

THE WAUCONDA TOWNSHIP CONNECTION



SPRING/SUMMER 2022
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Your Elected Township Officials



SUPERVISOR'S MESSAGE

Spring has arrived and summer is right around the corner. Here at the township, we work hard for you all year round. I'd like to thank our Highway Department for doing a great job with our roads this past winter. They put in many hours day and

night to keep our roads open for travel.

Our office staff has been doing a tremendous job whether it be helping seniors with Medicare requirements, loaning out medical equipment, or working with an organization to use our Hall for meetings and events, they constantly step up to the plate.

With tax season here, our Assessor's office is here to help answer questions you may have and assist you in any way possible.

Over the past year we have brought in new programs and are updating some of our in-house systems to serve you better and to save money. Our Board is very active in finding ways to help you and make decisions that will have a positive impact on our township. In the near future we will be launching a new website which will be more user-friendly and provide up-to-date information.

Thank you all for your support. Please let us know if you have any comments or suggestions as we welcome your input.

Please be safe and well.

Sincerely,
Lincoln F. Knight
Wauconda Township Supervisor



Recycling Extravaganza

10th Annual
Saturday July 30, 2022
9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
505 W. Bonner Road
Wauconda, IL 60084
#847-526-2631

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Fire Extinguishers
Prescription Drugs
Light Bulbs-fluorescent only.
Eye Glasses
Hearing Aids
Used American Flags
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Shoes (no ice skates or roller blades)

NEW ITEMS NOW ACCEPTING:
Washers/Dryers/Freezers
Refrigerators/Dishwashers
Microwaves
Water Heaters
Air Conditioners (**NO FREON**)

NOT ACCEPTING:
FURNITURE PAINT GAS

WAUCONDA TOWNSHIP RECYCLING EXTRAVAGANZA





NEWS FROM THE CLERK

With the General Primary Election approaching and many new people moving to Wauconda Township and also current residents making changes, you may be wondering what residents should do and where you can find more information. I thought it would be helpful to share some important information. As always residents can visit www.lakecountyil.gov as a great source to access information and services. You will be able to find vital records such as birth certificate, marriage license, death certificate, election information and property taxes. If you do not have access to the internet or a computer, you can call 847-377-2400.

You may be asking, with the General Primary Election coming up: Where and When Can I Register to Vote or Vote?

The local places where you can register to vote are Wauconda Township, Wauconda Library, Village of Wauconda or the Lake County Clerk's office located at 18 N. County St., Room 101, Waukegan. You can also register using the Illinois Voter Application on the Illinois State Board of Elections website. (You will need a valid Illinois drivers license or state ID)

If you are voting for the first time, you must vote in person and not by mail, unless the person first provides sufficient proof of identity, and the County Clerk verifies the person's identity. People who apply to register to vote by mail but provide inadequate proof of identity to the County Clerk will be notified that the registration is not fully completed. That person will remain ineligible to vote by mail or in person until such proof is presented. If you choose to register to vote by mailing in an application, your mail-in form must be postmarked prior to the close of the registration.

The General Primary Election will take place on June 28, 2022. Early Voting at the Wauconda Township Hall will not begin until Monday June 13th. However, Early Voting will begin at the Lake County Clerk's Office on Thursday May 19th. More information on the Early Voting schedules are posted at the Wauconda Township Hall.

My email is drose@waucondatownship.com if you have any questions or if you would like to sign up to receive monthly emails on agendas and the approved minutes. Hope to see you at the board meetings, the third Wednesday of each month at 6:00 pm.

Wishing you all a happy and healthy summer!
Danielle Rose, *Wauconda Township Clerk*

ACTIVE ADULT EVENTS

July 6 All Time Ballparks: presentation by historian Tim Wisley. Learn the stories of ballparks across America. FREE Light refreshments will be offered.

July 11, 18, 25 and August 1 Tai Chi 1:30-2:30PM: Take part in a four - Monday program that promotes relaxation through a meditative form of exercise. Co-hosted by Catholic Charities with a cost of \$10.

July 12, 13 AARP Smart Driver Class 9AM-1PM: Take this award winning defensive driving course and you may qualify for up to three years discount on the comprehensive portion of your car insurance. Cost of \$20 for AARP members (must have card number for proof of membership) or \$25 for non-members.

July 27 Name That Tune 1:30-3PM: Music will be played and you must guess the song title and the artist (or just sing along). Donations to Catholic Charities will be accepted. Light refreshments will be offered.

August 1 Summer Trivia 2:30-3:30PM: Catholic Charities Senior Care Coordinator Kari Pohar will lead us in a fun question and answer game to test your general knowledge. Donations to Catholic Charities will be accepted. Light refreshments will be offered.

August 22 White Elephant Bingo is back! 1:30-3PM: Bring your gently used or new gifts for the prize table and spend an afternoon with friends as you play to win. FREE

September 14 Fun In The Sun Senior Picnic 10AM-2PM: Gather at Cook Park 600 N. Main Street Wauconda for a boat ride, picnic lunch, bingo, vendor tables and musical entertainment by Rick Pickeren. Cost of \$6 for a wristband - registration being taken at the park district.

September 21 Origins of Fairy Tales 1:30PM-2:30PM: Co-hosted by Catholic Charities and Wauconda Township, this interesting presentation will thrill and sometimes chill you with the back stories of well-known favorites. Donations to Catholic Charities will be accepted. Light refreshments will be offered.

September 22 The Life of Johnny Cash: The Man in Black 7 - 8pm in the Genevieve Lincoln room at the Wauconda Area Library. This free presentation is co-hosted by Wauconda Library and Wauconda Township.



SECRETARY OF STATE Mobile Driver Services Facility

SUPER SENIOR EVENT 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
REVIEW COURSE 10:00-11:30 a.m.
FRIDAY AUGUST 19th, 2022
WAUCONDA TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY HALL
505 W. BONNER ROAD, WAUCONDA, IL 60084

- Vision Screening
- Driver's License/State ID Card (Renewal, Replacement, Correction)
- License Plate Renewal Stickers
- Organ/Tissue Donor Registry
- Motor Voter Registration
- Seniors age 65 and older (no charge for state ID)
- Seniors age 75 and older must visit a Secretary of State Driver Services facility to renew driver's license.
- Due to enhanced Security requirements, REAL ID-compliant driver's licenses and ID cards must be processed at a Driver Services facility and are not available at mobile events.



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SECRETARY OF STATE

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To renew a current Illinois driver's license or ID card, a valid driver's license or ID card must be presented. To apply for a duplicate or corrected driver's license or ID card, two forms of identification must be presented. For information about acceptable forms of identification, please call 217-782-7044 or visit www.cyberdriveillinois.com.

All payments must be made by check, credit card, debit card or money order. NO CASH ACCEPTED.



Citadel Theatre trip.



St. Patrick's Day Party



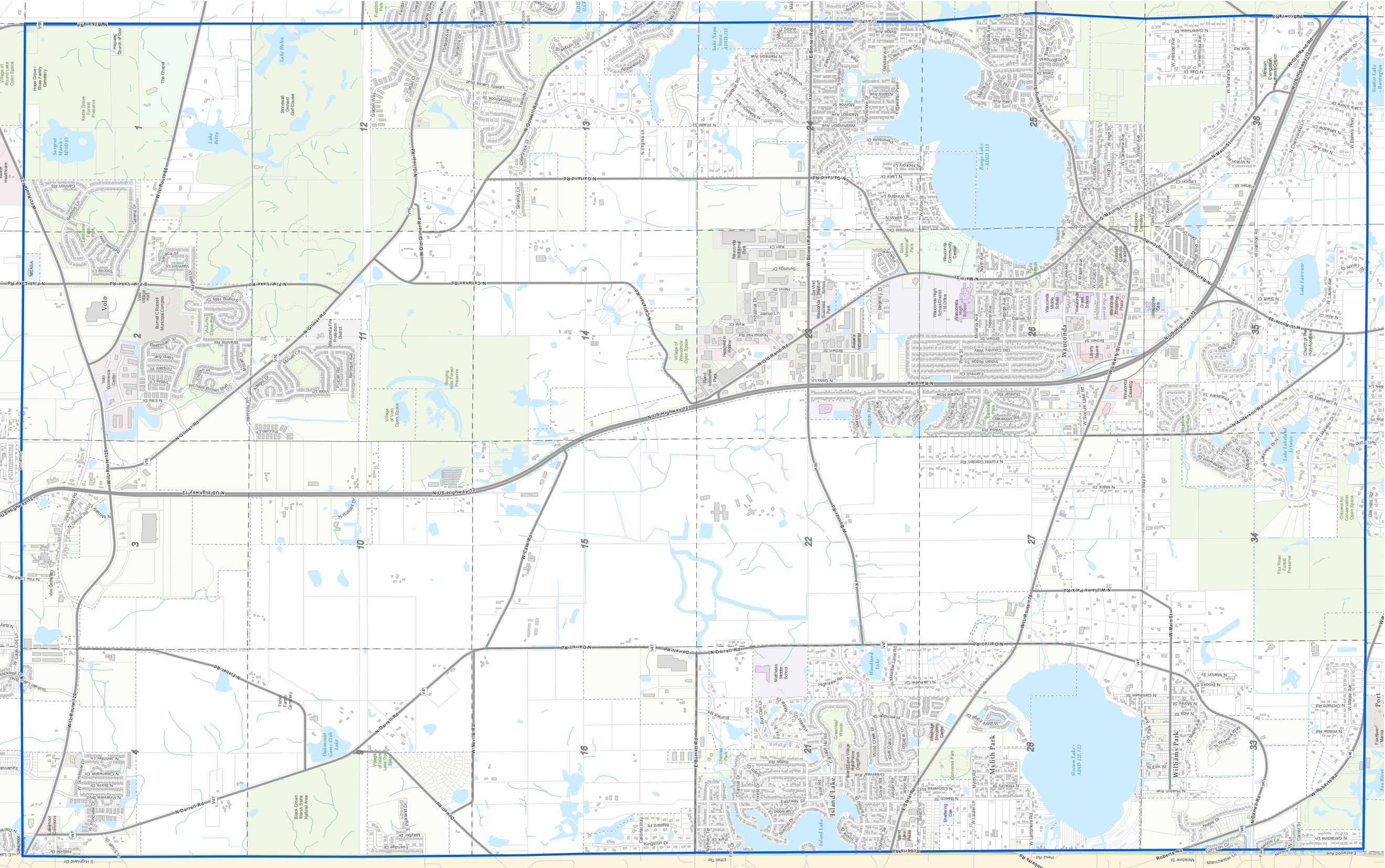
DO YOU KNOW WHERE YOU LIVE? DO YOU KNOW WHAT YOUR TOWNSHIP OFFERS YOU?

This of course is tongue-in-cheek, but many people do not know in which township they live in Lake County, and throughout the state. It can certainly be confusing when the Township name shares its name with a village. For example, Village of Wauconda residents live in Wauconda Township. Whereas Village of Island Lake residents may live in either Wauconda Township or Nunda Township.

Townships vary throughout the state with services they offer. In Wauconda Township we provide Senior Transportation, a Medical Equipment Lending Closet, General Assistance and Emergency Assistance for those in need. We also have four cemeteries that we maintain. Additionally, we have our own Highway Department which covers 37 road miles, and we have an Assessor's office to help with property taxes.

Please review the Wauconda Township map and see where you live and who your neighbors are.

WAUCONDA TOWNSHIP





SENIOR ADVOCATE

Senior Advocate Lisa Knight provides Senior Health Insurance Program (SHIP) recommendations. Lisa speaks with clients individually in-person or by phone providing objective and confidential information about Medicare health and drug insurance. Lisa can also advise and sign clients up for Federal and State assistance programs through the ABE (Application for Benefits Eligibility) website.

The Benefit Access program provides a discount of \$127 for 2 years in a row on license plate stickers to qualified low-income seniors and disabled adults who have a vehicle registered in their name. Enrollment in the program also enables people to receive an RTA ride-free permit. Lisa Knight can help file the online application.

The township maintains a medical equipment lending closet. Wheelchairs, walkers, rollators, shower chairs, transfer benches, commodes, toilet risers, canes, and bed rails are taken as donations and lent at no charge to people recovering from surgeries and/or injuries. These items may be borrowed for the duration of recovery or until clients receive a Medicare covered replacement.

Please call Lisa Knight at (847) 526-1800 for more information.

ATTENTION SENIORS!

Attention Seniors!

Spring is here, which means there is no better time to get out and about and enjoy everything our bus service has to offer. We are specifically designed to help active senior adults



60 and over with their transportation needs. Did you know in addition to our door-to-door service to doctors and beauty appointments, we also have weekly grocery shopping? Not forgetting to mention we also have a weekly trip to various retail stores and lunch which is always well received. If you would like to receive a monthly calendar of our events, please give us a call. We offer a wide distance range to accommodate our area seniors, as our buses will travel as far as Libertyville to Vernon Hills to Crystal Lake and McHenry, and many in between. We also go to Good Shepherd Hospital, Northwestern Medicine, McHenry Hospital and Condell Hospital.

Also, don't miss out on the wonderful trips our Senior Advocate, Lisa Knight arranges each month. These outings will be sent with the monthly calendar. So watch for our calendar for future trips that you don't want to miss. Come out and have some fun!

Our service is for seniors that live in Wauconda Township. Hours are Mon – Fri from 8:00am – 4:30pm and is on a first come first serve basis. If you have any questions, or for more information about what we have to offer or to request a monthly calendar of events, call (847) 526-8688 or 526- 8689. If we are not immediately available, please leave a message.



Wauconda Community Blood Drive
Friday, Aug. 5
Noon – 6 p.m.

Wauconda Township Partnership
with Wauconda Fire District
505 W. Bonner Rd
Wauconda, IL 60084

To schedule an appointment call
Vitalant at 877.258.4825 or visit Vitalant.org
and use group code: 3184291.

Prepare: Eat Well, Hydrate, and bring ID.

Appointments Recommended.

**Because of you,
life doesn't stop.
Donate Blood.**

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

With summer on the horizon, we want to touch on a few important topics:

Thinking of having your driveway repaved? If you live on a road maintained by the Township, please call us to come and inspect your culvert. It is the best time to replace an old culvert and upgrade with new material. This is a free service. Paving without our inspection, could lead us to dig up your brand-new driveway if the culvert needs replacement.

FREE mulch is available through the month of June for Township residents (no contractors). The mulch is located in the Wauconda Township parking lot.

BRUSH PICKUP REMINDERS:

- Logs must be under 10" in diameter.
- Please stack logs and brush with the cut ends facing the street for ease of handling.



- Brush pickup is for yard cleanup only.
- No lot clearing or contractor work will be picked up by the Township.
- Brush pickup will be picked up the second Monday of each month; May-October.

ROADWORK UPDATE:

- Mylith Park drainage and roadway repairs are underway.
- We are working on shouldering and road striping throughout the Township.

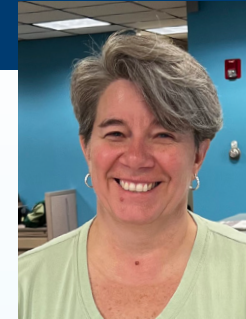
Tree trimming and right of way mowing will continue throughout the season. Please call us at 847-526-8085 about any roadway or public right of way concerns.

Hope you have a healthy and safe summer!

Wauconda Township Road District



FROM THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE



SUMMER IS COMING!

Lake County Property Tax bills were mailed out the week of May 2nd and should have been received by the end of that week. The bill is payable in two equal installments. The first due date is June 6 and the second installment is due September 6. Please note, Lake County residents receive a single tax bill for both installments. It is also a good time to review your exemptions & verify you are receiving all the exemptions you are eligible for. Please contact our office if you have any questions regarding eligibility.

Letters for the Disabled Person, Disabled Veteran & Senior Freeze exemptions were mailed in March by Lake County. Please remember that these exemptions need to be renewed every year and if you have not done so, please take a moment to complete the application online. You can also come to our office with the needed paperwork and we can assist with the application process.

Our work on the 2022 Tax Year Assessments has been completed and assessment notices are tentatively scheduled to be mailed in July. This is the final year of the last general assessment which began in 2019, which means most assessments will change due to the equalization process based on the sales ratio. As many of you know, sales of Residential Improved properties continue to rise township wide. The median sale price for 2020 was \$232,500 and for 2021 it was \$250,000 indicating an average increase of 7.5% year over year. The forecast is for the market to remain strong through the rest of 2022.

As the warmer months approach, we will be out in the Township visiting properties. Please remember, one of the primary functions of our office is to discover & list new improvements to properties. Those who take out permits for improvements and have the General Homestead exemption will be eligible to receive a Home Improvement Exemption for the added value for 4 years. Our staff would be happy to answer any questions you may have about any exemptions or tax assessments.

Have a safe & happy summer!

Kristin Carlson, *Wauconda Township Assessor*

The Wauconda Township

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Township Contact Information

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Township Assessor: Kristin Carlson..... 847-526-2881

Highway Commissioner: Scott Weisbruch 847-526-8085

Township Clerk: Danielle Rose847-526-2631

Township Case Worker: Melissa Garcia847-526-2653

Senior Advocate: Lisa Knight847-526-1800

**Township Business
Manager:** Lupe Magallanes847-526-2631

Transportation Director: Lisa Iverson..... 847-526-8688

Township Trustees: Kevin McKernan
Mary Beth Santi
Jim Whitehead
Ed Lochmayer

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Postal Customer**

Support Services



SALVATION ARMY ASSISTANCE

Salvation Army - Assistance is available for emergency situations only. Some restrictions apply (Wauconda/Volo Areas only). For your designated area, please contact Salvation Army.

Applications are available BY APPOINTMENT ONLY.



FOOD STAMP (LINK), MEDICAL & HOUSING

Food Stamp (LINK), Medical & Housing applications are also available at the Township Supervisor's Office.



WAUCONDA TOWNSHIP 2022-2023 BACKPACK DRIVE

We will once again be collecting school supplies for our Back-to School Backpack Program. Any donations are greatly appreciated. Please contact Melissa Garcia for additional information or to sign up for a backpack filled with the basic school supplies. **Contact Melissa Garcia with any questions at (847) 526-2631 or via e-mail at mgarcia@waucondatownship.com**



GENERAL/EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

We can assist with rental or mortgage payment(s) if qualifications are met. Some restrictions apply. Applications are available at the Township Supervisor's Office.

Food Pantry Partnership

WAUCONDA/ISLAND LAKE FOOD PANTRY

505 West Bonner Road, Wauconda, IL 60084, Phone 847.526.8684, wilfp.org

FOOD PANTRY HOURS: Monday - Saturday, 10:00 am - 11:45 am / Tuesday & Thursday, 4:30 pm - 6:00 pm