



Woodstock City Manager's Newsletter

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It's all about cleaning up the community on Saturday, August 6th from 8:00 am until 1:00 pm!

Interested in making a difference? Clean up the City of Woodstock for a couple of hours or all day starting at 8:00 am. Meet in the parking lot of Matrix 4 at 610 E. Judd St. Areas to clean up will be assigned or pick up supplies to clean up an area special to you!

VOLUNTEERS SHOULD BRING:

- Sunscreen
- Bug Spray
- Appropriate clothing (hats, casual clothes, etc)
- Work shoes/sneakers
- Drinking water

VOLUNTEERS WILL BE PROVIDED:

- Trash bags
- Disposable gloves
- Safety vests for roadway clean-up
- Donut & beverage breakfast
- Hot dog, chips & soda lunch (starting @ 12:00 pm)

This event welcomes individuals and groups of all kinds - scout troops, church groups, families and more. There is no minimum age for participation; all are welcome, when accompanied by a parent or guardian. Smaller groups, families and individuals are encouraged to register in advance at Volunteer Spot: <http://vols.pt/SD4dis>, however you are welcome to simply show up the morning of the event.

Have questions? Please contact the Woodstock Chamber of Commerce at (815) 338-2436 or email

Around Town

• Friday, 8/5

- ⇒ Jazz Night, 8 pm
Stage Left Café
- ⇒ Movies in the Park
Surf's Up, 7 pm
Water Works

• Saturday, 8/6

- ⇒ Farmer's Market, 8am -1pm
- ⇒ Lonesome Highway, 7 pm
Opera House

• Sunday, 8/7

- ⇒ Purple Heart Day
- ⇒ Midwest Mozart ,3 pm
Opera House

• Monday, 8/8

- ⇒ California Guitar Trio, 7 pm
Stage Left Café
- ⇒ Coffee With the Chief, 7 pm
Police Training Rm

• Tuesday, 8/9

- ⇒ Farmer's Market, 8am -1pm
- ⇒ Senior Coffee 1pm-2pm,
Stage Left Café

• Wednesday, 8/10

- ⇒ Morning Movies, *The Wizard of Oz* 10 am
- ⇒ Art of Storytelling, 9:30 am,
Public Library
- ⇒ Crazy Heart 7:00 pm, Square
- ⇒ Tween Night, Water Works 8:15 pm

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Human Resources



Full-Time Police Officer/Eligibility List – Woodstock Police Department:

The Board of Fire and Police Commissioners for the City of Woodstock is now accepting applications for the position of Police Officer. Testing is being conducted to fill full-time

Police Officer positions and to establish an Eligibility List for future available positions. Minimum qualifications: **Applicants must have attained their 21st birthday at the last date for filing applications (8/10/16). Must be under the age of 35 on 8/10/16 unless exempt by State Statute 65 IL 5/10-2.1**; US citizen; HS grad or equiv., with preference points awarded for bachelor's degree any major; for associate's degree in criminal justice or law enforcement; or, for prior military service with honorable discharge; valid driver's license and good driving record; no felony convictions.

Current Starting Salary: \$54,792.00 (payable as \$26.34 per hour) with comprehensive benefits package. Applications and additional information are available at www.jobsource.copsandfiretesting.com. **There is a non-refundable \$35.00 application fee. All applications must be returned to the office of: C.O.P.S. and F.I.R.E. Personnel Testing Service, Attn: Woodstock PD, 200 West Higgins Road, Suite 201, Schaumburg, IL 60195. Applications are NOT available at the Woodstock Police Department or City Hall. Questions? Contact C.O.P.S. and F.I.R.E. Personnel Testing Service at (847) 310-2677; Website:**

www.copsandfiretesting.com. Mandatory Orientation and Testing to be held Saturday, August 27, 2016 at Creekside Middle School, 3201 Hercules Rd, Woodstock, IL 60098. Current valid POWER card will be accepted in lieu of physical testing at Orientation. **Application Deadline: Wednesday, August 10, 2016 at 4:00 pm.**

Part-Time Front Desk Cashier – Woodstock Recreation Center:

The City of Woodstock is seeking a part-time Front Desk Cashier with the Woodstock Recreation Center at 820 Lake Avenue. The position works up to 28 hours per week, with possible scheduling for work periods that may include: Monday – Friday 4:30 am – 9:00 am, 8:00 am – 3:00 pm or 3:00 pm – 9:00 pm; Saturday and Sunday 7:00 am – noon or Saturday and Sunday noon – 5:00 pm. **Note: This is not a seasonal position:**

Ideally candidates should demonstrate commitment to year-round employment on a set schedule, preferably for a minimum of 1-2 years.

Starting pay rate is \$8.46 per hour; benefits include prorated vacation, holiday, sick leave and IMRF pension. Application Deadline: Open until filled.

Please refer to the City's website at www.woodstockil.gov and click on the Jobs section for further details and the application process on the above opportunities. *The City of Woodstock is an Equal Opportunity Employer.*



Jeff Burgess - Streets - 31 years
Daniel Latham - Police - 25 years
Mary Sugden - Library - 21 years
Amy McKendry - Police - 15 years
Cary Woodruff - Finance - 13 years
Sarah Kaminski - Library - 5 years
James Lombardo - Streets - 4 years
Keith Wojtecki - Water Maintenance - 4 years
Nicholas McCahill - Water Maintenance - 4 years
Trevor Schacht - Parks - 4 years
Mauro Martinez Jr. - Streets - 3 years
Kessie Karafa - Recreation - 3 years
Kathryn Tripp - Library - 2 years



Donna Limbaugh - August 10
Michael Hicks - August 11
Dale Luckey - August 11
Alan Dunker - August 11

PUBLIC WORKS

Keeping the City Streets Clean

Street sweeping is a fundamental part of the annual upkeep of all city roadways conducted by the Street Maintenance Division. Clean streets and surfaces are vital to air quality, water management, and overall community safety. Street Maintenance staff sweep all 250-curb lane miles of City streets a minimum of four times each year using two Elgin Whirlwind brand sweepers. Use of mechanical sweepers improves aesthetics through the appearance of clean gutter lines. While visual appeal is important to every community, this function also serves to protect us from many hazards and problems.

Public safety

Traffic safety is one of the primary concerns for both the City of Woodstock and motorists. Roadway gutters tend to be a resting place for debris and the removal of this debris reduces the potential for skids and collisions, allowing drivers to safely judge distance to curbs and roadway edges.

Pedestrians, Runners, and Cyclists

Roadway debris not only creates unpleasant conditions, it can cause cyclists, runners, and pedestrians to swerve into the roadway to avoid rubble, mud, or dangerous conditions. This action can catch drivers unaware and lead to accidents and injuries.

Environmental

A critical benefit of street sweeping is the removal of hazardous products left by passing vehicles, chemical runoff or discarded trash that would otherwise find its way to the local watershed. These particles are harmful to fish and other wildlife if they reach our creeks and rivers. This situation can damage local wetland areas, creating an unsuitable environment for indigenous inhabitants and plant life.

Storm water runoff

Debris in roadway gutters such as trash, fallen leaves, and grass clippings quickly clog storm drains and blocks storm water runoff. Keeping these clear allows water to drain faster and more efficiently, minimizing damage to existing pavement, and reduces soil erosion.

Residents can be proactive to help keep streets clean by reducing the amount of grass clippings left in the roadway while mowing, keeping the catch basins clean near your home, and notifying Public Works of any issues in need of attention.

STREET MAINTENANCE & RESURFACING PROGRAM

The annual Street Maintenance & Resurfacing Program is one of the most important projects the City undertakes each year to continue to provide a quality street system for the City's residents. Both Crack Sealing and Pavement Marking Programs are set to begin Monday, August 8th.



Crack sealing is a treatment method used to prevent water and debris from entering a crack in the pavement which, if left untreated, will weaken the base material and prevent the pavement from expanding and contracting freely. SKC Construction has been awarded the program contract and work is anticipated to take about 7 to 10 days, weather permitting.

Maintenance Coatings Company will provide contracted pavement marking services for approximately 117 miles of City streets. Marking services include centerline markings, crosswalks, stop bars, arrows, edge lines, downtown parking stalls, public parking lots and special markings such as turn lanes. Work is anticipated to take approximately 2 weeks, weather permitting.

Beginning dates for the Streets Resurfacing Program have not yet been determined.

The Street Maintenance Division will close **Hickory Lane from Mitchell Street to Muriel Street** for scheduled asphalt maintenance starting Monday, August 8th through Friday, August 12th. Opening will occur once scheduled work has been completed.

RECREATION DEPARTMENT



we.Can.tri Triathlon

The 6th annual we.Can.tri Triathlon is Sunday, August 7th, at the Woodstock Water Works Aquatic Center in Emricson Park. The Adult Triathlon will start at 7:00 AM with a 400 meter swim, 12.4 mile bike ride, and 3.1 mile run.

Children's Triathlon starts at 10:00 AM.

Playground Program

Over 300 Playground Program participants and their families enjoyed the festivities at the **Recreation Department's Year-End Family Picnic** held at the Main Pavilion on Friday, July 22.

Playground Program Coordinator Reneé Torrez, the Playground Program counselors, including **Site Supervisors Elissa Limbaugh, Emily Draffkorn and JD Fuller** worked diligently throughout the morning to prepare for the highly attended event. Many thanks to the **Parks Division** for all of their help.

The morning included music by Music in Motion DJ, the Counselor Challenge and plenty of pizza donated by **Papa Murphy's**. All the kids enjoyed **Panera** cookies as well.

The seven-week program, which served over 300 kids ages five to twelve, provided supervised activities including arts and crafts, sports and games, nature walks, picnics, story-time, science experiments, swimming at Woodstock Water Works, splash mornings at the Olson Park spray feature, and socializing with new friends. Participants also enjoyed a variety of guest speakers including a presentation by several **Woodstock Fire Department** staff.

The Rec Department reduces the program's subsidy by soliciting corporate sponsors. Thanks to the contributions from several businesses, over **\$3,000** was raised to offset the cost of supplies, field trips, entertainers and T-shirts for the participants.

Thanks to our sponsors **Papa Murphy's, Mercy Health Systems, Northwest Healthcare Center, Schmitt Engineering, Centegra Health Systems, Indepth Graphics, BMT Development INC, Frett Double Headers, Mark Mitchell State Farm Insurance, Panera Bread, A Rose Cleaning, and Red Tail Golf Club.**



A Day in the Life of the Woodstock Recreation Department/ Rec Center/WWW Thursday, July 14

Below are the programs and classes offered on a typical summer day at the Rec Department, Rec Center, and Woodstock Water Works. Programs and classes are offered for all age groups and demographics.

4:15am	Staff arrives to open Rec Center	1:00-4:00pm	Afternoon session of Playground Program at Olson School
5:00am	Rec Center Opens	2:00-3:00pm	Arthritic Aquatic Class at Rec Center
5:30-6:20am	Turbo Kick Class at Rec Center	4:00-8:00pm	Supervised Play Room at Rec Center
6:00-7:30am	Adult lap swim at WWW	4:00- 5:00pm	Horseback Riding Class at John White Stables
7:45-8:45am	Zumba Class at Rec Center	4:15-5:15pm	Pilates Fit Class at Rec Center
8:00-9:00am	Aquacise Class at Rec Center	4:30-5:30pm	Youth Volleyball Class at Rec Center
8:30-9:15am	High Intensity Fusion Class at Rec Center	4:45-5:30pm	Beginner Tae Kwon Do Class at Rec Center
8:30-9:10am	Level 1 Swim Lessons at WWW Level 2 Swim Lessons at WWW Level 3 Swim Lessons at WWW	5:00pm	T-Ball/Bittie Ball Practices at Bates Park
9:00-10:00am	Aquacise Class at Rec Center	5:30-6:30pm	Step Class at Rec Center
9:00-10:00am	Grades 2 & 3 Tennis Lessons at Emricson Park	5:45-6:45pm	Yellow Belt Tae Kwon Do Class at Rec Center
9:00-11am	Skills First Soccer Class at Davis Road Soccer Fields	6:00-7:00pm	Aquacise Class at WWW
9:00-12:00pm	Morning session of Playground Program at Olson School	6:45-7:45pm	Barbell Strength Class at Rec Center
9:15 -10:15am	Parent/Tot Gymnastics Class at Rec Center	6:45-7:45pm	Yellow Belt and Up Tae Kwon Do Class at Rec Center
9:15-10:15am	Turbo Kick Class at Rec Center	6:45-9:00pm	Open Adult Volleyball at Rec Center Gym
9:15-9:45am	Intro to Water Skills WWW Level 1 Swim Lessons at WWW Level 2 Swim Lessons at WWW Level 3 Swim Lessons at WWW	7:00 pm	WWW Open Swim Ends – 932 attendance for the day.
9:50-10:20am	Bubble Club Class at WWW	7:15pm	Water Aerobics Class at WWW
10:00-10:40am	Level 1 Swim Lessons at WWW Level 2 Swim Lessons at WWW Level 3 Swim Lessons at WWW Parent/Tot Swim Class at WWW	7:15-7:55pm	Level 1 Swim Lessons at WWW Level 2 Swim Lessons at WWW Level 3 Swim Lessons at WWW
10:00-11am	Grades 4 & 5 Tennis Lessons at Emricson Park	7:30-8:30pm	Tumbling at Corkscrew Gymnastics Academy
10:30-11:20am	Lite N'Lively Class at Rec Center	8:15-10:15pm	Group Rentals at WWW
11:00am	WWW opens to season pass holders	9:00pm	Recreation Center closes – 272 member visits for the day
11-11:45am	Level 4 Swim Lessons at WWW Level 5 Swim Lessons at WWW Level 6 Swim Lessons at WWW	9:00pm	Recreation Center cleaning/maintenance staff arrives
11:00-12pm	Grades 6-8 Tennis Lessons at Emricson Park		
12:00pm	WWW pool opens to public Adult Lap Swim in Competition Pool at WWW		

Flushable Not Always So...

There are quite a few “wet-wipe” products on the market mislabeled as “flushable” and “septic or sewer safe”. But the fact of the matter is – just because a product goes away when flushed does not make it appropriate for any portion of the wastewater treatment system.

Once flushed, these products do not disintegrate at all as they move through the system. Over time, multiple wipes catch and combine with other items such as extra thick toilet paper, toilet cleaning pop off pads, baby wipes, paper towels, sanitary pads, and dental floss causing a mass easily capable of clogging any sewer pipe, septic field pump, or piece of wastewater treatment equipment.

Some wastewater treatment facilities have spent enormous amounts of money installing grinders to shred wipes and other debris in an attempt to avoid broken pumps and clogged sewer lines.

The solution?

Stop flushing any questionable item. When in doubt, bag these items and place them in the garbage for collection. Just because an item says it is “flushable”, does not mean it should be. For more information, please contact the Department of Public Works at pwdept@woodstockil.gov or at (815) 338-6118.

OPERA HOUSE SCHEUDLE				
Friday 8/5	Saturday 8/6	Sunday 8/7	Wednesday 8/3	Thursday 8/4
Jazz Night, 8 pm Stage Left Cafe	Lonesome Highway, 7 pm Main Stage	Midwest Mozart Festival, 3 pm Main Stage	Crazy Heart Concert, 7:30 pm Park on the Square	Cassandra Vohs-Demann Recital 7:30 pm Stage Left Cafe

Lonesome Highway - a Tribute to Bob Dylan Saturday, August 6, 2016

There are probably several reasons why, up until now, no tribute performer has been able to successfully replicate the music of Bob Dylan. Due to the sheer number of songs in his catalog, the complex, always changing styles and phrasings, and, of course, the one of a kind, unique Dylan look and persona, there hasn't been an artist or band that has been able to put it all together in a convincing way. Until Lonesome Highway. No one does Bob Dylan better than this band, and no detail is overlooked. You'll hear classic songs like "Blowing in the Wind" and "Like a Rolling Stone," as well as some Dylan inspired songs by the Byrds and The Traveling Wilburys. The show is guaranteed to take the audience back to the golden age of rock music and to the greatest song-writing and vocal pioneer of our time.



A History of Hillbilly Music Saturday, August 13, 2016

Head back to the hills with *HOSS WILDE & The Lightly Crusted Good Ol' Boys!* The Good Ol' Boys are going to take you on a musical journey through time to an age when the horseless-carriage travelled between one horse towns on roads of mud. On front porches across this country, Blues, Hillbilly Boogie, Rhythm & Gospel music filled the air. Ideas were being shared, blended and now recorded from many different cultures and overnight, the radio began to affect every American life as no other technical advancement had. Get ready and hang on

tightly, as we explore the "Golden Age of Radio," with honky tonks, heroes & outlaws... and plenty of *lightly crusted* hillbilly music.



Thank an Officer / Firefighter Day

Read Between the Lynes, 111 E. Van Buren Street, Woodstock, IL showed their support by thanking our local police, firefighters and sheriff deputies for their dedication and service to our community on Friday, August 5th.

Need something to Celebrate? Here are some ideas!

- Summer Olympics – August 5 – 21
- National Scrabble Week – August 6-10
- National Stop on Red Week – August 7-10
- National Fraud Awareness Week – August 7-13 (First full week)
- National Farmers Market Week – August 7-13 (First week in August)
- National Health Center Week— August 7-13
- National Smile Week – Second Week of August
- National Apple Week – Second Week of August
- National Assistance Dog Week – August 7-13
(Starts First Sunday in August)
- Exercise with Your Child Week – August 7-13
- Elvis Week – August 8-12
- National Hobo Week – August 11-14
- Kool-Aid Day – August 12-13
- Sturgis Motorcycle Rally – August 8-14

Summer Reading Program Concludes

Saturday, July 30 was the last day of the library's annual Summer Reading Program. This year, we had nearly 700 students log nearly 17,000 hours of reading. Additionally, 46 adults completed-- and reviewed-- 315 books.

Open Hours Changing

Beginning after Labor Day (September 5th), the library will close at 5:00 pm on Fridays (we will remain open until 6 pm on Fridays through September 2nd). Additionally, we will begin our Sunday hours, 1-4 pm, after Labor Day.

Trains, Gardens and Scavenger Hunts

Several dozen families enjoyed visiting the garden of one of the library's long-term supporters-- especially since this garden included several large-scale model railroad displays. In addition to watching the trains, visitors also enjoyed participating in a scavenger hunt.





REDUCED FEE WATER TESTING OFFERED IN AUGUST

McHenry County Department of Health (MCDH) will offer reduced fee water testing for individual well water users from August 1- August 31. Residents can have their well water sampled for coliform bacteria and nitrate for \$18.

Testing your well regularly is the only way to determine whether the well water is safe to drink as many contaminants are colorless and odorless. Water from a public or municipal water system is regularly tested for contaminants regulated by Federal and State standards. Bacteria and chemicals can get into well water and contaminate it in different ways. Some bacteria and chemicals occur naturally. Contaminants such as nitrate can come from animal waste, wastewater, flooded sewers, polluted storm water runoff, fertilizers, agricultural runoff, or decaying plants. High levels of nitrate in drinking water can cause illness in young children and pregnant women. Coliform bacteria are microbes found in the digestive system of warm-blooded animals, in soil, on plants, and in surface water.

Sterile sample containers from the Department are required and are available at the locations below. Samples can be dropped off for testing on Tuesday mornings between 9:00am and 12:00pm at the following locations:

- Algonquin Township Office, 3702 Route 14, Crystal Lake (847)639-2329
- Dorr Township Office, 1039 Lake Street, Woodstock (815) 338-0125
- McHenry County Dept of Health, 2200 N Seminary Ave, Woodstock (815) 334-4585
- McHenry County Dept of Health, 100 N Virginia St, Crystal Lake (815) 459-5151
- McHenry Township Office, 3703 Richmond Road, McHenry (815) 385-5605
- Nunda Township Office, 3510 Bay Road, Crystal Lake (815) 459-4011
- City of Marengo, City Hall, 134 E Prairie Street, Marengo (815) 568-7112
- Harvard Police Department, 201 W Front Street, Harvard (815) 943-4431
- Richmond Township Office, 7812 South Route 31, Richmond (815) 678-0077
- Grafton Township Office, 10109 Vine Street, Huntley (847) 669-3328

Monday-Wednesday and 8am-12pm on Thursdays.

Questions regarding well water quality should be directed to the McHenry County Division of Environmental Health. Staff is available to provide education on a variety of topics to individuals, community groups or organizations and students of all ages. Please contact the Division of Environmental Health at 815-334-4585 Monday – Friday from 8 am to 4:30 pm. For after hour and weekend emergencies, call 815-344-7421. Visit www.mcdh.info for additional information.



Sonshine Girl Grand Opening

City staff and local business owners welcomed Brenda Marchuk and her family during the grand opening of **Sonshine Girl** located at 129 Van Buren on the Woodstock Square. from left to right:

Dr. Brian Sager, Mayor; Michael Marchuk; Alyssa Marchuk; Mikayla Marchuk; Brenda Marchuk, owner; Kathryn Lopprino, Chamber of Commerce and Industry President; Danielle Gulli, Chamber of Commerce and Industry Director; Casey Meyers, Chamber of Commerce and Industry Board Member.

SHOP FRESH GRAND OPENING

City staff and local business owners welcomed Julia Muell and her family during the grand opening of **ShopFresh Market**, located at 330 N. Eastwood Drive in Woodstock, Illinois. Persons participating in the celebration on August, 1, 2016 included (from left to right): Roscoe Stelford, City of Woodstock City Manager; Kathryn Lopprino, Woodstock Chamber of Commerce and Industry President; Garrett Anderson, City of Woodstock Economic Development Director; Dr. Brian Sager, Mayor; Maria and Jerry Casciaro (parents); Julia Muell, owner; Joann Casciaro (sister); Jim O'Leary, Woodstock Chamber of Commerce and Industry Board Member; Paul Christensen, City of Woodstock Assistant City Manager/ Finance Director; and Carl Muell (husband).



City Motto: "True to its past and confident of its future."



Wednesday Night August Concert Series

Crazy Heart—August 10th
Saturday JuneBand—August 17th
Maxwell Street Band—August 24th
All concerts begin at 7:00 pm.



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Hours:
8:30 am - 5:00 pm
M, W, Th, F
8:30 am - 7:00 pm
Tuesdays unless
otherwise posted

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Reminder New Newsletter Publish Dates

<i>August 2016</i>						
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28	29	30	31			

City Meetings Open to the Public

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Meeting</u>	<u>Location</u>
8/8/2016	7:00 pm	Historic Preservation Commission	City Hall, Council Chambers
8/9/2016	8:00 am	Economic Development Commission	City Hall, Council Chambers
8/9/2016	7:00 pm	Parks & Recreation Commission	City Hall, Council Chambers