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REC DEPT GETS READY FOR CHALLENGE ROAD RACES



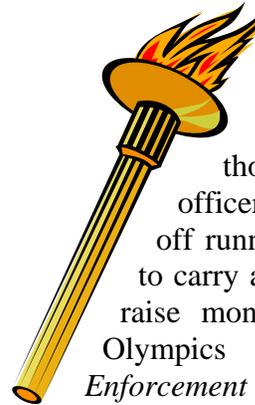
Pictured are **Rec Staff** members **Tyler Westman, Sara Vasques, and Ellissa Zaino** stuffing 600 race bags in preparation for the 35th Annual Woodstock Challenge Road Races held tomorrow at Emricson Park.

The 10K race begins at 8:00AM followed by the 5K at 8:05AM. Then **Mayor Sager** will lead the 1-Mile Kids/Family Run with Woodstock Water Works' mascot **Ty the Turtle** leading the ½-Mile Run.

Following the races, cool off at Woodstock Water Works during post-race festivities which include food and refreshments, raffles, and awards.

Race day registration is still available at WWW from 6:30-7:30AM.

For more info, call the Rec Dept at 338-4363.



CARRYING THE TORCH

Members of the **Woodstock Police Department** joined thousands of other law enforcement officers and their families as they took off running this week, banding together to carry and pass the torch in an effort to raise money and awareness for Special Olympics Illinois. The *Illinois Law Enforcement Torch Run*, consisting of 23 legs, kicked off Sunday, June 10th, 2012 in DeKalb and ends today, Friday, June 15th in Normal, where the torch will be delivered to the State Summer Games. Representing the Woodstock PD on that hot day were **Chief Lowen, Detective Sergeant Jeff Parsons, Sergeant Tino Cipolla, Detective Jason Bernstein, Officer Michael Karnath, Explorer Scout Bo Ratkovic** and Alyssa Parsons, daughter of Detective Sergeant Jeff Parsons.

The Law Enforcement Torch Run is the single largest year-round fundraising vehicle benefiting Special Olympics. Last year, the Torch Run in Illinois raised over \$2.9 million through donations. A big thank-you goes out to Sergeant Cipolla for coordinating this year's event through the Department.

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LIBRARY NEWS

Retirement of Lucë York on June 15, 2012

Lucë York will be retiring on **June 15, 2012**. Lucë has been with the Woodstock Public Library since **April 1990**. We wish Luce a relaxing, enjoyable retirement and we look forward to keeping in touch with her and hearing about all the wonderful activities she takes part in once she has retired!

Adults Can Join Summer Reading Club Too- It's Easy!

Summer reading club is for everyone-adults included..

Adults can register online on the library main webpage. (www.woodstockpubliclibrary.org) Registration is easy and you can submit reviews online too. Adults in the club set their own personal reading goal for the summer. For every book read and reviewed adults receive an entry into the Grand Prize drawing on July 23rd and an incentive prize - a small piece of candy or 25 cents in Library Money. Library Money can be used to pay for overdue fines, printing, or used books from the Friends Bookstore. Library bookstores have boxes for you to pay into in order to make it easy for you! Prizes for the Grand Prize Drawing include a Kindle Touch, Read Between the Lynes gift cards, thumbdrives and more!

Scholastic Book Fair!

Sale on!!! The Scholastic Book Fair is open for business for one week only! The proceeds from the book fair go to benefit Woodstock's **Christmas Clearing House**. If you wish to make an addition to your personal purchases you may do so and buy a book for a child in need. You may also make a monetary donation. Our goal is to ensure that every child on the Clearing House list receives a new book for **Christmas**. The sale runs during regular library hours.

Drop in Storytime

Age Group(s): Ages 2 and up

Date: 6/13/2012

Start Time: 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM

Come to one class or join us every week! We'll share great stories, songs, and lots of fun during these drop-in sessions. This program is held in the Library Children's Storytime Room. Registration required. Admission: Bring your Summer Reading log.

CIVIL WAR STATUE



Opera House workers erected scaffolding in the Park in the Square this week, enabling James and Anthony Zoia of Zoia Monument Co. to inspect the 103-year old Sentinel statue and Civil War monument. Their findings will be used to determine the cost of needed repairs to the monument's stone joints, ornamentation and fencing, to be funded - as the monument originally was - through public donations.

DORR TOWNSHIP SUBMITS PLANS FOR NEW SITE



Dorr Township officials have submitted plans for the conversion of an existing building at 1039 Lake Avenue into township use. The 10,700 square foot building, located at the intersection of Lake Avenue and Martha Lane, will be completely remodeled to include offices, community meeting rooms, a food pantry, and related uses. The building, which was previously occupied by a day care business and an exercise studio, and used for storage activity, is presently vacant. The Township is also in the process of building three new storage buildings for its highway and maintenance facility at 12322 Davis Road. Once the plans have been reviewed and approved by **Building Inspector Dan Streit and Plumbing Inspector John Bertram**, construction will commence and the remodeling work is expected to be completed within the next 5 to 6 months.

FOURTH OF JULY TO IMPACT TIME SHEET DUE DATE

Due to the July 4th holiday occurring on the City's regularly scheduled payday, time sheets will need to be submitted to the **Finance Department** in the morning on Friday, June 29th for the pay period of June 17th – June 30th. This will allow the Finance Department the necessary time to process the payroll and have all checks available on Tuesday, July 3rd at 3:00PM. Please feel free to contact the Finance Department with any questions.

RECRUITMENT NEWS

Welcome to **Ariel Warshawsky**, who has been hired as **PT Recreation Center Cashier**, and **Tyler Westman**, hired as **LPT Recreation Center Cashier**.

Congratulations to **Kate Lynn Lisk** who has been promoted to **PT Finance Office Clerk** at Woodstock City Hall and **Valeria Cereda** who expands hours to officially become **PT Library Desk Assistant**.



A most sincere “fare thee well” and our very best wishes to PT Library Desk Assistant Luce York, who retires today after 22 years at Woodstock Public Library. If you haven’t already done so, be sure to stop by the Library today and say “So Long!” to Luce.

PLAN COMMISSION TO REVIEW GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE MAP

On Thursday, June 28, 2012 the Plan Commission will host a presentation regarding the development of a green infrastructure map and plan for Woodstock and the surrounding area. Members of the Environmental Commission have also been invited to attend this presentation. Prepared with assistance from the McHenry County Planning & Development Department, the map is one of three being prepared as part of the Woodstock Green Infrastructure Plan. A major element of the Plan is the development of a buffer map and recommendations for the location of buffer areas around the City. It is anticipated that final versions of the maps and plan will be completed by the end of July and presented to the City Council in late August.

CARLISLE DRIVE SEES NEW HOUSING

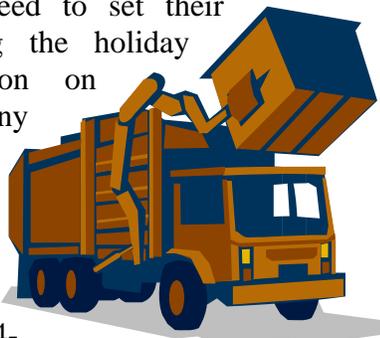


Building plans for three duplex structures, containing a total of six dwelling units, have been submitted to the City for review and approval. The proposed buildings are located on Carlisle Drive and west of Wicker Street, and will be constructed on lots originally planned for four-unit townhomes. The buildings will be single story and designed for handicapped access. The plans were prepared and submitted by the Housing Opportunity Development Corporation of Techny, Illinois. Once the new residential units are completed, they will be turned over to Home of the Sparrow which will be responsible for finding tenants for the dwellings. After the plans are approved, work on the structures is expected to start this summer and completion is anticipated towards the end of the year.

FOURTH OF JULY HOLIDAY WILL IMPACT GARBAGE SERVICE

As a reminder, the Fourth of July Holiday will alter the garbage pickup schedule for residents during the week of July 2nd through July 6th. With the Fourth of July falling on a Wednesday, residents will need to place their garbage out one day later, beginning on Wednesday, than the normal pickup date. For instance, those residents with a Friday garbage pickup date will need to set their garbage out during the holiday week for collection on Saturday.

Any questions should be directed to the City's garbage contractor, MDC Environmental Services at 815-334-0014.



A BUSY SEASON OF PLAYGROUND PROGRAM HAS BEGUN

Pictured below are participants in the **Recreation Department's** afternoon *Playground Program* group checking in on the first pool day of summer camp.

This year there are over 275 children ages four to twelve years old registered. The program runs Monday through Friday for seven weeks at Olson Elementary School. The four to seven year-olds meet from 9AM-noon followed by the eight to twelve year-olds from 1-4 PM.

Several guest speakers are lined up to speak at the program to help teach the kids a variety of new things. Thanks to the **Woodstock Fire Department** and the **Woodstock Police Department** who are once again taking time out to attend the program.



MEETINGS NEXT WEEK...

Tuesday, June 19 – **Opera House Advisory Commission**, 4:30PM at the Opera House
Tuesday, June 19 – **City Council**, 7:00PM in the Council Chambers at City Hall

HEALTH & SAFETY MESSAGE:

JUST STOP THAT

Quitting smoking is a lot like losing weight: it takes a strong commitment over a long time. There is no one right way to quit. Most smokers prefer to quit cold turkey — they stop completely, all at once, with no medicines or nicotine replacement. An effective technique is to actually identify and schedule an official Quit Day. This shows a sincere commitment and makes the efforts involved a rewardable goal.

Here are some steps to help you prepare for your Quit Day:

- Pick the date and mark it on your calendar.
 - Tell friends and family about your Quit Day.
 - Get rid of all the cigarettes and ashtrays in your home, car, and at work.
 - Stock up on oral substitutes — sugarless gum, carrot sticks, hard candy, cinnamon sticks, coffee stirrers, straws, and/or toothpicks.
 - Decide on a plan. Will you use NRT or other medicines? Will you attend a stop-smoking class? If so, sign up now.
 - Practice saying, “No thank you, I don’t smoke.”
 - Set up a support system. This could be a group program or a friend or family member who has successfully quit and is willing to help you. Ask family and friends who still smoke not to smoke around you, and not to leave cigarettes out where you can see them.
 - If you are using bupropion or varenicline, take your dose each day of the week leading up to your Quit Day.
 - Think back to your past attempts to quit. Try to figure out what worked and what did not work for you.
- Do not smoke. This means none at all — not even one puff!
 - Keep active — try walking, exercising, or doing other activities or hobbies.
 - Drink lots of water and juices.
 - Begin using nicotine replacement if that is your choice.
 - Attend stop-smoking class or follow your self-help plan.
 - Avoid situations where the urge to smoke is strong.
 - Avoid people who are smoking.
 - Drink less alcohol or avoid it completely.
 - Think about how you can change your routine. Use a different route to go to work, drink tea instead of coffee. Eat breakfast in a different place or eat different foods.

Studies prove that the positive effects of stopping smoking are felt almost instantly and continue to grow over time. It’s never too late to add precious years to your life by ridding your body of this addictive toxin!

Quote

There is no duty we so much underrate as the duty of being happy.

Robert Louis Stevenson (1850 - 1894)

Then, on your Quit Day:



TY THE TURTLE CELEBRATES HIS 11TH BIRTHDAY

Ty the Turtle, Woodstock Water Works mascot, celebrated his 11th birthday this past Tuesday with his pool family and friends at the pool. Over 100 children sang Happy Birthday, ate cake and played games.

Every Tuesday is Turtle Tuesday at Woodstock Water Works. Each week a different activity is planned-crafts, games and fun! Turtle events are planned and organized by Rec **Center Front Desk Staff/Woodstock Water Works Event Supervisor Estee Forst.**

EMPLOYEE ANNIVERSARIES FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 17TH – JUNE 23RD

Please stop by and congratulate the following employees on their anniversary with the City.

Employee	Department	Day	# of Years
Phil Groh	Parks/Streets	June 17 th	10 Years
Robert Randall	Police	June 23 rd	4 Years

A special thank you to both of these employees for their tireless efforts and commitment to excellence, which makes the City of Woodstock a wonderful place to work and raise a family, as well as for all of the future years of service still to come.

SUDOKU PUZZLE

Sudoku is the number placing game taking the world by storm. The rules of Sudoku are simple. Enter digits from 1 to 9 into the blank spaces. Every row must contain one of each digit. So must every column, as must every 3x3 square. Each Sudoku has a unique solution that can be reached logically without guessing.

This Week's Puzzle!

1	7			9		8		4
	5						9	
6			3		8			
		7	2			5	6	
	2	1			7	9		
			9		1			8
	9						5	
7		5		6			3	9

Solution: Last Week's Puzzle

9	3	6	5	4	8	7	2	1
1	5	2	7	6	3	9	4	8
7	4	8	1	2	9	6	5	3
8	2	9	3	1	4	5	7	6
6	1	5	2	9	7	3	8	4
3	7	4	6	8	5	1	9	2
2	9	1	8	5	6	4	3	7
5	8	3	4	7	1	2	6	9
4	6	7	9	3	2	8	1	5