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Summer 2008

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Our Mission: "To achieve a high quality of life by providing superior services in a fiscally responsible manner!"

Woodridge Jubilee



The 25th Annual Woodridge Jubilee is organized by the Woodridge Park District and the Village of Woodridge. Join us from Thursday, June 12 - Sunday, June 15 for a fun family event.

Carnival rides for all ages begin Thursday night and run throughout the event. On Friday, Saturday and Sunday evenings, enjoy entertainment, delicious food, beverages and bingo. On Saturday, June 14, don't miss the Woodridge Idol competition, and the children's activities starting at Noon along with carnival rides, food, beverages, entertainment and the Fireworks Spectacular. Watch for more details and the Jubilee schedule of events in upcoming promotional materials. Tune to Woodridge Community Television Channel 6 for a complete entertainment listing. **For more information on the Woodridge Jubilee, please contact the Woodridge Park District at (630) 353-3400.**

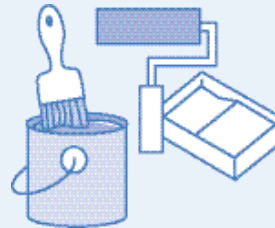
Get Ready for the 2008 Woodridge Cultural Fest!

September 5th and 6th will host the 6th Annual Cultural Fest, a celebration of the ethnic diversity in our community. Come down to Town Centre where festival patrons enjoy the food, crafts, free music and free entertainment from around the world. For information about sponsorship or volunteer opportunities, please call **Melissa Bohse at (630) 719-4901.**

Village Hall Blood Drive



The Village of Woodridge and Heartland Blood Center will be hosting a blood drive on **Wednesday, July 16, from 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in Village Hall.** For an appointment please call Debbie Parpet at (630) 719-4718. Heartland Blood Center is the only blood supplier to our local hospitals: Advocate Good Samaritan, Hinsdale, Edward and Central DuPage. A photo ID is required for donation. Please remember to eat before donating. Walk in donors are welcome!



July Home Improvement Month

Each Spring, the Building & Zoning Department of the Village of Woodridge implements the Annual Neighborhood Inspection Program. The goal of the Inspection Program is to encourage residents to reinvest in the maturing neighborhoods. In an effort to encourage Reinvestment in Older Woodridge, the Village of Woodridge is promoting July as Home Improvement Month and will be holding a Home Improvement Fair at The Home Depot in Woodridge.

The Home Depot plans on having vendor tables set up to answer questions and provide information to customers as they enter the store.

Additional details on the Home Improvement Fair will soon be available in the Woodridge Progress, the Village of Woodridge Cable Channel 6 (WCTV), and the Village Web Page vil.woodridge.il.us.

Owning a home means making a commitment to maintain and improve your property to safeguard your investment and protect your property values, which is a benefit to all Woodridge residents. Hope to see you in July at the Home Improvement Fair at the Home Depot in Woodridge.

FYI . . . From Public Works

Prevent Emerald Ash Borer – Don't Move Firewood

The **Emerald Ash Borer (EAB)** is a small (1/2 inch long, 1/8 inch wide) metallic green beetle that has killed millions of ash trees across the Midwest. One of the best ways residents can assist in preventing the spread of EAB is to not transport firewood. The EAB can be hidden inside of ash logs and moving those logs provides an easy way to transport the borer to new locations. Make sure to purchase your firewood locally from a known source and be sure to use all of the firewood so that no hidden EAB larvae or adults can survive on logs left through the spring. Additionally, if you are hiring a tree professional to do any maintenance work on your property, check to see that the contractor has an Emerald Ash Borer Compliance Agreement with the Illinois Department of Agriculture.

Continue to stay informed about EAB by visiting the Village of Woodridge's website at www.vil.woodridge.il.us/departments/pw/emerald.

Watering Restrictions

Watering Restrictions are in effect beginning May 15th and continue through September 15th. Residents are not allowed to sprinkle between the hours of 11:00 am and 4:00 pm every day. Residents with new landscaping may sprinkle during the restricted hours but only with a handheld device.

Woodridge Drive Rehabilitation

The Village of Woodridge, in partnership with the Illinois Department of Transportation, will be rehabilitating Woodridge Drive from 75th Street to 83rd Street this upcoming construction season. The project is scheduled to begin this April and will take approximately 6 weeks to complete. Work will include sidewalk repairs, curb and gutter repairs, drainage improvements, pavement patching, asphalt resurfacing and new pavement markings. The construction work will be conducted in several phases. At each phase in the process, traffic patterns along Woodridge Drive will change. Please be aware of, and follow the directional signs placed in the area of construction in order to maintain safe travel. Woodridge Drive will be open to all traffic during this project; however, there may be minor inconveniences and delays.

2008 Road Resurfacing Program: The Village of Woodridge will be resurfacing ten (10) streets this construction season. Funding for this program is through the State of Illinois Motor Fuel Tax Fund. The project is scheduled to start in late April or early May and will take approximately four to six weeks to complete. For additional details on the concrete Street Reconstruction Program, the North Janes Avenue Reconstruction Project and the Pavement Crack Fill and Seal Coat Program, visit www.vil.woodridge.il.us.

Brush Chipping Services

During the months of May through October, on the second Saturday of the month between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. residents can drop-off brush at the chipping site on 71st Street just west of Woodridge Drive. Branches up to 5" in diameter are accepted and the cost is \$2 per carload or \$4 per truck, van or trailer. Proof of residency is required. Residents are also welcome to take the chips generated by this program for use around their properties.

Yard Waste Collection Begins

Yardwaste collection officially resumed on April 1, 2007. Residents can dispose of yard waste at the curb on their normal refuse collection day. One sticker is required for every 33 gallon unlined container or Kraft paper yardwaste bag. Stickers can be purchased at a variety of local vendors (including Jewel Food Stores at 75th/Janes, Dominicks Finer Foods at 63rd/I-355, and Grocers Pantry at 71st/Woodward) as well as the Village Hall (Five Plaza Drive) and Public Works (One Plaza Drive). Residents can also use environmentally friendly alternatives to dispose of yard-

waste. These options include composting and mulching grass clippings, leaves, and other vegetation.

Regional Household Hazardous Waste Collection Site

Residents can take advantage of a permanent household hazardous waste drop-off site located in Naperville at Fire Station #4 at 1971 Brookdale Road. The facility operates on Saturdays and Sundays (excluding holidays) from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Items accepted for disposal include: household cleaners, drain openers, oil based paints, mineral spirits, strippers, solvents, insecticides, herbicides, flammables, automotive fluids, fluorescent fixtures, household batteries, and mercury. The site also accepts unused or expired pharmaceuticals. The site does not accept explosives, ammunition, radioactive materials, compressed gas, latex paint, and trash. For more information, please **contact the DuPage County Household Hazardous Waste Hotline at (630) 407-6760 or (630) 407-6700.**

Additional information on hazardous wastes and recycling, including the disposal of electronics is available at www.dupageco.org/building/generic.

Waste Management Program Guidelines

The Village recently approved a new five (5) year agreement with Waste Management for Refuse, Recycling and Landscape Waste Collection based on the existing Sticker-based Collection Program or "Volume Based" approach. Any changes to the program and a listing of the sticker prices for each of the five (5) years of the Agreement will be made available to all residents. Please remember to follow the refuse and landscape waste disposal guidelines that are printed in the annual brochure that is mailed to all residential customers. Some of the requirements include that refuse and landscape waste containers cannot exceed 33 gallons in size or weigh more than 60 pounds. Brush that is placed out for pick-up must be packaged in bundles no more than 4 feet in length, 2 feet in diameter, and cannot weigh more than 60 pounds. Other materials (such as carpet) must also follow the same bundling guidelines. Failure to follow these guidelines will result in your materials not being picked up. Additional questions can be directed to **Waste Management at (800) 796-9696 or the Public Works Department at (630) 719-4753.**

Mosquito Abatement

Woodridge contracts with Clarke Mosquito Control for mosquito abatement activities in the Village. Environmentally sensitive and effective mosquito control is accomplished through an Integrated Pest Management (IPM) approach that includes the following components: larval site monitoring, biological control, and the careful and strategic use of U.S. Environmental Protection Agency labeled and registered pesticide products. The primary targets of the program are the floodwater mosquito (*Aedes vexans*) – the dominant nuisance species, and the northern house mosquito (*Culex pipiens*) – the potential disease carrier.

In the IPM approach, potential and historical larval sites are frequently inspected and biological control agents (fish, insect growth regulators, and Bacillus bacteria byproducts) are utilized whenever possible. The adult mosquito population is scientifically monitored and pesticides are strategically applied only when necessary. The key is to concentrate on larval control, scientifically assess the adult population, and perform adulticiding only on an as needed basis.

Residents can help to control the mosquito population by eliminating standing water from around their homes to prevent the development of the northern house mosquito. Rain gutters, flower pots, swimming pools, birdbaths, etc. should be properly maintained. In addition, shrubbery and vegetation should be trimmed-back to reduce "harborage habitat" for adult mosquitoes.

Questions regarding mosquitoes or the Village's abatement program can be directed to **Clarke Mosquito Control on their Mosquito Hotline at (800) 942-2555.**

Summer Safety Reminders

Motorized Scooters

With the increasing popularity of motorized scooters, it is important to be aware of laws governing motorized scooter use and to know the best ways to keep yourselves and others safe while using a motorized scooter. According to state statute, motorized scooters are considered motor vehicles requiring the operator of a motorized scooter to possess a valid driver's license and follow the Rules of the Road. In addition, like any motor vehicle, the scooter itself must be licensed. The Village of Woodridge will enforce the Rules of the Road upon operators of motorized scooters on public property. Because they are motorized, these scooters should not be used on bike paths or sidewalks. Motorized scooters are meant for licensed drivers ages 16 and up to be used on private property.

Dogs at Large

According to the Village of Woodridge Code it is unlawful for any dog or cat to run at large. This means that no dogs can be off the premises of their owners without a leash and under the control of a person physically able to control it. Any dog or cat found to be running at large will be impounded by the Police Department. The first offense could result in a \$30 fine for the owner of the animal found running at large. Subsequent offenses result in higher fines.

If you see an animal running at large, contact the Police Department immediately to report the location of the animal. For the safety of our community, especially during the upcoming spring and summer seasons, please make sure you use a leash and keep your pet from running at large.



Woodridge Celebrates Independence Day

The 39th Annual Fourth of July Picnic will be held at Castaldo Park (on 71st St., 2 blocks east of Route 53) from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on July 4th. This event is sponsored by the Woodridge Special Events Committee. It begins with the VFW flag-raising ceremony. Throughout the event, there will be food (brats, hot dogs, chips, ice cream) and beverages (pop, water and beer) available as in past years. Bring picnic blankets, lawn chairs and enjoy this annual celebration. There will be live entertainment presented by the Music Company. For the children there will be pony rides and trackless train rides to take them on a tour of the park. There is a sand volley ball court available for open play.

Due to the great number of people who will be in attendance, and to avoid problems incurred in recent years, ball playing will be restricted to a marked area. Guests who bring their dogs or other domestic pets will be asked to keep them on the west side of the bike path.

For additional information, call (630) 963-4262.

Gorilla Days Car Show

The 15th annual Gorilla Days "Buckle up or Else" Car show will be held Wednesday, July 4th, 2008, from Noon until 4:00 p.m. The car show is held at the Wilton Industries parking lot, 2240 W. 75th Street (the N/W corner of 75th Street and I-355). It is free for participants to enter the show. All types of vehicles are welcome. Car clubs are welcome to pre-register for group parking. There are limited vending spaces available.

There will be great entertainment this year at the car show. DJ Midnight Mike will be back playing tunes all day. This event is sponsored by the Woodridge Police Department and the Chicagoland Chapter of the Buick Gran Sports Club. **Contact (630) 719-4730 for more information.**

Woodridge Park District Summer Activities

| Date | Event | Location |
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| June 6 | Teen Splash Bash 7:30 - 10:30 p.m. | Cypress Cove Family Aquatic Park |
| June 12-15 | Woodridge Jubilee | Woodridge Drive & Center Drive |
| June 18 | Movie Under the Moon "Shrek the Third" 8:45 p.m. | Orchard Hill Park |
| June 25 | Summer Concert — "Soul Cookin'" 7 - 8:30 p.m. | Sunnydale Park |
| July 2 | Summer Concert — "Big Sky String Band" 7 - 8:30 p.m. | Windy Point Park |
| July 9 | Summer Concert — "The Jennifer Jennings Band" 7 - 8:30 p.m. | Westminster Park |
| July 16 | Summer Concert — "Final Say" 7 - 8:30 p.m. | Mending Wall Park |
| July 18 | Flick 'N' Float 8:30 - 11:00 p.m. | Cypress Cove Family Aquatic Park |
| July 23 | Summer Concert — "The Flat Cats" 7 - 8:30 p.m. | Seven Bridges Park Sunnydale Park |
| July 26 | Pirates of Hobson Pool | Hobson Pool |
| July 30 | Summer Concert — "The Wild Ones" 7 - 8:30 p.m. | Lake Harriet |
| August 2 | All Village Garage Sale 8:30 a.m.- 1:30 p.m. | Echo Point Park |
| August 2 | Mardi Gras Family Fun Day 12 - 4:00 p.m. | Cypress Cove Family Aquatic Park |
| August 6 | Summer Concert — "Stellar Road" 7 - 8:30 p.m. | Lake Harriet |
| August 8-9 | Family Camp Out 6-8:00 p.m. | Hawthorne Hill Woods |
| August 13 | Movie Under the Moon "Charlottes Web" 8:15 p.m. | Jubilee Site |
| August 15 | Summer Final Celebration 9:30 - 11:00 a.m. | Community Center |

Call (630) 353-3300 or visit www.woodridgeparks.org for more information.



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Community Recognition Program Nominations

Do you know someone or some organization that has provided positive contributions to the community? If so, the Village of Woodridge wants to hear from you! You or your group may nominate an individual to be identified by the Village in the Annual Community Recognition Program. The program recognizes individuals in the following categories:

- 1.) Citizen Recognition
- 2.) Employee Recognition
- 3.) Business or Association Recognition
- 4.) Youth Recognition (under 21)

Nominations are reviewed by the Woodridge Intergovernmental Council who then recommends candidates to the Village Board for consideration. A plaque of recognition will be awarded to the winner of each category. Please contact Leslie Davies at (630) 719-4706, if you have any questions.

Please fill out the form below and forward to Mayor William F. Murphy at 5 Plaza Drive, Woodridge, IL 60517.

Nomination must be submitted by 4:30 p.m., Tuesday, July 15, 2008.

Nomination Form – Village of Woodridge Community Recognition Program

_____ Village Citizen _____ Employee _____ Business or Association _____ Youth (under 21)

Nominee Name: _____ Nominated By: _____

Address: _____ Telephone Number: _____

Briefly describe the nominee's community involvement, contributions and accomplishments:
