



FROM THE DESK OF THE PRESIDENT ...



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SPECIAL POINTS  
OF INTEREST:

Please get involved  
and participate in  
these Village events:

- ★ 4th of July Parade
- ★ Westchester Fest
- ★ Town Hall Meeting
- ★ Veterans' Day Run

Summer 2009 has finally arrived. The winter blues are gone and the Spring rain has subsided at least for now and Summer's arrival brings challenges of its own. School is out and our most precious children and their families will be outside enjoying their free time at our parks, as well as on foot and bicycles crossing our streets.

I encourage everyone to slow down their pace and drive carefully. Please pay strict attention to what is happening around you. Make sure you come to a complete stop at the posted stop signs, yield the right of way to pedestrians, and obey the 25 mile per hour speed limit on all of our side streets. Remember stopping distances increase dramatically as your speed increases.

Quoting a familiar phrase of long ago: "Watch out for the other Guy."

Please attend our annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade and after parade activities at the Westchester

Park District on Saturday the 4<sup>th</sup>. This year's theme is "Back to Basics." The parade will feature the son of Westchester firefighter Jim Waters who has just returned from a year tour of duty in Afghanistan.

Derick Waters has been in the Army National Guard for the past 6 years as a military police officer, but has spent the last year fighting the war on terror in Afghanistan in an artillery unit. He is presently employed by the McHenry county Sheriff's office as a Police officer. Derick is the grandson of long time residents John and Helen Waters, our former Village Clerk.

I can think of no greater honor than to serve in our armed forces protecting the freedoms we enjoy and hopefully do not take for granted. Take some time out to thank Derick for his service as well as for all the men and women who serve, or have served, in our armed forces and protect us each day.

As we attend our backyard parties, barbecues, and fireworks displays please reflect on all the reasons we are thankful for living in the USA.

Westchester village employees need proper identification and you may see a marked vehicle nearby. If you have the slightest suspicion please contact the Westchester Police Department at (708) 345-0060 or the Village Hall at (708) 345-0020. We will gladly verify the identity of our employees. Don't forget the Monday night Westchester Cruise Nights held at the 31<sup>st</sup> and Wolf Road Plaza from 5pm to 8pm. Hosted by Paul's Pizza, the event brings Classic and Antique cars and trucks from miles around to our village. Stop on by for a look see at these magnificent machines. While you are out and about patronize our local businesses. They do a great job and deserve our support.



The Boy Scouts of Pack 73 collect flags year-round and then properly retire the flags at the ceremony with respect and honor. Pictured are the collection box, the ceremony and the official retirement of the flags. Village President Sam Pulia attended the ceremony accompanied by Trustees Wally Novak, Brian Sloan and Nick Steker.



# MUNICIPAL NEWS

## NEW BOARD TAKES OATHS

The five members of the Westchester Comes First party elected on April 7th were sworn in May 12th by the Honorable Daniel Weber.



President Sam D. Pulia, Clerk Catherine M. Booth, Trustees Walter J. Novak, Brian A. Sloan and Nicholas C. Steker took their Oaths of Office in front of a standing-room-only packed house.

The audience included family, friends, residents, elected officials, police officers, firefighters and village staff.



Helping with the Image Council Clean-Up were Trustee Wally Novak, President Sam Pulia, Jennifer Sloan, Trustee Brian Sloan, Ryan Smith, 92½ School Board Member Kathy Sloan Smith, Library Trustee Timothy Hinsdale, Brian Novak and former 92½ School Board Member Luigi Mazzei.

Pictured to the right are several young members of the community who joined in the clean-up efforts around the Village on May 2<sup>nd</sup>.



## PULIA MAKES APPOINTMENTS



Pictured from left to right: Phil Dote - reappointed to the Police and Fire Commission; Wayne Busa - reappointed to the Police Pension Board; President Pulia; and Bill Ernst - reappointed to the Fire Pension Board.

Don Devine was reappointed to the Police and Fire Commission; Dr. Keith Suchy was appointed to the Fire Pension Board; Jim Walters was appointed Ethics Advisor; Barbara Brandt was retained as Village Treasurer; Emily Fister was appointed Deputy Village Clerk; and Storino, Ramello & Durkin was retained as the Village Attorney. (not pictured)

President Pulia appointed James R. McNally to the Police and Fire Commission. (below)



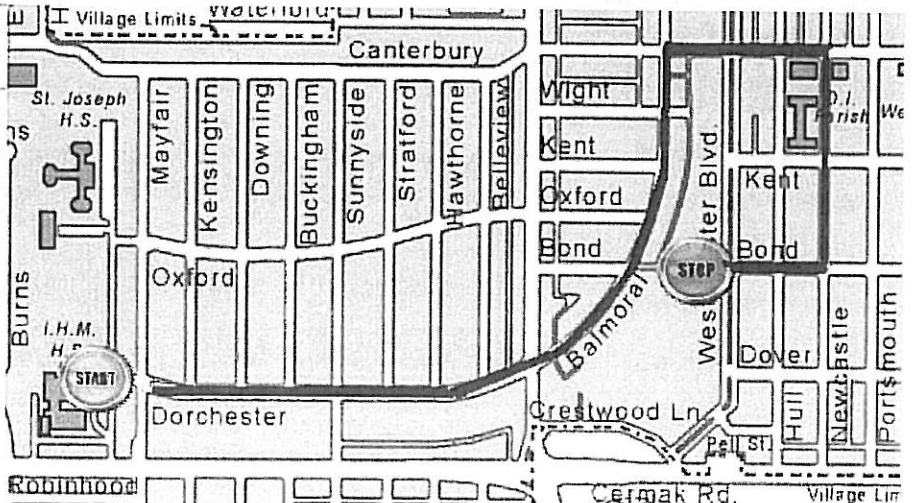
## 4TH OF JULY PARADE

The Independence Day festivities will begin at 9:30 AM at Mayfair & Dorchester. The parade will travel east down Dorchester, curve around Balmoral, east onto Canterbury, south onto Newcastle & west on Bond.

There will be hotdogs and drinks at the Park District Community Center.

Westchester Baseball All-Star Games will be held at the Community fields.

The pool is open free to residents 12 PM - 6 PM.



## ADMINISTRATION / FINANCE DEPARTMENT



### FROM THE DESK OF THE VILLAGE MANAGER ...

I have now been on the job for just over four months. I have said a fond "farewell" to board members that I was just getting to know, and "hello" to five new enthusiastic board members. I have attempted to meet with all of my 100+ employees; attended and appeared as guest speaker at chamber meetings; been an active participant in Fest meetings and have had numerous conversation with residents about questions regarding the Village and our policies and procedures.

At a time when the economy is in turmoil, I am proud to say that my staff has trimmed their budgets and still managed to hire employees. The fire department has a new firefighter and police department a new officer, both of whom are highlighted in this newsletter. A code/fire inspector has been hired in the Building Department; we have six summer employees in the public works department who will be working on various beautification tasks such as painting crosswalks and curbs, and lawn maintenance. We have hired four interns at the village, one to aid in marketing the Village; one in Public works, working on street and sewer projects; a building department/planning intern who will be facilitating changes to our zoning ordinance; and the project of creating a comprehensive inventory of our business and our licensing is being undertaken by a fourth intern. We expect that these internships will be mutually beneficial, giving the students much needed real world experience and the Village a great start on some large projects.

At the request of the Village Board, the Village Hall now has extended hours. Please take advantage of this new feature and stop by the Village Hall until 7 pm Tuesdays or on Saturdays from 8:30 to 12:30.

Please know that my door is always open and I am available to talk with any resident at any time: (708) 308-8479.

*Stan Urban*

### 2010 CENSUS

#### WHAT IS THE CENSUS?

- ★ The census is a count of everyone living in the United States (all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the Island Areas) every 10 years.
- ★ The census is mandated by the U.S. Constitution.
- ★ The next census is in 2010.
- ★ Your participation in the census is required by law.
- ★ All residents of the United States must be counted. This includes people of all ages, races, ethnic groups, citizens and non-citizens. People should be counted where they live and sleep most of the year.
- ★ It takes less than 10 minutes to complete.
- ★ Federal law protects the personal information you share during the census. Census data are used to distribute Congressional seats to states, to make decisions about what community services to provide, and to **distribute \$300 billion in federal funds** to local, state and tribal governments each year.

#### WHEN IS THE 2010 CENSUS?

- ★ Census questionnaires will be mailed or delivered to every household in the United States in March 2010. The questions ask you to provide information that is accurate for your household as of April 1, 2010.
- ★ A second form will be mailed to households that do not respond to the initial questionnaire.
- ★ Households that still do not respond will be called or visited by a Census worker. (Census workers can be identified by a census badge and bag.)
- ★ The Census Bureau must count everyone and submit state population totals to the U.S. President by December 31, 2010.

You can make a difference. As an influential community, business or organization leader, you can raise awareness of and encourage participation in this historic event. With your help, the Census Bureau will continue to produce accurate data, which will directly affect the quality of life in your community.

#### BECOME A PARTNER.

- ★ Ensure accurate census data, which guide funding decisions for your community and affect your representation in Congress.
- ★ Spread the word about temporary census jobs in your community.
- ★ Assure people that it is important – and safe – to answer the census.

Visit the official census website: [www.census.gov](http://www.census.gov)

Trustees Wally Novak and Nick Steker are the Board Representatives for the 2010 Census.



## POLICE DEPARTMENT

Matthew Evans, Police Chief

### NEW POLICE OFFICER JOINS THE FORCE

Patrol Officer Kristina Tountas joined the Westchester Police Department on May 11, 2009. She has been a certified police officer since April of 2006. Officer Tountas served full time on the Triton College Police Force 2006 - 2009 and served as a part-time officer for LaGrange Police Department.

Since becoming certified as a police officer, Officer Tountas has continued training in the law enforcement profession earning an Associates of Applied Science Degree from Triton College in 2006. She holds certifications as a Juvenile Officer and as an Investigator.

In 2009, The Triton College Police Department assigned Officer Tountas to the West Suburban Major Crimes Task

Force and she has been involved in the investigation of two homicide cases.

Officer Tountas has not only trained as a police officer but has also spent years studying and training in the Martial Arts; Tae Kwon Do. Her dedication and hard work resulted in her becoming a 1<sup>st</sup> degree black belt.



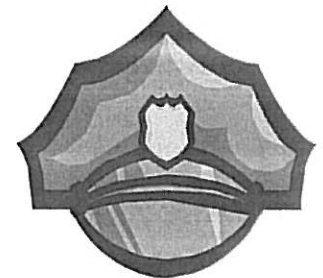
Officer Tountas is honored and excited about being a member of the Westchester Police Department and Chief Evans has every expectation that she will be a fine representative of our Department.



### REMINDER:

#### Slow Down on Village Streets

The Westchester Police  
Traffic Enforcement Program  
"is watching"



*"The mission of the Westchester Traffic Enforcement Program is to promote safe transit for our residents and the motoring public within our community through education, recognition, and structured enforcement."*

- ☆ The Police Department has been collecting data from Village neighborhood streets focusing on excessive speed and stop sign violations in the entire community. The data identifies target locations for a follow up structured enforcement.
- ☆ The Police Department has recently applied for a 4 year traffic enforcement grant through IDOT. The grant provides funding for speed limit, DUI, and seat belt enforcement. Funds will also be used for education for a "safe driving campaign".
- ☆ The Red Light Photo Enforcement Program is in full effect. Please be mindful of the red lights and be sure to come to a COMPLETE stop before turning right on red.

If you have a continuous traffic problem in your neighborhood let us know!

E-mail our program coordinator at [ghayes@westchesterpolice.com](mailto:ghayes@westchesterpolice.com)

Stay Safe and have a great summer,

Chief of Police  
Matthew Evans



## FIRE DEPARTMENT

### FIREFIGHTER/PARAMEDICS RECEIVE COMMENDATIONS

On May 15, 2009 the following Westchester Firefighters:

- ★ Lt. James Adams
- ★ Firefighter/Paramedic Kevin Dotson
- ★ Firefighter/Paramedic Josh Meseth
- ★ Firefighter/Paramedic Scott Stauber
- ★ Paramedic Student Christopher Bergquist

were recognized by the Loyola Emergency Medical Services System for outstanding service to the community and were awarded a commendation for Contribution to Quality Pre-Hospital Care.

Dr. Mark E. Cichon, Emergency Medical System, Medical director read the following:

The crew responded to the report of staff doing CPR on a 95 year-old nursing home resident. The family informed the crew that the patient suddenly stopped breathing and turned cyanotic. During intubation, it was noted that the patient had a 1 – inch foreign body in her airway. After further ALS care the patient was transported to LaGrange Hospital with a palpable heart rate and blood pressure.

It was noted that Paramedic Student Chris Bergquist ran the call with confidence and professionalism, which along with the expeditious care provided by the crew resulted in a positive outcome for the patient.

### NEW FIREFIGHTER JOINS THE HOUSE



On May 23, 2009 Eric Biskup became a member of the Westchester Fire Department. Firefighter Biskup is 31 years of age and is State Certified as a Firefighter II, Paramedic, Fire Apparatus Engineer, Hazardous Operations, and Trench Rescue Awareness. Prior to becoming a member of the Westchester Fire Department Firefighter Biskup was a contract Firefighter/Firefighter for 8 years with Metro Paramedic Services, and worked in the Villages of Bensenville, Cicero and Northlake. Pictured with Firefighter Biskup is Fire Chief Richard E. Belmonte.

### NEW AMBULANCE PLACED IN SERVICE

On May 15, 2009 Westchester's New Ambulance passed its Illinois Department of Public Health, Emergency Medical System inspection and was put into service.

The vehicle is a 2008 Ford Type 1 Wheeled Coach Ambulance and was assigned the number 300. Ambulance 301 will be used as a back-up ambulance when 300 is taken out of service for maintenance.



### AMBULANCE BILLING POLICY AND PRICING

On May 1, 2007 the Village of Westchester passed Ordinance #07-1720 for new billing fees for ambulance service.

The fee schedule is based on:

- ★ Basic Life Support Care
- ★ Advanced Life Support Level 1 Care
- ★ Advanced Life Support Level 2 Care
- ★ Imposed mileage fee of sixteen dollars (\$16.00) per mile on all ambulance transports, regardless of level of service provided or residency of patient.

The fee schedule for residents and non-residents is as follows:

Resident BLS	\$ 850.00	Non-Resident BLS	\$1,275.00
Resident ALS Level 1	\$1,305.00	Non-Resident ALS Level 1	\$1,957.00
Resident ALS Level 2	\$1,725.00	Non-Resident ALS Level 2	\$2,587.50

The cost to residents is only what Medicare, supplemental insurance, and private insurance cover.

The Village will accept what Medicare and Insurance pays, **and no more.**

Residents **will not** be billed for any amount not covered by Medicare or Insurance.

Non-residents will be billed for the difference that Medicare and their insurance companies do not pay.



## PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Rusty Gross, Public Works Director

### BRANCH PICK-UP



Branch pick-up continues to be the first full week of every month. However, as some residents may not know, Waste Management will pick up your branches, bushes, etc. as long as they are tied in bundles and no more than 4' in length. These will be picked up every week, on your regular garbage day.

Public Works Branch Pick-Up will be the following dates:  
 July 6-10, August 3-7, September 7-11, October 5-9  
 and last pickup for year November 2-6

<b>Monday</b>	Mannheim Road west to Wolf Road; from Canterbury Street south to Windsor, including both sides of Windsor Drive; Also, Waterford Drive, Waverly Avenue, Camelot Street and Concord Avenue.
<b>Tuesday</b>	Roosevelt Road south to Cermak Road; from Gardner Road west to Mannheim Road.
<b>Wednesday</b>	Roosevelt Road north to the expressway; from Gardner Road west to Mannheim Road; Also, Roosevelt Road south to Canterbury Street from Haase Avenue west to Heidorn Avenue.
<b>Thursday</b>	Bellevue Avenue west to Wolf Road; from Martindale Drive to 31 <sup>st</sup> Street.

For a map of branch pick up schedule log on: [www.westchester-il.org](http://www.westchester-il.org).

*Please remember that all landscaping contractors are responsible for their own brush pick-up and disposal.*

### WATER RESTRICTION REMINDER

The Village has water use restrictions in effect every year

**May 15 - September 15**  
 12 PM - 6 PM

This includes:

- ★ Outdoor Watering
- ★ Cleaning Outdoor Surfaces
- ★ Cleaning Buildings
- ★ Pool Filling



Residents are permitted use during unrestricted hours (before Noon, after 6 PM) as follows:

- ★ Even numbered addresses on even numbered days
- ★ Odd numbered addressed on odd numbered days

If we have a dry summer, further restrictions may be necessary. Look for news the electronic sign and our website.

**As always, residents are asked to call the Village at**  
 ★ (708) 345-0041 Public Works or  
 ★ (708) 345-0060 Police Non-emergency  
**if you see an unusual amount of water in the street or parkways. This could be a main break or water leak that requires our immediate attention.**

### PARKWAY TREE PROGRAM

The Village parkway tree program gives you the opportunity to add to the curb appeal of your home. The program is 50/50 shared cost and includes the purchase and planting of the trees. Residents have a choice of four types of trees indigenous to the area. Trees are planted in fall 2009.



### SIDEWALK PROGRAM



The Village offers a shared cost sidewalk replacement program. If the sidewalk in front of your residence is in poor condition and you would like to replace it, the Village will split the cost with you 50/50.

### STREETS AND ALLEYS

The Village is currently grading alleys and filling potholes.



### GYPSY MOTH & WEST NILE

The presence of Gypsy Moths, which damage and threaten the viability of trees, was verified in the Village. The Village engaged a flying service to fly over the infected area and treat the area with a naturally occurring bacterium. The treatment is non-toxic to humans and pets.

As Summer approaches, West Nile is another concern. Tips to avoid the virus:

1. Make sure doors and windows have tight fitting screens.
2. Use mosquito repellants.
3. Eliminate standing water.
4. Remind or help neighbors to eliminate breeding sites on their properties.
5. Wear long sleeves, long pants, socks and closed shoes avoiding prime locations.

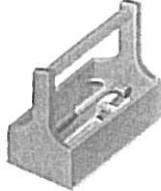
If you have any questions or concerns about any public works or water related issues, or if you would like to register for the Parkway Tree Program or Sidewalk Program, please feel free to contact Public Works at (708) 345-0041.

## BUILDING DEPARTMENT



### THREE ESTIMATES AND CHECKING REFERENCES

If you are planning any work on your properties, always request at least three bids from contractors, check the scope of work and their references carefully, use only registered contractors and secure any required permits from the Village. If you have any questions, please call the Village for help and guidance.



### LAWN MAINTENANCE - KEEP WESTCHESTER BEAUTIFUL

Lawn maintenance is a very important component in the appearance of our community. Well maintained lawns enhance the look of all of our properties and make Westchester a desirable place to live. This has been a very wet spring and lawns grow rapidly, so let's all do our part to help keep Westchester beautiful.



### SELLING YOUR BUILDING OR HOUSE?

The **COMPLIANCE INSPECTION PROGRAM** requires all buildings sold within Westchester to obtain a Certificate of Compliance prior to closing. An initial inspection shall be made to determine compliance. If violations are discovered, the owner or any agent of the owner will be notified of such violations. Upon repair or correction of the violations, a re-inspection shall be made to confirm compliance. A Certificate of Compliance will be available within forty-eight (48) hours following the inspection or re-inspection. Upon presentation of the Certificate of Compliance, the Village will affix a stamp upon the original deed or document of transfer.

To schedule a Compliance Inspection, an **APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE INSPECTION** must be presented along with the appropriate fee to the Building Department. **APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE INSPECTION** forms are available at the Building Department or online at [www.westchester-il.org](http://www.westchester-il.org).

The fees associated with the Compliance Inspection Program are as follows:

★	Condominium units and single-family units:	\$125.00
★	Two-family or three-family dwelling unit buildings:	\$175.00
★	Buildings with four or more dwelling units:	\$225.00
★	Commercial and Industrial buildings:	\$300.00 minimum; \$0.10 per square foot.

### AS IS or TEMPORARY CERTIFICATE of COMPLIANCE:

In the event that all Code violations are not abated and a Certificate of Compliance is not issued prior to closing, an owner may transfer property upon issuance of a Temporary Certificate of Compliance upon completion of the following:

Written conformation on the part of the buyer certifying to the Village that said buyer has assumed the obligation to abate all violations within the time frame specified by the Building Commissioner. **AFFIDAVIT FOR TEMPORARY CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE** form is available at the Building Department or online at [www.westchester-il.org](http://www.westchester-il.org).

Based upon the violations listed, the Village shall assign a dollar amount to be deposited with the Village into an escrow account for the purpose of ensuring the building is brought into compliance. The value of the escrow shall be determined by the Building Commissioner who will base the escrow amount on current pricing publications. If the property owner fails to abate all violations within the time frame specified, the property owner shall forfeit the entire escrow amount.

Upon re-inspection, if all violations have been abated, the Village shall issue a Certificate of Compliance.

The Village shall upon issuance of the Certificate of Compliance, retain an Administrative Fee of two hundred dollars (\$200.00). The Administrative Fee shall be deducted from the amount placed in escrow with the Village.

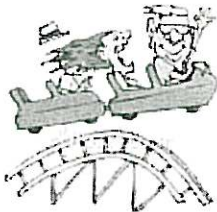


July 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> on the grounds of St. Joseph High School  
WESTCHESTER FEST - 2009

# Westchester Fest

**Free Admission!**  
**Carnival! Food! Rides!**  
**FIREWORKS!**

Friday, Saturday, Sunday ★ July 10-11-12  
on the Grounds of St. Joseph High School



Friday: 5 PM - MIDNIGHT  
Saturday: NOON - MIDNIGHT  
Sunday: NOON - 11 PM



FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT THE WESTCHESTER CHAMBER OF COMMERCE WEBSITE  
[WWW.WESTCHESTERCHAMBER.ORG](http://WWW.WESTCHESTERCHAMBER.ORG)

## KEEP OUR KIDS ALIVE



Summer is here and our children are playing in the yards, at the parks/playgrounds and around town. Remember to watch your speed, slow down and drive with caution.

The speed limit in the Village is 25 MPH on all streets unless otherwise posted. Please reduce your speed and yield to pedestrians in the crosswalks. Together we can keep our kids safe.



## EMPLOYEES HONORED FOR 30 YEAR MILESTONE

The Village recently honored those who have served the community for 30 years or more. We thank them for their loyalty, dedication and outstanding service to the people of Westchester.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT**  
Chief Richard E. Belmonte  
Firefighter Steve Erickson  
Firefighter Richard Malik  
Firefighter Gary Padalik

**POLICE DEPARTMENT**  
Sergeant Steven Blazek  
Chief Matthew Evans  
Officer Marc Gallion  
Officer Daniel Kaiser  
Lieutenant Kevin Keag  
Sergeant Dan Ochsner  
Lieutenant Stephen Stabosz  
Juliann Voss

**PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**  
Robert Muhr  
John P. Fecarotta



# LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

**Dennis DeYoung and the music of STYX  
Hi Infidelity \* Weiss Brothers Orchestra  
Cat Fight \* Cowboy Troy \* Tin Horse**

## FRIDAY, JULY 10TH

6:00	Pie In Your Face	Acoustic Country Rock	Food Tent Stage
7:30	The Houseboyz	Alternative Rock	Main Stage
10:00	Hi Infidelity	80's Classic Rock	Main Stage

## SATURDAY, JULY 11TH

1:30	Dave Rudolph's Beach Party	Interactive Acoustic Show	Food Tent Stage
3:00	The Weiss Brothers Orchestra	Big Band	Food Tent Stage
4:30	Too White Crew	Old School Hip Hop	Main Stage
6:00	Fabulous Frank and Dave	Acoustic Rock	Food Tent Stage
7:30	Cat Fight	Rock	Main Stage
10:00	Dennis Deyoung	The Music of Styx	Main Stage

## SUNDAY, JULY 12TH

1:30	Chris Colletti	Big Band	Food Tent Stage
3:00	Cross Country Junction with Cowboy Troy	Country	Main Stage
5:30	Tin Horse	Country	Main Stage
8:00	Maggie Speaks	Rock	Main Stage

**PLEASE JOIN US  
FOR LUNCH,  
DINNER or BOTH!**

**VENDORS WILL  
BE SERVING THE  
FOLLOWING:**

- Pizza**
- Pulled Pork**
- Chicken**
- Deep Dish Pizza**
- Hot Dogs**
- Italian Sausage**
- Popcorn**
- Italian Beef**
- Island Coolers**
- Coffee**
- Ice Cream**
- Funnel Cakes**
- Tacos**
- Porkchops**
- Cheeseburgers**
- Sub Sandwiches**
- Ribs**
- Corn**
- Tacos**
- Watermelon**
- ... and MORE!**

**FIREWORKS!!!**

**Sunday  
Night**



**9 PM or  
Darkness**



# ANNUAL DRINKING WATER QUALITY REPORT



## Village of Westchester

IL0313150

For the period of January 1 to December 31, 2008



This report is intended to provide you with important information about your drinking water and the efforts made by the WESTCHESTER water system to provide safe drinking water. The source of drinking water used by Westchester is Purchase. For more information regarding this report, contact: Russell Gross at (708) 345-0041.

Este informe contiene informacion muy importante sobre el agua que usted bebe. Traduzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

### Source of Drinking Water

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and groundwater wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800) 426-4791.

#### Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife.

Inorganic contaminants, such as salts, and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial, or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.

Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff, and residential uses. Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum productions, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm runoff, and septic systems.

Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune systems disorders, some elderly and infants can be particularly at risk from

infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800) 426-4791.

### Source Water Assessment Availability

The Illinois EPA considers all surface water sources of community water supply to be susceptible to potential pollution problems. The very nature of surface water allows contaminants to migrate into the intake with no protection only dilution. This is the reason for mandatory treatment for all surface water supplies in Illinois. Chicago's offshore intakes are located at a distance that shoreline impacts are not usually considered a factor on water quality. At certain times of the year, however, the potential for contamination exists due to wet-weather flows and river reversals. In addition, the placement of the crib structures may serve to attract waterfowl, gulls and terns that frequent the Great Lakes area, thereby concentrating fecal deposits at the intake and thus compromising the source water quality. Conversely, the shore intakes are highly susceptible to storm water runoff, marinas and shoreline point sources due to the influx of groundwater to the lake.

Throughout history there have been extraordinary steps taken to assure a safe source of drinking water in the Chicagoland area, from the building of the offshore cribs and the introduction of interceptor sewers to the lock-and-dam system of Chicago's waterways and the city's Lakefront Zoning Ordinance. The city now looks to the recently created Department of the Water Management, Department of Environment and the MWRDGC to assure the safety of the city's water supply. Also, water supply officials from Chicago are active members of the West Shore Water Producers Association. Coordination of water quality situations (i.e., spills, tanker leaks, exotic species, etc) and general lake conditions are frequently discussed during the association's quarterly meetings. Also, Lake Michigan has a variety of organizations and associations that are currently working to either maintain or improve water quality.

Finally, one of the best ways to ensure a safe source of drinking water is to develop a program designed to protect the source water against potential contamination on the local level. Since the predominant land use within Illinois' boundary of Lake Michigan watershed is urban, a majority of the watershed protection activities in this document are aimed at this purpose. Citizens should be aware that everyday activities in an urban setting might have a negative impact on their source water. Efforts should be made to improve awareness of storm water drains and their direct link to the lake within the identified local source water area. A proven best management practice (BMP) for this purpose has been the identification and stenciling of storm water drains within a watershed. Stenciling along with an educational component is necessary to keep the lake a safe and reliable source of drinking water.



## 2008 Water Quality Data

### Definition of Terms

**Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG):** The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

**Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL):** The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

**Level Found:** This column represents an average of sample result data collected during the CCR calendar year. In some cases, it may represent a single sample if only one sample was collected.

**Range of Detections:** This column represents a range of individual sample results, from lowest to highest that were collected during the CCR calendar year.

**Date of Sample:** If a date appears in this column, the Illinois EPA requires monitoring for this contaminant less than once per year because the concentrations do not frequently change. If no date appears in the column, monitoring for this contaminant was conducted during the Consumer Confidence Report calendar year.

**Action Level (AL):** The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

**Action Level Goal (ALG):** The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. ALGs allow for a margin of safety.

**Treatment Technique (TT):** A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

**mg/l:** milligrams per liter or parts per million – or one ounce in 7,350 gallons of water

**ug/l:** Micrograms per liter or parts per billions – or one ounce in 7,350,000 gallons of water

**average:** Regulatory compliance with some MCLs are based on running annual average of monthly samples.

**Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL):** the highest level of disinfectant allowed in drinking water

**Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG):** the level of disinfectant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs allow for a margin of safety.

**ppm:** parts per million

**ppb:** parts per billion

**ppt:** parts per trillion

**pCi/l:** picoCuries per liter (measurement of radioactivity)

**nd:** Not detectable at testing limits.

**n/a:** Not applicable

## City of Chicago 2008 Water Quality Data

<i>Detected Contaminants</i>						
Contaminant (unit of measurement) Typical Source of Contaminant	MCLG	MCL	Level Found	Range of detections	Violation	Date of Sample
<i>Microbial Contaminants</i>						
TOTAL COLIFORM Bacteria (% pos/mo) Human and animal fecal waste	0	5%	.76%	n/a		September 2008
FECAL COLIFORM and E. COLI (% pos/mo) Human and animal fecal waste	0	0	3	n/a		



# ANNUAL DRINKING WATER QUALITY REPORT

## City of Chicago 2008 Water Quality Data (continued)

Detected Contaminants						
Contaminant (unit of measurement) Typical Source of Contaminant	MCLG	MCL	Level Found	Range of detections	Violation	Date of Sample
<b>Microbial Contaminants</b>						
TURBIDITY (%<0.3 NTU) Soil runoff. Lowest monthly percent meeting limit.	n/a	TT/	100. %	n/a		
TURBIDITY (NTU) Soil runoff. Highest single measurement.	n/a	TT=1NTU max	0.14	n/a		
<b>Inorganic Contaminants</b>						
Erosion of natural deposits; Runoff from orchards; Runoff from glass and electronics production wastes	0	10	0.56	0.52-0.56		
BARIUM (ppm) Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.	2	2	0.0194	0.0191- 0.0194		
NITRATE (AS NITROGEN) (ppm) Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits	10	10	0.32	0.304-0.32		
NITRATE & NITRITE (ppm) Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.	10	10	0.32	0.304-.032		
<b>TOC [Total Organic Carbons]</b> The percentage of Total Organic Carbons (TOC) removal was measured each month and the system met all TOC removal requirements set by IEPA, unless a TOC violation is noted in the violations section.						
<b>Unregulated Contaminants</b>						
SULFATE (ppm) Erosion of naturally occurring deposits.	n/a	n/a	28.9	27.7-28.9		
<b>State Regulated Contaminants</b>						
FLUORIDE (ppm) Water additive which promotes strong teeth.	4	4	1.05	0.92 -1.05		
SODIUM*(ppm) Erosion of naturally occurring deposits; Used as water softener	n/a	n/a	8.85	8.13-8.85		
*Note: There is not a state or federal MCL for sodium. Monitoring is required to provide information to consumers and health officials that are concerned about sodium intake due to dietary precautions. If you are on a sodium-restricted diet, you should consult a physician about this level of sodium in the water.						
<b>Radioactive Contaminants</b>						
COMBINED RADIUM (226/228) (pCi/l) Decay of natural and man-made deposits.	0	5	1.38	1.30-1.38		
GROSS ALPHA excluding radon and uranium (pCi/l) Decay of natural and man-made deposits.	0	15	.88	.090-0.880		

Note: The State requires monitoring of certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants do not change frequently. Therefore some of this data may be more than one year old.

### VIOLATION SUMMARY TABLE FOR THE CITY OF CHICAGO

Violations for your system:

No Violations were recorded for the City of Chicago during this CCR reporting period.

# ANNUAL DRINKING WATER QUALITY REPORT



## Village of Westchester 2008 Water Quality Data

Lead and Copper Date Sampled 6/2/2007								
Lead MCLG	Lead Action Level (AL)	Lead 90 <sup>th</sup> Percentile	# Sites Over-Lead AL	Copper MCLG	Copper Action Level (AL)	Copper 90 <sup>th</sup> Percentile	# Sites Over Copper AL	Likely Source of Contamination
0 ppb	15 ppb (.015 ppm)	7.59 ppb (.00759 ppm)	3	0 ppm (.00 ppb)	1.3 ppm (.0013 ppb)	< .100 ppm (< 100 ppb)	0	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. We are responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but we cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking.

Regulated Contaminants Date Sampled January, 2008 thru December, 2008							
Disinfectants & Disinfection By-Products	Highest Level Detected	Range of levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source Of Contaminant
TOTAL TRIHAOMETHANES (THMs)	31.00	14.96-44.87	n/a	80	ppb	No	By-product of drinking water chlorination
TOTAL HALOACETIC ACIDS (HAA5)	20	5.92-23.26	n/a	60	ppb	No	By-product of drinking water chlorination
CHLORAMINES	1.27	0.43 - 1.27	MRDLG = 4	MRDL = 4	ppm	No	Water additive used to control microbes

Note: Chlorine residuals are taken daily from our water treatment facility. In addition, 16 chlorine residuals are taken monthly throughout our distribution system in concert with routine bacteria/coliform sampling.

Note: The State requires monitoring of certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants do not change frequently. Therefore, some of this data may be more than one year old.

**No Violations were recorded for the Village of Westchester during this CCR reporting period.**

### Water Quality Data Table Footnotes

**Turbidity:** Turbidity is a measure of the cloudiness of the water. We monitor it because it is a good indicator of water quality and the effectiveness of our filtration system and disinfectants.

**Unregulated Contaminants:** A maximum contaminant level (MCL) for this contaminant has not been established by either state or federal regulations, nor has mandatory health effects language. The purpose for monitoring this contaminant is to assist USEPA in determining the occurrence of unregulated contaminants in drinking water, and whether future regulation is warranted.

**Fluoride:** Fluoride is added to the water supply to help promote strong teeth. The Illinois Department of Public Health recommends an optimal fluoride range of 0.9 mg/l to 1.2 mg/l.

**Sodium:** There is not a state or federal MCL for sodium. Monitoring is required to provide information to consumers and health officials that are concerned about sodium intake due to dietary precautions. If you are on a sodium-restricted diet, you should consult a physician about this level of sodium in the water.



## CALENDAR OF COMMUNITY EVENTS

### July 2009

July 2009: Library summer hours continue through Labor Day weekend. Monday-Thursday 9:30 AM - 8:00 PM, Saturday 9:30 AM - 5:00 PM, closed Sundays.

July 2009: Registration continues for Youth Department's Summer Reading Program at the Library. Contact Library at (708) 562-3573.

July 2009: Registration continues for Summer Session of Page Turners at the Library. The Page Turners is a reading club for adults and teens. Contact Library at (708) 562-3573.

Wednesday, July 1: Family Film Night "Tale of Despereaux" 5:00 PM at the Library.

Friday, July 3-Sunday, July 5: Library closed for Independence Day holiday.

Saturday, July 4: The Girl Scouts and the St. Joseph's students will be collecting non perishable food and cash donations curb side during the 4th of July parade. Thank you in advance for your generous donations. If you would like to help collect food at the parade, please contact Judy at (708) 531-0535.

Monday, July 6: Movie Matinee 2:00 PM at the Library. Animated short films.

Monday, July 6: Friends of the Library Chess and Scrabble Game Night 5:45 PM - 7:45 PM at the Library. Membership in Friends required (membership table available on game nights).

Tuesday, July 7: Committee of the Whole Board Meeting. Village Hall Community Room - 7 PM.

Wednesday, July 8: Family Film Night "High School Musical 3" 5:00 PM at the Library.

Friday, July 12: First Friday Adoration, Divine Providence Ministry Center chapel. 8:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.

Monday, July 13: Movie Matinee 2:00 p.m. at the Library. Animated short films.

Tuesday, July 14: Village Board Meeting. Village Hall Board Room - 7 PM.

Wednesday, July 15: Family Film Night "Bedtime Stories" 5:00 PM at the Library.

Wednesday, July 15: Walking for Good Health Outdoor/Indoor Event located at Mayfair Recreation Center - 10835 Wakefield. 1:00 PM. This event is FREE. There will be a door prize given away. For more information call Annette at Aging Well (708) 354-1323 x 19.

Saturday, July 18: Westchester Community Church Youth Group Car Wash 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM. All proceeds to help the Youth Group fund their yearly mission trips. Cars \$5/ Trucks and Vans \$8.

Saturday, July 18: Community Blood Drive at Divine Providence School, 2500 Mayfair, 8 AM to 3 PM.

Saturday, July 18: Market Day, Divine Providence School, 8:30 AM - 9:30 AM 2500 Mayfair Avenue, contact (708) 562-2258.

Friday, July 17: Taize Ecumenical Prayer, Divine Providence Church at 7:30 PM.

Sunday, July 19: Workshop on Monarch Butterflies sponsored by Save The Prairie Society, at the Prairie House at 1:00 PM 11225 Constitution Drive. General Admission \$5; Seniors \$3; children free, contact Rita at (708) 354-5512.

Monday, July 20: Movie Matinee 2:00 PM at the Library. Animated short films.

Tuesday, July 21: Friends of the Library Chess and Scrabble Game Night 5:45 PM - 7:45 PM at the Library. Membership in Friends required (membership table available on game nights)

Wednesday, July 22: Family Film Night "Marley and Me" 5:00 PM at the Library.

### TOWN HALL MEETING VILLAGE BOARD GOING ON THE ROAD

The Village Board will be taking their Committee of the Whole Meeting on the road and holding a Town Hall Meeting at the Nixon Building of District 92½.

**Wednesday, July 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 7 PM**  
**Westchester Middle School**  
**1620 Norfolk Avenue**

The Committee of the Whole Meeting originally scheduled for Tuesday, July 21st will be held on Wednesday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>. The Town Hall Meeting will be held immediately following the Committee Meeting.

**There will be a presentation to update residents on the status of the sanitary sewer maintenance project. Refreshments will be served.**

The Village Board would like to express its gratitude to Westchester School District 92½ for their gracious offer to host the event. Check the Village website for details and updates.

Monday, July 27: Movie Matinee 2:00 PM at the Library. Animated short films.

Tuesday, July 28: Village Board Meeting. Village Hall Board Room - 7 PM.

Wednesday, July 29: Family Film Night "Night at the Museum" 5:00 PM at the Library.

# CALENDAR OF COMMUNITY EVENTS



## August 2008

Monday, August 3: Friends of the Library Chess and Scrabble Game Night 5:45 PM - 7:45 PM at the Library. Membership in Friends required (membership table available on game nights)

Tuesday, August 4: Committee of the Whole Board Meeting. Village Hall Community Room - 7 PM.

Thursday, August 6: All students of School District 92½ must register for the 2009-2010 school year at the school they will be attending in the fall. 8:30 AM - 3:00 PM.

Friday, August 7: First Friday Adoration, Divine Providence Ministry Center chapel. 8:00 AM - 7:00 PM.

Friday, August 7: Library closed until Noon for staff training.

Tuesday, August 11: Village Board Meeting. Village Hall Board Room - 7 PM.

Tuesday, August 11: All students of School District 92½ must register for the 2009-2010 school year at the school they will be attending in the fall. 1:30 PM. - 7:30 PM.

Saturday, August 15: Westchester Community Church Youth Group Car Washes 8:30 AM - 11:30 AM.

Saturday, August 15: Market Day, Divine Providence School, 8:30 AM - 9:30 AM (708) 562-2258.

Tuesday, August 18: Committee of the Whole Board Meeting. Village Hall Community Room - 7 PM.

Tuesday, August 18: Friends of the Library Chess and Scrabble Game Night 5:45 PM - 7:45 PM at the Library.

Wednesday, August 19: Chamber of Commerce Golf Outing at Glen Eagles Country Club in Lemont - \$120 per person.

Thursday, August 20: Cooper, Nelson & Early Concert 7:00 PM at the Library. An evening of beautiful ballads and corny jokes. Register at Library (708) 562-3573.

Friday, August 21: Taize Ecumenical Prayer, Divine Providence Church 7:30 PM.

Tuesday, August 25: Village Board Meeting. Village Hall Board Room - 7 PM.

Monday, August 31: District 92½ - First Student Attendance

## September 2009

September 2009: Library Card Sign-up Month. Reminder for parents and students to register/update library cards for new school year.

Tuesday, September 1: Committee of the Whole Board Meeting. Village Hall Community Room - 7 PM.

Wednesday, September 2: Divine Providence Over 50 Club Meeting, 1:30 PM in Mayfair Room - Divine Providence School. Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of the month.

Membership is for DP parishioners only - however guests are welcome for a donation of \$1.00.

Friday, September 4: First Friday Adoration, Divine Providence Ministry Center chapel 8:00 AM - 7:00 PM.

Sunday, September 6-Monday, September 7: Library closed for Labor Day holiday.

Tuesday, September 8: Village Board Meeting. Village Hall Board Room - 7 PM.

Tuesday, September 8: Regular hours return at Library: Mon-Thurs 9:30 AM - 9:00 PM, Sat 9:30 AM - 5:00 PM, Sunday 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM.

Tuesday, September 15: Committee of the Whole Board Meeting. Village Hall Community Room - 7 PM.

Tuesday, September 15: Friends of the Library Chess and Scrabble Game Night 6:45 PM - 8:45 PM at the Library. Membership in Friends required (membership table available on game nights)

Friday, Sept. 18: Taize Ecumenical Prayer, Divine Providence Church - 7:30 PM.

Saturday, September 19: Market Day, Divine Providence School, 8:30 AM - 9:30 AM, 2500 Mayfair Avenue, (708) 562-2258.

Monday, September 21: Reducing Stress 7:00 PM at the Library. Local therapists discuss healthy options for managing stress. Register in September at Library (708) 562-3573.

Tuesday, September 22: Village Board Meeting. Village Hall Board Room - 7 PM.

Thursday, September 24 & Friday September 25: Kiwanis club of Westchester will hold its 53<sup>rd</sup> annual Peanut Day fundraiser from 12:00 PM - 6:30 PM on the following corners: Mannheim Road & Roosevelt Road / Mannheim Road & Cermak (22nd St.) 31st & Wolf Road. Volunteers needed, call (708) 343-5191 (24/7).





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### HOSPICE VOLUNTEER

Have you ever thought of becoming a Hospice Volunteer?

Generations Hospice, in Westchester, is looking for dedicated, caring and compassionate volunteers to assist our hospice patients and families. Volunteers are also needed to support our office team and our bereavement coordinator in our Westchester office. If you are interested, please call Jim White, Volunteer Coordinator, at (708) 409-3040.

### WAR MEMORIAL WALL COMING TO MAYFAIR PARK

Westchester is celebrating the 20th Anniversary of the Veterans' Day Run and has the great honor of displaying "The Moving Wall" in Mayfair Park.

"The Moving Wall" is the half-size replica of the Washington, DC Vietnam Veterans Memorial and has been touring the country for more than twenty years. The wall will be on display in Mayfair Park from November 5th through November 9th, 2009. The wall is being brought to our community to Honor and Respect those who have made the ultimate sacrifice to our great nation. Many volunteers are needed in various different capacities to bring the wall to our community. Should you wish to volunteer some time for this Historical event, please contact the Chamber of Commerce, Westchester Park District or Village of Westchester.

Check the Chamber of Commerce and Village websites for updates.

### WHAT'S GOING ON IN WESTCHESTER?

#### Village Hall Extended Hours

*to serve you better*

Tuesdays: until 7 PM

Saturdays: 8:30 AM-12:30 PM

Street/Sewer Maintenance:

Sanitary Sewer Cleaning and Spot Repairs  
Completion of Windsor Drive Rebuild

**New Meeting Schedule:**

*Committee of the Whole Meetings*

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays

*Village Board Meetings*

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays

*Meetings are open to the public.*

*Comments are welcome at both formats.*

**Things to Come:**

Office Consolidation

Customer Service Training

Building Code and Ordinance Review

### COMED ALERTS

ComEd is extending its free outage alert pilot so that you, your family members and friends who are ComEd customers can get text messages alerting you when your power is out and receive updates when power is restored. To sign up, visit [www.ComEd.com](http://www.ComEd.com) and click the Outage Alerts button on the homepage.