



# E-NEWS

Village of Woodridge

**August 18, 2023**

*Greetings!*

## Woodridge Warhol Food Drive



Look for the Andy Warhol themed soup can barrels around Woodridge! The Village of Woodridge, the Woodridge Public Library, and the West Suburban Community Pantry are teaming up to bring a community food drive to the citizens of Woodridge running from August 7 - September 10.

Donation locations include: **Woodridge Village Hall** ( 5 Plaza Dr.), **The Woodridge Public Library** ( 3 Plaza Dr.), **Fred C. Hohnke Community Center** ( 2600 Center Dr.), **The Woodridge Park District ARC** (8201 Janes Ave.), **Woodridge Jewel-Osco** (2317 75th St.), **Skeleton Key Brewery** (8102 Lemont Rd. # 300), **Robert F. Girgis, DDC, LTC. Orthodontist** ( 7350 Janes Ave.)

### VILLAGE MEETINGS

**Plan Commission Meeting**  
August 21 at 7:00 p.m.

### **Board Brief**

**August 17 Mayor and Board of Trustees - Regular Board**

Werch Board Room  
5 Plaza Drive

**Board of Police  
Commissioners Meeting**  
August 28 at 6:30 pm  
2nd Floor Training Room  
5 Plaza Drive

**Village Board Meeting**  
September 7 at 7:00 p.m.  
Werch Board Room  
5 Plaza Drive

**Water Bill Brief**

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Please visit the [Woodridge YouTube channel](#) watch the video.



### **Citizen's Leadership Academy**

## **CITIZEN'S LEADERSHIP ACADEMY**

**TUESDAY NIGHTS  
FROM 6:30-8:30 PM  
9/19/23-10/24/23**

**VILLAGE OF  
WOODRIDGE**

The Citizen Leadership Academy provides an in-depth education on many aspects of the Village, including a review of all units of local government within Woodridge, a comprehensive review of Village operations, the Village's communication and transparency efforts, and future opportunities to serve the Woodridge community. A previous participant stated, "I have a much better understanding of how things work in the Village in which I live."

*\*With one Monday Session on 9/25 instead of Tuesday*

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for more information

Learn about the Village of Woodridge and how local government functions at the Citizen's Leadership Academy! This is a free community education program where participants will meet 6 times from September 19 through October 23 (Tuesday nights). To join, contact Andie Trucco at [atrucco@woodridgeil.gov](mailto:atrucco@woodridgeil.gov).

### **Woodridge Police Department Places 3rd in the Illinois Traffic Safety Challenge!**

Congratulations to Officer Phelps and the Woodridge Police Department Traffic Unit for placing 3rd in the in the Illinois Traffic Safety Challenge (ITSC)! The ITSC is a program coordinated by the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police and maintained by a National Highway Traffic Safety Administration grant that is supported by the Illinois Department of Transportation, the Bureau of Safety Programs and Engineering, and funding from private entities. The program helps agencies demonstrate successes to their government officials, community leaders, and citizens. This is the 5th year Officer Phelps has won this award!



### **Plan Commission**

On August 21, 2023 the Plan Commission will meet in the Werch Board Room at Village Hall, 5 Plaza Drive, at 7:00 p.m. for the following:



**Rivers Edge by Pulte Home Company, LLC - 6200 Route 53:** Request for annexation, a special use permit for a Planned Unit Development, zoning map amendments, subdivision and deviations for 45.16 acres of vacant property in unincorporated DuPage County for a mixed use commercial and residential development. The petitioner has requested this case be continued to September 18, 2023.

**GTS Transportation – 11321 Joliet Road:** Request for a preliminary site plan for the construction of a new building for a truck repair and sales business, which requires a special use permit. The petitioner is also requesting a map amendment from R-1 zoning to M-1 zoning, and preliminary approval of a lot consolidation.



### Now Hiring Lateral Police Officers

The Woodridge Police Department is now accepting applications for the position of Lateral Police Officer. Starting salary (DOQ) up to \$93,808. Join a professional, progressive law enforcement agency consisting of 51 sworn officers (one Chief, two Deputy Chiefs, seven Sergeants, and 41 patrol officers).

[Click here](#) for more information and to apply.

### National City Hall Selfie Day!

Thank you to everyone who participated in National City Hall Selfie Day on Tuesday, August 15! We appreciate you taking a moment to stop by and celebrate public service, local government, and pride in our community.



### Village Offices Closed for Labor Day

Village of Woodridge Offices will be closed on Monday, September 4 in observance of Labor Day. Offices will re-open on Tuesday, September 5 at 8:00 am.



## Woodridge Remembers September 11, 2001



### September 11 Remembrance Ceremony

Every year, Lisle and Woodridge hold a Remembrance Ceremony to honor those who have been affected by the tragic events of September 11, 2001. The Woodridge community is invited to attend this ceremony alongside our Lisle neighbors. This year's ceremony will take place on Monday, September 11 outside Woodridge Village Hall (5 Plaza Dr.) at 8:30 am.



### Change Your Outdoor Lights to Honor Police & Firefighters this September!

As September 11 approaches, let's honor and show support for our Woodridge Police Officers & Fire Fighters from September 8 through September 17 by displaying blue and/or red light porch lights.



### Water Meter Replacement Program

The Village of Woodridge is implementing a mandatory water meter upgrade program to replace existing water meters and remote readers with a new Fixed Base Automatic Meter Reading System (Smart Meters) in all residential, commercial, and industrial areas. The program will include the replacement of approximately 9,000 meters and will take roughly 6 to 8 months. When it your neighborhood's turn to have water meters replaced, United Water Meters Inc. will notify you by letter and/or door hanger for you to schedule a time to complete the replacement.

[Click here](#) for more information.

### DCEO Celebrates 2023 Black Business Month





The Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO) is celebrating and supporting Black-owned businesses and entrepreneurs across Illinois throughout the month of August. The celebration includes a webinar highlighting community leaders, organizations, and business enterprises throughout the state, stops on the Statewide Black Business Survey Roadshow, a campaign inviting Illinoisans to "Shop Black-owned Business Saturdays," as well as company highlights via social media. Additional information about resources and events can be found [here](#).

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### **IHDA "Opening Doors" Homebuyer Assistance Program**

The Illinois Housing Development Authority (IHDA) homeownership program has reopened. This program is designed to help working-class families and underrepresented communities of color throughout Illinois who have historically faced steeper barriers in their path toward homeownership. The program includes \$6,000 in forgivable assistance for down payment and/or closing costs. [Click here](#) to learn more.



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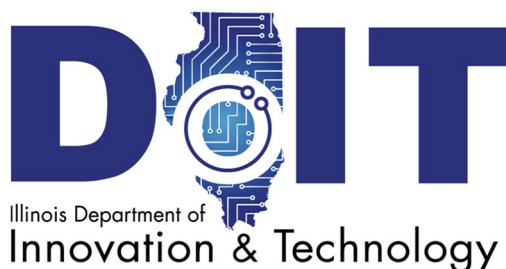
### **Explore College of DuPage Glen Ellyn Campus**

Looking for something to do this upcoming weekend? Consider exploring nearly 45 acres of natural areas at the College of DuPage Glen Ellyn Campus. Check out the trails that run through the 18-acre Russell R. Kirt Prairie and 15-acre Ecological Study Area, participate in programs, and more! [Click here](#) to learn more.

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### **Illinois Department of Innovation & Technology Procurement Webinar**

The supplier diversity office at the Illinois Department of Innovation & Technology (DoIT) invites vendors to attend a virtual webinar to discuss "The Small Business Set Aside Program" on August 23 at 10 am. [Click here](#) to register and learn more.



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### **Choose DuPage Webinar Event *How to do Business with Argonne National Laboratory***

Join Choose DuPage and other local small business owners on September 13 at 10:00 am for a virtual event to learn how to approach and engage with Argonne National Laboratory. Attendees will gain an understanding of what and how they buy, while learning to use the 6-step process that could help your business succeed. [Click here](#) to register and learn more.

## Woodridge School District 68

Did you know that Woodridge School District has a history that dates back to the mid-19th century? On April 6, 1858 a warrantee deed was recorded, deeding the land now at the northeast corner of Hobson Road and Route 53 from the Pomeroy Goodrich family to the board of school trustees. See more photos and learn more on the Library website [here](#).

Best of luck and wishing all of our Woodridge students a successful school year!



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



#### Live Music at the Library

Join Jane Allyson as she performs the biggest hits of the 60s at the Woodridge Public Library on Sunday, August 20 from 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm.

More information [here](#).

#### Youth Fishing Tourney

The Woodridge Park District is hosting its 2nd Annual Youth Fishing Tourney at Lake Harriet on August 26 from 10 am - 12 pm. Gift cards will be awarded in each age group for biggest catch with a special prize for the one that catches the biggest bluegill. Age groups are: 8 and below, 9 - 12 years old and 13 - 16 years



## YOUTH FISHING TOURNEY

SATURDAY, AUGUST 26<sup>TH</sup>  
LAKE HARRIET | 10:00 AM-12:00 PM  
AGES 4-16 | \$8.00



old. [Click here](#) to register and learn more.



### Woodridge Oktoberfest SAVE THE DATES!

Woodridge Oktoberfest is returning on September 29 & September 30! Save the dates! More information to come from the Woodridge Park District soon! View details [here](#).

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