



Village of Westchester

May 2013 Newsletter

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From the Desk of The President



Governor Quinn, President Pulia and Hillside Mayor Joseph Tamburino survey the flooding on April 18, 2013.

MAY FLOWERS

May flowers are starting to bloom as we transition from spring into summer. It's hard to believe that we are already one third of the way through 2013. If you are like me you probably find yourself asking "where does the time go?". There are several notable holidays celebrated in May.

May 1st was MAY DAY. The earliest MAY DAY celebration appeared in pre-Christian times with the Festival of Flora, the Roman Goddess of Flowers. A more secular version of May Day continues to be observed in Europe and America. In this form, MAY DAY may be best known for its tradition of dancing the 'Maypole Dance' and crowning the 'Queen of the May'. MAY DAY was also celebrated by some early European settlers of the American continent. In some parts of the United States, May baskets are made. These are small baskets usually filled with flowers or treats and left at someone's doorstep. The giver rings the bell and runs away. The person receiving the basket tries to catch the fleeing giver. If they catch the person, a kiss is exchanged. Guys, take it from me, if you came home to your wife with foreign lipstick on your cheek you will need more than a basket of flowers and treats to explain how it got there.

If you are from Hawaii, like President Barack Obama, May 1st is known as LEI DAY as it is set aside as a day to celebrate the culture of the Hawaiian Islands.

MOTHER'S DAY

The history of Mother's Day in the United States came from women's peace groups. Groups of mothers whose sons had fought and died on opposite sides of the American Civil War came together. Today, Mother's Day in the United States is an annual holiday celebrated on the 2nd Sunday in May. This year it is Sunday, May 12th. Mother's Day recognizes mothers, motherhood and maternal bonds, as well as the positive contributions that mothers make to society. Mother's Day was established by Anna Jarvis who celebrated it for the first time in 1908 in West Virginia. Ms. Jarvis then campaigned to make Mother's Day an official National Holiday. On May 8, 1914, the United States Congress passed the law designating the 2nd Sunday in May as Mother's Day.

Carnations are the flowers of choice to be delivered or displayed on Mother's Day. Florists invented the idea of wearing a red carnation if

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Fire Department

Firefighter Tools and Equipment

1. Firefighter personal protection equipment

This basic protection equipment consists of helmet, jackets, pants, gloves and boots. Made from fire resistant plastic, Helmet protects the head from falling objects which usually occur in ruined building, usually you can also identify the rank of firefighter based on the color of the helmet.

The jacket and pants are made of fire-resistant materials to keep firefighters from getting burnt while the inner material is waterproof to keep them dry. There are stripes on the jacket made of reflective materials to keep firefighters remain visible in the dark. Sometimes as firefighters, they need to touch hot surfaces to find a civilian trapped inside a building, the special gloves protect their hands from getting burnt. The boots are also specially designed with steel insole to prevent injury of firefighter's foot from nails or other fragment.

2. Firefighter SCBA (Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus)

This tool is one of essential firefighter tools and equipment that enables the firefighter to breathe when they enter building filled with smoke. The firefighter can breathe for about fifteen to sixty minutes depending on the level of activity he or she involved in.

3. Firefighter gear

Even when fire has been put out, Firefighters still need to carry extra tools when entering the building. These tools are usually fire extinguishers to put out small contained fires, axes, hammers, shovels, flashlights, halligan bar, hydrant wrench and pike poles to check the walls and ceilings of the building for rolling fires.

4. Fire truck

Well, I guess I don't have to explain why firefighters need fire a truck. Aside from being used as transportation, a fire truck also functions as vital tool to collect and distribute water to put out the fire.

5. Firefighter Rescue Ladder

There are times when the firefighters need to have access to the roof or higher place. This can't be achieved using conventional ladders.

6. Fire Hose

This special fire hose works with high pressure to carry water to put out the fire. It can be attached to a fire engine or any nearby fire hydrant.

Fighting fire is dangerous and risky. Firefighters put their lives on the line in order to save others, however, sometimes the danger is not caused by the fire but because of the lack of skill, training, poor decisions as well as the lack of safety equipment. Therefore it's crucial for all firefighters to get easy access to these **firefighter tools and equipment**.



JULIE Call before you dig

You may be surprised by what's buried in your yard. That's because today, more electric, gas, water, sewer and telecommunications companies are delivering utility services underground. To avoid personal injury and damage to those lines, state law requires you to contact JULIE before any digging project, regardless of the project size or depth.

When do I call Julie?

Anyone planning an outdoor project that requires any type of digging in Illinois, regardless of depth or project size, should call JULIE before they start digging. Projects such as these are examples of when to call JULIE.

Decks, Patios, Landscaping, Fences, Swingsets, Mailboxes any project that may require digging.

The call is free and so are the services. Simply call 811 or 1-800-892-0123. Call center representatives are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Process Request On-Line <http://www.illinois1call.com/index.htm>



Helmet Safety

As a reminder with warm weather upon us more children will be bicycling, in-line skating, and participating in many activities were head injuries would be eliminated or lessened if an approved safety helmet was worn. Helmet use has been estimated to reduce head injury risk by 85%, according to the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety. Require children (and adults) to wear a helmet every time they ride a bike, scooter, skateboard or in-line skate.



Westchester Open Burning

The Westchester Fire Department follows the International Fire Code regarding open burning within the Village limits. Below is the code that will be enforced. Any questions contact the Westchester Fire Department Fire Prevention Bureau. 708-345-0433

2006 International Fire Code Section 307 Open Burning and Recreational Fires

307.4.2 Recreational fires. Recreational Fires shall not be conducted within 25 feet (7620mm) of a structure or combustible material. Conditions which would cause a fire spread within 25 feet (7620mm) of a structure shall be eliminated prior to ignition.

307.5 Attendance. Open burning: bonfires or recreational fires shall be constantly attended until fire is extinguished. A minimum of one portable fire extinguisher complying with section 906 with a minimum 4-A rating or other approved on-site fire extinguishing equipment, such as dirt, sand, water barrel, garden hose or water truck, shall be available for immediate utilization.

Profile



Name: Richard Kirk
Rank: Patrol Officer
Years as Police Officer: 8

What made you choose police officer as a profession:

My best friend was a Police Officer in Chicago. I had a couple ride alongs with him and his unit and loved the job.

Describe a good day at work:

Where EVERYBODY goes home.

What is the best part about your job?

Protecting people from violent offenders.

What advice would you give to someone who wants to follow your career path.

Talk to as many Police Officers as you can and decide if this is the job for you, if that fails become a Fireman.

What would occur on your perfect day off?

Spend as much time as possible with my beautiful wife and family.

Alcohol + Minors = A Bad Mix

As the prom, graduation and barbeque season begins; parents and other adults are reminded that it is not O.K. to allow underage drinking at their homes, parties, and social events. Doing so only reinforces the wrong message to your child that underage alcohol consumption is no big deal. It is a big deal and it is illegal.

Underage drinking has reached epidemic portions in this country! Most young people start in their preteen years, long before they reach the legal age of twenty-one. Alcohol is often a "gateway" drug, one that can lead to harder chemical abuses.

Parents have the greatest influence on their children's behavior and choices. Parents need to take the responsibility to keep their children safe and healthy by not providing or permitting underage alcohol consumption, EVER! Westchester Residents are reminded of Village Ordinances pertaining to parental responsibility involving minors and alcohol:

7.82.020 – Consumption of Alcoholic Liquor by Minor Prohibited

(1) It is unlawful for any person under the age of twenty-one (21) to consume alcoholic liquor unless such consumption is done under the direct supervision and approval of the minor's parents in the privacy of their own home and except as otherwise allowed by Section 7.82.030 hereof.

(2) No person after purchasing or otherwise obtaining alcoholic liquor shall intentionally, knowingly, recklessly or negligently give or deliver alcoholic liquor to a minor, except as permitted under subsection (1) of this section.

(3) No owner or occupant of any premises located within the Village shall intentionally, knowingly, recklessly or negligently allow any minor who is not his child to remain on such premises while in the possession of alcoholic liquors in violation of subsection (1) of this section.

7.82.030 – Consumption for Religious Purposes

Consumption of alcoholic liquor by a minor is permitted when such consumption is in the performance of a religious service or ceremony, or on private property under the direct supervision and approval of his or her parent.

7.82.040 – Parental Responsibility

(1) No parent shall intentionally, knowingly, recklessly or negligently give, deliver, invite or permit the consumption of alcoholic liquor by any minors on or about any premises owned, leased, or controlled by such parent except as otherwise permitted by this chapter.

(2) Parents shall restrain or prevent their minor children from consuming alcoholic liquor where the parent knows, or in the exercise of ordinary

care should know, of a substantial probability that his or her minor child is or will consume alcoholic liquor under circumstances which violate the provisions of this chapter; the Illinois Liquor Control Act, or any other ordinances, statutes or amendments thereof.

(3) Parents who know, or in the exercise of ordinary care should know, of substantial probability that their minor child has consumed or will consume alcoholic liquor in violation of this chapter; the Illinois Liquor Control Act, or any other ordinances, statutes or amendments thereto, shall restrain or prevent their minor child from operating or driving a motor vehicle on the public streets and ways of the Village of Westchester in violation of any ordinance, law or statutes.

(4) Parents who know, or in the exercise of ordinary care should know, of a substantial probability that their minor child has consumed or will consume alcoholic liquor in violation of this chapter; the Illinois Liquor Control Act, or any other ordinance, statutes or amendments thereto, shall restrain or prevent their minor child from committing acts which constitute vandalism, theft, disorderly conduct, or the unjustifiable use of force in violation of any ordinance, law or statute.

For more information go to: www.madd.org (Mothers Against Drunk Driving)

Police blotter

1) At 8:39 pm on March 21st 2013, a **Theft of Vehicle** was reported on the 900 block of Mannheim Road. The vehicle owner reported that between 3:30pm and 8:00pm unknown person(s) took her locked Jeep Cherokee while at work.

2) At 5:53 pm on March 22nd 2013, a **Theft of Bicycle** was reported on the 900 block of Cromwell. The resident reported that a blue Dynacraft bicycle was taken from an unlocked shed sometime during the previous three weeks.

3) At 3:14 pm on March 26th 2013, a **Theft of Wallet** was reported from the Panera Bread located at 11215 Cermak Road. It was reported that between 12:00pm and 1:00pm, unknown person(s) took their wallet from their purse.

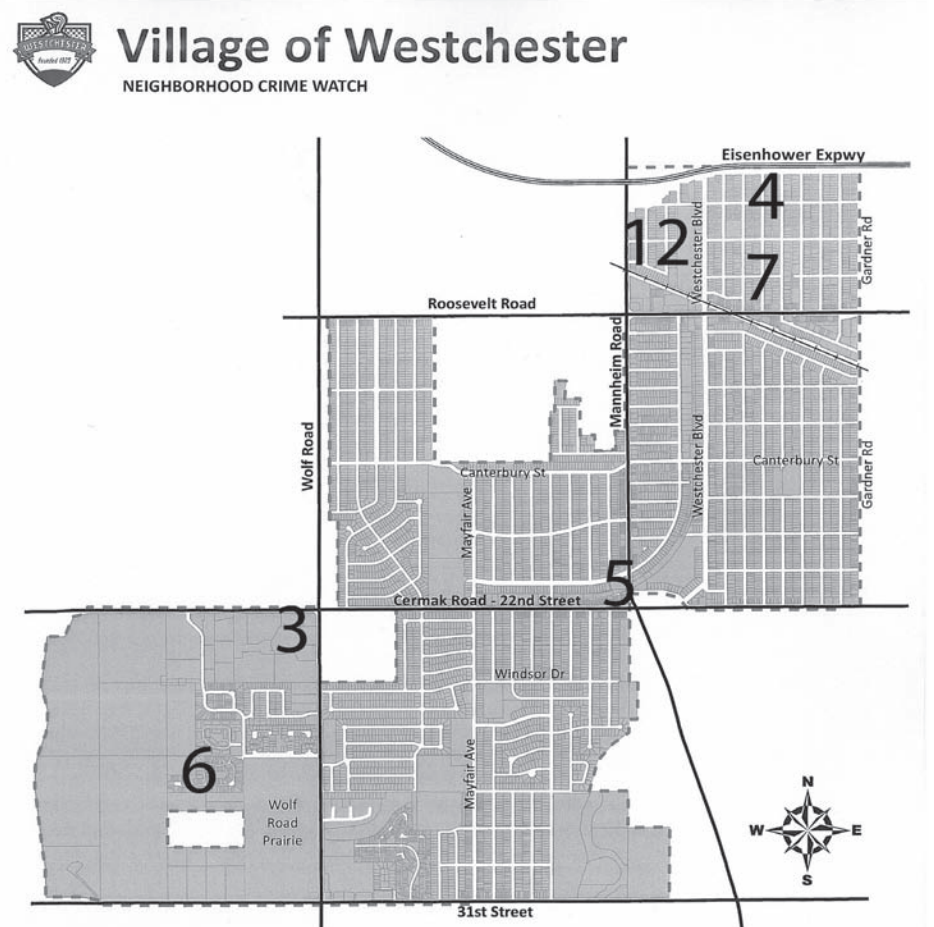
4) At 1:44 am on March 27th 2013, a **Residential Burglary** was reported on the 600 block of Portsmouth. Resident reported that between

7:45am and 1:45am unknown person(s) made forced entry into the residence and removed cash and jewelry.

5) At 3:28 pm on April 4th 2013, a **Theft of Wallet** was reported at the Jewel Foods located at 2128 Mannheim Road. A customer reported that while shopping, their wallet was taken from their purse.

6) At 1:21 pm on April 7th 2013, an **Attempted Residential Burglary** was reported on the 2700 block of Burton Drive. The resident reported that sometime during the previous two weeks unknown person(s) attempted to gain entry to the house by prying into a patio door.

7) At 4:33 pm on April 11th 2013, a **Theft Over \$300** was reported on the 10000 block of Devonshire. The resident reported that while taking groceries from the vehicle into the house, a purse and other property was taken from the vehicle.



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your mother was living, or a white carnation if she was deceased.

For those of you whose mothers are still alive make her day special. For those whose mother has passed, take a few moments to remember all that she did for you.

Better yet, make every day Mother's Day...Sam

ARMED FORCES DAY

On Saturday, May 18th, we celebrate Armed Forces Day. **STRONG AND RESILIENT; Prepared to Meet Any Challenge.** On August 31, 1949, Secretary of Defense Louis Johnson announced the creation of ARMED FORCES DAY to replace separate Army, Navy, and Air Force Days. The single day celebration stemmed from the unification of the Armed Forces under the Department of Defense. The Army, Navy, and Air Force Leagues adopted the newly formed day. The Marine Corps League declined to drop support for Marine Corps Day, but also supports Armed Forces Day.

MEMORIAL DAY REMEMBRANCE
MEMORIAL DAY is Monday, May 27th. MEMORIAL DAY, originally called Decoration Day, it is a day of remembrance for those who have died in our nation's service. While doing research for this article I came across some staggering statistics of Americans killed in combat:

Revolutionary War (1775-1783) - 8,000

Northwest Indian War (1785-1795) - 1,221

Mexican American War (1846-1848) - 1,733

American Civil War (1861-1865) - 360,222 Union Troops

American Civil War (1861-1865) - 258,000 Confederate Troops

War of 1812 (1812-1815) - 2,260

World War I (1917-1918) - 53,402

World War II (1937-1945) - 291,557

Korean War (1950-1953) - 33,746

Vietnam War (1955-1975) - 47,355

War on Terror (2001-present) - 5,252

As you can see by the numbers listed above, war has taken many loved ones from our midst.

Moina Michael's Poem seems to say it all: We cherish too, the poppy red, that grows on fields where valor led, It seems to signal to the skies, that blood of heroes never dies.

Ms. Michael's efforts led to the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Red Poppy Day.

Westchester, for as long as I can remember, has honored the sacrifice of all the men and women of our Armed Forces at a ceremony hosted by Park Board President Steven Busa



Ribbon Cutting ceremony for the Dunkin Donuts located on 31st St.

at the Mayfair Park Veteran's Memorial. This year's ceremony will be held at 10:00 am on Monday, May 27th, at Mayfair Park. All active service personnel, retired veterans, and their families are cordially invited to attend and be recognized for their service to our country.

WESTCHESTER CIVIC THEATRE

Hopefully you were able to attend one of the 4 performances of the Westchester Civic Theatre (WCT) production of 'LEAVING IOWA' last month. I thoroughly enjoyed the performance held at the St. Joseph High School Theatre. The play was the story of Don Browning, who returns home and decides to take his deceased father's ashes to his dad's childhood home, only to find out that the home has been replaced by a grocery store. Don begins to travel across Iowa searching for a proper resting place for his father. The road trip shifts back and forth from the past to the present as he reaches the center of the United States where the ashes are ultimately laid to rest. The 1960's Americana sets reminded me of the family vacations where dad drove and mom played referee. I saw my own parents, brothers and sister, and myself in the characters and recalled the many fond memories of my youth. The play, written by Tim Clue and Spike Manton, is a classic. The Westchester production was directed by Dan Rocha. Special thanks to Trustee Wally Novak for helping to bring the Civic Theatre to Westchester.

AUTISM AWARENESS

April was Autism Awareness month. This month the 4th Annual Autism and Special Needs Walkathon is being held on Saturday, May 11th, from 9 am until 2 pm. The Walkathon is at the Proviso East High School stadium at 1st Ave. and Madison in Maywood. Providing support, resources,

education, recreation and advocacy for families impacted by Autism and Developmental Differences is the mission of The Answer Inc. For more information call 708-296-56541 or email - dvines0627@yahoo.com

MIDWEST SOARRING CULTURAL CENTER

For those who do not know, 1 Hickory Lane is occupied by Joseph "Standing Bear" Schranz, who is the founder of the Midwest Save Our Ancestors Remains & Resources Indigenous Network Group Foundation in Westchester. I, along with Village Manager Janet Matthys, and Community Development Director Melissa Headley attended a Westchester Chamber of Commerce event on April 9th at the 1 Hickory Lane location. Inside the home are many Native American artifacts. Joseph has a wealth of information and perspectives about Native American life and customs. Thank you Standing Bear, for your hospitality and friendship. For more information, go to www.midwestsoarring.org.

COMCAST CARES

On Saturday April 27th from 8am to noon, Comcast employees, their families and friends worked alongside the MIDWEST SOARRING Foundation to work on landscaping and clean up of the area including as well as starting new gardens that will grow sacred and native plants used for food and cultural purposes at the Foundation's 31st Street and Hickory Lane location. The project will serve the community at large with environmental education and projects teaching Native American lifestyles and values.

McDONALD'S GRAND-RE-OPENING

The 31st Street McDonald's is having a Grand-re-Opening beginning Sunday, May 19th through Saturday, June 1st. Special events are scheduled for Sunday May 19th, with an appearance

by RONALD McDONALD at Noon; Tuesday, May 21st will feature J.C. JKUGGLES Balloons from 5:30-6:30 pm; Wednesday, May 22nd will feature an appearance from BIRDIE from 5:30 to 6:30pm; Thursday, May 23rd will be WESTCHESTER MIDDLE SCHOOL McTEACHER NIGHT from 5-8pm with the WMS Band at 6pm; Tuesday, May 28th will have an appearance from the HAMBURGLAR from 5:30-7:30pm; Wednesday May 29th will feature an appearance from GRIMACE from 5:30-7:30pm; Saturday, June 1st FACE PAINTING will be available from 1:00-2:00pm. Food specials are also being offered. For more information you can go to www.mcallinois.com/13027.

ELECTRONIC RECYCLING RETURNS

Westchester's electronic recycling program returned with a flurry of activity on Saturday, April 13th. Green Committee members, working alongside several volunteer students from Proviso West High School, braved the inclement, rainy, and wet weather to fill up both marine containers with electronic equipment. Additionally, 8 pallets that were unable to fit inside the trailers were left wrapped for pick-up. Thanks to the Green Team and volunteers for your assistance. Our next electronic recycling date is scheduled for Saturday, May 11th. The drop off center will be open from 9 am - 12 pm, weather permitting. DO NOT drop off any electronics at the site on non-collection days, or before 9 am or after 12 pm on collection days. Violators will be ticketed for illegal dumping.

RESPONSIBLE DOG OWNERSHIP

With the weather becoming nicer I know more and more dog owners will be out walking their dogs. Dogs provide us with unconditional love, affection and protection. However,

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they also require the same amount of care and protection in return. Below are some tips for responsible dog ownership.

- Register your dog with the Village and make sure it wears its' dog tag and collar AT ALL TIMES.

- Buy your dog a good leash and collar.

- Spay or neuter your dog.

- Teach your children to be responsible with their dog and supervise them when they are playing.

- Walk and exercise your dog daily.

- Vaccinate your dog and treat for Heartworm and ticks.

- Ensure your dog is cared for when you are on vacation.

- ALWAYS CLEAN -UP after your dog if he/she defecates in a public place or on any private property.

- DO NOT obtain a dog unless you have an adequate enclosure.

- DO NOT tease your dog or let children torment it.

- DO NOT allow your dog to wander at large.

- DO NOT allow your dog to create a nuisance by barking incessantly.

Practice these guidelines to ensure that our neighborhood remains a safe and pet-friendly place.

WESTCHESTER FEST

As a result of the sale of the old St. Joseph High School property to a developer, there will NOT be a Westchester Fest in the form that we have enjoyed for the past 21 years. I have put together a Special Events team with the charge of coming up with monthly events throughout the summer and fall at several locations throughout the Village. The ad hoc committee has been working very diligently to develop a number of events for your enjoyment.

The first event was held last Saturday, May 4, 2013. This event was a Cinco de Mayo Fiesta held at the north end of Gladstone Park. The Fiesta began at 3pm and ended at 8pm. The entertainment line-up included the Mariachi Tequila Band, the Ballet Folklorico, Salsa lessons, and D.J JohniDiggs providing music throughout the event. This event was made possible by the collaboration of the Village, Park District, the Chamber of Commerce, and the Westchester School District 92.5.

I hope you had time to stop by the event and celebrate with us.

2013 CAR SHOW

The 31st and Wolf Road plaza is the place to be as the 2013 Car Show season is upon us. Beginning Monday



Congratulations to Westchester's newest Police Officer Joseph Rizzo, sworn in on April 9, 2013

May, 13th Paul's Pizza and Hot Dogs and Sylvia E's will begin another year of sponsorship to the best car show around. Please bring your ride and enjoy the food, people, and community togetherness while spending time in Westchester.

CANTERBURY STREET GARAGE SALE

The 7th Annual Canterbury Street Area Garage Sale is here again. "Bargain Hunting" will be Saturday, May 18th from 9am-3pm. This would be a great time to not only reduce your unwanted items but make a few bucks at the same time. For more information email crodriguez2020@sbcglobal.net

VACANT PROPERTY INFO

From time to time the Village is asked "what's happening with the vacant property across from the Village Hall." The property was the former site of the McDonalds franchise now located at Mannheim & Roosevelt in Hillside, Illinois. The property is NOT owned by the Village. It is privately owned, having been purchased by a private party. There is a restrictive covenant on the property that prevents another fast food type competitor of McDonalds from locating there. That being said, the Village has suggested to the owner several different non food usages for the property. Unfortunately, none have come to fruition. We continue to market the open space; however, the owner and a potential business developer have to come to an agreement before anything can happen. Unfortunately, the Village is not currently in a financial position to purchase the property.

Another vacant piece of property is the 10 acres located on Cermak Rd. just west of the Westbrook Corporate Towers. The property is privately owned by GE. Several years

ago, Dennis DiPasquale, our former Building Commissioner and staff, came up with a restaurant out-lot concept plan. However, since this property is NOT owned by the Village, the owners would have to pull the trigger on any development of the site.

The third vacant property site is the 15 acres located on the West side of 31st Street and Hickory Lane. This site is owned by the Gallagher and Henry Builders. Years ago there was a concept to build a 384 unit townhome type senior housing development on the site. Due to the housing downturn, the concept did not get off the ground.

JOE'S TEA ROOM IN BROADVIEW (ADULT USE CLUB) UPDATE

For those who may NOT remember, the Village of Broadview has been involved in a court action attempting to block the opening of an adult use club, at the area of Gardner Road and Indian Joe Drive. Indian Joe Drive is the access road off of the 290 expressway to 25th Avenue. All Westchester officials have been against the opening of this establishment so close to our border since it was first proposed over 6 years ago. For the past 4 years, Mayor Sherman Jones of Broadview has been fighting against the club opening in Broadview. In recent conversations I have had with Mayor Jones, he is still against the opening. Mayor Jones has been re-elected to a 2nd term as the Mayor of Broadview, and has promised to continue the fight against the opening. Prior to the April 9th election, a grass roots movement to continue the fight against the adult use club was initiated. I, in my capacity as the President of Westchester, attended what was hallmarked as a "STROLL FOR THE GOOD" to assist in preventing this type of venue from opening in Broadview. The organizer has stated

that he would like to continue the stroll the 1st Sunday of each month at 5pm. Interested persons from Westchester are invited to attend. The gathering point is the parking lot of the Broadview Village Hall located at 2350 S. 25th Ave in Broadview, Illinois. For more information email miguelblanc@gmail.com

ELECTION RESULTS

The Cook County Clerk's office indicates Westchester has 11330 registered voters. Of that number, 1,335, or 11.78% voted on April 9, 2013. As a result of the April 9, 2013 Consolidated Election, you, the voters elected the following to represent your interests for the next 4 years. Please note, these results are at this time unofficial, until certified by the Cook County Clerk.

Village of Westchester
 President: Sam D. Pulia
 Clerk: Sherby Miller
 Trustees: Nick Steker, Celestine Reda, Angelo Calcagno
 Westchester Park District:
 Commissioners: Derek Gordon, Dominic Luciano
 Westchester School District 92.5:
 School Board Members: Becky Lasky, Donald Slager, Zach Bradford
 Westchester Library Board:
 Trustees: Cathy Kuratko, Miriam Zuinga, James Negrete, Timothy Hinsdale
 Proviso Township:
 School Board: Kevin McDermott, Teresa McKelvy, Brian Cross, Daniel Adams
 Township Supervisor: Michael Corrigan
 Township Clerk: Anthony Williams
 Township Assessor: Steven Zawaski
 Township Trustees: Mari Herrell, Clarence Thomas, Joseph Christopher,

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Movie [★]in the Park

PRESENTED BY:

THE VILLAGE OF WESTCHESTER
& WESTCHESTER PARK DISTRICT

ADMIT ONE

2013 MOVIE IN THE PARK DATES

TUESDAY, JUNE 4TH

TUESDAY, JULY 2ND

TUESDAY, AUGUST 6TH

MOVIES ARE SHOWN AT THE WESTCHESTER COMMUNITY
CENTER PARK (BOND & WESTCHESTER BLVD.)

ALCOHOL IS PROHIBITED ON PARK PROPERTY

13
MOVIE
STARTS
AT
8:30 PM

14
PACK
A
PICNIC

15
BRING
CHAIRS
&
BLANKETS

16
REFRESHMENTS
ARE
AVAILABLE
FOR PURCHASE

Code Enforcement Program

By George Velasco

The Code Enforcement Program incorporates the Building Inspector, Plan Reviewer, Electrical Inspector, Plumbing Inspector, Health Inspector and Housing Inspector. Perhaps the most visible role is the Code Enforcement Officer.

The Code Enforcement Officer is responsible for neighborhood preservation, code compliance and nuisance abatement. The Village accomplishes this through public education about codes and nuisances, emphasis on voluntary compliance before enforcement, conflict resolution, and ultimately court-ordered abatement.

The objective of property maintenance enforcement is to protect the public health safety and welfare in all structures and on all premises by establishing requirements and standards.

TYPICAL AREAS OF CONCERN AND PROEPRTY VIOLATIONS:

Grass and lawns must be maintained less than 8 inches in length.

Stagnant water in swimming pools or ground depressions creating a health hazard.

Accumulation of rubbish and garbage.

Motor vehicles which are un-licensed or inoperable are not allowed in public view.

Motor vehicles are not to be parked in grass areas.

Motor vehicles undergoing repair work, either mechanical or body, must be done inside a structure, not in the driveway or on the street.

Under no circumstance is a sign permitted to be placed in the parkway.

All structures require a house number (street address) and must be visible from the street.

All exterior siding and trim which includes soffits, fascia, eaves, windows and doors must be maintained in good condition.

Roofs must be watertight and maintained in good condition.

Windows or doors are not to be boarded up.

All fences must be maintained in a structurally sound condition.

Holiday decorations shall be displayed for a period of not more than sixty days for each holiday.

Garbage containers are to be placed at the curb no earlier than 3:00 pm on the day before pick up, and removed



Motor vehicles undergoing repair work, either mechanical or body, must be done inside a structure, not in the driveway or on the street.

as soon as possible after collection, but no later than 7:00 am on the day after pick up.

CODE ENFORCEMENT PROCEDURES

FILING A COMPLAINT

Residents can report a possible code violation by calling the Westchester Police Department at (708) 345-0060. A Code Enforcement Officer will review the information and investigate the complaint to determine if there is a violation of the Municipal Ordinance.

INVESTIGATING A COMPLAINT

Once a complaint is received, Code Enforcement will make a site visit to determine if a violation exists. If there is a violation, Code Enforcement will

determine who is the responsible party/property owner. Once that is established, the appropriate parties will be notified of the violation(s). This notification may either be in person or by correspondence.

NOTIFICATIONS

Once it has been determined who the responsible party is, Code Enforcement will notify them of the violation(s). This notification may take the form of personal contact, telephone or by letter. In certain situations, such as health or safety matters, or repeat violations, there may be no notification and a citation may be issued. No matter what form of notification is given; there will be a due date by which the corrections must be completed by to avoid further enforcement action. If, after the first notice, there is no abatement of the

violation by the due date, staff may issue a second notice. This notice will be in written form and will also have a due date by which the violations must be corrected. In certain instances there may be no second notice and Code Enforcement staff may issue a citation to appear in court. If after the final notice the violation is not abated, the violator may be issued a citation to appear in municipal court.

CITATIONS

If a code violation case gets to the point of citation, the responsible party/property owner may be issued a Citation. Once this citation is issued, the person receiving the citation is required to appear in court on the date given on the citation. If after judicial proceedings a defendant is found to be guilty of violating the municipal ordinance, the judge may impose a civil penalty, similar to a fine.



Westchester's Annual

JULY 4TH PARADE

Thursday, July 4, 2013

Parade begins at 9:30 AM

The theme for the parade is "HONOR OUR FIRST RESPONDERS"

The Village of Westchester is seeking participants and sponsors for the annual 4th of July Parade.

All businesses, organizations, and individuals are invited to take part in the patriotic event.

Email: mkeane@westchester-il.org



HOW TO BECOME A PARTICIPANT

If you would like to participate in the 2013 parade, please fill out the form below, and return by June 14th to: mkeane@westchester-il.org or mail Attn: PARADE 10300 W. Roosevelt Rd. Westchester, IL 60154

Official entry name: _____

Contact name: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Type of Entry (Circle all that apply): Float Clown Bus Van Truck Antique Vehicle

Marching Band Political/Public Official Other _____

HOW TO BECOME A CORPORATE SPONSOR

For a \$100.00 sponsorship donation you and/or your business/organization will be listed as an official Parade Sponsor in an issue of the Village Newsletter. Please return your sponsorship form by June 14th to: mkeane@westchester-il.org or mail Attn: PARADE 10300 W. Roosevelt Rd. Westchester, IL 60154

Official entry name: _____

Contact name: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____



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***Westchester Real Estate Market Info
3/16/13 – 4/15/13***

**Average Sales Price: \$170,627
-0.3% Year over Year***

**Total Number of Homes Sold: 24
Same as Year over Year***

**Average Listing Market Time: 131 Days
50% Faster Year over Year***

#	Str Name	Price	Beds	Baths	#	Str Name	Price	Beds	Baths	#	Str Name	Price	Beds	Baths
620	Bristol	\$ 105,900	3	1.5	1346	Mandel	\$ 151,000	2	1.5	2523	Mayfair	\$ 187,500	3	1.5
1552	Gardner	\$ 110,000	2	1	11129	Shakespeare	\$ 152,000	2	2	10675	Fleet	\$ 195,000	3	1
9857	Drury	\$ 126,000	3	2	11165	Mandel	\$ 153,000	3	2	1537	Portsmouth	\$ 198,000	3	1.5
758	Cromwell	\$ 130,000	3	2	1815	Stratford	\$ 155,000	2	1	2245	Mayfair	\$ 212,000	3	1.5
11217	Charles	\$ 135,700	2	2	2820	Brighton	\$ 157,200	2	2	2322	Downing	\$ 220,000	3	1.5
1350	Haase	\$ 142,000	3	1	2809	Ashton	\$ 160,000	2	2	1850	Bristol	\$ 246,500	4	2
1900	Bristol	\$ 145,000	2	1	2842	Brighton	\$ 175,500	2	2	2530	Camberley	\$ 249,000	3	2.5
1934	Burns	\$ 149,000	2	2	2804	Denton	\$ 177,750	2	2	2124	Westchester Blvd.	\$ 262,000	3	2

**Year over Year: These statistics compare data from the same time period the previous year. This chart represents all detached and attached single-family homes that closed in Westchester according to MRED data between 3/16/2013 and 4/15/2013. Data supplied by MRED may not reflect all real estate activity in the market. MRED is not responsible for the accuracy of the data supplied.*

I AM IN IT TO END IT!

Did you know that three million women are living with breast cancer—and one third of them don't even know it? Even more startling, breast cancer kills approximately one woman every 13 minutes, robbing us of our mothers, grandmothers, sisters & best friends. No one knows what causes breast cancer or how it can be prevented and there is currently no known cure. Breast Cancer is a big disease, one that still affects far too many people, and I am determined to do everything I can to put an end to it. While researchers have made significant progress in the last few years, there's still more that needs to be done. Knowing these statistics and since cancer has unfortunately touched me personally, I feel even more compelled to do something to bring us one step closer to finding a cure. Below is my story:

My name is Tracy Markey (Hart) and I am a 3rd generation lifelong resident of Westchester. 2 years ago I was diagnosed with stage II Breast Cancer. To say I was shocked is an understatement. I was a healthy 41 year old wife & mother of 2 children. I had my yearly check up, how could this be.... Well in October of 2010 I went for my annual OB check up & received an order to get my annual Mammogram. Prior to that, I notice for the past month or so my breasts were sore when I would run up the stairs. Didn't really think it was anything but then I noticed the lump in my left breast. I called my OB Dr. & he advised me to get a diagnostic Mammogram & an ultrasound. So on Nov 2nd I did so. They could not find anything on the mammogram but did locate the lump on the ultrasound. The Dr. told me she did not like how it looked & wanted me to have a biopsy. I had the biopsy the next day. On Thursday Nov 4th, that is the day that changed my life. I received a call in the A.M. from my OB Dr. telling me it was cancer!! The cancer was in the lump in my left breast & had spread to 1 lymph node. Needless to say I was a mess. I cried that November day for hours but that was the first & last time that cancer

got tears from me. I made a vow to myself that I will not shed another tear over this, I am a fighter, I will fight this & win.

On November 4, 2010, I had surgery to remove the lymphoid under my left arm & had a lumpectomy on my left breast. I then went thru 6 rounds of Chemotherapy & 35 radiation treatments. My last treatment was on June 24, 2011. This battle has been one of the hardest things I have ever had to deal with. The next hardest thing was to telling my 2 small children. At the time my son just turned 7 & my daughter was 5. I was scared to death to tell them I had cancer. Their grandmother passed away of Cancer and the last think I wanted them to think is that I was going to die, because that was NOT the case. I told them that I had a tumor, will need to have surgery, will be on some medicine that might make me sick and that I will lose my hair. They took it like champs. They were & still are my biggest inspiration. I also promised myself that I will keep our lives as normal as possible. I insisted that my husband Jeff, who is my ROCK, go to work every day, I refused to have Cancer run my life. My mom came over & helps us out on the weeks that I would get chemo. I still woke up each morning to get the kids ready & off to school. My husband would come home from work, make dinner, helped the kids with home work, got them ready for bed, and was basically a Mr. Mom. I could not have done any of this without him. I am also so blessed to have such a great support group behind me during all of this. Two of my oldest & dearest friends, Jeanne Mueller (Bejna) & Karen Brasile (Malcolm), both former Westchester residents too, brought me to my chemo treatments each & every time. Instead of having it being a dreaded trip, we decided to make it fun. One would make us a delicious lunch, would bake for the nurses & other patients, the other would bring games, movies and all the good gossip magazines.

Every time I would come home from getting chemo, somebody from this

wonderful town of Westchester would leave dinner for us on our porch. Having lived in Westchester my entire life I have to say I truly love this community. They really pull together in a time of need, former residents & current residents.

In June of 2011, my family stood at the finish line of the Avon Walk for Breast Cancer in Chicago & waited for Ashley Dattomo (Crocetti), a preschool teacher of our children, to finish her 2 day journey in my honor. It was a very emotional day for me, seeing all of these people walking to support Breast Cancer research. At that time I decided that I will be participating in the Avon 2 day walk next year. So in June of 2012, I completed the Avon 2 day walk with my mom. It was so inspirational, touching & out right FUN. I have made a promise to myself that I will walk it every year that I am able to.

So far, I am two for two, I am 2 years cancer free & this will be my 2nd year walking the Avon Walk for Breast Cancer this June in Chicago. This weekend-long event consists of walking 26.2 miles, walking 13.1 on Saturday, spending the night in a tent, and walking 13.1 miles on Sunday.

We all know that there is strength in numbers, so this year I started a team "Hart & Soul" which consist of myself & 2 of my friends, Sara Lucas who is a former Westchester resident of over 20 years & my co-worker Carol Zacharias. I will also be walking in honor of one of my friend, Laura Karman (Malcolm), also a former resident of Westchester. Laura was diagnosed with Breast Cancer in December 2012.

It is with great strength that we will work and walk toward putting an end to the suffering caused by breast cancer. We each have our reasons for participating - - whether it is a personal fight with breast cancer, the struggle or loss of a loved one, or a deep commitment to the cause. We have also made a big commitment. We will spend the next month training to prepare for walking a marathon. Each walker makes a



commitment to raise at least \$1,800. The money we raise will be managed and disbursed by the Avon Foundation Breast Cancer Crusade to help provide access to care for those who most need it, fund educational programs and accelerate research into new treatments and potential cures. We will be just 3 of the thousands people who will walk either 26.2 or up to 39.3 miles over two day , raising awareness & promoting education.

For every Avon walker, 24 newly diagnosed breast cancer patients can get counseling & support, for every Avon walker, 12 women can get potentially lifesaving mammograms, for every Avon walker, 72 research labs can purchase critical supplies for cutting edge research, for every Avon walker, 9 breast cancer patients can receive necessary diagnostic tests. Seeing that the money we raise helps those in need is worth the work of fundraising & training. Please help us help the women & men in need of medical treatment by support our team.

TO MAKE A DONATION TO TEAM "HART & Soul"

Simply log on to www.avonwalk.org, go to "see your impact", donate now, donate to a team, type in Hart & Soul, click on any one of our names then the Donate to team button. No donation is too small, every last penny help plus it is tax deductible.

http://info.avonfoundation.org/site/TR/Walk/Chicago?team_id=114110&pg=team&fr_id=2210

West Suburban Senior Services Caregiver Support Program

West Suburban Senior Services has a Caregiver Support Program available to caregivers of any age providing care for individuals age 60 and over or someone who has Alzheimer's Disease or a related diagnosis. Many of the participants in this program are spouses caring for an ill spouse and adult children caring for aging parents. There are several types of support offered. One of these services is caregiver support

groups that are offered during the daytime and early evening. The purpose of the groups is to help caregivers learn ways of managing and coping with the stress of caregiving, to not feel alone in their responsibilities, and to learn more about different topics including legal issues, safety, and family dynamics. Individual counseling with a Caregiver Specialist is also available. Lastly, respite is a program designed

to help the caregiver have temporary breaks from their caregiving responsibilities in the form of in home assistance, adult day services, and skilled nursing facilities.

If you would like more information or could extra support as a caregiver, please contact West Suburban Senior Services. Caregiver support groups meet the first Tuesday from 6pm-7pm, the first Wednesday from 2:15pm-3:15pm, the third Tuesday

from 6pm-7pm, and the third Wednesday from 2pm-3:15pm. All groups meet at 8300 Roosevelt Road, Forest Park. We also offer an Alzheimer's Caregiver support group on the third Thursday from 3pm-4:15pm at 712 East Elm Ave, LaGrange. For more information, please contact our Caregiver Specialists, Jennifer and Chrissy, at 708-405-6996.

Happy Mother's Day



The average American will spend \$125 this Mother's Day.

According to the 3/50 Project for every \$100 spent in locally-owned independent stores, \$68 returns to the community through taxes, payroll and other expenditures. In contrast, at national chains, only \$43 remains in the community.

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Home Improvement Projects

Now that the weather is finally starting to warm up, you may be starting to think about spring projects. Just a reminder many home improvement projects require permits. Some typical items that require permits are:

- Fences
- Patios
- Sidewalks
- Driveways
- Pools
- Decks
- Porches
- Windows
- Doors
- Roof
- Siding
- HVAC
- Interior Remodels & Additions

If you have a project in mind, please call Community Development at 708-345-0199 to inquire if a permit is required and get the application requirements. This information can also be found on the Village's website under "Community Development/Building Department".



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Backflow Prevention

Every day, the Village of Westchester proudly supplies millions of gallons of fresh water to its residents and business owners; water that exceeds the requirements of the EPA. Before the water is pumped to your home or business, it has gone through careful treatment and numerous tests to insure its quality.

The Village is required to take many actions to protect our drinking water and its sources. One of the actions is to require the installation and maintenance of approved backflow preventers where potential hazards may exist. Backflow is when the water in your building's pipes flows backward (the opposite direction from its normal flow). Backflow prevention devices protect your drinking water supply from pollution or contamination.

If you have one of the following items, you may have a backflow prevention device installed on your water system.

- Underground Lawn Irrigation Systems
- Swimming Pools or Hot Tubs
- Private Wells and Secondary Water Service Lines
- Lawn and Garden Chemical Sprayers Attached to Hoses
- Fire Sprinkler System
- Water Softener
- Boiler

Property owners are responsible for testing their backflow assemblies annually in accordance with local and state laws. A site inspection and backflow assembly certification can be performed only by a Cross-Connection Control Device Inspector (CCCDI).

What can you do to ensure the safety of the Village's water supply?

- If you have an underground sprinkler system, you must have your backflow prevention device tested annually. This should be done prior to putting the system in service for the season
- You will be receiving a survey in your water bill. Please fill out the survey. The Village is required to survey the entire community every two years. You can take this survey online or fill out the form that is mailed to you.

The Village may be contacting you to schedule a site inspection, collect information, and/or review the testing documentation for your existing backflow prevention assemblies. Your cooperation is appreciated as we perform these State and EPA mandated requirements to keep your drinking water safe. If you have any questions, please contact: Melissa Headley at 708-345-0199 or via email at mheadley@westchester-il.org

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FROM THE BOARD

At our April 9th Board Meeting the following items were approved: The Record of Bills, Monthly Reports from the Police, Fire, Community Development, and Public Works Department, and Board Minutes from the February and March 2013 Meetings; a Resolution was passed to purchase a Konica Minolta large format copier scanner for \$11,499.00; an Ordinance Amending Chapter 15.40 Entitled, "Backflow Prevention" of Title 15, Entitled "Water and Sewers" of the Westchester Municipal Code; and a Resolution Declining the Village of Westchester's First Right to Purchase Real Property from the Westchester Local Library.

BACKFLOW PREVENTION DEVICE AMENDMENT

The Illinois Environmental Protection Act of Illinois requires the Village of Westchester to implement a Cross-Connection Control Program to reduce the chances of an accidental contamination of the public water supply caused by the backflow of water from a customer's plumbing system into the public water mains. The Westchester Municipal Code has required backflow protection devices since 1990.

The backflow protection devices are required for most commercial and food serving facilities.

Yearly testing and certification is required in accordance with the Illinois Plumbing Code Section 890.1130 (g) (5). Copies of the amended ordinance are available at the Village Hall, and will be updated on our web site.

NOTE: Residential lawn sprinkler systems, as well as any residences operating a beauty salon, barber shop, or hobby having any chemicals connected to a water supply fixture WILL ALSO REQUIRE A BACKFLOW PREVENTION DEVICE.

Violations of this chapter shall be fined not more than \$500.00 for each offense. A separate offense shall be deemed committed on each and every day during which a violation occurs or continues.

Please contact the Community Development Director for additional information at 708-345-0199

RESOLUTION DECLINING THE PURCHASE OF LIBRARY PROPERTY

The Illinois Library Act requires the Corporate Authority (the Village)

be afforded the first opportunity to purchase property belonging to the Westchester Public Library. Westchester Library Officials are offering for sale two parcels at 10726 and 10658 Canterbury. Both of these parcels are existing single family residences. The Village has declined the right to purchase the property.

WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT

At the Committee of the Whole Meeting of April 9, 2013 there was discussion centered around the proposal for engineering services to replace a water main on Heidorn from Canterbury to Charles Street, Charles St. from Heidorn to Boeger Ave, and High Ridge Ave from Canterbury to Boeger Ave. The engineering cost is \$46,680.00.

APRIL 18, 2013 FLOODING

Déjà vu! Here we go again. Thursday, April 18th, was another day that we could have done without. The day mirrored the flood event of July 23-24, 2010. I have to admit that my initial thought was this can't be happening to us again. Police and Public Works had been monitoring both the Addison and Salt Creeks all night, as well as the MWRD Mayfair retention pond. The rain fall changed repeatedly from deluge to drizzle, with periods of no rainfall at all.

By 5:00 am extra Police/Fire and Public Works personnel were contacted in addition to the Village's Management team. A Command Center was established at the Village Hall.

At 7:45 am, I, as President of the Village of Westchester, declared a State of Emergency. Our communications center briefly lost telephone service. However, I used my cell phone to record and send a ROBO Call to alert the residents with house phones of the State of Emergency and to take all safety precautions. As you can imagine, employees had a very difficult time arriving to work as many of the streets, expressways, and arterial streets had been impassable throughout the entire region. The Des Plaines River at 1st Avenue flooded the Eisenhower Expressway causing vehicles to exit onto Roosevelt Road, only to be blocked again by the flooded viaduct at Roosevelt and Newcastle Ave. Unfamiliar drivers attempted to drive north from Roosevelt Rd. into the Village to be stopped by flood waters and inaccessible streets. Police and Public Works employees attempted to place traffic cones and barricades out as fast as possible. Extra barricades had to be ordered, as many of our barricades were being used protecting the multiple street repairs in progress.

Fearing a loss of power was imminent, I was able to contact Michael Masters from the Cook County Department of Homeland Security to secure



Congratulations to Ms. Rosemary Joyce on her recent award from the National Association of Realtors for her 40 years as a Realtor

a generator to power the Mayfair retention pumps at the pond. Public Works traveled to Oak Forest Hospital and secured the brand, new just delivered, generator and brought it back to Westchester for deployment. Sand and sandbags were immediately requested but did not arrive until late afternoon due to the many street closures.

Once the sand arrived, village staff including our Village Manager Janet Matthys, Finance Director Anne Burkholder, Police Chief April Padalik, Community Development Director Melissa Headley, Building Commissioner Tony Saviano, Management Assistant Molly Keane, Trustee Tom Yurkovich, Trustee-Elect Angelo Calcagno, his wife Gina and son Angelo, worked side by side with Public Works employees Vinnie Smith, Bryan Grippo and several residents, filling 5 tons of sandbags in less than three hours. The bags were loaded onto a flatbed and distributed to both the north and south sides of town.

Governor Quinn arrived in Westchester from River Forest at 5 pm and viewed the devastation to metropolitan Chicago first-hand, while attempting to find a passable route to Westchester.

Mayor Joseph Tamburino of Hillside and I greeted the Governor at Mayfair Park and asked for any and all assistance the State could offer to help prevent the flooding that is occurring more

frequently and causing more damage each time. Federal and State monies have to be allocated to create more storm water storage areas throughout our region. I explained Westchester gets a double whammy as we have 2 creeks that traverse our Village and each time any amount of rain falls, residents are constantly living in fear of losing all their possessions and dealing with flooded basements.

Governor Quinn ultimately declared a State of Emergency in 48 Illinois counties. Individual Damage Assessment Forms, similar to those used in 2010, were submitted and forwarded to President Barack Obama through Governor Quinn. At the time of this writing the President has not made any formal declaration. If approved by the President, FEMA assistance will be available. Residents affected by this terrible ordeal should take photographs and document any and all expenditures and losses due to the flood. As you may recall, FEMA did make partial monetary awards and offer low interest loans to private residents in response to the 2010 flood event.

Monday April 22nd, our State Representative Chris Welch hosted a meeting with municipal officials and MWRD at the Westchester Village Hall. The meeting was scheduled over a month in advance of the flooding

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event. MWRD officials told those officials in attendance the following facts: Over 5 inches of rainfall fell covering 880 square miles of Cook County. By 12:30am Thursday 100% of the Deep Tunnel's 109 miles of pipes and two reservoirs had been filled. The Mainstream Tunnel was 100% full at 12:30 am. The Des Plaines Tunnel was 100% full by 3:30am. The entire tunnel system holds 2.3 billion gallons. MWRD had the authority to open the locks in Wilmette at 1:30 am, at the Chicago River Controlling Works at 3:47 am, and at the O'Brien Controlling Works and Locks at 6:15am.

The Deep Tunnel TARP project has not been completed. The 2 phase project, consisting of the construction of a 3.5 billion gallon capacity holding facility and a 6.5 billion gallon capacity holding facility at LaGrange Road and I-55 in McCook, Illinois are not scheduled to become operational until 2017 and 2029, respectively.

On Monday, April 29th, at 7pm, a Town Hall Meeting was held at Westchester's St. Joseph High School. to hear from those affected by this terrible repeat of 2010. Members of MWRD were

present as well as a team of engineers from our Village Engineer, Christopher B. Burke Engineering Ltd.

MWRD representatives explained some of the same facts presented above, but all offered their commitment to assist not only the City of Chicago but the 51 communities whose residents suffered damaged homes and property.

Please visit the MWRD web site at www.mwrld.org for more information. There is even a video available that Director St. Pierre and I taped last year when he appeared as my guest on an episode of "Westchester World".

ST. JOSEPH COMES TO THE RESCUE

A big thank you goes out to David McCreary the President of St. Joseph High School for coming to the rescue of Divine Infant's annual fundraising event. This year, coincidentally, St. Joseph High School and Divine Infant scheduled events on the same day, Saturday, April 20th.

St Joseph had their annual "CHARGERFEAST" Pot Luck Extravaganza, With a Celebrity Pasta Cook-Off, Meatball Eating Contest, Raffle, and Auction.

Divine Infant, in conjunction with their Annual Silent Auction and Raffle added an additional incentive by having a Broadway Style entertainment

show's called "CINEMAGIC". The idea was conceived by Ms. Susan Parker and made possible through the efforts of Father Michael Wanda, Musical Director Janet Reif, Master of Ceremonies Cathy Xenakis, and a host of volunteer performers, parishioners, students, donors, and attendees. It was no small task to recreate the lighting, sound, and reconfigure the whole shows logistics at the St. Joseph Theatre. Dave you are a magnificent person, a friend to Westchester, and your thoughtfulness will not be forgotten. Thank you!

GRACE CENTRAL CHURCH

On Sunday April 21st, I, along with Maureen and Janet Matthys our Village Manager, attended the Fourth Anniversary Service at the Grace Central Church located at 10216 Kitchener. The building was the former site of the B'nai Israel Synagogue. The building has been vacant for quite some time and the improvements made to the interior over the past month are remarkable. We were greeted by Senior Pastor Darius Brooks, his wife Deborah, and their congregation to celebrate their anniversary, at their new Westchester facility.

The theme of the day was "Actualizing What You Imagine". I have come to learn that Pastor Brooks is a Grammy

Award winning musical prodigy.

SPRING CLEAN-UP DAY

On Saturday, April 27, we had approximately 50 volunteers from the Boy Scouts, Westchester Middle School, the Proviso Math and Science Academy, Westchester Kiwanis Club, and Alliance Turf Management along with myself, Trustee-elect Celestine Reda, Village Manager Janet Matthys, Community Development Director Melissa Headley, PW employees Steve Crowley and Vince Smith and Management Assistant Molly Keane to help clean-up the Village after a long winter.

The volunteers worked for four hours to clean-up trash and collect brush in various sections of town. Thanks to all for giving of your time to make Westchester a more beautiful place to live!

NORCOMM UPDATE

On Tuesday, April 23, the Village Board of Trustees voted to execute a contract with Norcomm for E-911 telecommunication services. We estimate the transition to Norcomm will take 6-8 months. Management will have an initial migration meeting with Norcomm representatives within the next two weeks to discuss project target dates.

Village Branch Pick-up

The Public Works Department will pick up branches the first full week of every month.

All brush must be put out on the front parkway no later than 7:00 a.m. on the designated pickup day. Branches can be up to 7' in length and stacked with the butt ends facing the street in the same direction. If not stacked properly, a "restack" notice will be left.

Public Works Crews will only pass through a designated pickup area once due to time schedule and other workload responsibilities.

Thursday and Friday are Open Load days for pickup of any brush that will not fit through the chipper, such as logs, stumps, and large limbs. These must be cut for one man to lift.

***Please make every effort to cut oversized limbs/stumps for one employee to lift and be sure to remove the dirt from the root ball to allow for pick-up. Landscaping contractors are responsible for their own brush pickup and disposal.**

Branch Pick-up Schedule

MONDAY

From Mannheim Road west to Wolf road and from Canterbury south to Windsor-including both sides of Windsor Drive. Also, Waterford, Waverly, Camelot and Concord.

TUESDAY

Roosevelt Road south to Cermak Road-from Gardner Road west to Mannheim Road.

May 2013

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26	27	28	29	30	31	

May
branch
pick-up
May 6-9

June 2013

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30						

June
branch
pick-up
June 3-6

WEDNESDAY

From Roosevelt Road north to the expressway and from Gardner Road west to Mannheim Road. Also, Roosevelt Road south to Canterbury from Haase west to Heidorn.

THURSDAY

From Bellevue west to Wolf Road, Martindale Drive to 31st Street

Please Note: The Branch Pick-up Schedule is subject to change based on the amount of debris being picked up and weather conditions. If we miss your pick-up, we will return the following day.

FIGHTING the FLOOD



Buckingham Avenue completely flooded on April 18, 2013.



President Pulia and Governor Quinn speak at a press conference held in Elmhurst regarding the flooding on April 18th.

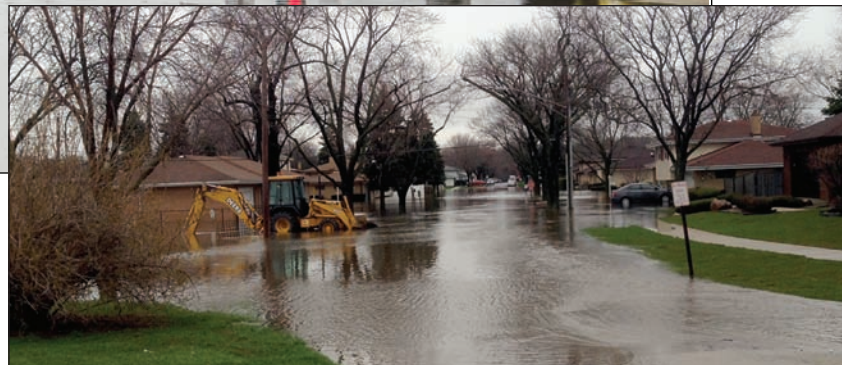


The pumping station at the Mayfair retention pond.



Village staff and volunteers gathered to fill sandbags at the Mayfair retention pond.

Roosevelt and Mannheim Rd flooding.



Halifax and Carlisle flooding.



MWRD Meeting held by State Representative Chris Welch on April 22nd.

S ST. JOSEPH HIGH SCHOOL **ChargerFEAST 2013**

A Taste of St. Joseph

On behalf of the entire St. Joseph High School Family, we would like to sincerely thank the alumni, parents, volunteers, faculty, staff, students, community and friends who supported and worked tirelessly to make the **2nd Annual ChargerFEAST 2013** a success!

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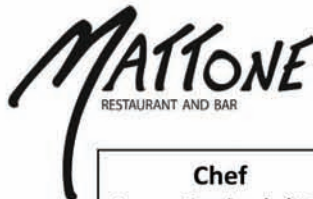


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Frank Gatto '83,
Owner



Chef
Jason Korinek '96,
Owner



Nick Christopher

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Former St. Joseph Parent



Thomas Ryniec, GM

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Entertainment

Adam Stasica '03

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Stay tuned...

The June issue of the newsletter will announce the **Celebrity Pasta and Pot Luck Cooking Champions!**
Can't wait? Visit the St. Joseph High School Alumni and Friends website for the results - www.stjoeshsalumni.org

THANK YOU!

Why ST. JOSEPH?



Two Chargers Go National in FBLA!

When Curriculum Director, Stacy Sajder, created a local chapter of Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) at St. Joseph High School, she was not expecting some of the success she has seen. For the second year in a row, St. Joseph students in FBLA will compete in the national competition, this year in Anaheim, California.

Freshman, **Emma Luczak** and Junior, **Matthew Buckner-Jackson** are both excited about their success thus far. "Matthew worked with me almost daily during lunch," Ms. Sajder, FBLA moderator, commented. "He worked hard in his area of choice – Client Services, scenarios of which he is presented in competition."

Meanwhile, Emma Luczak worked with her dad and Mr. David Miller, one of the technology resource personnel at the school. "I am not surprised she did well," commented Mr. Quattrochi, Emma's math teacher. "She is very bright and demonstrates great care and detail in her work." Both students advanced to the final competition in California, which will be held in late June, based on their successes that took place at the state competition on April 12th and 13th.

Congratulations to the following Chargers who placed at the State Competition:

- 4th **Ron Lewis '13** – Job Interview
- 4th **Bennie Walker '13** – Public Speaking II
- 7th **Rey Carpio '13** – Personal Finance
- 8th **Jared Davis '13, Neil Hansen '13, and Steven Perez '13** – Digital Video Production

Seniors **Ron Lewis** and **Rey Carpio** also placed at last year's state competition.

Congratulations to all the FBLA Chargers and good luck to Emma and Matthew! We are very proud of you all!



Mama Ping Golf Outing Sunday, May 19 (12:00 pm shotgun start)

Gleneagles Country Club
13070 McCarthy Rd, Lemont, IL

Cost \$125 (includes golf, cart, lunch, dinner and prizes).

Proceeds to benefit the **Annette Pingatore fund** at St. Joseph High School.

Contact Coach Pingatore at 708-562-7488 or gpingatore@stjoeshs.org to register or visit www.stjoeshsalumni.org for more information.

We hope you can participate!

St. Joseph High School is proud of our Westchester students who made the Third Quarter Honor Roll!

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|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| James Adams '13 | Kyle Murray '15 |
| Daniel Adams '14 | Sergio Navar '13 |
| Cristie Alarcon '16 | James O'Donnell '13 |
| Lucero Arreola '13 | Jennifer O'Hagan '13 |
| Chelsea Baker '13 | James O'Hagan '13 |
| Rencie Baldon '13 | Robert Oliver '16 |
| Kaci Beemon '13 | Michael Pagliuco '13 |
| Jasmine Birt '15 | Michael Palermo '16 |
| Alexus Brown '13 | Sasha Perez '15 |
| Kyle Calerway '13 | Marlee Polak '14 |
| Mario Caprio '13 | Maximilian Ramos '15 |
| Gina Christopher '14 | Alexis Ramos '16 |
| Oluwadamilola Egbeyemi '15 | Jessica Rock '15 |
| Julianna Fiore '15 | Andrew Saenz '15 |
| Leticia Fonseca '15 | Nikolas Saltess '16 |
| Marianne Garcia '15 | Clarisa Sandoval '13 |
| Nicholas Genova '13 | Matilde Saucedo '15 |
| DuWarren Gibson '15 | Roxana Saucedo '16 |
| Josselyn Gomez '16 | Khalil Scott '13 |
| Joshua Grayson '13 | Khadija Scott '14 |
| Tyshay Griggs '15 | Briani Shorter '14 |
| Gabriela Gutierrez '15 | Taylor Skierkiewicz '14 |
| Louis Herman '15 | Amanda Skierkiewicz '16 |
| Taylor Hesslau '13 | Maya Smith '14 |
| Daher Isshac '14 | Jalisa Sorrell '13 |
| Demetrius Jackson '13 | Daisy Soto '13 |
| Danielle Johnson '15 | Haley Sowinski '15 |
| Cortney Jones '13 | Kelvin Soyemi '15 |
| Valarie Kastrantas '15 | Fayth Springer '16 |
| Mathias Kniesel '14 | Brittani Stokes '14 |
| Laura Kristie '14 | Rosalino Torres '13 |
| Rachel Lang '13 | Rachel Tucker '14 |
| Ronald Lewis '13 | Sarah Whitehead '13 |
| Emilie Liotine '15 | Clinton Wilhight '13 |
| Dionna Mantucca '13 | Christen Wilhight '15 |
| Carly Michelotti '13 | Brittany Winbush '14 |
| Erin Murray '13 | Nicholas Zednik '14 |

Congratulations, Chargers!

Keep up the great work!

Flag Football Tournament Saturday, May 25

Registration Time: **10:00 am** (age 21 and up)
Location: **St. Joseph HS Fields** behind the main campus
Cost: **\$10 per person** (no limit to the number of players)
Details: Games will be 7 vs. 7. Refreshments and food will be made available. Please turn in money by **May 15** to: St. Joseph High School, **Attn: Coach Anthony Griffin**, 10900 West Cermak Road, Westchester, IL 60154. Contact Coach Griffin at 708.562.4433, ext. 277 or agriffin@stjoeshs.org with any questions or visit www.stjoeshs.org for more information.

We hope to see you there.... GO CHARGERS!!



8th ANNUAL 16" TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS

Thursday – Sunday, May 16th – 19th
Mayfair Park



SPRING DANCE RECITAL

“Debut”

Saturday, May 11th
Community Center Gymnasium
10:00 a.m. & 1:00 p.m.



POOL OPENING DAY & ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Saturday, June 1st
Community Swimming Pool
Noon – 3:00 p.m.

Come help celebrate the opening of the pool with an old-fashioned ice cream social. Surround yourself with sun, fun, friends and FREE soft serve ice cream! All ages welcome. Must possess current season pool pass or pay daily admission to attend social. Limit one per person. Quantities limited. All pool rules and regulations apply.

Daily Admission Rates

Age	Resident	Non-Resident
2 – 59 yrs	\$7.50	\$10.50
Senior Citizen	\$7.50	\$10.50



AQUACISE

This non-impact workout is perfect for anyone who is looking to add something new to their workout. Water dumbbells, kickboards, noodles and other equipment are supplied for optimum resistance training.

Walk On Fee: Resident \$5.00 / Non-Resident \$8.00

Age: 18 & Up

Instructor: Janice Karosas

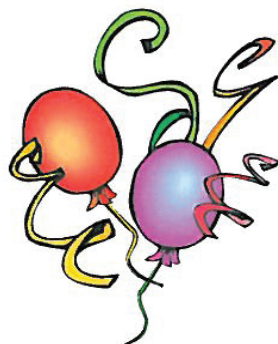
Day	Date	Time	Fee	Code
M-F	6/10-8/9	10:30-11:30am	\$130/\$150	6201
M/W/F	6/10-8/9	10:30-11:30am	\$93/\$103	6201-1
T/TH	6/11-8/8	10:30-11:30am	\$72/\$82	6201-2
M/W	6/10-8/7	5:30-6:30pm	\$72/\$82	6201-3

POOL RENTALS

Are you looking for the best summer party place? Look to the Westchester Pool!. All rentals are staffed with lifeguards and a facility manager. Pool amenities are available and the renter may bring in food to be served to party guests.

Rental Availability:

Wednesday & Friday	8:45-10:15pm
Saturday	8:45-10:15pm
Sunday	9:00-10:30am
	6:30-9:00pm
	6:30-9:30pm or
	6:30-10:00pm



If you are interested in a pool rental, please call the Community Center Administrative Office for prices and availability at 865.8200.

SAFETY “U”

Learn the importance of being safe through this week long experience. Hands on activities and a variety of Community Helpers will inform your youngster on such topics as being safe from strangers, fire safety, first-aid, water safety, poisons and much more. Each child will learn about pedestrian safety through hands on bicycle riding activities. Your children will receive a t-shirt and will bring home many educational learning materials for the whole family.

Age: 5-7 years old

Site: Westchester Public School

Fee: FREE – Advanced Registration is Required Limited spaces are available.

Date: June 17th – 21st

Time 9:30 – 11:30 am (code 1711-1)



Monday, May 6th –

7:30 AM - 9:00 AM Economic Development Committee Meeting in the Village Hall Community Room

Senior Matinee featuring "The King's Speech" at 2:00 PM at Library. 10700

Canterbury Street Westchester, IL 60154

The Divine Infant Jesus School student body will be Praying the Rosary -2:10 PM at Divine Infant

Jesus Church, 1600 Newcastle Avenue. Come join us. For more information, contact the school office at 708-865-0122.

Tuesday, May 7th –

School May Crowning, 1:30 PM, Divine Providence Church 2600 Mayfair Avenue Westchester, IL 60154

Divine Infant Jesus School Advisory Board Meeting at 7:00 PM at the Rectory, 1601 Newcastle

Avenue. For more information, contact the school office at 708-865-0122.

Wednesday, May 8th –

All School mass at 8:00 AM at Divine Infant Jesus Church, 1600 Newcastle Avenue. Come join us.

For more information, contact the school office at 708-865-0122.

Over 50 Club - Our next meeting will be held on May 8th, 2013. There will be no meeting on May 1st. This will be our Mother's Day/Father's Day Luncheon. Doors will open at 11:30 a.m. and Lunch will be served at Noon. Meeting to follow. Tickets are available for the catered luncheon - \$8.00 for members and \$10 for guests. If you have not exchanged your St. Pat's/St. Joe's Luncheon Tickets yet, please call Ruth @708-947-9020 no later than April 25th to reserve your spot. If you are unable to attend on May 8th you can exchange your ticket for our Picnic which will be held on June 12th. Cost Is the same. If you have any questions regarding the Over 50 Club President, Betty can be reached @708-562-2765.

Thursday, May 9th -

"Coffee, Cookies and Caldecotts" at 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM at Library. An opportunity for parents and caregivers of preschoolers to explore and discuss recommended

picture books for nurturing young readers. Advance registration is requested. Contact Youth

Dept or call 708-562-3573. 10700 Canterbury Street Westchester, IL 60154

May Crowning at 9:30 AM at Divine Infant Jesus Church, 1600 Newcastle Avenue. Ribbon and

Award Ceremony for graduating 8th graders following the mass. For more information, contact the School office at 708-865-0122.

Friday, May 10th -

5:30 PM - 7:30 PM - Sloppy Joe Dinner \$6 per person Westchester Community Church 1840 Westchester Blvd. Westchester, IL 708-865-1282

WMS Musical (7:00 PM)

Saturday, May 11th –

8:30 AM - 10:30 AM - Youth Group Carwash, Cars are \$5; Trucks and Vans \$8 - all proceeds will benefit the Youth Group Mission Trip to Sayer Michigan Westchester Community Church 1840 Westchester Blvd. Westchester, IL 708-865-1282

11:00 AM - Annual Pet Blessing - all pets are welcome Westchester Community Church 1840 Westchester Blvd. Westchester, IL 708-865-1282

WMS Musical (2:00 PM)

Ballet Recital 10:00 AM & 1:00 PM at the Community Center

Monday May 13-17th -

WMS 8th Grade to Washington, D.C.

Monday, May 13th -

Senior Matinee featuring "The Man Who Knew Too Much" at 2:00 PM at

Library. 10700 Canterbury Street Westchester, IL 60154

Tuesday, May 14th –

Village Board Meeting at 7:00 PM in the Village Hall Court Room with the Committee of the Whole Meeting immediately following.

The Divine Infant Jesus School student body will be Praying the Rosary -2:10 PM at Divine Infant Jesus Church, 1600 Newcastle

Avenue. Come join us. For more information, contact the school office at 708-865-0122.

Bilingual Parents Association Meeting (BPAC) at WPS (7:00 PM)

School Mass, 9:00 AM, Divine Providence Church, 2600 Mayfair Avenue Westchester, IL 60154

ChurchtourtoHolyNameCathedral, Our Lady of Pompeii Church and Our Lady of Sorrows Basilica with lunch at Tufano's Vernon Park Tap, Sponsored by Divine Providence Parish, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM Call 708-562-3364 for more information and to make reservations.

Wednesday, May 15th –

Last day to register for Westchester AYSO fall soccer at the earlybird rate of \$80.00. Applications must be postmarked by May 15 to receive early bird rate. For details visit www.WestchesterAYSO.org.

All School mass at 8:00 AM at Divine Infant Jesus Church, 1600 Newcastle Avenue. Come join us. For more information, contact the school office at 708-865-0122.

WIS Spring Band Concert & Band Parents Mtg. (7:00 PM)

Thursday, May 16th –

May Estate Sale Thurs. 16th - Fri. 17th - Sat. 18th 9AM - 4 PM all days 2130 Mandel Ave., Westchester, IL Singer treadle sewing machine, Spinnet piano,

Furniture suites, Household items, Shoppersmith, Workbench and TOOLS! TOOLS! TOOLS!

Board of Education Meeting at WMS (7:00 PM)

Teetering Tots 9:30 AM-10:30 AM Divine Providence School, 2500 Mayfair Avenue, 708-562-2258, www.divineprovidenceschool.org:

Friday, May 17th –

Taize Prayer, 7:30 PM, Divine Providence Church, 2600 Mayfair Avenue Westchester, IL 60154

Over 50 Club - Our Social Chairman has planned a day trip to Holy Hill and Cedar Creek Settlement in Wisconsin for June 26th, 2013. Bus will leave at 7:30 a.m. and return at approximately 6:30 p.m. Cost is \$46 per person non-refundable. Lunch

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ELECTRONICS RECYCLING



Saturday, May 11, 2013
9:00 AM-12:00 PM

**AT VILLAGE HALL BEHIND THE
WESTCHESTER POST OFFICE**

ACCEPTED ELECTRONICS INCLUDE;
COMPUTERS, MONITORS, & LAPTOPS
PRINTERS, FAX MACHINES, & SCANNERS
T.V.s DVDs/VCRS & STEREOS
PHONES, CELL PHONES, MP3S & IPODS
PERIPHERALS, MICE, KEYBOARDS
& ALL OTHER COMPUTER PARTS.

WE DO NOT ACCEPT CHEMICAL WASTE SUCH AS PAINT
OR GASOLINE OR LIGHT BULBS OF ANY KIND.

**We reserve the right to cancel or close early due
to weather or unforeseen circumstances**

**TO VOLUNTEER AT THIS EVENT, PLEASE CONTACT
MOLLY KEANE MKEANE@WESTCHESTER-IL.ORG**

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is on your own. Call Marianne @708-562-3766. Reservation and payment is due no later than May 17th, 2013. You need not be a member to join this trip. If you have any questions regarding the Over 50 Club President, Betty can be reached @708-562-2765.

Library Workshop for Seniors at 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM at Library. Enjoy coffee,

donuts and data envy as staff show you what's new on the web, in technology, and at the Library. Advance registration is requested. Contact Adult Dept or call 708-562-3573. 10700

Canterbury Street Westchester, IL 60154

Saturday May 18th -

9:00 AM - 3:00 PM 7TH ANNUAL CANTERBURY STREET AREA GARAGE SALE - The sale area is from Canterbury Street South to Dorchester and Manheim West to Mayfair. This is an extremely successful sale. This sale attracts thousands of bargain hunters from all over the Chicagoland area and suburbs. It is a great opportunity to clean out your house and garage, repurpose items that you no longer need, use or want, make some extra money while allowing others to find their treasures! The cost to participate is \$5.00 per house to help cover the costs of advertising. Each house is responsible for their own sign in their yard. Flyers with a map and the addresses of all participating houses are supplied to each house. Give these to the shoppers so they don't miss a single house! If you live in the area notated above and would like to join in the fun please contact Cheryl Rodriguez at crodriguez2020@sbcglobal.net or call 773-704-1484. If you are a treasure hunter, SAVE THIS DATE! We will have everything and anything you are looking for. Furniture, Collectibles, Antiques, Glassware, Toys, Jewelry, Small Appliances and much, much more!!

Miles for Miracles 5K Race & 1 Mile Health Walk will begin at 8:30 AM at Divine Infant Jesus School, 1640 Newcastle Ave. Register

online at www.signmeup.com. For more information, email DI Milesformiracles@yahoo.com or call 708-343-7728.

Sunday, May 19th -

Family Mass, 10:30 AM, Divine Providence Church, 2600 Mayfair Avenue Westchester, IL 60154

2:00 PM, the Salt Creek Greenway Assn. will present Spring Surprises by Yvonne Woulfe, Naturalist 1, Little Red Schoolhouse Nature Center, Forest Preserve District of Cook County. The Program will be held at 1 Aloha Lane. What will our spring bring this year following a very unusual winter? Will our migrating birds arrive early or late? Yvonne's presentation will feature the remarkable story of spring bird migrations.

Monday, May 20th -

7:30 AM - 9:00 AM Economic Development Committee Meeting in the Village Hall Community Room

Field trip to the Art Institute at 9:30 AM for 7th grade students at Divine Infant Jesus School, 1640

Newcastle Ave. For more information, call the school office at 708-865-0122.

The Divine Infant Jesus School student body will be praying the rosary - 2:10 PM at Divine Infant Jesus

Church, 1600 Newcastle Avenue. For more information, contact the school office at 708-865-0122.

Senior Matinee featuring "Flags of Our Fathers" at 2:00 PM at Library. 10700

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Can You Afford to Retire? at 7:00 PM at Library. Presentation by Jim

Flanagan of Bentron Financial Group. Advance registration is requested. Contact Adult Dept or call 708-562-3573. 10700 Canterbury Street Westchester, IL 60154

Senior Matinee featuring "Flags of Our Fathers" at 2:00 PM at Library. 10700

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Tuesday, May 21st -

8th Grade Award Ceremony, 1:00 PM, Divine Providence Church, 2600 Mayfair Avenue Westchester, IL 60154

5th Grade Parent Meeting at WMS (7:00 PM)

8th Grade Awards Presentation 1:00 PM Divine Providence School, 2500 Mayfair Avenue, 708-562-2258, www.divineprovidenceschool.org:

Wednesday, May 22nd -

Last Day for Pre-School Divine Providence School, 2500 Mayfair Avenue,

708-562-2258, www.divineprovidenceschool.org:

All School mass at 8:00 AM at Divine Infant Jesus Church, 1600 Newcastle Avenue. Come join us. For more information, contact the school office at 708-865-0122.

Market Day pick-up from 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM in Langan Hall at Divine Infant Jesus, 1640 Newcastle Avenue. Contact Toni Podock at 708-865-8071 for more information.

Westchester Aging Well team presents... Louise Starmann, Director of Social Services, Aging Care Connections Programs, Services and BENEFITS available to older adults 60+ Wednesday, May 22 1:00 PM Mayfair Recreation 10835 Wakefield Westchester Questions call Linda Hussey 708-354-1232 Refreshments will be provided

Half Day In service - early dismissal - see calendar for schedule - WPS

Thursday, May 23rd -

Last Day for Pre-Kindergarten Divine Providence School, 2500 Mayfair Avenue, 708-562-2258, www.divineprovidenceschool.org:

Russo's Hillside Chapels 4500 Roosevelt Road Hillside, IL 60162 708-449-5300

Join us for a free Pre-Arranged Funeral Plan seminar during "Celebrating Seniors Week" Open House from 11:00 AM - 7:00 PM Seminars at 11:30 AM and 6:30 PM Refreshments will be served and attendees will receive a \$500 voucher towards a Traditional Pre-Arranged and Pre-Funded Funeral Plan Take our virtual tour at: www.RussoHillsideChapels.com Seminar topics include: *What is a Pre-Arranged Funeral Plan and the importance of having a plan *How to Pre-Fund a Pre-Arranged Funeral Plan (including Medicare Spend Down situations) *Veterans benefits *Estate planning *Hospice questions

Friday, May 24th -

Kindergarten Promotion 9:30 AM Divine Providence School, 2500 Mayfair Avenue, 708-562-2258, www.divineprovidenceschool.org:

All school picnic on school grounds for students of Divine Infant Jesus, 1640 Newcastle Avenue.

For more information, contact the school office at 708-865-0122.

Saturday, May 25th -

Market Day Pick up 8:30-9:30 AM Divine Providence School, 2500 Mayfair Avenue, 708-562-2258, www.divineprovidenceschool.org:

Monday, May 27th -

Memorial Day, No School Divine Providence School, 2500 Mayfair Avenue,

708-562-2258, www.divineprovidenceschool.org:

Memorial Day - No School - WPS

Memorial Day Service, 10:00 AM Mayfair Park

Tuesday, May 28th -

Village Board Meeting at 7:00 PM in the Village Hall Court Room with the Committee of the Whole Meeting immediately following.

The Divine Infant Jesus School student body will be praying the rosary - 2:10 PM at Divine Infant Jesus Church, 1600 Newcastle Avenue. For more information, contact the school office at 708-865-0122.

2nd Grade Parent Meeting at WIS (7:00 PM)

Wednesday, May 29th -

All School mass at 8:00 AM at Divine Infant Jesus Church, 1600 Newcastle Avenue. Come join us.

For more information, contact the school office at 708-865-0122.

Pre-Kindergarten Graduation will be at 9:30 AM, at Divine Infant Jesus School's Langan Hall, 1640 Newcastle Avenue.

For more information, contact the school office at 708-865-0122.

TAG - Teen Advisory Group

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WESTCHESTER PUBLIC LIBRARY

Trustee News

The April 9th election brought several changes to the Library's board of trustees. We congratulate newly elected trustees James Negrete, Miriam Zuniga, and Kathy Kuratko. Timothy Hinsdale was reelected for another term.

We also say farewell to those leaving the board and thank them for their dedication and service to the community: Donna Malecki, Carol Levy, Steve Cerasuolo and Celeste Reda. Congratulations also to Celeste Reda on being elected to the village board of trustees.

SWAN Tip for Vacationers

With summer vacations ahead, avoid missing a book that finally arrives when you are out of town. Before leaving town, log into your SWAN record and "freeze" the requests you have pending. You will keep your position in the waiting list and when you get back, simply "unfreeze" them. Ask for a demo on your next visit to the Library!

Summer Hours Begin Memorial Day Weekend

The Library will be closed Sunday, May 26 and Monday, May 27 for Memorial Day. We wish you a safe and happy holiday weekend.



Memorial Day also marks the beginning of the Library's **Summer Hours** which run through Labor Day:

Monday - Thursday 9:30 am-8 pm
 Friday 9:30 am-6 pm
 Saturday 9:30 am-5 pm

Closed Sunday

Reminder to Teens

The next TAG meeting is
 Wednesday, May 29
 4:00-5:00 pm.
 TAG - Teen Advisory Group



COFFEE, COOKIES & CALDECOTTS

Thursday, May 9 10:30 - 11:30 am

For parents and caregivers of preschoolers

Explore and discuss recommended picture books for nurturing young readers. Refreshments included!

Senior Matinees

Mondays at 2:00 pm



May 6 **The King's Speech**
 May 13 **The Man Who Knew Too Much**
 May 20 **Flags of Our Fathers**

Library Workshop for Seniors

Friday, May 17 10 - 11:30 am

Join us for coffee, donuts and data envy as Ann, Patrick and Ryan show you what's new on the web, in technology, and at the Library!



Can You Afford to Retire ?

Retirement planning takes more than just number crunching.

Jim Flanagan of Bentron Financial Group will explain what you need to know to plan effectively.

Monday, May 20 7:00 pm

Poetry Award Winners

Congratulations to all the children who participated in the Library's Poetry Contest. Winners were honored at the Awards Ceremony in April and their winning entries will be added to the Library's collection. For photos of the ceremony, see our Flickr page: www.flickr.com/photos/westchesterpl

	1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place	4th Place
Grade 1	Daisy Laslie - WPS	Gavin Lehpamer - WPS		
Grade 2	Grace Ellyn Geimer - WPS	Thomas Fleming - DP	Isabella Negrete - DI	
Grade 3	Marisa Trelenberg - DP	Giacomo Manfredini - DP	Lily Verburgt - DP	
Grade 4	Olivia Milon - DP	Hannah Liotta - WIS	Julio Tistoj - WIS	
Grade 5	Alicia Badillo - DP	Declan Sibley - DI	Luke Panek - DI	Anthony Calabrese - DI
Grade 6	Andrea Hernandez - DI	Nick Glorioso - DP	Gabby Lambesis - DP	Nicole Pechacek - DI
Grade 7	Joey Stiso - DI	Neena Franklin - DP	Hyra Harrold - DI	Joshua Sone - DP
Grade 8	Noah Bustamante - DP	Jack Rizzi - DP	Samantha Caruso -DP	Jake Panek - DI

WPS - Westchester Primary School, WMS - Westchester Middle School, WIS - Westchester Intermediate School, DI - Divine Infant School, DP - Divine Providence School

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 Hours: Monday-Thursday 9:30 am-9:00 pm, Friday 9:30 am-6:00 pm, Saturday 9:30 am-5:00 pm, Sunday 1:00-5:00 pm.

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monthly meeting at 4:00 PM at Library. For

teens in grades 8-12. Contact Youth Dept or call 708-562-3573. 10700 Canterbury Street Westchester, IL 60154

Thursday, May 30th –

Kindergarten Graduation will be at 9:30 AM, at Divine Infant Jesus School's Langan Hall, 1640 Newcastle Avenue. For more information, contact the school office at 708-865-0122.

8th grade graduation will be at 7:00 PM, at Divine Infant Jesus Church,

1600 Newcastle Avenue. For more information, contact the school office at 708-865-0122.

Friday, May 31st –

Divine Providence School Class of 2013 Graduation, 7:00 PM, Divine Providence Church, 2600 Mayfair Avenue Westchester, IL 60154
 WMS End of Year Dance - see calendar for schedule

Sunday, June 2nd –

Golf Outing Divine Providence School, 2500 Mayfair Avenue, 708-562-2258, www.divineprovidenceschool.org
 A Baccalaureate Mass for 8th grade graduates of Divine Infant Jesus School, will be held at church@

9:30 AM, 1601 Newcastle Ave. Contact the rectory at 708-865-8071 for more information.

Tuesday, June 4th -

CUB SCOUT PACK 73 Westchester is hosting an Open House and Ice Cream Social on at 7 PM, at the Westchester Community Church, 1840 Westchester Blvd. Boys in Kindergarten through 4th grade are invited to attend.

Boys will participate in the Rain Gutter Regata while parents gain information on Cub Scouting.

Boys must be accompanied by an adult.

For more information, contact Cub Master, Dennis Regan at cspack73@gmail.com.

Wednesday, June 5th –

All School mass at 8:00 AM at Divine Infant Jesus Church, 1600 Newcastle Avenue. Come join us.

For more information, contact the school office at 708-865-0122.

Last day of school for students at Divine Infant Jesus, 1640 Newcastle Ave., Dismissal at 11:35 AM.

Thursday, June 6th –

WMS 8th Grade Graduation

Friday, June 7th –

Final School Dismissal 10:30 AM Divine Providence School, 2500 Mayfair Avenue, 708-562-2258, www.divineprovidenceschool.org



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District 92.5 announces “SCOTY” winners

The Westchester Public Schools announces its “SCOTY” (School Citizen of the Year) award winners for the 2012-2013 school year. Julia Blumhagen (Gr. 2 - Westchester Primary), Lilliana Alvarez (Gr. 5 - Westchester Intermediate), and Patricia Fischer

(Gr. 8 - Westchester Middle) were recognized by the West 40 Intermediate Service Center as “SCOTY” award recipients at the 17th Annual School Citizen of the Year awards ceremony held on Wednesday, March 20, 2013.

Julia, Lilliana, and Patricia were selected by their principal and teachers based on criteria set by West 40 and their home school community.

Exemplary students were not only recognized for their “good school citizenship” but for conducting themselves in such a manner for others to emulate.

Grades and activities were important, but only a small part of the selection process.

Julia Blumhagen is a girl that you would like to meet.

Her bright smile and sparkling eyes are just a small hint to her many gifts and talents.

For her young age, she has the intuitive powers of a much older girl, as she takes on the roles of peacemaker and friend to all.

Her strong sense of kindness helps to create compromise, when classmates have any disagreements. Julia will always stop what she

is doing to help any child who is struggling and always has a positive comment to boost the feelings of her schoolmates. She is truly a role model at Westchester Primary.

Lilliana Alvarez is a role model for all students. She gives her best effort throughout the school day.

She is kind to her peers, willing to help whenever asked, and has a positive attitude even when faced with adversity.

It is a pleasure to work with her on a daily basis.

Patricia Fischer has a strong work ethic, good leadership skills, and is a superb role model among her peers.

She pumps life into her sports teams as well as her discussions in the classroom.

Her positive attitude is felt by students, staff and the Westchester community.

Students in grades two through twelve who attend school districts in western Cook County are eligible to participate in this annual event.

The positive accomplishments of students are recognized at the ceremony.

At the ceremony, which was held at West Leyden High School, 1000 North Wolf Road, Northlake, the students received a medal, certificate and a copy of the SCOTY Honor Roll Book.

Students, parents, teachers, and administrators from participating schools were in attendance to express pride and continued success in today’s youth.



Westchester Public Schools 2012-2013 SCOTY Award winners; center, front: Julia Blumhagen (Grade 2), back, left: Patricia Fischer (Grade 8), back, right: Lilliana Alvarez (Grade 5).

Huichol Art Comes to Primary School

The Bilingual Parents Advisory Committee (BPAC) was held at the Westchester Primary School on March 13, 2013. Eric Garcia, a member of the Chicago National Museum of Mexican Art was present to give a slide lecture on the Huichol nation and held a workshop on Huichol yarn paintings. The program was designed to be a learning experience for children as well as adults to increase knowledge and appreciation of Mexican art & culture into their lives. The National Museum of Mexican Art is located on Chicago’s South Side in the Pilsen neighborhood (1852 West 19th Street, Chicago, IL 60608, #312-738-1503). Pilsen’s ethnic heritage and diversity exemplify Chicago’s cultural richness. Visit their website for more information or to plan a day to visit. www.nationalmuseumofmexicanart.org



Jacqueline Lizama (Grade 3) shows her Huichol art project made from yarn and wood glue. Her simple design uses symbols to tell a story.

Westchester Middle School students qualify for international competition

Westchester District 92 ½ is proud to announce that the Destination Imagination team, Hot Pocketz, qualified for the Global Finals in Knoxville, Tennessee.

On April 13, Hot Pocketz traveled to Northern Illinois University to compete in the State Tournament.

Teams were presented with six different challenges with special focuses in the areas of technical, science, fine arts, improvisation, structural and service learning.

Each team picked one challenge and developed a solution to present at the tournament.

Hot Pocketz chose to compete in the fine arts challenge titled “In Disguise”.

They could only use non-verbal techniques to present the story and had to construct two masks to enhance the story.

After competing against 12 other teams, Hot Pocketz tied for second-place which qualified them for the Global Finals.

Additionally, they won the DaVinci Award for creativity and placed third in the instant challenge.

The Hot Pocketz team members are Serena Burton, McKenzie Carlson, Arisa Fernando, Trisha Fischer, Stephanie Guralnick, Sarah Weiner and Siriya Yuttapibool.

The Global Finals will be held at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, Tennessee May 21-25.



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PARCEL 1: 10726 Canterbury Street
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Pin #: 15-20-400-073
Single family residence including the following items of personal property:
Oven/range/stove
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Asking price: \$159,000.00 or highest bidder- SOLD AS-IS
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PARCEL 2: 10658 Canterbury Street
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Pin #: 15-20-400-075
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All offers shall be submitted in writing by the end of business at 5:00 p.m. no later than May 17, 2013. The Board shall proceed with the sale and may sell such property for a price determined by the board, or, to the highest bidder. Where the board deems the bids inadequate, it may reject such bids and re-advertise the sale.

Any interested parties shall contact for real and personal property availability and offers may be submitted via overnight mail or hand delivered to the name listed below:

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Westchester 2013 Relay for Life to be held June 8 through June 9



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around the track to raise funds in the fight against cancer.

This year's theme is Carnival and will include three bands, children's games, local food, celebrity guests and much more. But that is the icing on the cake! The reason we Relay is to honor cancer survivors and remember those who lost the battle. Perhaps you know someone that has been touched by cancer and that we can honor.

In 2012, the Westchester event received an award for growth and saw hundreds of people from your community participate in some way. We are well positioned to grow even more and hope that you join us in making a difference. Please consider being part of this year's Relay For Life of Westchester by signing up a team, being a volunteer or making a donation. There is no better time to join the fight! One of us will be following up with you soon, but feel free to sign up now or go to our Website www.relayforlife.org/westchester for more information on the Relay. If you have questions you can reach Danielle at (312) 279.7276 or via email at Danielle.swets@cancer.org.



Above: Cub Scout Pack 73 escorts the cancer survivor's as they lead the opening lap.

Below: 2012 Westchester Relay for Life participants take a break to pose for a photo



Energy Impact Illinois Rebates Extended for Area Homeowners to Make Energy Efficiency Improvements

Homeowners looking to save money on their monthly energy bills and increase the comfort of their homes are in luck. Energy Impact Illinois, a program partnership of local government, utility companies like ComEd, Nicor Gas, and other non-profit groups, has extended rebates and loans available to homeowners who complete energy efficiency home improvements by August 2013. Homeowners are encouraged to sign up for the program as soon as possible, to allow for time to complete improvements before the August deadline.

The extension will allow more area homeowners an opportunity to get a low-cost energy assessment and complete home energy improvements that will result in immediate improved comfort and cost savings. The program saw an uptake this fall

and winter with more than 1,300 area homeowners taking advantage of the rebate.

Rebates, in conjunction with area utilities, of up to \$1,750, or up to 70 percent off the cost of home energy upgrades like sealing air leaks and improving insulation, are available to homeowners who complete improvements by August 26, 2013 or when funds are expended. Discounted energy assessments, which typically cost hundreds of dollars, are also available for only \$99. In addition, Energy Impact Illinois is offering a free home assessment for homeowners who host a house party, where family, friends, and neighbors learn about energy efficiency from a program expert and a certified contractor by using your home to illustrate building science concepts.

Sealing air leaks and insulating a home are two of the most cost-effective and permanent improvements that homeowners can make. More than half of total energy costs come from heating and cooling a home and almost all homes let too much air escape or penetrate. Most homes also have incorrectly installed or insufficient amounts of attic insulation. Energy Impact Illinois connects homeowners with certified and vetted contractors who take a whole-home approach to maximize savings.

"No matter the season, making energy efficiency improvements to your home has immediate comfort benefits as well as near- and long-term cost savings benefits for homeowners," said Daniel Olson, Program Manager at Energy Impact Illinois. "We're thrilled to offer more homeowners the opportunity to partici-

pate in our rebate program, but it's important to act now as the rebate is limited-time."

In addition to the rebates, Energy Impact Illinois offers a loan option that enables homeowners to make improvements now and repay over time. Qualified borrowers can get an interest rate of 8 percent or less, and Energy Impact Illinois will pay the interest for the first year. Energy Impact Illinois is run by the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning through a grant from the U.S. Department of Energy.

Area homeowners should call 855-9-IMPACT to take advantage of the extended rebate offer. Homeowners can also get involved by contacting their local coordinator, Eric Keeley, at eric@energyimpactillinois.org. And please include your name, phone number and address in your e-mail.



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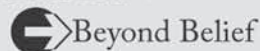
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Meet Westchester's May 2013 Good Neighbors!

Nominees: Dorothy & Janice Havranek, 2100 Block of Bristol
Nominated by: Bob Tausch, 2100 Block of Bristol
Why are they good neighbors?
 Dorothy and Janice are kind enough to take out my recycling, pick up my papers, and shovel my driveway. I appreciate it so much!!

Nominees: Steve, Lisa, Susan, & Spencer Battersby
Nominated by: Troy Okoniewski, 1900 Block of Balmoral Ave
Why are they good neighbors?
 In January of 2012 I was diagnosed with AML Leukemia and was immediately hospitalized for 4 weeks. The Battersby family responded by taking care of my dog, my home, my mail, cleaned my house and even fixed my garage door. Over the next several months while I continued with treatments their help continued as well and even included many home cooked meals.

Nominees: Paula & Mark Leonard & Kay & Roger Pona
Nominated by: Kate Terrazino, 1600 Block of Downing Ave.
Why are they good neighbors?
 I have to nominate two couples equally for they both are beautiful people, outstanding neighbors, and wonderful Christian people. They live across the street from me. I have an elderly neighbor who lives next door to me who has extremely bad arthritis and need help with home repairs and depends on neighbors like the Leonard's and Pona's to transport her to various places. There has never been a time when these two couples have failed to come to the aid of my neighbor or anyone else who is in need of assistance. Always cheerful, even giving of their time and friendship. I have never met anyone who has given selflessly to other than the Leonard's and the Pona's. It renews my faith in people knowing these two couples.

Nominees: Nick & Grace Virgilio
Nominated by: Mary M. Nockels, Queens Ct.
Why are they good neighbors?
 Nick and Grace are more than good neighbors-they are best friends, like family. Nick has driven me to and from the R.R. at Loyola on numerous occasions, he has picked up prescriptions for me from Walgreens, shoveled snow, retrieved my mail, helped me bring in my groceries. Grace has kept me well-fed, providing me with home-made meals which are such a treat. They have been truly a blessing to me and one of the reasons I have been able to stay in my home in Westchester. Thank you Nick and Grace.

Nominees: Joe and Carol Sasso, 1800 Block of Burns Ave.
Nominated by: Glenn McWhinnie & Callie Bell-Reed, 11000 Block of Shaw Street
Why are they good neighbors? Joe and Carol were here when I moved to Westchester in 2000. Right from the start they made me feel welcome to the neighborhood, but they go above and beyond the exchanging of normal pleasantries most people do. Countless times we would be in the backyard and Carol would flag us down and ask if we'd like some of her delicious home-made desserts - how can a mortal man refuse! A few years ago our rhododendron expired by the toolshed, Joe and Carol quickly came to the rescue and divided their coneflowers and coreopsis and gave them to us and filled the vacancy. Wonderful people and the best neighbors.

Nominate a Good Neighbor

Do you have a Good Neighbor you would like to nominate to be recognized in the Westchester newsletter? Praise the efforts of local residents, organizations, and businesses by nominating them as a good neighbor. We are looking for those friendly folks, good deeds and special neighborly touches that make living in Westchester special. A nomination form is included in this issue below. Nominations for the next newsletter must be received by the 15th of this month by sending them to newsletter@westchester-il.org (Subject Line: Good Neighbor Nomination) or 10300 W. Roosevelt Rd. Westchester, IL 60154 (Attn: Good Neighbor Nomination). We look forward to sharing the good news!

Good Neighbor Nomination Form

Your Name: _____

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Name and Address of the person/organization/business you are nominating _____

Why are they a Good Neighbor to you?

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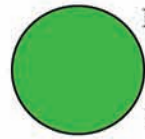
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If the parkway tree is marked with a **pink X**, the tree will be removed in the near future.



The Village forester will determine, on a case by case basis, whether a replacement tree will be placed in the same or nearby location.

In some instances, tree replacement will not occur at all, due to proximity of existing trees in the parkway.

Questions can be directed to the Public Works Department at 708-345-0041.

50/50 Programs

50/50 Shared Cost Sidewalk Replacement 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. Call Public Works at 708-345-0041 to register. We will be accepting applications until the end of June 2013.

50/50 Shared Cost Parkway Tree Program

Beautify your yard and add to the curb appeal of your home! The Village offers a 50/50 shared cost program that includes the purchase and planting of a new parkway tree. Residents have a choice of 4-5 types of trees indigenous to the area. The trees will be planted in November 2013. Call Public Works at 708-345-0041 for more information or to register!

More Info from Public Works

Parkway Restoration

The Public Works Department is now repairing parkways damaged by water excavations and snow plow damage. We are also restoring parkways due to ash tree removals. Concrete work and street repairs have started, as weather permits.

As the alleys dry out from the winter weather, the Public Works Department will be grading alleys.

Pothole Repair

The Public Works Department continues to fill potholes throughout the Village, weather permitting. Please call Public Works at 708-345-0041 to report potholes.

As Always.....

Village residents are asked to call Public Works at 708-345-0041 or the Police Non Emergency number after hours at 708-345-0060 if an unusual amount of water is visible in the street or parkway. This could be a main break or water leak that requires our immediate attention.

Waste Management News

Yard waste pickup is now in progress.

Free yard waste stickers for reusable yard waste receptacles are available at the Public Works office and the Village Hall.

Remember WM will also pick up your branches, bushes, etc., on your regular garbage day as long as they are tied in bundles no more than 4' in length.



2013 Street Rehabilitation Program

The following Village streets are planned for rehabilitation this year; the Program will be broken up into 2 phases... a Spring phase (Phase 1) which commenced mid April with completion scheduled by the 4th of July. The second phase will commence after the 4th of July with completion scheduled for the end of October. This planned work includes complete concrete curb and gutter removal and replacement, concrete driveway removal and replacement, pavement removal and replacement, and restoration of disturbed areas with sod. Residents affected by this work will be notified by hand delivered notice of actual start date which will include information on relocation of vehicles when the curb and apron work is being accomplished. Curb and apron work will occur on one side of the street at a time to allow for parking in the street for residents displaced from their driveways while new concrete is allowed to cure. Garbage pickup and mail delivery service will continue as usual.

Phase 1

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Wellington Avenue

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Preston Street from Kensington to Sunnyside (south side only)

Hull Ave. from Gladstone St. to The Strand

Hull Ave. from Cermak Rd. to Kent St.

Bond St. from Westchester Blvd. to Portsmouth Ave.

Phase 2

Hull Avenue from Gladstone to The Strand

Highridge Ave. from Canterbury St. to Boeger Ave.

Heidorn Ave. from Canterbury St. to Charles St.

Charles St. from Wolf Rd. to Boeger Ave.

Newcastle Ave. from Roosevelt Rd. to the north end

The Strand

Questions regarding this project can be directed to the Public Works Department at 708-345-0041.

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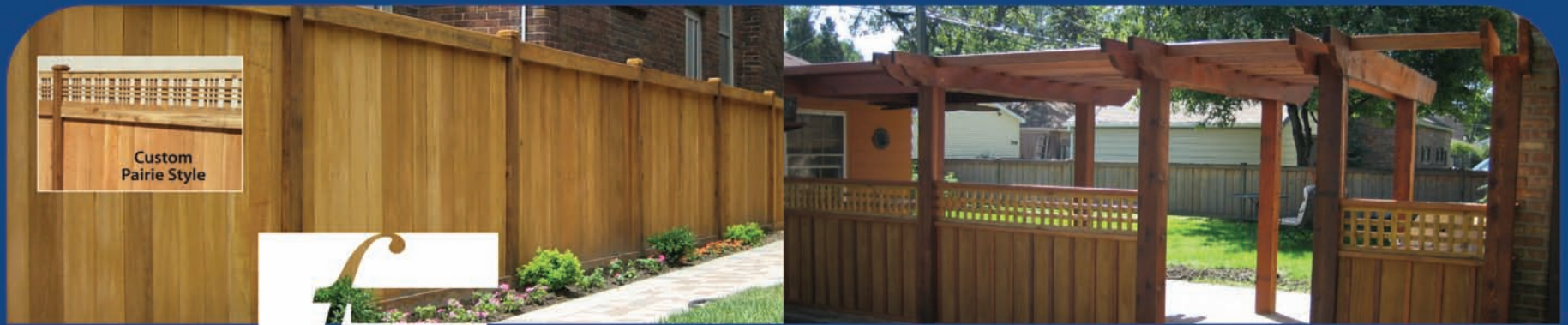
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