

# VILLAGE OF WONDER LAKE

Spring 2018

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4444 Thompson Road, Wonder Lake, IL 60097

815-728-0839

[www.villageofwonderlake.org](http://www.villageofwonderlake.org)

## Scam Alert!!!

- Residents should not respond to requests for personal information over the telephone.
- The IRS will not request information from you through a telephone call. The police are NOT waiting down the block to arrest you if you do not respond to the caller's demands.
- Your grandchild is most likely not in jail and money orders need not be obtained to secure their release.
- Another recent scam we saw was recruiting an unwitting resident to be a secret shopper and rate a stores service. They mailed out postal money orders and asked you to deposit them in your bank account and then utilize your banking information to make purchases. The money orders were fairly good forgeries and were worthless.
- Trust your instincts and follow up with your financial institutions to verify any requests for information.

Although we have found that most of these thieves are from out of the country and beyond our reach you are encouraged to contact the Wonder Lake Police Department if you have information regarding a scam at (815) 728-0535 .

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## **Are you a interested in local history?**

Looking for something to do within a short driving distance? Plan a visit to the McHenry County Historical Society and Museum. It is located at 6422 Main Street, Union, IL. The museum is open Tuesdays through Fridays, some select Sundays from 9 a.m. until 4:30pm. **Our residents can enjoy free admission from August 28th through August 31, 2018.** To learn more about the offerings of McHenry County Historical Society and Museum, please visit their website at [www.gothistory.org](http://www.gothistory.org) or call them at (815) 923-2267.

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## **A Few Important Reminders:**

- The Village garage sale dates have been set as follows: May 17, 18 & 19 and August 2, 3 & 4. If you choose to have a garage sale on days other than listed above, please contact the Village to obtain your permit.
- Please remember that the water service line from the water main to your building is the responsibility of the owner/renter according to the Village Ordinance #350. If you suspect a leak on the service line, contact the Village Hall at (815) 728-0839 or the water department at 1-866-371-5699 to verify a problem. *Leaks need immediate attention and sometimes go unnoticed for months.*
- Water bills can be paid online. Visit our website at <http://villageofwonderlake.org> to make your water/sewer payment in the form of: Visa, MasterCard, American Express, or Discover. You may still choose to pay your bill online, by mail, or by dropping it at the Village Hall.
- No parking on the grass or on easements
- Limit of two trailers per residence
- The combined Village and County ordinances impose the following restrictions on open burning of yard waste: Burning of landscape waste is prohibited within 100 feet of a habitable structure or within 50 feet of a structure that is not habitable. (garage, shed, barn, swimming pool, etc.); • Only on Saturdays between dawn and dusk in October and November, then again in April and May; • All open burning must be supervised by an individual at least 18 years of age until the fire is extinguished and a fire extinguisher or garden hose or water source must be available at the burning site; • Landscape waste is defined as grass clippings, shrubbery, cuttings, leaves, flowers and weeds. Recreational fires, for warmth or cooking are allowed any day of the year with several restrictions: • The fire shall be no larger than 3 feet by 3 feet by 3 feet; • Shall be brush only (no leaves, grass, shrubbery clippings, weeds or furniture); • Brush is defined as tree trunks, limbs, branches and twigs.

### **Also, please note:**

The Ordinances are now codified and on the Village Web page located under the Village Government tab.

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## Do you like Adventure?

Do you like something that could be dangerous?

Here's what you do: go to any open space area, you know where there are no homes; take off your shoes, cover your eyes and take a walk through the grass. That's not an adventure or dangerous you say. Well the adventure and danger comes in when you try to avoid the landmines left by some one's dog.

Are you crazy? You ask. I would never do that. Probably not, but kids go barefoot all the time and spend a lot of summer running around in places like this. Remember pet waste contains bacteria and viruses that can cause your kid to get sick. So pick up after your dog and if you see someone else not picking up their pet waste remind them to help the environment and the kids in town and pick up the waste.

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There has been an outstanding response to The Village of Wonder Lake's soccer program with over 90 participants. Thank you to our organizers, coaches and participants for your continuing efforts and involvement.

*Best wishes to all for a fabulous season!*

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*A kind word is like a Spring day!*

*-Russian Proverb*

**UTILITIES:**

Cable	Comcast	866-594-1234
Electric	ComEd	800-334-7661
Garbage	MDC Env	815-568-7274
Gas	NICOR	888-642-6748
Internet	WonderWave	815-653-7873
Telephone	Frontier	800-483-4000
Water	VWL	866-371-5699

**SERVICES:**

Greenwood Township Ofc	815-648-4653
Master Property Owners Assn	815-653-4136
McHenry Co Animal Control	815-334-4470
McHenry County Govt Center	815-334-4000
McHenry Township Office	815-385-5605

**Village Officials**

Tony Topf	President	815-653-2141
Les Anderson	Trustee	815-728-1392
Dennis Palys	Trustee	815-509-5679
John Naatz	Trustee	815-653-1499
Fred Learman	Trustee	815-728-0839
Larry Reinhard	Trustee	815-728-0674
Kim Windler	Trustee	815-728-0839
JoEllen McIntosh	Clerk	815-728-0839

**Appointed:**

John Crilly	Police Chief	815-728-0839
Chuck Bissell	Public Works	815-728-0839
Candi Gay	Treasurer	815-728-0839
Jim Cavanaugh	Planning & Zoning	815-728-0839

WL Chamber of Commerce	815-728-0682
WL Fire Protection Dist (non-emergent)	815-728-0088
WL Post Office	815-653-7771
Village of WL Building Dept	815-728-7725
Inspector available at the Village Hall on Wed and Fri	
From 8:30am-10:00am or by appointment	800-422-5220