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VILLAGE *of* WESTERN SPRINGS

Village to Consider Updates to the Building and Fire Codes

At the June 9, 2014 Board of Trustees meeting, a proposal was brought forth by Directors Martin Scott and Fire Chief Patrick J. Kenny regarding updating and amending the current building and fire codes. It is proposed that the 1999 Building Officials and Code Administration (BOCA) codes currently in place be updated to the 2006 International Fire and Building Codes (ICC).

In addition to that adoption, the codes would be amended to address additional fire safety measures. Specifically, these measures will address the lack of mandated early warning fire detection or suppression systems in existing assembly, educational, commercial, business and multi-unit dwellings (defined by 3 or more units) as well as requiring sprinkler protection in newly constructed residential structures.

The proposal included a program that had been presented to many of the Village's commercial and multi-unit building owners. The program highlighted the research that has gone into making these recommendations along with a video (structure burn demonstration coordinated between the Northern Illinois Fire Sprinkler Advisory Board and the Hinsdale

Fire Department) on the impact of residential sprinklers.

There are two "groupings" when examining these specific code amendments. One would be new residential property and the other would be existing assembly, educational, commercial, business and multi-unit dwellings (defined by 3 or more units).

First Group—New residential property built on or after January 1, 2015, will be required to have automatic sprinkler protection. Remodeling of current residential structures will NOT require any mandated sprinkler protection.

Second Group—Existing assembly, educational, commercial, business and multi-unit dwellings (defined by 3 or more units) would be required, if not already in place, to be equipped throughout with either an automatic fire detection system or automatic fire suppression system. Which system they have installed would be the building owner's choice. These mandated systems will be required to be monitored by either the Village dispatch or a third party alarm company and will have to be in place by no later than January 1, 2018.

While no one, whether a new home owner or an existing building owner of

a business or multi-unit dwelling wishes to incur additional expense, these recommendations are consistent with the Village's safety values.

The Village of Western Springs was recently recognized as one of the safest communities. The Village strives for the best quality of life both where their residents live as well as where they conduct their business and believes the recommendations are consistent with protecting those community standards. In addition, these recommendations are consistent with federal recommendations as evidenced by the United States Fire Administration and the Federal Emergency Management Agency Position Paper issued on March 28, 2008.

There is no question, if any of the building owners previously referred to could visualize the devastation of a fire ahead of time, they would proactively make the decision to protect their business or home. Unfortunately, fires do occur. By remaining diligent but reasonable in recommending public safety enhancements, the Village will better protect the community.

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The next step in amending the codes will be a review of a draft ordinance by the Public Health & Safety Committee in late summer. Questions may be directed to Fire Chief Patrick J. Kenny at pkenny@wsprings.com or Director Martin Scott at mScott@wsprings.com.

Additional Information

Burn Demonstration Video—Available for viewing at www.wsprings.com.

Articles—*Why Homes Need Fire Sprinklers* and *How Fire Sprinklers Work* are available at www.homefiressprinkler.org.



EAB Treatment Program

In 2012, after inventorying all of the public ash trees, the Village decided to begin an EAB treatment program. Treatment is only a short-term solution and, unless treatment is continued every two years (indefinitely), the EAB infestation will in time kill the tree. The Village will eventually remove all public ash trees; however, the treatment program will help to minimize a large change in aesthetics in areas that have a large ash tree population. The Tree-AGE trunk injection treatment product was chosen for application to the ash trees that rated above an average health rating. There were 320 ash trees treated during 2012 and 264 in 2013.

Trees treated in 2012 continue to show little to no signs of the EAB infestation and, therefore, the Village will continue with the treatment and reapply the ash trees treated in 2012.

The Village urges residents wishing to treat ash trees on private property to start the treatment process as soon as possible. Treating a tree before it becomes heavily infested greatly increases the likelihood that the insecticide will be effective in prolonging the tree's life. A number of products are available and a certified arborist can assist you with treatment options. For more information on the EAB infestation, please visit www.wsprings.com/eab.

Municipal Roundup

The President and Board of Trustees approved the following business during the months of May and June:

- A Class "I" Special Event liquor license, a raffle license and a temporary use permit for St. John of the Cross—SJC Fest 2014 from June 26–29, 2014.
- The well house #3 renovation contract to Tri-State Enterprises in the amount of \$141,789.
- The creation of a Class "M" (Theater License, Beer and Wine Only) liquor license.
- The creation of a Class "N" (Caterer's License) liquor license.
- To proceed with the design phase of a Consolidated Public Safety Dispatch Center with Villages of LaGrange and LaGrange Park.
- An updated fee schedule for the Recreation Department's activities and programs, effective September 1, 2014.
- A contract with Brothers Asphalt Paving, Inc. of Addison, IL in the amount of \$244,920.85 for the 2014 roadway resurfacing project.
- A Memorandum of Agreement with the 5424 Fair Elms Community Garden organization.
- A contract with Schroeder and Schroeder, of Skokie, IL for the 2014 sidewalk replacement program, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$40,000 for calendar year 2014.
- A renewal contract with Davey Tree Expert for the emerald ash borer Tree-AGE chemical treatment program at the 2012 price schedule, for a total contract amount of \$35,480.25.
- An agreement with Teska Associates, Inc. for professional and technical services relating to the creation of a tax increment finance district in an amount not to exceed \$19,580.00.
- A letter of engagement with Klein, Thorpe and Jenkins, Ltd. for legal services relating to the creation of a tax increment finance district in an amount not to exceed \$20,000

Refuse/Recycling Holiday Pickup Schedule

For the 4th of July holiday, only Friday service is affected. Collection will be on Saturday, July 5th. For Labor Day, September 1st, both Tuesday and Friday pickups are affected. Pickup will be on Wednesday and Saturday of that week. For your reference, the 2014 Holiday Refuse Pickup Schedule is always available at www.wsprings.com.

**The Moving Wall
Coming to Berwyn Park District
August 7–11, 2014**



The Moving Wall is the half-size replica of the Washington, DC Vietnam Veterans Memorial and travels the USA from April through November. As we celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Vietnam War and the 30th anniversary of The Moving Wall, the Berwyn Park District is proud to host this solemn and reverent event at Berwyn's beautiful Proksa Park. Community leaders will be honoring and paying special tribute to the surrounding communities' fallen soldiers. Those soldiers from the Village of Western Springs who gave the ultimate sacrifice are:

MAJ WAYNE EDWARD PEARSON

1LT JAMES DERRILL STEVENSON

1LT JOHN KEVIN WOODS

Complete details for the project can be viewed at movingwall.berwynparks.org.

Community Garden Program



If you are interested in a plot to plant flowers or vegetables this summer, the Community Garden Program is now available. The Village has granted a license to the 5424 Fair Elms Avenue Community Garden Organization that allows the organization,

residents, property owners, community groups and local business owners to use and maintain the Village property at 5424 Fair Elms Avenue. Interested participants will need to fill out an application and submit it to the Village. The application along with a map of the site plans and the rules and conditions are available at www.wsprings.com/garden or contact fairelmscg@gmail.com.



HOUSE WALK 2015

The Western Springs Historical Society is pleased to announce the date for their next House Walk. This biennial event will be held from 11 a.m.—5 p.m. on Sunday, May 17, 2015. Not-to-be-missed, the Historical Society's House Walk offers guests a glimpse inside some of the Village's loveliest homes!

Plans for the Walk are underway and volunteers are always welcome. If you would like to get involved, please contact the Historical Society at 708-246-9230 or info@westernspringshistory.org.



**Back to School Movie in the Park
Friday, August 22, at 8 p.m.
Springdale Park, 5200 Caroline**

Grab a blanket and come see *The Lego Movie!* This is a FREE event provided by your Western Springs Park District, and a fun way to celebrate the end of summer before school starts. Refreshments will be available.

Your Park District has been busy readying the parks for summer enjoyment. New picnic tables, benches and drinking fountains have been added throughout the parks. Renovations of the playing fields at Spring Rock Park will begin in July. This project will result in two adult-size, state-of-the-art grass playing fields that will be open by the fall of 2015.

Park Permits

Park use permits are required for groups of 25 or more people for all activities including picnics, family gatherings and sporting events. Park use permit fees begin at \$60. If you would like to host a gathering at one of your Western Springs Parks, please visit www.wsparks.com for more information and instructions for obtaining a permit.

For additional information about what is happening in your parks, please visit the Park District's web site at www.wsparks.org.

Friendly Reminders

Block Parties

Planning a block party? A consent form must be submitted at least two weeks before your party. The form is available at www.wsprings.com or Village Hall.

Call Before You Dig

All projects outdoors, including the smallest task, require a call to JULIE. Just dial 811. One call does it all to protect you from digging where utilities are buried—it's simple, it's safe and it's the law.

Check Before You Build

Many of those summer projects on your home or yard will require that a building permit is first obtained from the Village. The Village of Western Springs uses the building permit as a tool to ensure that established standards for design and construction are followed. The building design and construction standards have been created to protect the public health, safety and welfare. Guidelines and the building permit form are available at www.wsprings.com or call the Community Development office, 708-246-1800, Ext. 180, if you are unsure if you need a permit.

Curfew Law

Parents are reminded that it is unlawful for anyone less than 17 years of age to be at or upon any public place, unless accompanied by a parent, legal guardian or other responsible companion at least 18 years of age, after curfew. Curfew hours are between midnight and 6 a.m. on Friday and Saturday, and 11 p.m. and 6 a.m. Sunday through Thursday. These curfew hours are not the same curfew hours for a minor driving a motor vehicle. Please refer to cyberdriveillinois.com for details on the hours and restrictions.

Fireworks Safety

Residents are advised to leave all fireworks displays to the professionals. Fireworks are illegal in Illinois. However, certain novelty fireworks such as sparklers, snakes, and party-poppers are not regulated by the State of Illinois and must be used with great caution. Sparklers burn at temperatures of up to 1,200 degrees Fahrenheit and remain extremely hot long after the sparks have stopped. Children playing with novelty fireworks must be closely supervised by adults to prevent injury.

Lawn Maintenance

Grass is not permitted to grow to a height exceeding eight inches. If you notice a property that needs attention, please contact Community Development at 708-246-1800, Ext. 177. When mowing your lawn, remember grass clippings should not be blown in the streets. The clippings clog the storm sewers, which can cause street flooding.

Noise Restrictions

Motorized lawn maintenance equipment can only be used during the following hours:

- Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- Saturday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Sunday, noon to 4 p.m.

Penalty Fee

Vehicle license stickers purchased after June 1 will cost \$70. This includes \$35 for the sticker and the remaining \$35 is the penalty fee. Vehicle stickers expire every March 31 and new ones must be displayed by April 1.

Pet Peeves

Pet owners, please be considerate of others by not allowing your pet to be shut up or tied in a yard, house, or other place in the Village which by barking, howling, or other noises shall disturb the peace and quiet of any individual, family or neighborhood. Violators will be subject to a fine.

When walking your pet, do not allow your pet to defecate upon the property of your neighbors, churches, schools, parks or any public property. Also have in your possession a device for the immediate removal of any excrement from your animal.

Please Be Pedestrian Friendly

Western Springs is a village on the move—especially when it comes to residents who enjoy walking, jogging or rolling along our sidewalks. Please remember to not block sidewalks with vehicles, which causes pedestrians to go around vehicles. Also low branches are a hazard to a pedestrian. The Village makes every effort to keep branches trimmed away from the parkway; however, it is the resident's responsibility to trim trees standing on private property abutting on any sidewalk. Branches must be trimmed at the height of not less than ten feet above the sidewalk. If you notice areas that need attention, please contact Public Works at 708-246-1800, Ext. 200.

Yard Waste Disposal

Yard waste includes brush, grass clippings, leaves, plants, weeds, roots and twigs. These materials must be placed at the curb in a biodegradable bag with a sticker on collection day.

Yard waste that is too bulky to be placed in a bag, such as branches or brush, must be securely tied and bundled. Bundles may not exceed 4 ft. in length, 2 ft. in diameter or 60 pounds in weight. Each bag or bundle of yard waste materials must have a sticker affixed for collection. The Public Works Department does not collect yard waste and will only pick up branches that have come down from a storm.

Welcome New Businesses!



Clarity Physical Therapy and Wellness Center, 814 Hillgrove Avenue, is a locally owned physical therapy practice specializing in outpatient rehabilitation as well as medical and community

wellness for the mind, body and soul. With 14 years of clinical expertise in the fields of orthopedics, manual therapy and sports medicine, they take a holistic approach to returning patients back to their active lifestyle without pain. Each visit includes a focus on individualized therapy, using evidence based techniques for the best possible rehabilitation experience. The wellness center focuses on the promotion of health through the three aspects of life: fitness, nutrition and stress management. For information on upcoming classes and seminars, explore claritypt.com. If you or someone you know is having pain, suffering from de-conditioning or has questions about all of Clarity's services, don't hesitate to call 708-505-3900 or email at info@claritypt.com.



Sugar Mom Treats, 800 Hillgrove Avenue, recently celebrated a grand opening with the community. The business is a modern, community patisserie serving high quality items with excellent service in a comfortable, kid friendly atmosphere. In the ribbon cutting photo (l-r) are:

Trustee Suzie Glowiak, daughter Lily, son Jackson, and Cindy and Jon Henning. Stop by on your way to the train or for a late morning coffee and pastry and see what they have to offer! Closed on Sundays.

AARP DRIVER SAFETY PROGRAM

The Police Department will be hosting an AARP Driver Safety Program at the Village Hall on July 15 and 16, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. each day.

Registration is available at 55alive@wsprings.com or call 708-246-1800, ext. 155.

More information on the program is available at www.aarp.org/drive.

It's Vacation Time

Regardless of whether your activities will take you away from home for one month or one day, it can be a tempting time for a burglar to strike—unless you take precautions. The Police Department offers the following suggestions:

Stop Deliveries. A pile of newspapers or mail is like hanging out a sign telling others that no one is home.

Use Timers. Placing one of these inexpensive devices on each floor to turn a light on and off makes it appear as though someone is home.

Give a Key to a Person You Trust. That person can stop in every so often to make the house look "lived in" by moving the car in and out of the garage, opening and closing drapes and bringing in deliveries that were not stopped. Also make sure your grass stays cut.

Never Hide a Key Outside. You're not the only one who knows about fake rocks and other tricks for holding a spare key.

Vacation Watch. This service is a great addition to other security steps. The police check your house while you are away. To obtain this service, fill out the online form at www.wsprings.com or visit the Police Department.

A Food Allergy Parent Group is inviting parents of children with food allergies to meet for conversation about managing kids' food allergies. The group will meet on Wednesday, July 30th, at 7:30 p.m. at Davanti Enoteca, 800 Hillgrove. Questions? Please contact cmwest9@yahoo.com.



Recreation Department Welcomes International Group



Harry Lipinski, resident and international consultant, recently brought four Turkish representatives from their Ministry of Youth & Sports to the Western Springs Recreation Department to observe programs, gain insights to organizational management, understand our budget and tour facilities. The group toured the Recreation Center, Grand Avenue Community Center and Spring Rock Park.

At the centers, they observed infant care, preschool activities including Little Authors, kids playing basketball, a ballet class and the seniorize exercise program. Spring Rock Park activities included joggers, an in-line hockey game and the park crew at work. They enjoyed their visit and complimented the staff on their friendliness and engaging hospitality.

In the above photo, the Montessori School of Western Springs (Beth Sorrells, Director) greets the visitors with a song and their home flag with “Welcome” in the Turkish language

Controlling the Mosquito Population

The mosquito population is controlled by the Des Plaines Valley Mosquito Abatement District, which conducts surveillance to locate and control or eliminate mosquito breeding sources. This is accomplished by applying chemical agents directly in areas of open water sources, such as large ponds and catch basins.

Spraying Notification

If necessary, the district may utilize spraying as a means to control adult mosquito populations. Residents with a disability requiring reduced pesticide exposure may request a “no spray” area. Details on obtaining the request are available at the District’s website at www.desplainsvalleymad.com. Please note that the Village receives a 24-hour advance notice about spraying; however, the district now provides this information on their website for residents to check on adult mosquito control plans. The district also posts a recorded message after 3:30 p.m. on their main phone line at 708-447-1765. Residents can call this number to see if any adult control operations are planned for that evening. The Village will also post spraying activity on the Village web site and the cable channel.

Deputy Chief Completes FBI National Academy Program



The Western Springs Police Department is pleased to announce the recent graduation of Deputy Chief Brian J. Budds from the 255th Session of the FBI National Academy Program. Deputy Chief Budds successfully completed the ten week program

held in Quantico, Virginia from April 6 to June 13, 2014. He also attained the prestigious “Yellow and Blue Brick Awards” by successfully completing an eight week series of physical fitness challenges along with an optional 34 mile swim challenge.

Water Meter Position Available

The Village of Western Springs is seeking qualified applicants for the position of water meter reader with the Department of Finance. Essential job functions include reading remote water meters and monitoring for defective metering equipment. The job requires a high volume of walking in the outdoors. Position allows a high degree of flexibility with respect to hours and schedule. Salary is \$11 per hour with an average of 30-40 hours per month. Applicants must fill out an employment application and return to Ingrid S. Velkme, Deputy Village Manager, Village of Western Springs, 740 Hillgrove Avenue, Western Springs, IL 60558. Applications are available at www.wsprings.com and the Village Hall.

Village of Western Springs is an equal opportunity employer.

Recreation Department

The Recreation Department welcomes you to the summer of 2014. Registration is open for a number of fun and challenging programs for people of all ages. If you need a summer brochure, contact the department at 708-246-9070 or view it at www.wsprings.com/recreation.

Not going on vacation in August? Consider one of these activities for the kids:

- Late Summer Camp—Just for Tots (ages 3–5) and Tower Camp (ages 5 ½–8), July 28–August 15, 9–11:30 a.m. at the WS Rec Center.
- Chess Camp—Ages K–8th grade, August 4–8, 1–4 p.m. at the WS Rec Center.
- Bedtime Buddies—Make a cuddly buddy to sleep with for ages 2–8 years on Thursday, August 7, 4:30–5:30 p.m. at the WS Rec Center.
- Vegetarian Cooking for Teens—Ages 10–13, August 14 & 21, 2–3:30 p.m. at the Community Park District of LaGrange Park.

The fall brochure will be mailed to residents the first week of August and also posted at www.wsprings.com/recreation. Mail-in registration will be due by Thursday, August 21. For questions regarding programs or registration, please contact the Recreation Department at 708-246-9070 or visit www.wsprings.com/recreation.

Sizzling Summer Reading

Thomas Ford
Memorial Library



Last year, the Thomas Ford Memorial Library said “Yes!” to member requests by extending its hours and opening on Sundays in summer from 1–5 p.m. The extra hours proved so popular that the Board approved making the change permanent.

This summer, there’s more than ever to bring you to the library. The summer reading programs for adults, teens and children continue into July and August with a cornucopia of programs, speakers, movies, crafts, and prizes. A full schedule was mailed to residents and is also available in the library and at fordlibrary.org. You can sign up for the summer reading programs and summer events at the library, by calling 708–246–0520, or at fordlibrary.org.

With the addition of summer Sunday hours, the library is now open 65 hours a week, year round, to provide members full access to books, magazines, DVDs, CDs, and audiobooks; knowledgeable, friendly staff stands ready to assist with questions and reading suggestions. Need even more time with the library? It’s open at fordlibrary.org 24 hours a day for searching the catalog, making requests, learning a language, downloading eBooks, and more.

Come and stay a while!



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Open House for New Water Plant

The Village of Western Springs is pleased to announce the completion of rehabilitating the water plant into a reverse osmosis (RO) technology plant. In 2008, after years of study and analysis, the Village selected reverse osmosis (RO) as the preferred method of treating the water supply in the future. The Village's largest capital project began in November 2011 and was completed on April 30, 2014. To celebrate the completion, the Village will host an Open House on Tuesday, August 5, 2014. The Open House will offer the community an opportunity to visit and learn about the new technology in the plant. The water plant is located at 614 Hillgrove Avenue. Event details will be posted to **www.wsprings.com**.



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Visit our website for a complete list of member businesses and updates on upcoming events.

WSBA awards annual scholarships

Meet the winners for 2014

The Western Springs Business Association is pleased to present scholarships to five local students this year. The WSBA awards scholarship money to students who demonstrate outstanding character, integrity and commitment to the community. Scholarship winners have been employed by WSBA members, and are headed to post-secondary

educational institutions.

We invite you to meet the recipients:

Western Springs

resident **Tyler Christian**

attends St. Ignatius High School.

He is no stranger to community service or volunteering outside his community. He helped with Western

Springs Little League and senior citizen projects. Tyler also mentored incoming freshmen at St.

Ignatius and helped out at the Chicago Food Depository and the Gateway for Cancer Research.

Tyler will attend the University of Notre Dame in the fall, where he plans to pursue a career in engineering or business. He is off to a good start by running his own lawn care business while working extra shifts at Casey's Market. Joe Lane from Casey's said, "Tyler has never been a minute late and is willing to take on more responsibility whenever he can get it. Tyler is wise beyond his years."

An 'A' student, Tyler took four AP classes this year. His Macroeconomics teacher James Hasten said, "Tyler is an all-around class asset. He demonstrates marked maturity as he balances the rigors of academic discipline with participation in extracurricular activities in school and outside

employment."

Tyler Christian is not only a 2014 WSBA Scholarship winner, but is also this year's recipient of the Ed Johnson Award for Outstanding Academic Excellence and Community Service.

Elizabeth Bonnema attended Lyons Township High School (LTHS), where she was involved as a peer tutor for the Little Lions Orchestra Camp and the annual District Solo Ensembles. She began volunteering at the Thomas Ford Memorial Library's Summer Reading Program when she was still in sixth grade, which led to her eventual employment there.



Elizabeth Bonnema
Thomas Ford
Memorial Library

Elizabeth Daly of Ford Library said, "Elizabeth's attention to detail is greatly appreciated along with her flexibility in helping out as a Page."

Elizabeth is a terrific student. "She is inquisitive, determined and hard working," said Linda Gilmore, her Math teacher. "Elizabeth is committed to learning, has a positive attitude and diligence, despite obstacles that she encounters."

Elizabeth will attend the University of Minnesota where she will study molecular genetics. After earning a master's degree and a Ph.D, Elizabeth plans to become a genetic researcher.

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Sidewalk SALE!



**FRIDAY
SATURDAY
SUNDAY**

July 11

July 12

July 13

**Think Local.
Shop Local.
Be Local.**



Tyler Christian
Casey's Market



WSBA
BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

■ 2014 WSBA Scholarship winners *(continued from page 1)*

Sarah Cordell is employed at Oberweis Dairy, where she manages the money, prepares fountain treats and directs when chaos erupts. Assistant Manager Crystal Calvillo said, “Sarah has excellent communication skills, is positive and intelligent. She is a wonderful employee and a great example to her peers.”



Sarah Cordell
Oberweis Dairy

Sarah plans on majoring in nursing at Bradley University. She hopes to travel as a nurse, assisting people in countries across the world. This summer Sarah would like to volunteer at a local hospital and continue volunteering at a hospital in Peoria during her college years at Bradley.

Volunteering is something Sarah is familiar with. She was a swim coach at the Village Field Club, and also helped out at LTHS’s library, Food For Thought Club and Holiday Write Night.

Patrick King, Sarah’s counselor at LTHS said, “Sarah is a hard-working young lady. She would rather sacrifice sleep than give up a chance to learn something new.”

John Mazza lives in Western Springs and works as a cashier for Village True

Value Hardware where he has the responsibility of being accurate with the currency and the computer. He also helps with the intake of merchandise and stocks the shelves.



John Mazza
Village True Value
Hardware

Paint Department Manager, Don Herrmann said, “John meets the task with a positive attitude. He has matured and become a responsible young man while balancing school work, service opportunities, athletics and employment responsibilities.”

John was a great student at LTHS and will study mechanical or civil engineering at the University of Wisconsin – Madison. He hopes to work with Engineers without Borders, so he can modernize bridges, water treatment systems and other environmental projects. Angela Patel, John’s AP Biology teacher said, “John is a well rounded individual with a commitment to teamwork. He is a leader by example and presents his ideas clearly and concisely.”

Megan Rada also attended LTHS, where she was an excellent student.

Megan plans to study molecular biology and marine science at the University of Tampa. She would like to become a researcher or a doctor.



Megan Rada
W.S. Recreation
Department

Angela Patel, Megan’s AP Biology teacher said, “Megan performs extremely well on exams, shows perseverance in overcoming challenges and likes to take class info to the next level by asking intelligent questions and adding additional information.”

In addition to her passion for biology, Megan has a passion for tennis. The Western Springs Recreation Department employs Megan as a tennis teacher for younger students. She also organizes USTA tournaments and manages phone calls. Tennis Director Dave Evans said, “Megan has brought unbridled enthusiasm and professionalism to the job as a tennis instructor. She is always willing to go the distance to make success happen.”

Megan also finds time to volunteer at a local horse stable helping individuals with disabilities and rehabilitation, and she keeps an eye out for volunteer opportunities that might allow her to put her tennis abilities to good use.

Congratulations to all of the WSBA Scholarship winners for 2014. We wish you every success in achieving your dreams.

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