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## Village News...

### *Aggregation Update*

All Ameren customers will be receiving a letter this week from First Energy explaining how aggregation will be implemented. Remember that if you do not wish to be a part of it, it will be necessary for you to "opt out" and that process will be explained in the letter. There are other electrical suppliers that may be attempting to solicit your business in advance of the aggregation, so please be cautious and read the letters carefully. There may be a cost for you to get out of that contract if you select one of them.

### *Birch Lane Project*

Construction will soon begin on the Birch Lane sewer project. There will be an informational meeting for residents of Birch Lane and Evergreen Court before the project begins. Thanks to residents of this area for your prompt response to our request for information and we appreciate your patience as we move forward on this important work.

### *Openings on Boards/Commissions*

There are a couple of openings on the Village Planning Commission and the Zoning Board of Appeals. If you are interested in serving on either of these two advisory committees, please submit your name and a brief statement as to why you would like to be considered. Thanks!



### Veteran's Memorial Service

The Veteran's Memorial Committee will hold a Memorial Service on Sunday, May 26, at the Memorial Arch at 11:45 a.m. In case of inclement weather, the service will be held in the Community Center.

### Village Garage Sale Saturday, May 4 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

The Village will place ads in several area newspapers & put together a listing of addresses and items for sale to be available at local businesses. Cost is \$4. Please contact the Village Office at 566-3806 by May 1 to participate.

### Spring Clean-Up Saturday, May 4 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Sunday, May 5 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Residents (picture ID required) may drop off segregated material. No garbage, paper, food waste, shingles, tar paper or asphalt based sheeting. A maximum of 5 cubic feet of construction debris will be accepted. A separate bin will be available for electronics. Donations are welcome during and after the cleanup.

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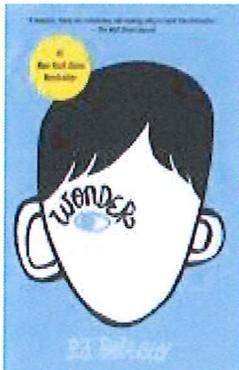


## Williamsville Public Library News

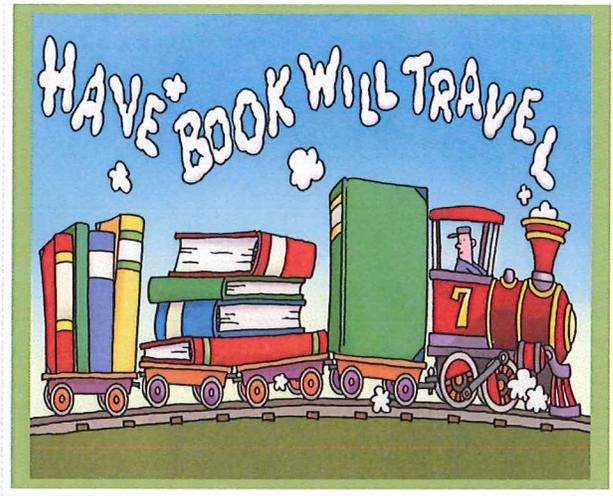
### *Library Referendum*

The Williamsville Public Library Board and staff would like to thank the voters of Williamsville for their support of the new facility. Our goal is to build a flexible building which preserves the past and helps educate the future. The timeline for this project is to break ground April 2014. In the next year, we will be finalizing the building plans, applying for grants and preparing the site. We hope to open the facility June 2015. We promise to keep you up-to-date on the project by posting our progress on the village website. We hope to prove our appreciation by building a facility the whole village will utilize, as well as, be a source of community pride.

### *One Book, One Community*



You are invited to read "Wonder" by R.J. Palacio and participate in our One Book, One Community program. Individuals from middle school to adults will meet at the Williamsville Community Center at 6:30pm on Thursday, May 16, to discuss this power novel. This is a joint program that involves the Williamsville Junior High School, Williamsville High School, Sherman Public Library and the Williamsville Public Library.



### *Summer Reading – Have Book, Will Travel*

Please join us this summer as we travel around the world and beyond. Registration will begin on Saturday, June 1, at the library. Anyone age 3 and up can read for prizes. Children entering preschool through 5<sup>th</sup> grade will be doing our traditional reading log and winning prizes for each stage completed. All others will be entering our prize box with each book completed being a chance to win a gift card. In addition to winning prizes, we will have weekly programs at the Williamsville Community Center on Wednesdays beginning June 12 through July 10, for preschool through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade at 9:30 or 11:00. Pick your preferred time at registration. For children in grades 3<sup>rd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> we will have 3 programs at the library scheduled throughout June and July. For additional information, just stop by the library and remember registration starts June 1.

*Visit the Library on May 4!*

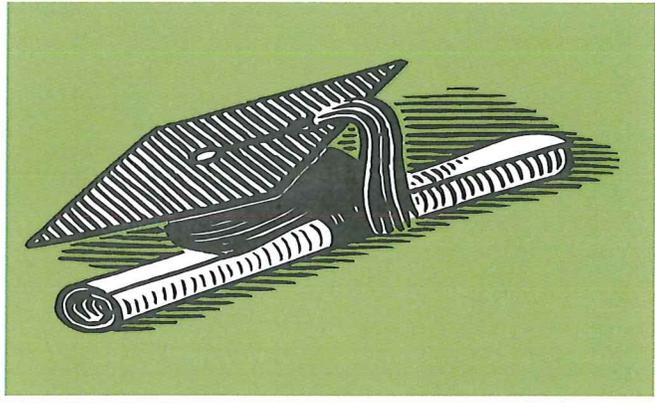
*8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.*

*Books (outside) - \$2 per bag*

*Bake Sale (inside) – Lots of  
goodies!*

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ILLINOIS  
Est. 1853



### *Village Short Takes:*

- The Village Board of Trustees, Village President & staff would like to congratulate all students graduating this spring. May your future be full of happiness and success!
- The Village Office and Library will be closed on Monday, May 27, in observance of Memorial Day and on Thursday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day.
- Burning will be allowed (when wind speeds are 14 mph or less) from 9:00 a.m. until sunset on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays through May 20. Please don't burn on May 4!
- Don't forget to sign up for instant weather alerts via the Williamsville Elert Notification System. Call 566-3806 or visit our website at [www.williamsville.illinois.gov](http://www.williamsville.illinois.gov).
- Property tax payments will NOT be collected at the Village Hall. Payments must be mailed or paid in person at the County Building. Please call 217/753-6800 or visit the County's website at [www.co.sangamon.il.us](http://www.co.sangamon.il.us) for more info. Sorry for the inconvenience.

### *Welcome New Village Board Members*

Please welcome our new Village Board Members who will be sworn into office at the May 13 Board Meeting:

#### **John Brennan**

John recently retired from Memorial Medical Center and lives in Williamsville with his wife, Martha. They have two children: Michael (Jenny) Brennan of Williamsville and Bridget (Tom) Dutcher of Warrenburg, with three grandchildren. John is also a retired Chief Master Sergeant from the Illinois Air National Guard and a graduate of the Community College of the Air Force. John can be reached at 566-5511 or [johnbrennan30@hotmail.com](mailto:johnbrennan30@hotmail.com).

#### **Matt Bunger**

Matt has been a resident of Williamsville for eight years and has a son who attends Williamsville Schools. He has a Bachelor's of Science degree from SIU-Carbondale and works at the Natural Resources Conservation Service as a Grasslands Specialist. Matt can be reached at 217-473-2690 or [mhbunger@yahoo.com](mailto:mhbunger@yahoo.com).

#### **Skylar Tierney**

Skylar was elected to the Board this April and had been appointed to the Village Board in April 2012 to fill the spot vacated by Lisa White. He has lived in Williamsville his entire life and is married to his high school sweetheart, Jayme (Crain). They have a 20 month old son and a daughter on the way in June. Skylar is working on his Master's Degree in Organizational Development at Benedictine University and works full time as the Director of Student Services at the Hope Institute for Children and Families. Skylar can be reached at 638-2402 [Skylar43@yahoo.com](mailto:Skylar43@yahoo.com).

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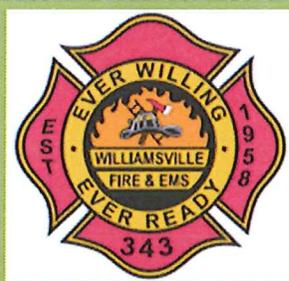


## Williamsville Volunteer Fire Department

### Chief's Note

It's that time of year again with severe weather. Tornado sirens are for outdoor notification of tornado or possible tornadoes seek shelter immediately. Once inside a safe area of your home tune in to TV, am/fm radio, or weather radio. No sirens are active as an all clear. Listen to TV or radio to notify you when warning is lifted. The National Weather Service website is: <http://www.crh.noaa.gov/ilx/>. Weather radios can be purchased at Walgreens, County Market and other area stores. The fire department has trained spotters for severe weather. If you would like to become a trained spotter contact us at 217-566-3311 or go to our website; [wfpdillinois.com](http://wfpdillinois.com) and go to membership request page.

The Williamsville Fire Protection District Officers, Membership and Trustees would like to thank you for your donation supporting the Fire Department Picture Program. Your generosity will assist our Department with the purchase of a thermal imaging camera which will be used to locate a fire or people in smoke-filled environments, locate victims in the dark, and many other useful purposes. Thank you!



The Williamsville Volunteer Fire Department is staffed by dedicated men and women of the community who respond 24/7, 365 days a year to fire, medical and other emergencies. Meetings are held every Thursday evening at 7:00. If you are interested in becoming a member of our team call us at 566-3311 or visit us at one of our meetings.

### Safety Tip: Use Barbeque Grills Safely

Fire in the grill, under hot dogs and burgers, is a welcome sight at the family cookout. But fire anywhere else can make your summer kick-off barbecue memorable for all the wrong reasons.

- Propane and charcoal BBQ grills should only be used outdoors.
- The grill should be placed well away from the home, deck railings and out from under eaves and overhanging branches.
- Keep children and pets away from the grill area.
- Keep your grill clean by removing grease or fat buildup from the grills and in trays below the grill.
- Never leave your grill unattended.

#### Charcoal grills:

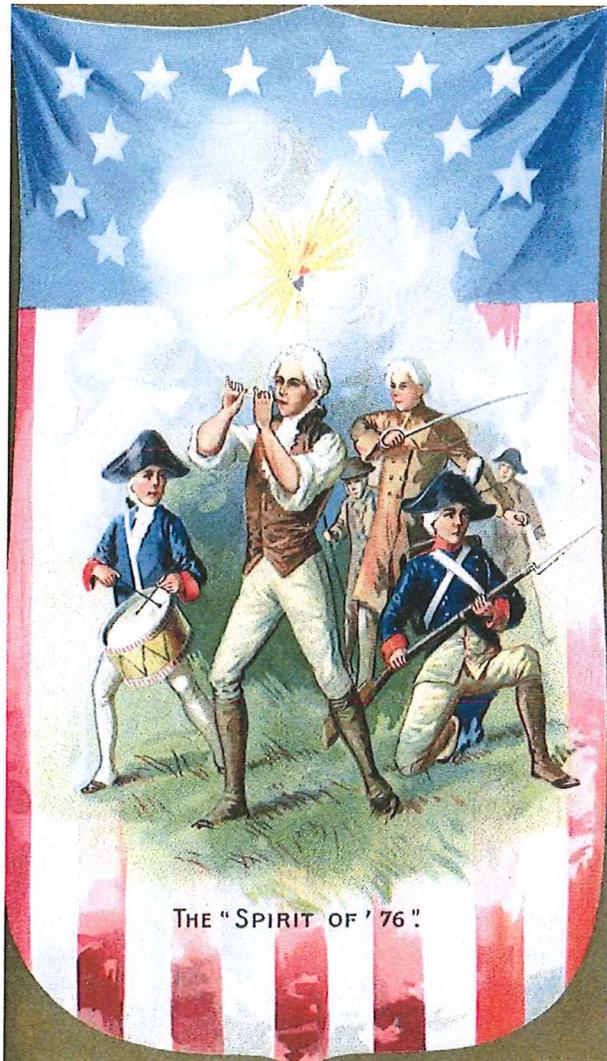
- There are several ways to get the charcoal ready to use. Charcoal chimney starters allow you to start the charcoal using newspaper as a fuel.
- If you use a starter fluid, use only charcoal starter fluid. Never add charcoal fluid or any other flammable liquids to the fire.
- Keep charcoal fluid out of the reach of children and away from heat sources.
- There are also electric charcoal starters, which do not use fire. Be sure to use an extension cord for outdoor use.
- When you are finished grilling, let the coals completely cool before disposing in a metal container.

#### Propane grills

- Check the gas tank hose for leaks before using it for the first time each year. Apply a light soap and water solution to the hose. A propane leak will release bubbles.
- If your grill has a gas leak, by smell or the soapy bubble test, and there is no flame, turn off the gas tank and grill. If the leak stops, get the grill serviced by a professional before using it again.
- If the leak does not stop, call the fire department. If you smell gas while cooking, immediately get away from the grill and call the fire department. Do not move the grill.

For additional information: <http://www.nfpa.org/index.asp>

*Please join us in the park for our...*



**ANNUAL  
COMMUNITY  
4<sup>th</sup> of JULY  
CELEBRATION**

**Sunday, June 30**

**6:00 p.m.**

**Samuel H. Jones Park  
Main Street  
Williamsville**

- Dinner sponsored by United Methodist Church
- Ice Cream and Cake Social
- Entertainment
- Bring your blanket or chair for the fireworks display!

Rain date: July 7

# Williamsville Fire Department All You Can Eat Pancake and Sausage Breakfast

- Saturday May 4<sup>th</sup> 7am-noon at Williamsville Firehouse
- All you can EAT pancakes and sausage  
(drink included) for \$6
- Take out or delivery available. Call 217-  
566-3311 for delivery!!
- Kids 5 and under eat FREE! Ages 6-12 \$3

Take a break from the garage sales and come support  
your local volunteer fire department and see what new  
things are going on at the firehouse!!



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## Williamsville Community Calendar

### May

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| May 1  | 7:00 p.m. Woodcarvers in the Community Center                        |
| May 1  | Story Time at 10:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. at the Library                |
| May 4  | WVFD Pancake & Sausage Breakfast – 7:00 a.m. til Noon                |
| May 4  | All Town Garage Sale 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.                           |
| May 4  | All Town Clean Up 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.                              |
| May 5  | All Town Clean Up 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.                              |
| May 6  | WC Foundation Meeting, 6:30 p.m. Village Hall                        |
| May 7  | Coffee Hour at 10:00 a.m. at the Library                             |
| May 7  | Library Board Meeting at 6:30 p.m. at the Library                    |
| May 8  | Story Time at 10:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. at the Library                |
| May 8  | BINGO at 7:00 p.m., Community Center                                 |
| May 9  | Quarter Auction, 6:30 p.m. at Community Center                       |
| May 11 | WCF Junior High Dance, 6:30 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. Comm. Center           |
| May 13 | Village Board Meeting at 6:30 p.m.                                   |
| May 14 | Coffee Hour at 10:00 a.m. at the Library                             |
| May 16 | Book Club – Wonder (One Book, One Community) at the Community Center |
| May 21 | Coffee Hour at 10:00 a.m. at the Library                             |
| May 27 | Memorial Day – Village Office & Library Closed                       |
| May 28 | Coffee Hour at 10:00 a.m. at the Library                             |

### June

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| June 1  | Garden Club Meeting 9:00 a.m. 416 E. Jones  |
| June 1  | Registration for Summer Reading Begins At the Library   |
| June 2  | 4-H Meeting 6 – 8 p.m. Community Center   |
| June 3  | WC Foundation Meeting 6:30 p.m. Village Hall  |
| June 3  | 7:00 p.m. Woodcarvers in the Community Center   |
| June 4  | Coffee Hour at 10:00 a.m. at the Library  |
| June 4  | Library Board Meeting at 6:30 p.m. at the Library   |
| June 10 | Village Board Meeting at 6:30 p.m.  |
| June 11 | Coffee Hour at 10:00 a.m. at the Library  |
| June 11 | BINGO at 7:00 p.m. Community Center   |
| June 12 | Summer Reading (Pre K-2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade) 9:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. at the Community Center       |
| June 13 | Quarter Auction, 6:30 p.m. at Community Center  |
| June 15 | Woodcarvers at the Community Center 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.   |
| June 19 | Summer Reading (Pre K-2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade) 9:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. at the Community Center       |
| June 25 | Summer Reading (3 <sup>rd</sup> – 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade) at 1:00 p.m. at the Library              |
| June 26 | Summer Reading (PreK – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade) at 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. at the Community Center |
| June 27 | Book Club – 11/22/63 by Stephen King at 7:00 p.m. at the Library                                  |
| June 30 | 4 <sup>th</sup> of July Celebration at the Park   |

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

July 4      Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July! Village Office & Library Closed

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## Village Board Meetings

The regular semi-monthly meetings are scheduled for the second and fourth Monday of each month and will begin at 6:30 p.m. at the Village Hall. The public is always encouraged to attend. Special board meetings and committee meetings are scheduled as needed. Dates and agendas for all meetings are posted on the board near the door of the Village Hall and may also be reviewed on the Village website. The May 27<sup>th</sup> meeting has been cancelled due to the Memorial Day holiday.

*Approved Minutes and Agendas  
may be viewed at the Village Office or the website at  
[www.williamsville.illinois.gov](http://www.williamsville.illinois.gov)*

### Village of Williamsville

141 W. Main St.  
217.566.3806

#### Office Hours

7:30-11:30 am  
12:30 -3:30 pm  
Monday-Friday

Village Fax  
217.566.2105

Fire Non-  
Emergency  
217.566.3311

Police Non-  
Emergency  
217.566.3634

Water Emergency  
217.306.5803

Library  
217.566.3520

Post Office  
217.566.3651

Village President  
Thomas R. Yokley  
217.306.0004

Economic  
Development  
Trustee  
Valerie Patterson  
217.414.0197

Streets, Alleys,  
Sidewalks &  
Storm Sewers  
Trustee Mark Esker  
217.566.3357

Water & Sewer  
Vacant

Public Safety  
Vacant

Parks &  
Recreation  
Trustee  
Dave Carter  
217.566.2349

Finance  
Trustee  
Skylar Tierney  
217.638.2402

Village Clerk  
Karen Humphres  
217.566.3806

Treasurer  
Heidi Dowell  
217.566.3806



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