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Time to Clean Out Your Stuff!

April 27 (pm) & 28: Donate items to the Foundation for their garage sale at Community Center
April 29: All Town Garage Sale, Shred Event, Electronics Recycling, Clean-Up & Book and Bake Sale at WPLM
April 30: Clean-Up

2016 Property Taxes

The recent property tax assessments that were distributed by Sangamon County have generated a number of phone calls and questions directed to the Village Office. As a result, the Board is working with Mark Thompson, the Williams Township Tax Assessor, and the Sangamon County Tax Assessor's Office to get some of the questions answered. We will keep everyone posted as to the result of these conversations.

In the meantime, very good information is available on Sangamon County's website at *http://co.sangamon.il.us/property-info/assessment-information*. If you are considering an appeal, the forms that you need are available on their website. Paperwork must be filed within 30 days of the date on your assessment letter.

Thank you for your patience!

Annual Community 4th of July Celebration!

Sunday, June 25 at the Park

Festivities begin at 4:30 p.m.

Food & Fun!

Rain Date: July 2

Fireworks at Dusk

Weather Radios Available for Village Residents

The Williamsville Board of Trustees is making new Emergency Alert Weather Radios available for sale to any Williamsville resident. The radios are pre-programmed to receive weather alerts for Sangamon, Logan and Menard counties and can also be programmed to receive alerts from other counties. You may purchase one radio per household for a $20 donation (radios are $50 retail) We have a limited number of radios for sale, so please contact us as soon as possible regarding availability.

Backyard Basics 2017

Thank you to the Village of Williamsville and the Williamsville Garden Club for partnering with WPLM for another successful Backyard Basics event. If you have not yet seen the slides from presenter Gus Jones, please check out the WPLM Facebook page. The attendance and waiting list for the event were evidence of strong interest in green topics, so the format of Backyard Basics will be changing. Instead of one large event, WPLM hopes to host two or three events annually that will each focus on a single topic. Please contact Natalie at nabilltownlib@yahoo.com with any suggestions of topics or presenters.

Vital Records

Don Gray, Sangamon County Clerk, will have the Vital Records Mobile Unit at the Community Center on Wednesday, May 3, 2017, from 11:00 a.m. — 1:00 p.m. Please see the flyer in this newsletter for what records are available through the Clerk's Office at this event.

Garden Club News

The Garden Club has been busy cleaning up and cutting back landscaping on the boulevard and around the Village. Everything looks so neat and green! The new landscaping around the front of the Community Center will be starting sometime in May or June.

The Club will meet on Saturday, May 6, at 9:00 a.m. Again, new members are always welcome. They may contact Nique Scarbrough, Garden Club President, at 618/315-1099, for more information.

The May 11 Quarter Auction proceeds will benefit the Garden Club. Please come out to support all the gardening activities throughout the year!

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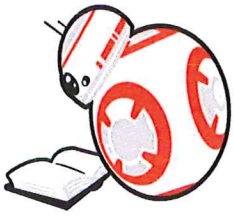
Williamsville PUBLIC LIBRARY & MUSEUM

WPLM has several events coming up in May & June. All events are free, but registration is requested for some events. To register please call WPLM at 566-3520, or register through our website at williamsvillelibrary.org. You can stay updated about upcoming events by following us on Facebook.

Genealogy Research

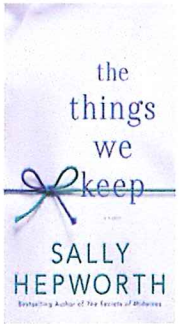
Gail Leonard, of the Decatur Genealogical Society, will be returning to the Williamsville Public Library and Museum on Thursday, May 18, at 6pm. She will be expanding on the introduction to on-line research which she presented in March. Participants may want to bring a laptop or tablet to visit and bookmark research sites. Since the event will be prior to Memorial Day, when many people visit cemeteries, Gail will also provide information about cemeteries and grave locating. You can register by calling 566-3520 or on-line at *www.williamsvillelibrary.org*. When you register please specify whether or not you plan to bring a laptop in order to assure sufficient table space for participants.

May the 4th – Star Wars Event



Join us on Thursday, May 4, for a Star Wars celebration! There will be games, snacks and crafts. You will even have an opportunity to have your picture taken with a Star Wars character. If you are unable to stop in on Thursday, (we know it's a busy day) stop in on Saturday, May 6, for our repeat performance. The display case will be changed to a Star Wars theme exhibit by our guest curators, the Kirkman family. We have special bookmarks to give away to all visitors. Join us for this special celebration of the force!

Book Club



Join us on May 25 to discuss *The Things We Keep* by Sally Hepworth. Anna Forster is only thirty-eight years old, but her mind is slowly slipping away from her. Armed only with her keen wit and sharp-eyed determination, she knows that her family is doing what they believe to be best when they take her to Rosalind House, an assisted living facility. But Anna has a secret: she does not plan on staying. She also knows there's just one another resident who is her age, Luke. What she does not expect is the love that blossoms between her and Luke even as she resists her new life. As her disease steals more and more of her memory, Anna fights to hold on to what she knows, including her relationship with Luke.

Teens are Welcome at WPLM

Patrons of all ages are always welcome at WPLM. This summer the multi-purpose room will be reserved for only junior high and high school teens every Monday through Thursday from 1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. Videogames, board games, and snacks will be available. No need to sign up. Just drop in starting the week of June 5.

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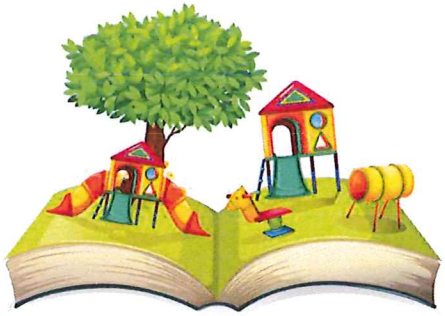
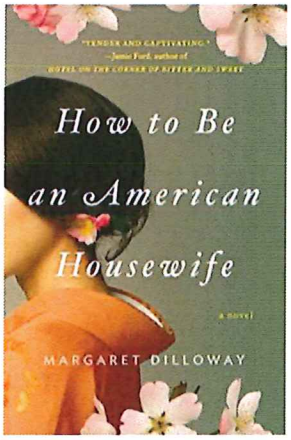
Summer Reading at Williamsville Public Library and Museum

Summer Reading Kick-off Party: Drop in on Monday, June 5, from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. for a party to kick off summer reading. You can sign up your child (K-5) for summer reading, receive the reading log, and have fun with activities and crafts.



Summer Reading Program: WPLM will host six weeks of special drop-in activities from Monday, June 12 through Thursday, July 20. Each week will have a unique focus based on the summer's theme of "Reading by Design." A movie will be shown each Thursday morning at 10:30 a.m., and drop-in activities and games will change each week. At home, parents will simply initial the reading log each time their child reads twenty minutes. Each time a level on the reading log is completed participants will bring it to WPLM to collect a small prize. Readers will be invited to the summer Reading Rewards party in late July with special giveaways and activities.



Book Club

Join us on June 29, to discuss *How to be an American Housewife* by Margaret Dilloway. When Shoko decided to marry an American GI and leave Japan, she had her parents' blessing, her brother's scorn, and a gift from her husband—a book on how to be a proper American housewife. As she crossed the ocean to America, Shoko also brought with her a secret she would need to keep her entire life. Half a century later, Shoko's plans to finally return to Japan and reconcile with her brother are derailed by illness. In her place, she sends her grown American daughter, Sue, a divorced single mother whose own life isn't what she hoped for. As Sue takes in Japan, with all its beauty and contradictions, she discovers another side to her mother and returns to America unexpectedly changed and irrevocably touched.

Wacky Wednesdays for Pre-schoolers

Story Time has wrapped up, but it will return in the fall. Through the summer, pre-schoolers are encouraged to bring a parent or grandparent to Wacky Wednesdays at WPLM at 10:30 a.m. Six weeks of fun will begin on Wednesday, June 14 and wrap up on Wednesday, July 19. The focus will be on movement, music, and play. No registration is required, but smiles are encouraged!

WPLM on Facebook

Follow WPLM on Facebook for reminders about ongoing events like Community Coffee Hour, an update on the History Mysteries event, and the unveiling of new museum displays this summer. After spring break, the high school will be setting the dates for semester exams. Follow us on Facebook for the announcement of special hours for group study at WPLM.

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WILLIAMSVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Chief: Scott Gaddy
Deputy Chief: Jeff Menke

The WVFD 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 p.m. If you are interested in becoming a member of our team, call us at 566-3311 or visit us at one of our meetings.

Volunteer Recruiting

The Fire Department is interested in recruiting people available during the day who would like to join the Department but who work nights or are otherwise unavailable during our regular Thursday meetings. Training, uniforms, protective gear and the opportunity to help your neighbors will be provided to new members. If you would like more information please call 566-3311.

Chief's Note:

We recently had an Insurance Service Organization (ISO) review of our department. Ratings from the ISO are often used by insurance companies to help set their prices. Ratings range from a 1 (best) to 10 (worst). The ratings are scored based on manpower, training, apparatus, reliable communications, and access to water – either hydrants or a steady supply by tankers. Our current ratings in the Village are 5. Areas outside the village are 5X. The new ratings effective July 1 will be 5/5Y. The change from 5X to 5Y represent an improvement in our abilities to protect areas of the district without hydrants.

Safety Note:

Spring is here and with that comes the potential for severe weather including tornadoes. Knowing the difference between a tornado watch and a tornado warning is critical. A tornado watch means that conditions are right for the formation of a tornado within the area or region under a tornado watch. When a tornado watch is active in your area you'll want to be alert and ready to seek shelter if a tornado develops.

A tornado warning means that a funnel cloud has been sighted or that weather radar has detected the possible formation of a tornado. A tornado warning means you need to ACT NOW and SEEK SHELTER immediately. A tornado warning means imminent danger to property and the potential for serious injury and loss of life.

How to Prepare for a Tornado

Williamsville uses an audible warning via an outdoor siren. You should identify the safest room in your household for you and your family to gather during a tornado. The best location is the basement or storm cellar. If you don't have either of those, choose an interior room that doesn't have any windows.

It's smart to have periodic practice doing tornado drills designed to educate everyone in the household on what to do and where to go if a tornado warning is issued. During a storm you'll want to keep your attention on the local news or a NOAA Weather Radio. This can help you stay informed on the storm and bring any tornado watches or warning to your attention. You'll want to do everything you can to protect your family—houses can be rebuilt, property can be replaced, but you can't bring back loved ones.

For additional information: http://www.tornadofacts.net/tornado-safety-facts.php

Check out *Bullets Bulletin Board* — the new Facebook Page for local business, community and school administrators!

Village of Williamsville

All Town Garage Sales

Saturday, April 29

8:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

Food & Shopping at the Community Center!

The Williamsville Community Foundation will be accepting garage sale item donations (no clothing, please) at the Community Center:

Thursday, April 27 5—8 pm

Friday, April 28 10 am—8 pm

Food will be available for purchase on Friday evening and Saturday all day from 7 am — 4 pm.

Donations are tax deductible!

On Friday afternoon, listings with a map will be available at:

Casey's Village Hall

Williamsville Public Library & Museum

Williamsville Antique Mall

Williamsville State Bank & Trust

williamsville.illinois.gov — the Village website

Book and Bake Sale

Williamsville Public Library & Museum

Saturday, April 29 from 10:00 a.m. — 2:00 p.m.

If you're a Village or Township resident participating in the Garage Sale, please don't forget to pay your $4.00 to go towards advertising for this event! Thank you!

Village of Williamsville

Spring Clean Up!

Donations are welcome and appreciated!

Saturday, April 29
8:00 am– 4:00 pm

Sunday, April 30
8:00 am– 3:00 pm

This event is for residents of Williamsville and Williams Township ONLY. Please be prepared to show a picture I.D. when dropping off materials.

ACCEPTING (SEGREGATED):

Maximum of 5 cu. ft. construction debris

Furniture

Appliances

Small kitchen appliances (toasters, etc.

SHRED YOUR STUFF!

A truck from Affordable Shred will be at the Community Center parking lot from 9:00 until 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, April 29. Residents may bring up to 5 boxes/bags of paper to be shredded on site while you watch.

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING!

BLH Computers, Inc. will be accepting CRTs and TVs from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. **ON SATURDAY, APRIL 29, ONLY** at the Village/Township Garage. Residents will pay $20-40 (depending on TV) and will receive a voucher for the same amount in return to be used in their store. This voucher never expires and is transferable. **CRTs and TVs will not be accepted on Sunday!**

NOT ACCEPTING:

Garbage	Food waste
Shingles	Tar Paper
Asphalt-based sheeting	Tires
Paint	Used Oil

Please come early...when the shred truck is full, the event will be over!

stljazznotes.blogspot.com

Vital Records Mobile Unit

Do you need a record? We are bringing it to you!

Birth / Death / Marriage Records & Licenses
Business Name Registration / Raffle Licenses

Sangamon County Clerk Don Gray has partnered with the Village of Williamsville to bring vital records directly to you.

Wednesday, May 3rd

Williamsville Village Hall

141 West Main

11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Quick - Convenient - Secure

Please bring with you:

1) Valid Photo Identification
(Driver's License, State ID, FOID Card, US passort or Military ID)

2) Method of Payment
(Cash, Check, Visa, Mastercard,

Only specific individuals have legal access to birth, death and marriage records. We issue certified copies only to authorized individuals. Please visit www.sangamoncountyclerk.com for more information.

DON GRAY

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The Village of Williamsville
2017 Fall Festival

4th Annual

YOUR'RE INVITED TO A BACKYARD BBq COOK-OFF THROWDOWN

When: Saturday, September 9th

Where: Downtown Williamsville

Categories: Open & Pork Ribs

Prizes:

1st $225 - 2nd $125 - 3rd $100

4th $50 - 5th $25

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Williamsville Community Calendar

April

April 27	WCF Collection for Garage Sale at Comm. Ctr.
April 28	Book/Bake Sale at WPLM from 4:00—7:00 p.m. (Friends of Library Only)
April 28	Drop off garage sale items for Foundation pm
April 29	Book/Bake Sale at WPLM from 10:00 a.m. — 2:00 p.m. (Everyone welcome!)
April 29	All Town Garage Sale, Shred Event & Clean-Up
April 30	All Town Clean-Up— 8:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

May

May 1	Foundation Meeting 6:30 p.m.
May 2	Coffee Hour at 10:00 a.m. at WPLM
May 2	Senior Potluck at WUMC — 12 noon
May 3	Don Gray with Vital Records at Village Hall
May 3	Woodcarvers in Comm. Center 7:00 p.m.
May 4	Star Wars Day at WPLM
May 6	Garden Club Meeting at 9:00 a.m.
May 7	Healthy Kids Running Series, Week #5
May 8	Village Board Meeting — 6:30 p.m.
May 9	Coffee Hour at 10:00 a.m. at WPLM
May 9	Fireside Chat at 12:30 p.m. at WPLM
May 9	Library/Museum Board Meeting at 6:30 p.m. at WPLM
May 11	Quarter Auction 6:30 p.m. benefits Garden Club
May 15	Community Coffee Hour at 10:00 a.m. at WPLM
May 16	Coffee Hour at 10:00 a.m. at WPLM
May 18	Genealogy Workshop, Part II at 6:00 p.m. at WPLM
May 20	Woodcarvers Carve-In 9 am — 3 p.m. CC
May 22	Village Board Meeting — 6:30 p.m.
May 23	Coffee Hour at 10:00 a.m. at WPLM
May 25	Fireside Chat at 12:30 p.m. at WPLM
May 25	Book Club at 7:00 p.m. at WPLM
May 28	Memorial Day Program at the Arch— 11:45 a.m.
May 29	Memorial Day Holiday — Village Office & WPLM Closed
May 30	Coffee Hour at 10:00 a.m. at WPLM

(Please check our website for any changes to dates/times!)

June

June 1	Woodcarvers in Comm. Center 7 pm
June 3	Garden Club Meeting at 9:00 a.m.
June 5	Summer Reading Kick-Off 10:00 a.m.—4 p.m. At WPLM
June 5	Foundation Meeting 6:30 p.m.
June 6	Coffee Hour at 10:00 a.m. at WPLM
June 6	Senior Potluck at WUMC — 12 Noon
June 7	Wacky Wednesday (Preschool Program) at 10:30 a.m. at WPLM
June 8	Quarter Auction 6:30 p.m.
June 12	Community Coffee Hour at 10:00 a.m. at WPLM
June 13	Coffee Hour at 10:00 a.m. at WPLM
June 13	Fireside Chat at 12:30 p.m. at WPLM
June 13	Library /Museum Board Meeting at 6:30 p.m. at WPLM
June 14	Wacky Wednesday (Preschool Program) at 10:30 a.m. at WPLM
June 15	Summer Reading Movie at 10:30 a.m. at WPLM
June 20	Coffee Hour 10:00 a.m. at the WPLM
June 21	Wacky Wednesday (Preschool Program) at 10:30 a.m. at WPLM
June 22	Summer Reading Movie at 10:30 a.m. at WPLM
June 22	Fireside Chat 12:30 p.m. at WPLM
June 25	Fourth of July Celebration at the Park
June 26	New Museum Exhibits at WPLM
June 26	Village Board Meeting 6:30 p.m.
June 27	Coffee Hour 10:00 a.m. at the WPLM
June 28	Wacky Wednesday (Preschool Program) at 10:30 a.m. at WPLM
June 29	Summer Reading Movie at 10:30 a.m. at WPLM
June 29	Book Club at the WPLM at 7:00 p.m.
July 2	Rain Date for fireworks in the Park

Save the Date!

The next All School Reunion is being planned for September 8, 2017 (in conjunction with the Fall Festival which takes place September 8 and 9). The evening will feature food, music and fun! Be on the lookout for more details coming soon!

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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 June 12 Board meeting has been cancelled.

Approved Minutes and Agendas

may be viewed at the Village Office or the website at

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

Monday-Friday

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Water Emergency
217.306-5803

Library
217.566.3520

Post Office
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