



Recycling Extravaganza

ACCEPTING:

- Electronics
- Cell Phones
- Bicycles
- Batteries, Car Alkaline Rechargeable Sealed lead acid Wet cell style
- Propane Tanks / 20- 40 lbs.
- Prescription Drugs
- Light Bulbs
- Eye Glasses
- Hearing Aids
- Used American Flags
- Sharps (medical needles)
- Air Conditioners
- Microwaves
- Shoes (no ice skates or roller blades)

Document Shredding!

4th Annual
Saturday, June 4, 2016
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

505 W. Bonner Road
Wauconda, IL 60084
847-526-2631

Wauconda Township residents only - which includes Wauconda Township residents that reside in the Villages of Wauconda, Island Lake, Port Barrington, Lakemoor, Volo and Unincorporated Lake County.

Free Green Event

Brought to you by

Wauconda Township

NOT ACCEPTING:

- Furniture
- Paint
- Gas
- Large Appliances



Visit the Andrew C. Cook House in Wauconda which was dedicated as a state historic site by the Illinois State Historical Society in 1992. The goal of the Wauconda Township Historic Society is to *Engage, Educate and Enrich* visitors of all ages.

What's New at the WTHS? An antique square grand piano manufactured between 1852 and 1855 was donated by Jeff Carlisle of the Carlisle and Lewis Families. Square grand pianos are now almost obsolete. Come, take a tour and see the square piano now located in the Cook House parlor.



Wauconda Family Album, a new book by WTHS lifetime member and volunteer, Neville Carr. The book is collection of historic photographs of Wauconda life. Neville Carr will give a presentation of his book at the Wauconda Area Library on Sunday, June 12th at 2:00 pm followed by tours of the historic Cook House. Pre-orders available, info can be found on the WTHS website www.wauconda-history.org.

Spring/ Summer 2016 Programs

Sunday, May 1st, Mayday! Celebrate Spring with a Maypole dance for kids and families. 'Vintage Parlor Games', horseshoes and a tour of the Cook house, 1 - 3 pm.

Sunday, June 5th. WGN Radio's longtime overnight Radio Hosts Steve King and Johnnie Putnam will give a talk on Les Paul. Both were close friends of Les Paul, musician, inventor and guitar genius. The pair will share their fascinating, touching and hilarious personal glimpses into what made this musical genius and interesting character tick. Wauconda Township Hall, 2 pm.

Thursday, July 7th at 5:30. Enjoy a concert under the summer sky and an ice cream treat on the Library lawn after touring the Andrew C. Cook House. This program is presented in partnership with the Wauconda Area Library.

Sunday, August 28th. 2nd Annual WTHS Ice Cream Social! Ice cream, pie and lemonade will be served from 1 - 4 pm. Vintage children's games, strolling songs, music and tours of the Cook House will be offered including a few surprises!

Check out: www.wauconda-history.org for more Spring/ Summer 2016 Event Information.

The Wauconda Township Historical Society exists for the study and preservation of the history and genealogy of Wauconda Township in Lake County, Illinois. Wauconda Township includes the communities of Wauconda, Volo, Lakemoor, Port Barrington, Lake Barrington, and Island Lake, Illinois.

Need Help?



The reception desk at the Wauconda Township Office is a good place to get help. Call 847-526-2631, ask to speak with Melissa or Lupe to schedule an appointment for the following programs. Or stop in to pick up an application.

LIHEAP- Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program - If available, this program helps Lake County residents pay their gas and electric bills, providing federal guidelines are met. This program is designed for seniors, disabled and low income families. Please call to make an appointment.

Food Stamp (LINK) - Medical applications are available at the reception desk of the Township Supervisor's Office.

Emergency/General Assistance - We can assist with rental or mortgage payment(s) if qualifications are met. Some restrictions apply. We have a new GA program to assist with better handling, organizing and providing assistance for our eligible residents. Call today.

Salvation Army - Assistance available for emergency situations only. Some restrictions apply. You must schedule

an appointment, please call to set up your appointment today.

2016 ~ 2017 Backpack Drive - The Township is accepting donations NOW of backpacks and school supplies for our Back-to-School Backpack Drive. This program directly helps families in our community.

You can make a difference by donating today.



Township Contact Information:

<i>Township Supervisor:</i>	Glenn Swanson
<i>Township Assessor:</i>	Pat Oaks
<i>Highway Commissioner:</i>	Joe Munson
<i>Township Clerk:</i>	Christine Rowe
<i>Township Trustees:</i>	Kevin McKernan Sheryl Ringel Mary Schorr Gary A. Thompson
<i>Township Administrator:</i>	Stephanie Maiorillo
<i>Township Case Worker:</i>	Melissa Garcia
<i>Senior Advocate:</i>	Lisa Knight
<i>Transportation Director:</i>	Lisa Iverson
<i>Receptionist:</i>	Lupe Magallanes

Phone Numbers

Supervisor's Office:	847-526-2631
Assessor's Office:	847-526-2881
Highway Department:	847-526-8085
Case Worker:	847-526-2653
Senior Advocate:	847-526-1800
Senior Transportation:	847-526-8688

Historical Society of Island Lake Celebrates 10th Anniversary

In 2006, a dedicated group of Island Lake residents launched an effort to collect and preserve Island Lake's history. Ten years later the group has dozens of members. Working together the group has assembled more than 70 binders of documents and pictures telling the history of Island Lake. Many residents have donated items that help tell the history of the village. The Historical Society hosts public programs making the history of the Village of Island Lake come alive. Watch for more programs this year as the group celebrates its 10th anniversary. This May the Historical Society of Island Lake will install a display at the Wauconda Area Library as part of Local History Month. Be sure to sign up early for the very popular Historic Guided Boat Tours which take place in the summer. Visit the Facebook page, Historical Society of Island Lake for new stories. Check the website: villageofislandlake.com/historical-society for current information and events.



Postcard circa 1930s of Four Oaks Island at sunset in Island Lake.

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The Wauconda Township
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 Wauconda, IL 60084
 P: 847-526-2631 F: 847-526-0294

4th Annual Recycling Extravaganza Saturday June 4th

Start **NOW** by gathering your items to recycle. This event only rolls around once a year. Recycling items such as electronics has become much tougher. Be sure to take advantage of this annual opportunity sponsored by the Wauconda Township and dispose of your recyclables responsibly.

ECRWSS
Postal Customer



Please Register for our *NEW* E-Letter!



The flowers are blooming with another winter season behind us. Please take some time to read this informative newsletter

To schedule a ride Monday-Friday, 6:00 am - 6:00 pm call PACE: 1-800-201-6446. This service is for seniors, disabled and general public. For further information and rider's guide please contact the Supervisor's office.

prepared by your Elected Officials and Staff at the Township offices.

Please register for our new E-Letter "News U Can Use"

Register your e-mail address by stopping in, calling us or on the Township web-site www.waucondatownship.com. You'll receive helpful up to date information that may affect and help your everyday lives. We'll continue to produce a paper version of the newsletter for those without access to a computer.

Township Residents on Private Wells
 The Township has water testing kits available at the Supervisor's office along with directions on their usage. The tragic water troubles in Flint, Michigan have increased sample kit usage. Once completed your samples needs to be taken to the Lake County Central Permit Facility, 500 W. Winchester Road in Libertyville for testing. The fee is \$16.00. You'll be contacted by e-mail or regular mail with the results. Lake County experts say your well should be tested annually to see if it meets the minimum drinking water standards.

Have a happy, healthy spring and summer season. - Please contact me at any time with your concerns, thoughts or ideas.

Sincerely, **Glenn Swanson,**
 Township Supervisor



This group of high school students worked side by side with Wauconda Township crew members doing outside clean-up for local residents unable to do the work themselves. The next Clean-Up will be held November 5th. To sign up as volunteer or as someone in need of assistance. Call Lisa Knight at 847-526-1800.

SNEAK PEEK at the upcoming **News U Can Use**

News U Can Use
 Glenn Swanson
 Wauconda Township Supervisor

No Reminders for Expiring License Plates

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Just a reminder that the Secretary of State is not sending out notices in the mail regarding expiring license plates. Many expired on December 1.

Paperless License Plates Renewal Notices are the convenient and secure way for Illinois motorists to go green and receive their notice by e-mail. To receive your license plates renewal by e-mail, enter your Registration ID and PIN located on the Renewal Notice you received in the mail or your current registration card. If you do not have a renewal notice or a current registration card, please call the Public Inquiry Division at 800-252-8980 to obtain your Registration ID and PIN number. [Click here for more information.](#)

Where Do I Dispose of Prescription Drugs?

It is challenging to properly dispose of old, outdated or unused prescription drugs. The Wauconda Police Department has made it easy by providing this drop box in the lobby of the Wauconda Police Department at 311 S. Main Street in Wauconda.

Sign Up for Emergency Notification

To receive instant updates about road closures, storms and more, go to www.WaucondaIL.org

Turning 65? File for Your Senior Homestead Exemption

If you have already turned 65, make sure you have filed for this exemption.

SENIOR HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION

To apply for the exemption you need to visit the Wauconda Township Assessor's office. You will need to bring a copy of the deed to the property and proof of age when you apply. If the property is held in trust, you will also need a copy of the trust agreement indicating the beneficiary and signature page. If you have questions, please call our office at 847-526-2881.

Has This Been Forwarded To You?

[Click Here To Join Our Email Newsletter](#)

Thank you for taking the time to read this edition of News U Can Use. I hope you find this information helpful. Please continue to ask questions and suggest topics for our new e-newsletter.

If you know of residents or neighbors who may not receive our e-newsletter, please forward this to them and invite them to sign up. Anyone can join this free newsletter by clicking on the join my mailing list link or by emailing me directly. Thanks for passing on the news.

If you need to contact me, please call the office at 847-526-2631 or my cell at 847-533-6975.

Senior News



Wauconda Township Games and Card Player's Club Join friends for Pinochle, Canasta and various board games every Thursday from 12:30 pm to 3:30 pm at the Township Hall.

Dancing with Norm Line dancing every Friday 9:30 am to 11:00 am at the Township Hall. Cost, \$5.00. Learn the basic steps of line dancing. This is a slow paced, non-stress class. Wear comfortable shoes and clothes. Loads of fun.

ZUMBA 10 am - 11 am Monday mornings at the Township Hall Cost, \$5. The new way to exercise, putting movement to music.

Wauconda Township Transportation Services

Spring has arrived, bringing warmer days and more opportunities to enjoy. The Wauconda Township Senior Transportation Service is specifically designed to help area senior citizens aged 60 and older with transportation needs. Donations are accepted.



Did you know in addition to our door to door service to doctor, beauty appointments and grocery shopping, we also have weekly trips to various retail stores and lunch? We have a wide distance range to accommodate our area seniors. Our buses travel to Libertyville, Vernon Hills, Crystal Lake and McHenry, plus many other towns in between. We drive seniors to appointments at Good Shepherd, Centegra and Condell hospitals. Next time you have an appointment, why not relax and leave the driving to our experienced drivers?

Don't miss out on the wonderful monthly trips arranged by Senior Advocate, Lisa Knight. Past trips have been to see plays, both walking and bus tours and going to see some exciting exhibits. These trips are popular. Sign up early.

Our Service is for seniors living in Wauconda Township and within the Village of Island Lake. Hours are Mon-Fri from 8:00-4:30 and is a first come first serve basis. The service is free, however donations are greatly appreciated to keep this program running smoothly. If you have any questions or for more information about what we offer or to request a monthly calendar of events call Juli @ (847)526-8688. If we don't pick up please leave a message.



Imagine what it must be like as the mother of an infant who has to make a decision between buying baby food

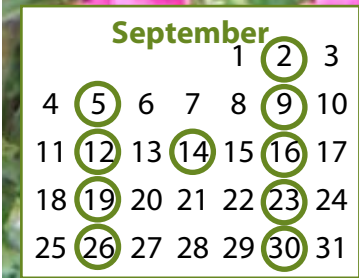
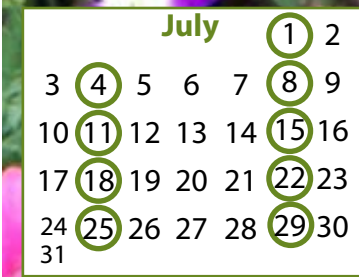
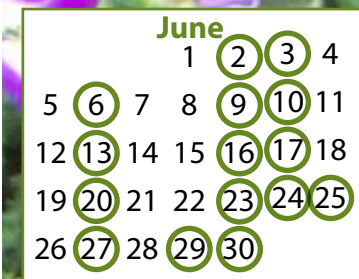
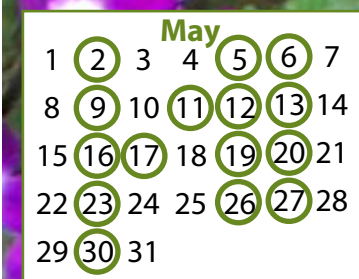
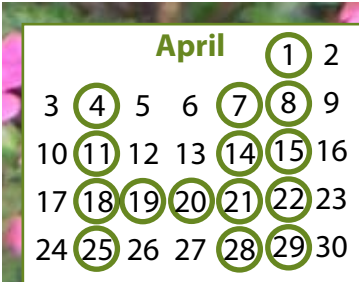
or buying an infant diapers. Or imagine hearing a fussy, crying baby in great need of a diaper change having no clean diapers to change the baby. Safety net programs such as Link, WIC and public aid do not cover diapers. Many babies with disabilities never outgrow the need for diapers, even into adulthood. Many adults with disabilities need diapers in order to go to school and work. Fifteen to twenty percent of all adults over age 65 suffer some degree of incontinence. This keeps healthy but incontinent seniors home bound at times because they cannot afford supplies. This can cause loneliness and depression.



The Diaper Bank Partnership of Lake County was modeled on a very successful diaper bank program in McHenry County. The mission of the Diaper Bank is to supply free diapers to all residents in need for health and wellness. To continue fulfilling the need we invite any organization or business to hold a diaper drive. Offer to be a drop off location for new diapers or help by donating diapers to the Township office. There is an urgent need of children's size 6 and all toddler size diapers plus men/women pull ups in small and medium sizes. If you or your organization would like information on holding a diaper drive or would like to know the sizes of diapers that are most needed please contact Stephanie Maioriello at 847-526-2631. More information is available on our website www.diaperbankLC.com.

Calendar of Events

Dates circled on the calendar mean something fun is happening at the Wauconda Township!



April 19th, Kick Up Your Heels. 1 - 3 pm. Country Western music performed by Randy Walker. Grab your partners and boot scoot down to the Township Hall for music and snacks. Cost \$3. RSVP by April 15th.

April 20th, White Fence Farm. 'Sentimental Journey' presented by Mestas Musicals. Enjoy a fabulous chicken dinner with all the trimmings before the theater trip down memory lane featuring songs from the 40s, 50s and 60s. Cost is \$48 which includes transportation, lunch and theater tickets. Bus leaves the township parking lot promptly at 10:15 am.

May 11th, The Citadel Theater presents 'A Funny Thing Happened on the way to the Forum.' The bus will leave the township parking lot at 10 am for the 11 am show in Lake Forest. We'll have lunch on our own in Libertyville on the return trip. Cost is \$29 includes transportation and show ticket. RSVP by May 2nd.

May 17th, Timeline of Senior Needs, 10 am - 12:30 pm. This informational presentation will address a variety of topics: elder law, veteran's benefits, long term care planning, adult daycare and home companion care services, home health care, options with assisted living and other long term communities. This FREE program includes a catered luncheon. RSVP by May 13th.

June 29th, Ice Cream Social Wauconda Park District, Wauconda Care & Rehab and Wauconda Township are co-hosting an afternoon of sweet treats, friends, fun and great entertainment in the Township hall. Cost \$3 RSVP by June 24th. Participants can register at the Wauconda Park District or the Wauconda Township.

June 27th, July 25th & August 22nd, Summer White Elephant Bingo. FREE! Bring a new or gently used gift to share on the prize table and have fun with friends! Located in the Township Hall, 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m.

September 14th, Summertime on Bangs Lake. Wrap up the 2016 summer season with a trip to Cook Park at 600 N. Main in Wauconda for the annual senior picnic. Enjoy a sunny afternoon featuring a barbecue lunch, boat rides, lawn games and bingo. Goody bags and various vendors. Listen to great entertainment, you might even feel like dancing! Register at the Wauconda Park District or the Wauconda Township by Sept. 6th. Cost \$3.



Lending Closet The Township provides a lending closet of various medical equipment for your use. The Township is always looking for donated wheelchairs and seated walkers. If you have any unused medical equipment to donate please bring to 505 W. Bonner Road, Wauconda.

photo of something PLEASE...!

Need a ride?
Call Senior Transportation at **1-847-526-8688** to register and/or request a pick up.

Chris Rowe, Wauconda Township Clerk



Wauconda Township Residents, Please remember:

Your vote is your voice as an American citizen. It's your opportunity to be heard, to hold elected officials accountable for their decisions and to have a say in important issues that affect your community.

On Election Day Every Vote Matters.

With a government elected by its citizens and that effects every aspect of our lives from schools to health care to homeland security. Voting is an important right in our society. When you vote you are making your voice heard. You are registering your opinion on how you think the government should operate.

Many people make the choice to NOT vote. Non-voters mistakenly believe that this choice only effects them. This simply is not true. The choice to not vote has consequences for people in our country as well as consequences for people all over the world. Many people in other countries cannot vote and some die every day fighting for this right.



It's easy to vote in Lake County. So many different ways are available.



Voter Power - Your Personal Election Voter Information

Visit Voter Power and log in using your name, house number, zip code and birth date. You'll see your personalized election information. The Voter Power landing page will also provide you with tracking information about your voted ballot, candidates, elected officials and voting by mail programs.

"Nobody will ever deprive the American people of the right to vote except the American people themselves and the only way they could do this is by not voting."

Franklin D. Roosevelt

Not going to be around in November? Request a Ballot by Mail

A ballot application is required for each election. You may choose the E-request option where no signature is required. Illinois law mandates your email address be shared with political organizations. To protect your privacy, you may choose to print and mail the completed form to the County Clerk's office. Ballot request forms are also available at VotingByMail@lakecountyil.gov or call 847.377.2406. The last day to request a ballot is the Thursday before the election. Voted ballots must be postmarked by the day before the election.



Have a safe summer!
Chris Rowe, Wauconda Township Clerk

News from the Wauconda Township Highway Department

Now is the season to inspect your driveway culvert and remove any obstructions. Debris has the tendency to collect at the upstream end of your driveway culvert. Ditches and culverts that flow keep water out of the road base, preserving the life of the pavement. We encourage residents to perform seasonal inspections, clean and cut their grass in the parkway ditch to insure ditches remain free flowing to prevent their driveway culvert from clogging. Please look for sediment build up and cracks. If you have a corrugated metal pipe culvert, look for corrosion. Keeping the grass trimmed in your ditch flow line will reduce soil erosion and prevent sediment from filling the culvert pipe. The Highway Department appreciates property owners who do their part for the common benefit of their neighborhood.

A Wauconda Township Highway Department **Right of Way** permit is needed for any construction in the unincorporated area that might affect the public right of way. This will protect township residents from liability for damage to township property. The Township may require a cash bond from the homeowner prior to issuance of the permit. Please call of Highway Department to see if your project needs this permit before starting your project. This permit may be in addition to a permit required by Lake County. Our goal is to keep the roads safe for our residents!



Joe Munson
Highway Commissioner



From the Desk of Pat Oaks, Wauconda Township Assessor



Lake County's Treasurer's office mails out 2016 Property Tax bills in May. We all know property taxes are a big portion of our household budgets. Checking to be certain you are receiving all exemptions you're entitled to is a smart way to save money.

Every residential owner occupied parcel is entitled to a \$6,000 **General Homestead Exemption**. Following are examples of savings YOU could receive (if you qualify) with the General Homestead Exemption and the Senior Homestead Exemption. Example is applied to a home with a \$50,000 assessed value and a tax rate of .0700.

\$50,000 Assessed Value	x .0700 Tax Rate
\$3,500 Tax Bill Amount	Example of tax bill with NO exemptions

\$50,000 Assessed Value	- \$6,000 Homestead Exemption	\$44,000 Taxable Assessed Value	x .0700 Tax Rate
\$3,080 Tax Bill Amount	Example of tax bill with Homestead Exemption applied		

\$50,000 Assessed Value	- \$6,000 Homestead Exemption	- \$5,000 Senior Homestead Exemption	\$39,000 Taxable Assessed Value	x .0700 Tax Rate
\$2,730 Tax Bill Amount	Example of tax bill with Homestead Exemption and Senior Exemption applied			

When a property owner turns 65 years of age they're entitled to the **Senior Homestead Exemption**. Another exemption available to senior's is the **Senior Citizens Assessment Freeze Homestead Exemption**.

Exemptions are listed on the lower right hand corner of your property tax bill.

Take the time to STOP and LOOK at your bill.

Are you receiving all the exemptions you are entitled to?

Other exemptions available to property owners are:

- The Homestead Improvement Exemption
- Senior Citizens Assessment Freeze Homestead Exemption.
- Disabled Person's Homestead Exemption
- Returning Veteran's Homestead Exemption
- Disabled Veterans' Exemption
- Disabled Veterans' Standard Homestead Exemption

Detailed information about each of the exemptions and programs are available on the Assessor's page on the Wauconda Township Website: www.waucondatownship.com. Or stop in or call our office at 847-526-2881.

If you receive any information or mailings from the Lake County Supervisor of Assessment Office and/or Lake County Treasurer's Office and are not quite sure what these mailing are, don't throw them out. Contact our office and we will do what we can to help you understand and or obtain further information.

Enjoy your summer,
Pat Oaks, Wauconda Township Assessor

REMINDER! The State of Illinois is no longer mailing Vehicle emission testing reminders. To find out when YOU need to have your vehicle emission tested, have your license plate number ready, dial 847-758-3400, press #3. You won't be allowed to purchase your annual vehicle sticker if you vehicle is not current with emissions testing.

ALSO... The State of Illinois will NOT be mailing out license plate renewal notices. You can sign up for paperless renewal. Go to cyberdriveillinois.com click on **E-Mail My Renewal Notice**, enter your registration ID and PIN located on your current registration card. You can also call the Public Inquiry Division at 800-252-8980 to obtain your Registration ID and PIN number.

Drug Disposal can be challenging.

The Wauconda Police Department has made it easy to responsibly



dispose of old, outdated or unused prescription drugs by providing this drop box in the lobby of the Wauconda Police Department. **No sharps please.**



Stop in at the Township office today and register for your FREE Wauconda Township vehicle sticker. It could prevent getting ticketed in nearby cities.