



Woodridge E-News

September 18, 2020

Dear Trevor,

Woodridge is Accepting Donations on Behalf of:
Blue Jeans For The Homeless

During business hours: Sept. 18 - Oct. 23, 2020, 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Village Hall Lobby (5 Plaza Drive)
Visit www.bluejeansforthehomeless.org for more information

Woodridge is now accepting donations on behalf of Blue Jeans for the Homeless.
More information below.

VILLAGE MEETINGS

Village Board Meeting
October 1, 7:00 p.m.
Werch Board Room

2021 Budget Workshops September 22 & 29

The 2021 Budget Workshops will be held in the Werch Board Room, located at Village Hall, 5 Plaza Dr. in Woodridge, on Tuesday, September 22 and September 29, starting at 6:00 p.m. At the workshops, the Village Board will review and discuss the proposed Village budget for Fiscal Year 2021.

5 Plaza Drive

Village Board Meeting

October 15, 7:00 p.m.

Werch Board Room

5 Plaza Drive

Water Bill Brief

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Please submit your public comment by e-mailing PublicComment@vil.woodridge.il.us. You can also call (630) 719-4901 and leave a voicemail with a comment. The Proposed 2021 Village Budget is available for inspection [on the Village's website](#), at the Woodridge Public Library and Village Hall.

Local Election Packets Available at Village Hall

Individuals seeking to run for the office of Mayor, Village Clerk, Village Trustee or Library Trustee can pick up their local election packet at the Woodridge Village Hall. These packets contain the documents necessary for individuals to be placed on the ballot for the April 6, 2021 Consolidated General Election. The packets are available at the Village Clerk's Office, located at 5 Plaza Drive on the second floor. Petitions can be circulated beginning September 22, 2020 and need to be filed starting December 14 through December 21, 2020.

Voter Registration and Upcoming Election Information

Due to COVID-19, the DuPage County Clerk is encouraging voters to cast a ballot before Election Day on November 3, either by mail or during early voting. The [DuPage County Election Division](#) has many voting resources, including information on:

- Registering to vote
- Tracking your vote by mail ballot (Note: Ballots will not begin to be mailed out until Sept. 24, 2020. It may take four to five business days to receive a Ballot after that date)
- Requesting a vote by mail ballot
- Checking your voter registration status
- Finding your polling place
- Applying to be an election judge
- Early voting locations

For those Woodridge residents that are planning on voting in-person on Election Day, November 3, you can use the [Woodridge Community Portal website](#) to search your address and determine your precinct and polling location under the "government representatives" tab.

Plan Commission Meeting on Monday, September 21 to Consider Special Use Permit

The next meeting of the Village of Woodridge Plan Commission will be held on Monday, September 21, 2020 at 7:30 pm. The meeting will be held via Zoom Webinar. The purpose of the meeting is for consideration of a special use permit for a commercial use located within a permitted and special use including restaurants with accessory cocktail lounges and outdoor customer seating for Skeleton Key Brewery, located at 8102 Lemont Road, Suites 200 & 300.

The meeting agenda and staff report are available [here](#).

[Please click here to register to speak at the meeting.](#) Phil Green can be contacted at 630-719-2906 if you have any questions about registration.

Blue Jeans for the Homeless Collection Box at Village Hall

The Village of Woodridge will be collecting donation items in support for Blue Jeans for the Homeless, an organization with a mission **to provide to those in need**. There is a drop box located in the lobby at Village Hall, 5 Plaza Drive, starting Friday, September 18 through Friday, October 23. Items requested include new or gently used blue jeans (preferably men's sizes), hygiene products, new underwear, new socks, winter clothing, blankets, hand warmers, and first aid kits. If you would like to make a monetary donation or would like more information, please [visit their website online](#).

Beaudin Blvd Railroad Crossing Detour September 23 to September 28

Beaudin Blvd will be closed at the railroad crossing near 107th Street starting September 23 through September 28. The detour route will include Internationale Pkwy., Marmon Drive, and 107th Street. Please follow the posted detour signs and remember to drive safely in work zones.

Business Interruption Grant (BIG) Program Second Round of Funding Now Available and Accepting Applications

The BIG program is a \$636 million program developed by Governor Pritzker and the Illinois General Assembly to provide economic relief for small businesses hit hardest by COVID-19. Applications for a second round of funding are went live on September 17 with a total of \$220 million will be made available for small businesses of all types in Illinois. [More information, including how to apply, is now online.](#)

IDPH Announces Changes to Mask Guidelines for Bars, Restaurants

The State of Illinois recently announced revised guidelines for restaurants and bar establishments statewide to operate safely and help prevent the spread of COVID-19. These latest guidelines will require patrons to wear a mask during any interaction with wait staff, food service workers and other employees at bars and restaurants. Face coverings must be worn over the nose and mouth when patrons are approached and served by staff, including but not limited to when employees take patrons' orders, deliver food and beverages, and service tables. This guidance also applies to other facilities with food services areas such as indoor recreational facilities, museums and entertainment venues. [Full guidelines are available on the DCEO website.](#)



Final Week To Submit Your Nomination for the Community Recognition Program

Every year the Village of Woodridge recognizes people and organizations in the community that have provided positive contributions within the Woodridge Community. Nominations are now being accepted for the following categories: citizen, business, association, employee, and youth (ages under 21). Nominations are reviewed by the Woodridge

Intergovernmental Council who recommends candidates to the Village Board for consideration. Nominations must be received by September 25, 2020. Please contact Leslie Davies at (630) 719-4706 if you have any questions. [Nomination forms can be found on the Village's website.](#)



A Reminder Regarding Political Signs

As the November election draws near, the Village is issuing a reminder regarding the use of campaign signs. In residential areas, homeowners can have any number of campaign signs as long as the total sign area (including both sides of a sign) does not exceed 32 square feet. In commercial areas, the same restrictions apply provided total sign area does not exceed 100 square feet.

Regulations pertain to the total permitted sign area for all political signs (it is not per candidate), and there is no time limit on how long signs can remain. Campaign signs are not permitted in the parkway, which is typically the grassy area between the sidewalk and the street curb. Visit the [Village Code](#) or contact the Community Development Department at (630) 719-4750 for further information.

It's Not Too Late to Respond to the Census! Deadline September 30

You may have seen or will begin to see people moving through our community, knocking on doors, and asking questions, and you may be wondering why? Who are these people?

Census takers are our neighbors, hired from our community. Their goal is to help you and everyone in your home be counted in the 2020 Census. If the census taker who visits your home does not speak your language, you may request a return visit from a census taker who does speak your language.

Census takers will wear masks and follow local public health guidelines when they visit your home. All census takers complete a virtual COVID-19 training on social distancing and other health and safety protocols before beginning their work in neighborhoods.

If no one is home when the census taker visits, the census taker will leave a notice of their visit with information about how to respond online, by phone, or by mail. Census takers may also approach your home with questions about your neighbors if they can't get a response.

If you respond online or by phone today, a census taker is less likely to have to visit your home to collect your response. Visit my2020census.gov to respond today - remember you only have until September 30 to get counted!

IN AND AROUND WOODRIDGE

Virtual Book Discussion: Stop by the library to pick up a book copy, or use your Woodridge Library [card](#) or [digital library card](#) to download an e-book copy of the ***The Right Sort of Man***, which will be discussed in a virtual program from the Woodridge Public Library on Tuesday, September 22 at 7 :00 p.m. [Pre-register](#)—at least 30 minutes before the discussion—to receive a Zoom link and password.

League of Women Voters Upcoming Events: The League of Women Voters have two upcoming virtual events in September:

- Illinois 6th Congressional District Virtual Candidate Forum, live via Zoom Webinar. This event is on September 21 from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. [Click here to register.](#)
- LVW and AAUW co-hosted program on Diversity. The program is on Wednesday, September 23 from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. [Click here to register.](#)

Virtual Solar Installation Tour in Woodridge, or all over Illinois: The annual Illinois Solar Education Association Solar Tour is going virtual this year. Attendees have the opportunity to explore any of the over 30 solar homes and businesses across the state participating in this year's Illinois Solar Tour, including the home of James and Beth Galbreath in Woodridge. On Saturday, September 26, there will also be [ten live Zoom "tours"](#) scheduled for 10 a.m.-3 p.m. With 10 options available, the tours will offer the public a chance to engage and ask questions of solar owners and other enthusiasts. James and Beth Galbreath will be online at 1:00 p.m., sharing about both their own experience with solar energy.

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