



CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER



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IL RT. 120 TO BE RESURFACED

The City has learned that the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) opened bids on June 14, 2013 for the resurfacing of 6.57 miles of IL Rt. 120 which includes the portion thru downtown Woodstock. The project limits are Charles Road to the east and US Rt. 14 to the west. Locally, McHenry Avenue, portions of Madison Street, Church Street, and Washington Street are all part of that State Route and these roads are included in this resurfacing project. The estimated start date for the project is sometime in August with an expected construction period of 3-4 months. **City Engineer, Al Wilson** will be representing the City at a preconstruction meeting at IDOT on July 29, 2013. If you have any questions you may contact the Area Construction Supervisor, John Huang, at 847 705-4260.

DON'T IGNORE YOUR PARKING TICKETS

By utilizing a program offered by the Illinois Secretary of State, the **Woodstock Police Department's Records Division**, headed up by **Special Services Coordinator Sgt. Amati** and assisted by **Records Clerks Pam Hess** and **Jan DiFrancesca**, has recently collected approximately \$8,000 in unpaid parking ticket fines. The Secretary of State's Office will suspend the driving license privileges of persons with outstanding parking fines when notified by the municipality where the parking tickets were issued. Despite a number of notices sent by the Records Department, a number of parking fines have been ignored until the violators were notified by the Illinois Secretary of State that their driving privileges would be suspended until the fines are paid. The Records Department will continue in this effort to collect unpaid parking fines.

RECRUITMENT NEWS

Recruitment to find the most highly-qualified person to fill the Finance Director role continues, with a deadline extension until Wednesday, July 31, 2013:

Finance Director

The City of Woodstock continues its search for a dynamic financial leader with hands-on, involved management style to be our next Finance Director. This position reports to the City Manager and is responsible for supervising a staff of six and overseeing a \$28M total budget serving our population of 24,770. Operating under the Council-Manager form of government, Woodstock has received the GFOA Achievement of Excellence in Financial Reporting Award for 18 years and the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for 10 consecutive years.

A position profile outlining required application materials, formal opportunity notice and a fillable City of Woodstock job application for this role may be obtained by clicking the links on the website, or requested via email to humanresources@woodstockil.gov. Application materials will be accepted until Wednesday, July 31, 2013, 5:00 PM.

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REC DEPT SPONSORS BLOOD DRIVE



Pictured is Rec Department Director **Dave Zinnen** getting prepped to give blood at the Recreation Department's *Blood Drive* held last Monday at the Rec Center. Thirteen units were donated with three deferrals. **13 units saves 39 lives!**

Other Rec Department employees that donated included **Alan Dunker, Dan Werner, and Trey Grover.**

DON'T MISS MOVIES IN THE PARK!

Next Friday, July 26, Movies in the Park will feature the popular Disney movie, *Brave*. Fresh from its Oscar win as the Best Animated Picture of 2012, *Brave* tells the story of Princess Merida who, determined to make her own path in life, defies custom and brings chaos to her kingdom. Granted one wish, Merida must rely on her bravery and her archery skills to undo a beastly curse. *Brave* was our most-requested movie, and we are happy to be able to bring it to Movies in the Park. It is rated PG and runs for 93 minutes.

rc juggles will be joining us once again for pre-movie fun, so bring your blankets and lawn chairs out to Woodstock WaterWorks and join the fun. The movie will begin as close to 8:30PM as darkness allows. And of course, Movies in the Park are always FREE!



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GIRLS SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT SURVIVES HEAT

Over 60 teams from all over southern Wisconsin and northern Illinois competed in the Sixteenth Annual **Woodstock Recreation/Heatwave** Girl's Fastpitch Tournament over the weekend.

Four age divisions- 18U, 16U, 14U, and 12U were offered. During the three-day event a total of 176 games were played at Emricson Park, Bates Park, and McHenry Township fields.

The tournament was directed/organized by **Recreation Director Dave Zinnen, Program Coordinator Alan Dunker** and by Connie Weathersby from the Heatwave organization.

Thanks to the **Parks Division** for their assistance with field prep throughout the tournament.



UPCOMING EVENTS:

Saturday, July 20 – Farmers Market on the Square

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Sunday, July 21 – Woodstock Folkfest, Park in the Square

Tuesday, July 23 – Farmers Market on the Square

Friday, July 26 – Woodstock Sidewalk Sales

Friday, July 26 – Movies in the Park, Woodstock WaterWorks

Saturday, July 27 – Farmers Market on the Square

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Saturday, July 27 – Offsides Music Festival

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HEALTH & SAFETY MESSAGE: PRESCRIPTION FOR TRAGEDY

Overdose deaths in the U.S. are rising fastest among middle-aged women, and their drug of choice is usually prescription painkillers, a recent study from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention shows. The problem is one of the few health issues the CDC is working on that is clearly getting worse. The CDC found that the number and rate of prescription painkiller overdose deaths among females increased about fivefold 1999 to 2010. Among men, such deaths rose about 3 1/2 times.

Men tend to take more risks with drugs than women, and often are more prone to the kind of workplace injuries that lead to their being prescribed painkillers in the first place. However, studies suggest that women are more likely to have chronic pain, to be prescribed higher doses, and to use pain drugs longer than men. Some research suggests women may be more likely than men to "doctor shop" and get pain pills from several physicians.

The CDC report focuses on prescription opioids like Vicodin and OxyContin and their generic forms, methadone, and a powerful newer drug called Opana, or oxymorphone. In many cases, a combination of drugs was involved, such as painkillers taken with tranquilizers.

CDC officials think more than 70 percent of the overdose deaths were unintentional, showing how tragically easy it is to make dramatic mistakes with medicines.

Quotation

*Deep summer is when
laziness finds respectability.*

~Sam Keen