



# E-NEWS

Village of Woodridge

**November 23, 2022**

*Greetings!*



The Village of Woodridge offices will be closed to the public for the Thanksgiving holiday on Thursday and Friday, November 24 & 25, 2022. Normal business hours will resume Monday, November 28, 2022. There will be no recycling and garbage collection on Thursday, November 24, 2022. The remainder of the week will follow the usual holiday schedule. Each pickup will be one day later than your regular pickup day (i.e., Thursday pickups will occur on Friday; Friday pickups will occur on Saturday.)

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## **VILLAGE MEETINGS**

**Board of Police  
Commissioners**  
November 28 at 6:30 p.m.

Werch Board Room  
5 Plaza Drive

**Village Board Meeting**  
December 1 at 7:00 p.m.  
Werch Board Room  
5 Plaza Drive

**Plan Commission**  
December 5 at 7:00 p.m.  
Werch Board Room  
5 Plaza Drive

**Village Board Meeting**  
December 15 at 7:00 p.m.  
Werch Board Room  
5 Plaza Drive

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**SANTA COMES TO WOODRIDGE**  
AND SEE MRS. CLAUS TOO  
Saturday December 3rd  
From 11am - 1pm



## Santa Comes to Woodridge

The Woodridge Special Events Committee is once again sponsoring the Annual Santa Comes to Woodridge event. Free Gift Bags will be given to the first 200 children to see Santa and Mrs. Claus on Saturday December 3<sup>rd</sup>.

The event will be held in the St. Scholastica Parish Activity Center at 7800 Janes Avenue in Woodridge from 11 am until 1 pm. Masks are optional. Santa and Mrs. Claus will arrive via Woodridge Police escort.

Please note that no food or drinks will be sold. We want to ensure that all precautions will be used to make this a safe and inviting event. A walk along line will be used to maintain a safe distance and children will not sit with Santa or Mrs. Claus - they will however be able to pose in front of Santa and the decorated stage so parents can take any photos they wish to capture. As has been the practice for over 50 years - this event is FREE and letters to Santa will be happily accepted.

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## Toys for Tots Donation Collection

Woodridge Village Hall, Police Department, and Public Works are all drop-off sites for the 75<sup>th</sup> year of the Marine Corps Reserve's Toys for Tots campaign!

Toys for Tots will accept new, unwrapped toys for boys and girls from infants to age 12. Please avoid any stuffed animals, clothing, food, and gift cards. Monetary donations can be made via credit card [here](#).

Toys will be accepted until Friday, December 9<sup>th</sup>.



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## Village Board Will Continue Gas N Wash Agenda Items from December 1st to the December 15th Board Meeting

After holding a public hearing at the November 17<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting on the proposed Gas N Wash development at 12S355 Lemont Road and 12S381 Lemont Road, the Village Board of Trustees continued the related agenda items to the December 1<sup>st</sup> Board Meeting. On December 1, the Board intends to further continue the items to the **December 15<sup>th</sup>** Board Meeting when all trustees are



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The Village of Woodridge is seeking applications for Management Analyst in the Woodridge Police Department.

This is a full-time, forty-hour per week position. To apply, please visit the Village's [new online employment portal](#).

Did you know that Woodridge snowplow drivers drove more than 4,000 miles last winter? Woodridge Public Works designed the snow plan with residents in mind, focusing on making roads available for safe travel during and after a snowfall. Snow plow drivers are an essential part of the Village's snow plan.

To apply, please visit the Village's [new online employment portal](#).



### What Should You Do With Your Light Strand that Doesn't Work? Recycle It!

Woodridge residents may recycle non-working holiday lights at Woodridge Village Hall, 5 Plaza Drive or Public Works building, 1 Plaza Drive. The Village is partnering with Elgin Recycling to offer this free service to residents from November 21, 2022, through March 3, 2023. Please - no CFLs.



### Help West Suburban Food Pantry This Giving Tuesday, November 29th

#GivingTuesday is the international day of giving and it is coming up on Tuesday, November 29<sup>th</sup>.

West Suburban Community Pantry (WSCP) is serving more than three times the number of families than last year, and every week that number continues to increase. They are doing their best to provide every individual that comes to them with the food they need, but it is getting harder to do so with the high food costs.

Will you help WSCP to reach its goal of \$15,000 this #GivingTuesday? For every donation made of \$100 or more towards #GivingTuesday, the WSCP Board of Directors will match it up to \$5,000!

### DuPage County Launches Sheriff's Crime Data Transparency Portal

DuPage County has launched a Transparency and Crime Statistics Portal, which will provide crime data from the DuPage County Sheriff's Office.

The portal, which can be found [here](#), pulls records from the Police Records Management System and is currently only pulling data from the Sheriff's



Office. The data provides an overview of crime data in a particular area but does not give specific addresses or information about victims.

While the portal only has Sheriff's Office data, the County will look at expanding the portal to be available to municipalities.



## DuPage County Health Systems Experiencing Dramatic Increase in Number of Children Seeking Care for Respiratory Diseases

Hospitals and clinics are seeing a dramatic increase in the number of people who are ill with respiratory diseases like influenza (flu), respiratory syncytial virus (RSV), and COVID-19. Children are being especially impacted, with more children with severe illness seeking care at hospitals with some waiting hours to be seen. Some even need to be transferred to another healthcare facility.

We must work together to stay healthy and reduce the number of people who are sick. As public health and medical leaders in DuPage County, our organizations are working hard to ensure the healthcare providers and resources necessary to care for these individuals are available. Our healthcare systems and workers are being stretched and strained again. This means we risk not having the care we need available at the time we need it.

Thankfully, there are actions we can take to ensure this care continues to be always available. **We're asking for your help to make a difference by taking steps to reduce spread of disease in our communities over the holiday season.** This will help keep people healthy and ensure our healthcare systems are ready for those who need them – whether they are very sick, in an accident, or suffering from a life-threatening condition.

Click here to purchase the book 'Images of America: Woodridge' for \$23.99 or at Village Hall for \$16 during regular business hours while supplies last.

## IN AND AROUND WOODRIDGE

### Gift Wrapping Workshop

Adults can learn new gift wrapping skills in a tip-filled workshop at the Woodridge Library on Wednesday, November 30 at 7:00 p.m. Presented by expert gift wrapper Hilary Vincent, owner of *Ribbons & Strings*; [register](#) online.



### Visit the Woodridge Christmas Tree at Brookfield Zoo

Thank you to the Woodridge Special Events Committee for their Christmas Tree at the Holiday Magic at Brookfield Zoo.

Since 1968, the members of the Woodridge Special Events Committee have promoted our community by hosting many activities throughout the years. This event is just another one showcasing the Village of Woodridge and its residents. Please stop by the Brookfield Zoo and see not only their fine works but the many other wonderful community decorations around the zoo.



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