



Mayor's Message

04 March 2016

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Dear Neighbors,
In an effort to increase transparency of Village business and to provide an opportunity for those residents having difficulty attending the Village Board meetings

to view our meetings, I am happy to announce that the Village is now providing links to video recordings of the Village Board



meetings directly on the Village website at www.wauconda-il.gov/AgendaCenter.

Scroll down to the Village Board meetings section and you'll have an option to open the agenda for each meeting (with supporting documentation), read approved minutes from prior Board meetings, and a

media option  for the Village Board meetings beginning with the January 19, 2016 meeting. If you click on the media option next to the date of the desired meeting, the link will take you to YouTube and a complete video and audio recording of the meeting captured on cameras installed in the Board room. These videos will typically be uploaded within a week of the conclusion of the meeting.

Ask The Mayor Question:

I own a business in Wauconda and notice the water rates for my business are higher than the rates being paid by residential accounts. How can we remove this "penalty" for commercial accounts?

Answer:

You are correct. There is currently a difference between the water rate for residential, business, and industrial accounts with commercial accounts paying a higher rate. During the strategic planning process and the development of the strategic goals for the community, one of the goals established was economic development. We recognized that charging commercial accounts more for water than other accounts was not conducive to economic development. In pursuit of this strategic goal, the Village Administrator recommended to the Village Board and the Village Board agreed that the Village should move toward a standardized rate for all water users.



The first step toward equalization was taken in summer of 2015 with the annual adjustment in water rates. Industrial rates were unchanged from the prior year, business rates saw a modest increase of 2%, and residential rates were adjusted 4%. We anticipate a similar adjustment in 2016 to get closer to a standardized rate with the final step toward equalization in a subsequent year. It costs the same for the Village to produce water regardless of the type of user and, as such, it only makes sense to charge an equitable rate particularly when we are attempting to attract and retain businesses in our community.

5th Annual Spring BNF Dinner-Dance



The Bulldog Nation Foundation is a group of dedicated community members who are interested in providing Wauconda High School with financial resources for innovation in the classroom to support a robust academic experience for all students.

To reserve your seat at this exciting event, complete this form by February 16 and return it with your payment to: Jennifer Vogler, 2138 Trailside Lane, Wauconda, IL 60084. Questions? Call 847-451-0435 or email voglerhouse@aol.com.

Name(s): _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

of tickets (\$75 each or a table of 10 for \$750): _____ # of vegetarian plates: _____

Form of payment: Check Visa Master Card Discover American Express

Checks payable to: Bulldog Nation Foundation. Purchase tickets online at bulldognationfoundation.net

Card #: _____ Exp. date: _____ 3 or 4 digit verification code: _____

15th Annual Boy Scout Pancake Breakfast

15TH ANNUAL
BOY SCOUT
PANCAKE BREAKFAST

SUNDAY, MARCH 13TH | 8AM - 12PM

WAUCONDA MOOSE LODGE #1969
200 SOUTH MAPLE AVE. WAUCONDA, IL

ALL YOU CAN EAT

ADULTS: \$6

KIDS 7 & UNDER: \$4

PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE
SCOUTS OF TROOP 90.



For your art & design needs: cal@art.design@gmail.com [@calart.design](https://www.instagram.com/calart.design)

15th Annual Leprechaun Plunge

WAUCONDA BOAT'S
FIFTH ANNUAL
LEPRECHAUN PLUNGE

Charitable Fundraiser

SATURDAY MARCH 14, 2015

Start at Middleton's On Main at 9 A.M. and join the

"Parade to the Plunge"

Festivities start at Wauconda Boat at 11 A.M.

Prizes and Trophy for Best:

- Costume
- Irish Toast
- Limerick
- Irish Jig
- Group/Team
- Water Entry
- More!!!

GUEST JUDGES & MUSICIANS!!



Featuring The "Friends of The Lake Grill" and famous specialties of Bliss Wine and Gifts and Main Street Outfitter

Come early and grab lunch. All proceeds from the grill go to Bangs Lake, thanks to food donations by Bulldogs, Middleton's, Docks, & Lindy's

Commemorative gift for the first 100 to register. Pre-registration recommended.

Donation - \$20.00 in person or \$25.00 on line and day of event. Visit Facebook's Leprechaun Plunge event page to sign up on line.

Proceeds benefit Bangs Lake Maintenance and Fish Stocking

Registration forms available at Wauconda Boat, Lake County Watersports, Bliss, Main Street Outfitter, Middletons, Aspire, Threads, Docks, Lindy's...

Must be 18 or older to participate or have a parent present. Must sign waiver prior to plunging.
Wauconda Boat, 231 E. Liberty St., Wauconda, IL 60084 - 847-526-2203 - waucboat@ameritech.net

Shamrock the Block

STAR CHARITIES PRESENTS

Shamrock The Block March 17-20, 2016

Enjoy a weekend of activities all around Wauconda!

Friday Pub Crawl ❀ Saturday Plunge ❀ Sunday St Baldrick's

Middleton's - Lindys' Landing - Bliss Wine - Dock's - Main Street Outfitter
Bliss Wine & Gifts - Strawberry Moon - Side Lot Brewery - JJ Twigs

Raffle for 2 to Ireland!
Tickets \$10 each or 3/\$20



more information at shamrocktheblock.org
like us on Facebook!

The next meeting is Tuesday,
March 15th, 2016 at 7:00 PM at
Village Hall, 101N. Main Street.



Take care and God Bless,

Frank

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