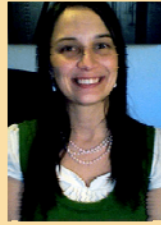
Tickets are \$25 per person, which automatically enters you into door prize drawing. The tickets are available at the Police Department or at the door. All proceeds will benefit the Shop with a Cop program for underprivileged kids.

STAFF UPDATES

CONGRATULATIONS FINANCE DEPARTMENT

For the 16th year in a row, our Finance Department has earned the Government Financial Officers Association award for excellence in financial reporting.

Kudos to Finance Director Dave Danielson for a job well done!



Someone You Should Know

Please join us in welcoming our new Executive Secretary and Deputy Village Clerk, Kim Tibbetts, to the Village of West Dundee.

Kim is a graduate of Millikin University with a Bachelor of Fine Arts. She is originally from Morris, Illinois, but now resides in West Dundee with her husband, Andrew, who is a web developer for SamataMason.

Kim comes to us with eight years of experience in the Risk Management department of General Growth Properties and ten years as an entrepreneurial artist. Kim is currently working to update and redesign the Village of West Dundee's website.

Please stop by Village Hall to welcome and meet Kim.



AARP DRIVER'S SAFETY PROGRAM

Dr. Henry Karolus will be teaching a two-day AARP Driver's Safety Program **August 11th and 12th** at Public Safety Center #2 (100 Carrington Drive).

Register by calling **847-426-4504**. The class is open to anyone 50 and over - you do not need to be a member of AARP. The cost is \$10, due the first day. Checks are to be made out at AARP.

Upon completion of the course, a certificate will be issued that could mean a reduction in the liability portion of your auto insurance. As we age some of our physical and mental abilities begin to slow down. This course aims to help you recognize these facts and learn to compensate for them to become a safer driver for yourself and others.

2010 Census:

Just about a year from now, a very important event will take place.

In April 2010, the U.S. Census Bureau will conduct its decennial survey to find out just how many of us Americans there really are.

The census count is extremely important to us as a Village. **We receive state and federal funds based on our population. A short count means we won't get our fair share of those funds.** In addition, population determines state and federal legislative boundaries.

The April 2010 Census form is going to be much shorter and easier to answer than in 2000. There will only be 10 questions on the form that you'll be asked to fill out. The information you provide is confidential. Village staff and officials do not receive individual answers, but rather a broad analysis of the data collected.

The census also offers opportunity for employment. Please visit www.2010.census.gov for current job opportunities.

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SHOP LOCAL FIRST



Some new businesses have recently opened in West Dundee and would like to welcome you to visit them.

On Main Street downtown, stop by Romantica apparel and jewelry boutique and the Azarela Driving School.

Along Route 31, Maxwell's Hot Dogs is open for lunch and dinner.

Spring Hill Mall has 4 new businesses ready to serve you: Mobility Plus, (wheelchairs, walkers), Tiger Lily (women's accessories, shoes and clothing), Marigold, (herbs, cosmetics and natural supplements) and Home Furniture Mart.

WEST DUNDEE RECYCLES

Did you know the Village of West Dundee has an electronics recycling program?

Items are accepted Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm at the Public Works Facility at 900 Angle Tarn. Most electronic items are accepted with the exception of microwave ovens, kitchen appliances and vacuum cleaners.

Arrangements for the pick up and removal of refrigerants and recycling of large household appliances can be made with the Village's refuse hauler, Allied Waste. To arrange for a no cost pick-up, please call 1-800-650-0303.

Kane County also recycles. You can arrange for a free pick-up by calling 1-800-449-7587. For further information visit www.recycle@co.kane.il.us.



ANNUAL BLOOD DRIVE

Heartland Blood Bank will conduct a blood drive on Wednesday, July 22nd at Public Safety Center #2 (100 Carrington Dr) from 3:30 to 7:30 pm.

Please call Village Hall to schedule a time for your donation, or sign up at heartlandbc.org. This year we would like to obtain at least 50 pints of blood. Walk-ins are welcome until 7:00 pm.



A certificate for a quart of Oberweis Ice Cream will be given to all donors.



Come One, Come All to Volunteer for Heritage Fest!

Plans are underway for our 12th Annual Heritage Fest to be held September 18th, 19th and 20th in downtown West Dundee.

Great entertainment is scheduled. Crafters will dazzle you with their wares. Food and beverage vendors will have delectable delights to savor. Spectacular fireworks are planned for Friday night. Fun activities for children of all ages, a business expo and the ever popular car show are scheduled for Saturday and Sunday. Last, but not least, will be the return of the antique show, re-enactors and a chili cook-off contest at Grafelman Park, along with food and entertainment.

In order to make our community festival a success, we need volunteers to help us. Shifts are usually two hours, and if you have a certain area that you are interested in, we will be more than happy to assign you to that activity.

Please call the Village Hall at (847) 551-3800 or stop by for an application to volunteer.

Busy Roadway Construction Season!

Based on planned capital projects and stimulus monies that have been made available by the Federal Government, there will be several ongoing roadway projects this summer in our area to improve traffic flow and safety, while also testing our patience!

1. **I-90 Exit/Entrance Reconstruction at Route 25:** The I-90 Route 25 exit/entrance ramps and decks will undergo reconstruction beginning July 7th through August 20th. During this time, traffic will be detoured down Beverly Road, to Route 72, to Route 31 and then back to the tollway. A detour map is available on the Village website (wdundee.org).
2. **Route 72 Resurfacing:** Route 72 will be resurfaced from the I-90 bridge deck in Gilberts east to Locust Drive (just west of Target). This project is scheduled to begin in late June and extend through October.
3. **Route 25 Resurfacing:** Route 25 in East Dundee is also scheduled for resurfacing this summer, from I-90 north to Route 72.
4. **Miller & Huntley Roads Intersection Reconstruction:** The Village of Carpentersville has scheduled the intersection of Miller Road and Huntley Road for reconstruction and improvement this summer. Their project includes enhancing the intersection and the installation of traffic signalization. This project is expected to begin in early July and continue through November.
5. **Fifth & Main Streets Traffic Signal Modernization:** The traffic signals at Fifth Street and Main Street (Route 72) will be replaced and modernized this fall/winter.

Please use extra caution, and allow yourself more time to navigate through and around these (and all) construction projects. As more information becomes available, it will be posted to the Village website at www.wdundee.org.

FREE Community Events

"America's Night Out Against Crime"

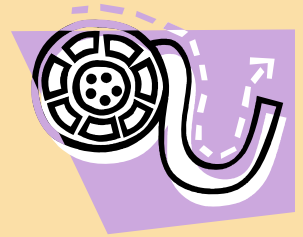
The West Dundee Police Department invites the community to the 26th Annual National Night Out, to be held at Target on Route 72 in West Dundee on **Tuesday, August 4th from 6:30 - 8:30 pm.**

National Night Out is designed to heighten crime prevention awareness and strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships. This community-wide event is FREE and includes many fun activities, such as K-9 demonstrations, bicycle registrations, child identification kits, petting zoo, raffles, games and more.

Local sponsors are still needed for this event. If interested, please contact Sgt. Wieteska at (847) 551-3810.



Summer Concerts & Movies in the Park



Come out to Grafelman Park Friday nights in July to enjoy a FREE open-air concert and movie (weather permitting).

- July 10** 7 pm *The Flat Cats – Jazz, Blues, Standards, Contemporary Classics and Western Swing*
9 pm [Hotel for Dogs](#)
- July 17** 7 pm *7th Heaven – A wide array of pop music*
9 pm [Facing the Giants](#)
- July 24** 7 pm *Skip Towne and the Greyhounds – Rock & Roll, Classic Standards, Ballads, Boogie and Blues*
9 pm [Three Amigos](#)
- July 31** 7 pm *Timing's Everything – Top 40 hits*
9 pm [R.V.](#)

For more information call: (847) 428-7131

Water Balloon Fight!



Cool down this summer with the fourth in a series of FREE community events sponsored by the Village of West Dundee.

Join us **July 19th**, from 1 - 3 p.m. at **Prairie Meadow Park.**

Please visit www.wdundee.org for further details.

EC ELGIN COMMUNITY COLLEGE CONCERT BAND

The Elgin Community College Concert Band will be offering two FREE concerts at Grafelman Park: Wednesday, June 24th at 7 pm and Wednesday, July 22nd at 7 pm.

In the event of rain, the band will perform at the Senior Center at the Dundee Township Park District, 665 Barrington Ave.



SPEAK OUT ...provides another way for you to communicate with the Village Officials. Your advice, questions, suggestions and opinions are appreciated and will receive a response. Comments can be mailed or placed in the drop box outside Village Hall. If you need more space, please attach an additional sheet of paper.

WEST NILE VIRUS INFORMATION

Each summer, hordes of mosquitoes descend on backyards, parks and campgrounds. While most mosquitoes are merely nuisances, some can transmit serious diseases.

In order to control for mosquito borne diseases, residents should check clogged gutters and flat roofs that have poor drainage, cover unused swimming pools, regularly change water in your bird bath, cover boats or store upside down, and fill in holes or depressions near your home that accumulate water.

Protect yourself while outdoors with a mosquito repellent.

SUMMER BLOCK PARTIES REMINDER

Residents are reminded that block parties involving the closure of a street require approval from the Village. A Block Party request form is available at Village Hall. Assuming no conflicts arise, barricades will be dropped off prior to the party.

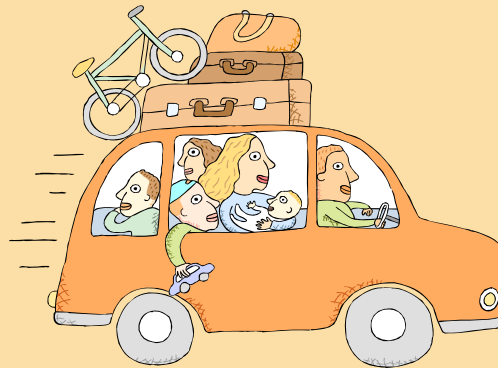
House Watch

If you are going away on vacation or just won't be home, please stop by the Police Department or visit wdundee.org to fill out a House Watch form. The House Watch is a program that lets the Police Department know when you'll be gone for an extended period of time, so they can keep an extra eye on your home while you're away.

This helps police to better spot suspicious activity in and around your home and will give you peace of mind while you are away.

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