



E-NEWS

Village of Woodridge

May 6, 2022

Greetings!



Week #7 of the Citizen's Police Academy: Crime Scene Processing

Sgt. Porras demonstrates crime scene processing and evidence procedures. Students received some hands-on practice with lifting fingerprints.

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VILLAGE MEETINGS

Human Relations
Committee

**More than 125 Tornado-Impacted Woodridge
Properties Receive Trees on Arbor Day**

May 10, 2022; 6:00 p.m.
Woodridge Public Library
3 Plaza Drive

Plan Commission
May 16, 2022, 7:00 p.m.
Werch Board Room
5 Plaza Drive

Village Board Meeting
May 19, 2022, 7:00 p.m.
Werch Board Room
5 Plaza Drive

**Board of Police
Commissioners Meeting**
May 23, 2022, 6:30 p.m.
Training Room, 2nd Fl.
5 Plaza Drive

Village Board Meeting
June 2, 2022, 7:00 p.m.
Werch Board Room
5 Plaza Drive

Water Bill Brief

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Woodridge Public Works joined Woodridge students to plant a new tree for Arbor Day on April 27, 2022. Overall, approximately 127 tornado-impacted Woodridge properties received a tree this Arbor Day through a collaborative tree-planting program from the Village of Woodridge, Morton Arboretum, and the National Arbor Day Foundation.

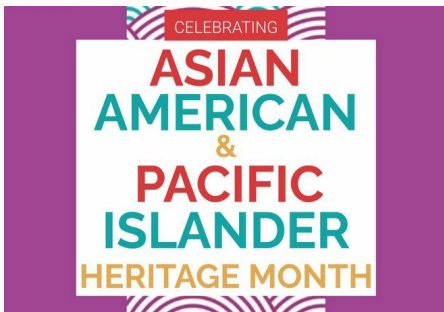


Board Brief: May 5, 2022 Meeting

The Village Board meeting video is available below and also airing on WCTV Channel 6. The agenda is available [here](#).



Heritage Month Proclamations At the May 5 Village Board meeting, Mayor Gina Cunningham issued proclamations recognizing May as Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month and Jewish-American Heritage Month. These proclamations are part of a continuous effort to recognize heritage months in Woodridge.



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National Police Week, Public Works Week, and Public Service Recognition Week. An additional proclamation is for River Sweep 2022 [Agenda packet](#) p. 27.



National Public Works Week: May 15-21, 2022. [Agenda packet](#) page 9

National Police Week: May 15-21, 2022. [Agenda packet](#) page 6. Woodridge residents are encouraged to display a blue light on their porch in support of police week. The Woodridge Home Depot is selling blue lights at a discount.



Building Safety Month [Agenda packet](#) p. 15



Municipal Clerk's Week [Agenda packet](#) p. 18



National Public Service Recognition Week: May 1-7 2022.
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Scam Alert: Scammers Calling and Impersonating Woodridge Police Officers

This is an audio recording of a voicemail box set up by some scammers impersonating the Woodridge Police Department. The scammers are looking up Woodridge Police officers' names and then calling people and impersonating Woodridge Police officers. The scammers are asking to collect money or gift card information over the phone. They also set up a fake voicemail line to collect the account information. The Woodridge Police Department will never call to request payment over the phone. If you receive a suspicious call from someone claiming to be a Woodridge Police officer, please call our main phone number at 630-719-4740 during regular business hours (M-F, 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.) or 911 anytime.



Woodridge Recognized by GFOA for Outstanding PAFR Report

Recently, the GFOA awarded Woodridge for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting (PAFR) for its PAFR for the fiscal year ending on December 31, 2020!



The Popular Annual Financial Reporting **Award** recognizes [local](#) governments who create versions of their annual financial reports that are understandable and accessible. Some of the PAFR topics include:

- ✓ Financial Highlights
- ✓ Making “Cents” of Property Taxes
- ✓ General Fund Revenues vs. Expenditures
- ✓ Capital Projects Fund
- ✓ Motor Fuel Tax Fund
- ✓ Water & Sewer Fund... and more. [PAFR Report](#)

The League of Women Voters Event this Saturday: Primaries - What They Are and Why They Are Important



The League of Women Voters is having an event this Saturday, May 7, from 10 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. at the Downers Grove Fire Station (55th & Main). Missy Mouritsen and William Enright from College of DuPage will discuss how primaries work and the impact they have on the November general election.

[Registration link](#)

Happening Tomorrow: 13th Annual Woodridge Rotary Recycling Extravaganza

The Woodridge Rotary is hosting the 13th Annual Woodridge Rotary Recycling Extravaganza! This is a great opportunity to recycle that old TV and shred some paper. Event details:

Location: [Cypress Cove Family Aquatic Park](#) parking lot (83rd & Janes Ave.

Time: 8 a.m. – 11 a.m.

Date: Saturday, May 7, 2022

The Woodridge Rotary Club presents....



Saturday, May 07, 2022
Cypress Cove Parking Lot (83rd & Janes Avenue)
8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
For updated recycling information visit www.woodridgerotary.org

RECYCLING ITEMS TO BE COLLECTED

Elgin Recycling:
TV's and Monitors \$30 for 21" and under | \$40 for over 21" | **CASH OR CREDIT CARD ONLY**
\$10/car that doesn't have a tv or monitor : VCRs, DVD Players, Cameras, Computers, Copiers, Electric Keyboards, Microwaves, Computers, Mice, Modems, Printers, Projectors, Audio & Video Equipment, Scanners, Radios, Non-wood Speakers, Stereos, Telephones, Zip Drives, Cards and Chargers.
Proshred: Document Shredding | Maximum 3 Boxes or Bags per Car
VFW Post #1578: American Flags
Interstate Battery: Car, Boat, Lawn Mower, Truck, Sump Pumps, RV and Sport Vehicle Batteries
(No Automotive Batteries)

Goodwill: will accept the following in good working order: books, records, compact discs, clothing, boots, shoes, hats, gloves, linens, curtains, blankets, hand and power tools, dishes, pots & pans sports equipment, etc.

Working Bikes: Bicycle & Bike Parts
Molenhouse: Scrap Metal (Old Swings, Fence Posts, etc.)
SCARCE: Ink Cartridges, Buttons, Keys, Musical Instruments, School Supplies & Books, & More
Lions Clubs: Eye Glasses & Hearing Aids
Earth Paints: PAINT & SOLVENTS | CASH OR CREDIT CARD ONLY
Recycle Single Color Latex Paint Cans: \$2.50/Qt. | \$5.00/Gal. | \$18.00/5-Gal | Spray Paint: \$2.00 Can
Oil Paint & Solvents: \$5.00/Qt. | \$9.00/Gal | \$20.00/5-Gal (no mixing)

Not Accepted: Propane Tanks, Light Bulbs, Household Hazardous Waste, Fire Extinguishers, Smoke Detectors, Large Appliances (e.g. Refrigerators, Washers, Dryers, Stoves, etc.)

Rotary will be accepting cash donations to help the fight to eradicate polio

Last Day of Giving DuPage Days



community fundraiser going on now through today. Please see this website to make a donation .

This week is the DuPage Foundation annual fundraiser, #GivingDuPageDays, and there's still time to contribute. The DuPage Foundation helps to lift up 95 local charitable organizations across every nonprofit cause – hunger, disabilities, homelessness, healthcare, mental wellness, women, children, military, veterans and more. All these nonprofit groups benefit from the LARGEST online

DuPage Community Arts Festival



DuPage County will host its inaugural Community Arts Festival on May 28 at the DuPage County Fairgrounds. The festival will have three stages with musical acts, along with food trucks and a beer tent providing refreshments. Local community artists will be showcasing and selling their work throughout the festival.

Groups scheduled to perform during the festival include the headline act, Ides of March, and others including the Orbert Davis Quintet, Muriel Anderson, Ralph Covert and Ralph's World, Son Monarcas, the DuPage Symphony Ensembles, the Chicago Jazz Academy, Vital Signs, the Road Show Inc. Show Choir, Elmhurst Symphony Chamber groups, and many more, including a visual performance by artist Lewis Achenbach.

Business Owners: SBDC Live Webinar: Funding - Loans and Alternatives

The live webinar covers basic concepts of funding

through loans and other options. The webinar will explain various loan programs, how you can test whether you and your business are eligible, and how for example SBA loans work. You will get an overview of the paperwork required and a brief chapter about alternative funding, including self-funding options.

This live webinar encourages questions from the audience and allows time to answer questions provided through the Q&A box. Please be prepared to share a bit about the kind of business (i.e. retail, e-commerce, consumer services) and your point of business development (i.e. idea formed, market research, early startup, < 1year, existing).

IDNR recommends halt to use of bird feeders, bird baths through May 31 until spread of avian influenza subsides

SPRINGFIELD – The Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) today issued updated public recommendations regarding wild birds and the EA H5N1 strain of Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) currently impacting some wild and domestic bird species.

While HPAI has not been detected in songbird species (passerines), [IDNR recommends the use of bird feeders and bird baths cease through May 31](#), or until HPAI infections in the Midwest subside, especially those that waterfowl may visit. During spring, wild birds will have ample food sources while bird feeders are removed.

Flashback Friday: Woodridge time capsule installation at Kagann Plaza in 2009. The Village of Woodridge plans to open the time capsule on August 24, 2059, for the Village's 100th anniversary.



Do you have a flashback photo? [Send it to us](#), and it could be featured in the next E-News issue.

IN AND AROUND WOODRIDGE

Lunar Eclipse: Skywatching Program

Adler Planetarium's Michelle Nichols will share exciting tips for observing the night sky and watching the upcoming full lunar



eclipse, during a live Zoom program presented for the Woodridge Library on Thursday, May 12 at 7:00 p.m. Adults, teens or families should register to receive a Zoom link to attend this virtual program.

Prince of Peace Garage Sale Returns

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church on 75th Street in Woodridge will again be having a garage sale!

- Thursday May 12 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
- Friday May 13 from 9 a.m.- 3 p.m.
- Saturday May 14 from 9 a.m.- 12 p.m.

Free Kids' Moon Craft

Just-for-children: stop by the Woodridge Public Library's Circulation Desk to pick up a free "Take & Make: Moon Eclipse Craft," starting Monday, May 9, while supplies last.

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