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Mixed Use Development (MXD) Zoning District and Foxford Station Approval Summary

On February 23, 2015, the Village Board approved both an amendment to the Development Control Ordinance (DCO) and Foxford Station. The DCO amendment includes the creation of a new Mixed Use Development (MXD) zoning district to facilitate redevelopment concepts approved in the 2011 Downtown Redevelopment Plan. Foxford Station is a mixed use development with housing and commercial that will be located at the southeast corner of Wolf Road and Burlington Avenue in the former locations of Tischler's Finer Foods and Breen's Cleaners. The new building will include 52 apartments, 3,600 sq. ft. of commercial space, and indoor parking (for resident and business use). The apartments will be upscale units that could be converted to condos by the building owner. There is not yet a tenant for the commercial space. The building architecture draws upon traditional features found in Western Springs and also includes balconies and terraces as project amenities.

MXD District

The new MXD district was created to address the fact that standard C-1 (Village Center Commercial) zoning, which is utilized for the downtown, is inadequate for larger mixed use projects. In particular, it was conceived for the southeast and southwest corners of Burlington Avenue and Wolf Road



(sites 6 and 7). These sites were depicted as having potential to redevelop as four, and three and one-half story, mixed use buildings, respectively, in the Downtown Redevelopment Plan.

The general format for the new MXD district follows that of other districts (e.g. lists of permitted and conditional use, bulk regulations such as setbacks, height, and more). The requirements also expand to define parking, minimum unit size for condos or apartments, required submittals, as well as the review process, since mixed use buildings will be reviewed as planned developments. As proposed, the MXD district was intended to only be eligible for sites 6 and 7 as identified in the Downtown Redevelopment Plan. The Plan Commission, after discussing the issue and considering resident input, recommended that site 7 (southwest corner of Wolf and Burlington) be removed from eligibility. The Village Board ultimately agreed and thus only site 6 became eligible for MXD zoning. To be clear, the Board

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Downtown Streetscape and Tower Green Improvements Public Workshop

Thursday, May 14, 2015 7–9 PM
Village Hall—All Purpose Room
740 Hillgrove Avenue, Western Springs

Come exchange your ideas to improve Hillgrove Avenue/Burlington Avenue, and surrounding streets, between Prospect Avenue and Clausen Avenue, along with the Tower Green. The Village will share the progress of enhancements to public places downtown and wants to hear what's important to you! Follow the progress at www.wsprings.com/edideas.



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only considered MXD zoning for site 6 and their decision did not change the current zoning for the rest of the downtown area.

During the review process for MXD and Foxford Station, there were questions raised by the public as to why the district was necessary and why Foxford was not rezoned to C-1 zoning. These issues and concerns appeared to be closely tied to height, parking, and condominiums versus apartments and other issues. Below is a summary of some of the differences between the C-1 and MXD district as well as project facts related to Foxford Station.

Comparison of C-1 Zoning, MXD Zoning, & Foxford Station			
	C-1 Zoning	MXD Zoning	Foxford Station
Maximum Building Height	Conditional Use = 49'-6" *	Conditional Use = 50' **	49'- 6"
Maximum Building Height (with parapet wall, decorative element or architectural cornice)	53'-6" maximum*	54' maximum	53'-3"***
Parking Requirements:			
Residential Uses	None	1 Space/Unit	52 spaces
Commercial Uses	None	None	14 spaces
Maximum Building Stories	3.5 stories	4 stories	4 stories

- * Includes variation granted for additional 4.5' in height
- ** Requires that commercial parking be provided within the building
- *** Measurement taken at the corner of Wolf Rd. and Burlington Ave. Height measured from the sidewalk to top of cornice. Remaining elevations are mostly below 50 ft. in height.

Foxford Station Development

The Foxford Station public review process included:

- Adherence to the state and local laws regarding public hearings.
- At a minimum the preparation of the following:
 - Fiscal and economic impact analysis on the Village and other taxing bodies
 - Land use compatibility and real estate impact study
 - Preliminary market analysis
 - Traffic impact analysis
 - Stormwater management report and engineering plans
- Circulation of any resident’s comments, emails, and letters (both for and against) to the Plan Commission and Village Board
- Approximately nine hours of public meetings by the Plan Commission to conduct a thorough review of the proposed MXD district and Foxford proposal. The Commission then unanimously recommended approval and documented it in written findings of fact. This was followed by two additional public meetings conducted by the Village Board prior to ultimate approval.
- A recommendation by the Plan Commission to limit the MXD district to site 6, which includes only four properties: Tischler’s, Breen’s, J. Benak Service, and the Com Ed substation. Per the ordinance approved by the Village Board, no other properties in the downtown would be eligible for the MXD district.



Simulation of Foxford Station provided by Fitzgerald Associates Architects

Several other issues were discussed during the public meetings for the MXD district and the Foxford Station development. The Plan Commission and Village Board allowed for discussion and debate of the issues at each meeting before making a final decision. For a specific explanation of the issues raised during the public meetings, visit the Village’s web site, www.wsprings.com/developmentproposals.

The 2011 Downtown Redevelopment Plan was also a topic of discussion at the public meetings since it serves as a guide to the future. It is not law but instead provides ideas and concepts on how to implement redevelopment and improve the Downtown. The ideas, proposed laws, and projects that have evolved since the Plan was approved will not match every recommendation included in the Plan. The goal is to allow improvements to happen which are deemed appropriate by the Plan Commission and Village Board with the Downtown Plan as a general guide. With that in mind, the Village Board approved the Foxford Station project to enhance the appearance of the community, add new commercial space, and allow new multi-family housing that is currently not available. The official construction schedule has not been determined as of yet but demolition is expected in the fall with construction starting over the winter or in the spring of 2016.

Trustees to be Sworn In May 18

At the May 18 meeting of the Board of Trustees, three trustees will be sworn into office. Two of the trustees, Sheila Hansen and Ed Tymick, have been reelected to serve another four years. The new trustee, Berry Allen, is replacing Patrick Word, who has served on the board for the past four years. Mr. Allen will represent Ridgewood. The Village sends a “thank you” to retiring Trustee Word for his dedicated service to the community.



Berry Allen



Sheila Hansen



Ed Tymick

Fire Safety: Practice Like You Play

By Lt. Chuck Lichtenauer, Fire & EMS

Fires do not happen often but we in the fire service try to prepare all of our residents in the event one should occur. Most children from preschool to elementary have been educated in fire safety awareness but as we grow older and wiser, many of these simple tips are forgotten.

“Practice Like You Play” is a phrase many of you may have heard. In the fire service, when we drill or practice, we talk beforehand about performing our tasks real time as if someone’s life and property is at stake. That repetition in practice serves us well as firefighters when we have to perform or play at a true emergency.

This also relates to residents in relation to how fire safety tips are perceived.

Smoke Detectors

I am sure every resident has at least one smoke detector in their home because we know it is the safe thing to do. But do you test the detector every month? Do you change the battery when you change your clocks? Performing these simple steps mean you are “practicing like you play” in regards to fire safety in your home and for your family.

Residential Fire Alarm Systems

Make sure you are familiar with your fire alarm system and how it works. If your home has been renovated, you may have a mix of detectors and a fire alarm system.

Family Escape Plan

Do you have an escape plan that you have practiced with every member of the household? Practice it once a year. Have a special meeting place as you may not all exit the same way. It also lets you know everyone is out safely.

Have Two Ways Out

Almost every room in a residence has two ways out in an emergency. If the door cannot be used to exit due to heat and smoke, practice going to the window to either exit or to open and wave an object and yell to let rescuers know you are there. Discuss never opening a door that is hot, as this will allow the smoke and fire to enter the room. Remind your children that they should never hide under a bed or in a closet as this makes it harder for firefighters to locate them.

Close the Door

Not because your mom always told you too! Fire needs oxygen to continue to grow. Simply closing the front door behind you as you exit helps deprive the fire of the ventilation it requires and aids in slowing its growth.

For more information on Fire Safety practices contact Lt. Chuck Lichtenauer, clichtenauer@wsprings.com, or call 708-246-1800 x306.

Senior Services

Seniors Club

Monday, May 11, 1 p.m., Recreation Center

Mark Dvorak, popular local performer from Riverside, IL will perform “Songs My Grandma Used to Sing” and specials from Old Town School of Folk Music.

Monday, June 1, 12 p.m., Recreation Center

Annual indoor delicious catered picnic and White Elephant bingo. RSVP at 708-246-7976.

Monday, June 15, 9:30 a.m.

Day trip to Fair Oaks Farm in Fair Oaks, IN, to tour a modern sustainable dairy farm, visit the Dairy Museum, shop and eat for a delightful day. RSVP at 708-246-3052.

Senior Center

The Senior Center will be celebrating Seniors Week May 18–22. Activities will be posted to the calendar as they become available. Located in the Grand Avenue Community Center at 4211 Grand Avenue, the Senior Center operates Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and is staffed from 1–3 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. The complete schedule of activities is available at www.wsprings.com/recreation. Questions regarding the Senior Center may be directed to mic at 708-246-3299 or mcagney@wsprings.com



Top Magazines, Available Digitally

The Thomas Ford Memorial Library invites you to try **Flipster**, an easy-to-use service that lets you read current and recent issues of magazines from your computer or mobile devices for free. Titles include Newsweek, Time, Us Weekly, Bloomberg Business Week, Forbes, and Rolling Stone. You will find 28 titles at fordlibrary.org. No need to come into the Library. No waiting for copies. Never any late fees. Simply log in to **Flipster** with your library card number and read magazines online. Apps are available for downloading magazines to iPads and Android devices.



You can also get free eBooks from the Library, even more easily than before. One of the benefits of the new online catalog is the ability to get and track eBooks right from the catalog. Go to fordlibrary.org; look in the upper left-hand corner under “New SWAN Catalog” and click on “My Account.” If you have not accessed your account before or not since April 14, 2015, your PIN will be the last four digits of your phone number.

Have questions? Stop by the Library or call 708-246-0520.

SUMMER Concerts



The neighborhood associations, along with the Park District and the Village, will be sponsoring these concerts in our local parks this summer:

June 17—7 p.m.

Springdale Park
West Suburban Community Band

July 16—6:30 p.m.

Tower Green (*Shop the French Market for your concert snacks*)
Nick Desmond and The Grand Avenue Big Band brings big sounds, big crowds and a big time for everyone!

July 22—7 p.m.

Ridgewood Park
West Suburban Community Band
Bring your own lawn chair and blanket and enjoy an evening of family entertainment in your own “backyard.”

Park District Happenings

Spring Election—Three Park District Board of Commissioners have completed their four-year term: Jennifer Dunleavy, Dominic Arquilla and Mike Stibich. The Park District would like to thank them for their years of service to the community and welcome the new commissioners: Nicole Chen, Dicy Roberts Burton and Norma Zeitler, who will serve a four-year term. The Park Board of Commissioners meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. Meetings are located at the Village Hall, 740 Hillgrove Avenue.

Spring Rock Park Field Renovation—This project is about 75% completed with installation of irrigation heads and grass seeding to be completed this spring and early summer. The area will continue to be fenced off to let the grass grow. Staff is anticipating play to be scheduled in spring 2016.

Spring Rock Park Concession Stand—The concession stand will be operated by Park District staff this year. Hours will be Monday–Friday, 5:30–9 p.m. and weekends, 1–8 p.m.

Meet with the Executive Director—Every 3rd Wednesday from 2–4 p.m. the Executive Director, John Robinson, will have an Open House at the Spring Rock Park office, 4400 Central Avenue, for anyone to come in and say hello and talk about the Park District.

Check out the district’s new Facebook page @ www.facebook.com/wsparkdistrict. If you have any suggestions about the Western Springs Park District, you can contact John Robinson at 708-246-4225 or jrobinson@wsprings.com.



Recreation Department

The Recreation Department welcomes you to the summer of 2015. Registration is open for a number of fun and challenging programs for all ages. If you need a summer brochure, contact the department at 708-246-9070 or view it at www.wsprings.com/recreation. Key dates include:

- Spring tennis begins on May 11.
- Summer camps, sports and tennis kick off June 8. Space is still available in various programs.
- Girls ponytail slow pitch softball league registration is due May 13. Games begin the week of June 15 for grades 4th–6th and 7th–10th (grade in fall 2015).
- Youth summer basketball league registration is due May 18. Games begin the week of June 16 for grades 4th–5th (grade in fall 2015).
- 7th–8th grade (grade in fall 2015) 3v3 summer basketball league organization meeting is June 8, 6:30 pm. Games played Monday evenings and begin June 15.
- Adult 3v3 basketball league organization meeting is May 20, 7:30 p.m.

New Programs

- Cooking Up a Story is an eight-week program for ages 3–6 years on Tuesdays or Thursdays, 9–11 a.m. starting June 9.
- Doodle Art & Design Camp is for 2nd–6th graders and runs June 15–19 from 1–3:30 p.m.

Safety Village

The Village is pleased to announce that work has begun on a permanent home at 1500 Walker for the Western Springs Safety Village and will be completed in time for the first session on June 15. An open house will be scheduled in June.

For questions regarding programs or registration, please contact the Recreation Department at 708-246-9070 or visit www.wsprings.com/recreation

38TH ANNUAL
WESTERN SPRINGS TOWER TROT 2015
10K AT 8:30AM
5K AT 9:30AM
Fun Run at 8:45am
REGISTRATION:
Recreation Office
1500 Walker, Western Springs
or call 708-246-9070
REGISTER ONLINE AT:
www.signmeup.com/105797
REGISTRATION FORM & INFORMATION:
www.wsprings.com/recreation
USATF Certified
A CARA Registered Race
CARA 5 Year Divisions
SATURDAY, MAY 23 2015
Bear Necessities
RECREATION OFFICE FOUNDATION
www.bearnecessities.org

Memorial Day Parade—Show Your Patriotism!

VFW Post 10778 invites residents to the annual Memorial Day parade to be held on Monday, May 25, at 10 a.m. The parade will start on Hillgrove Avenue near the Theatre of Western Springs. The route will stay north of the tracks on Hillgrove Avenue to north on Grand Avenue, east on Chestnut Avenue, south on Lawn Avenue and end at the Tower Green for the ceremonies. All nonpolitical community groups and scout units are invited to march. The lineup will begin at 9:30 a.m. The parade's Grand Marshal will be Thomas Higgins. Thomas served in the US Army in Vietnam from 1968 to 1970, which included serving in Vietnam with the 1st Cavalry as a medic in 1969 and 1970. The number for information is 708-205-3451.

French Market Season Is Here!

Beginning May 7 and running through October 29, the French Market will operate on Thursdays from 2–7 p.m. The open market will be on Hillgrove Avenue in front of the historical water tower. Residents and visitors will have the opportunity to browse, shop, meet and greet as the French Market season opens for the seventh year.

Vendors are always welcome to sign up for as many or as few days as you wish, as space is available. If interested in becoming a vendor, please contact Leslie Cahill at 312-575-0286 or ccbcec@sbcglobal.net.



Wally's Garage Celebrates 70 Years of Business

Congratulations to Wally Kloog, owner of Wally's Garage, for 70 years of business in the Village of Western Springs. At the March 23, 2015 board meeting, the Village passed a resolution honoring and congratulating Wally on his successful business. Wally's Garage was opened by Wally's father in 1945. In the picture is President Rodeghier congratulating Wally.

Arbor Day Celebration

In honor of Arbor Day 2015, the Village proclaimed April 24, 2015 as Arbor Day in the Village of Western Springs and held a celebration at St. John of the Cross School. The event included the planting of an autumn blaze maple and two students presented the History of Arbor Day as well as a poem.

For the 31st year, Western Springs has been named a Tree City USA by the National Arbor Day Foundation. The Tree City USA program is sponsored by the National Arbor Day Foundation in cooperation with the National Association of State Foresters and the USDA Service. The Village is committed to the aesthetic beauty and environmental aid trees bring to the environment. The Tree Planting Program has helped with this effort by either replacing sick and dead trees or adding trees to the community. The Village intends to continue its dedication toward retaining the coveted title of Tree City USA.



Citizens and business organizations are being asked to "adopt a cop" to support the Department of Law Enforcement Services in the annual Torch Run

for Special Olympics. The department will be joining officers from every state to carry the Special Olympics flame. Thanks to your support of the Torch Run, one million children can continue to participate in year-round sports training.

Your support of the special Olympians will allow them to experience skill, courage, sharing and joy. One hundred percent of all donations go to Special Olympics. Adopt-a-cop forms are available at the department and www.wsprings.com.

The Western Springs leg of the Torch Run will take place on June 14, 2015, at 9 a.m., from the Tower Green. Please come by and support the officers. For more information, please contact Officer Terry Madler, 708-246-8540.

Clear Out the Clutter

Take advantage of the opportunities for you to get rid of all the things that you don't want, need or even like.

Household Cleanup Day

This annual community event is Saturday, May 16, and allows you to dispose of an unlimited amount of household items, carpeting (must be cut down to 4 ft in length, securely bundled and no more than 60 pounds in weight), books, furniture, bikes, appliances and white goods. Items you cannot dispose of are:

- Household garbage
- Electronics
- Construction debris
- Scrap wood, railroad ties
- Concrete, asphalt, bricks
- Car parts
- Lawn mowers, snow blowers
- Tires
- Vehicle batteries
- Old paint (oil or latex) Gasoline, used motor oil
- Ammunition, explosives

Acceptable items must be at the curb by 6 a.m. on Saturday, May 16. For more information on this collection, please call Republic Services at 708-345-7050.

Electronics Recycling

For the disposal of your electronic waste, the Village of Westchester offers a recycling event monthly on the second Saturday, from 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon at the Water Tower on Enterprise Drive.

Household Hazardous Waste

The City of Naperville operates a hazardous waste facility at 156 Fort Hill Drive, Naperville on Saturdays and Sundays from 9 a.m.–2 p.m. Contact number is 630-420-6095 and details are available at www.naperville.il.us/recyclecenter.aspx. Also available to help you find businesses in the area that accept hazardous waste is the Earth 911 web site at www.earth911.com.

Community Garden Program

The 2015 Fair Elms Community Garden season has begun! The garden is located at 5424 Fair Elms Avenue and plots are available to residents, property owners, community groups and local business owners to plant flowers or vegetables. The site is very sunny (12 hours of sun during the summer months) and there is water and electricity available. Interested participants will need to fill out an application and submit it to the Fair Elms Community Garden Organization. The application along with a map of the site plans and the rules and conditions are available at <http://fairelmscg.wix.com/fair-elms-cg> or contact fairelmscg@gmail.com



Compost bin on site. Built by local Eagle Scout, Steven Strawbridge.

Municipal Roundup

The President and Board of Trustees approved the following business during the months of March and April:

- A contract with Walsh Construction for the construction of Safety Village, in an amount not to exceed \$264,395.50.
- A contract with R.E. Burke Roofing, of Skokie, IL, for replacement of the Grand Avenue Community Center roof for a total of \$85,529.72.
- Ordinances for the issuance of the following liquor licenses: Class B (full service) and a Class H (outdoor liquor café) to Solstice Restaurant; Class G (sale of premium spirits, wine and beer) to Vie Restaurant, Class I (special event) to St. John of the Cross Family Fest and Class J (special events) to WSBA for the Gathering on the Green.
- A conditional use permit for the construction and operation of Music Makers at 4332 Howard Avenue.
- The issuance of raffle licenses to LTHS Parent Teacher Council for their 2015 post prom event, Western Springs Historical Society for their 2015 house walk event, St. John of the Cross Family Fest and Western Springs Recreation Department for their 2015 Lacrosse tournament event.
- A contract with United Septic, Inc. of Bristol, IL, for the 2015 Sewer Televising Project, in an amount not to exceed \$130,000.
- A contract with Trugreen LP of Hickory Hills, IL, for the 2015 Emerald Ash Borer Treatment Program, in an amount not to exceed \$30,000.
- A renewal contract with Safestep of Hortonville, WI, for the 2015 Public Sidewalk Saw-cutting Project at the 2012 pricing schedule.
- A contract with Brothers Asphalt for the 2015 Resurfacing Maintenance Program, in an amount not to exceed \$1,065,000.

SUMMER HOURS

for VILLAGE BUSINESS



The business hours for Village Hall and Community Development will change beginning Monday, May 18, and ending Tuesday, September 8. The hours will be as follows:

Monday–Thursday
7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Friday
7:30 a.m. to noon

Click It or Ticket

The Western Springs Police Department would like to remind everyone to buckle up during the 2015 Memorial Day holiday. The department will be participating in the Illinois Click It or Ticket mobilization campaign and aggressively enforcing seat belt and child safety seat laws during the month of May. Western Springs Police will be partnering with the Illinois State Police along with 500 other local police agencies during this period in an effort to reduce traffic crash fatalities and injuries.

The department will be conducting a series of visible occupant protection enforcement zones in which occupants not properly wearing seat belts will be directed to an officer who will issue a citation for seat belt or child safety seat violations.

Regular seat belt use is the best defense against impaired, aggressive and distracted drivers. Please buckle up and encourage your loved ones to do the same.



Crosswalk Safety

Pedestrian safety is a shared responsibility. Whether you are walking, driving a car or riding a bike, please remember the following safety guidelines:

Pedestrians

- Before entering a crosswalk, whether marked or unmarked, be sure to look both ways. It is the responsibility of the pedestrian to ensure it is safe to cross the roadway.
- Establish eye contact with drivers so they are aware of your intentions to cross.
- Cross within the marked crossing lanes. Vehicles have the right of way when there are no crossing lanes marked.



Drivers

- Drivers are required to stop for pedestrians whether the crossing is marked or unmarked.
- Be attentive at crosswalks and be prepared to stop.

Cyclists

- While in the roadway, cyclists must operate under the same laws as a vehicle.
- When riding on a sidewalk, cyclists must obey all pedestrian signs and signals.

The Police Department has created a video on Crosswalk Safety and it is available for viewing on Comcast Channel 6, AT&T U-Verse and www.wsprings.com

Your Community Center

Did you know that Western Springs has a Community Center?

The Grand Avenue Community Center (GACC) is located at 4211 Grand Avenue in the former Grand Avenue School building. The building is beautifully maintained by the Village while the Recreation Department manages and administers programs and rentals for the GACC. It is air conditioned and handicap accessible.



Rental space is available to residents for meetings, parties and gym activities. A stage is adjacent to the gym and the lower level features a large space with mirrors on the walls and pictures for decoration. For rental information, call 708-246-9070 or go to www.wsprings.com/recreation for the rental packet.

Water Meter Readers Need Your Help

Did you know the Village reads the water meter in your home through a sensor on the outside of your home? Every other month a meter reader must access the sensor to record water usage, which is very easy to do, except when bushes are blocking the sensor. The meter readers have a difficult time navigating through bushes that block the sensor and the Village is asking for your cooperation by trimming those bushes away from the device. The picture shows what the sensor looks like. Please take the time to locate it and make it accessible so we have scratch-free meter readers.



Solicitation Regulations

Peddlers or solicitors are requested to obtain a permit and photo id badge from the Village Clerk's office. Solicitors may only operate Monday–Saturday between the hours of 9 a.m. and 8 p.m. Soliciting is not allowed on Sundays or holidays. The permit issued is a photo id that must be worn while soliciting in the Village. If a peddler or solicitor is not wearing the photo id, please ask to see it and, if he/she does not have one, please contact the Police Department's non-emergency number at 708-246-8540 to report the violation.

NO SOLICITORS ALLOWED decals are available at the Police Department for residents to display. With a decal in place, a peddler or solicitor is restricted from knocking on your door.

Please report any solicitation violations to the Police Department's non-emergency number at 708-246-8540.

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 Police non-emergency 708-246-8540
 Public Works Department 708-246-1800 Ext. 200
 Recreation Department 708-246-9070
 Refuse/Recycling (Republic/Allied Waste) . . . 708-345-7050
 Village Hall 708-246-1800

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WESTERN SPRINGS
HOUSE WALK
 2015

Sunday, May 17
 11:00 am - 5:00 pm

Fun and games at Tower Green for children and care givers 1-4 pm.

Houses are not wheelchair accessible.
 Guests must be at least 10 years of age.

\$35 in advance
\$40 day of walk

Tickets may be purchased at:

WESTERN SPRINGS:
 Clever Girl Design Studio
 Grand Ave. Archives
 Hillgrove Cellars
 Thomas Ford Library
 Tower Museum

LAGRANGE:
 LaGrange Public Library

OR ONLINE AT:
WesternSpringsHistory.org

Benefiting
 THE WESTERN SPRINGS HISTORICAL SOCIETY



UPCOMING EVENTS

- French Market every Thursday from 2–7 p.m. at the Tower Green
- Food Allergy Parent Group, Wednesday, May 13, 7:30 p.m., Davanti Enoteca
- Downtown Streetscape and Tower Green Public Workshop, Thursday, May 14, 7–9 p.m., Village Hall
- Household Cleanup Day, Saturday, May 16
- Annual Tower Trot, Saturday, May 23
- Memorial Day Parade, Monday, May 25
- Gathering on the Green, Friday, June 12
- Summer Concert, Springdale Park, Wednesday, June 17, 7 p.m.
- St. John of the Cross Parish Festival, June 25–28

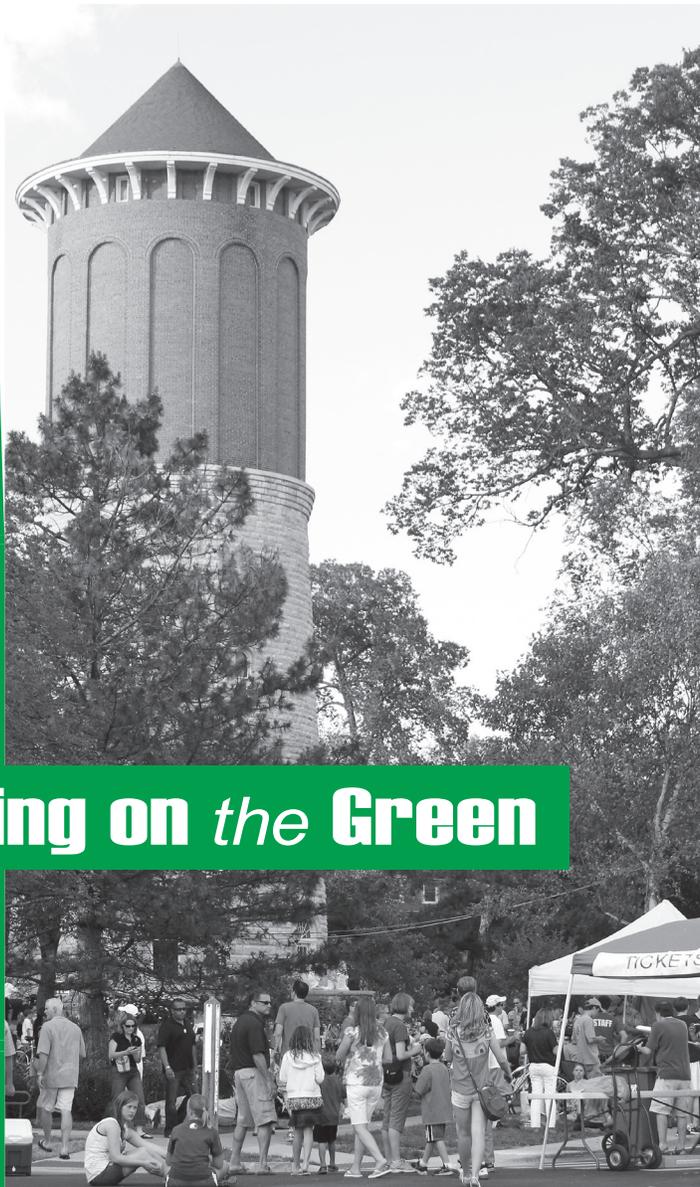
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Gathering on the Green comes early this year...

Save the date: Friday, June 12



For more than 20 years, Gathering on the Green has been held in late June, but this year we've bumped up the date of our premier community event to Friday, June 12. Put it on your calendar so you won't miss out on live musical entertainment, great food from some of your favorite local restaurants and fun activities for the whole family.

The date is not the only thing that is new at Gathering on the Green 2015. We're excited to announce that we will sponsor our first ever beverage tent featuring beer and wine sales. Other events held within the Village and surrounding communities have offered this amenity for many years, and residents have come to expect it at outdoor festivals.

We would like to thank WSBA Board Vice President Mike O'Brien, Western Springs Village President Bill Rodeghier, Western Springs Police Chief Pam Church, Western Springs

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GOG

Gathering on *the* Green

2015

5:00–10:00 pm on the Tower Green



■ Beer/wine sales and other 'firsts' at GOG 2015

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Deputy Police Chief Brian Budds and the many other volunteers and officials at the Village and County who helped us achieve this new amenity.

Exciting local band Big Wheel, featuring Mitch Mazzone (of Italian Ice fame) on bass, will headline the



evening's musical entertainment.

They'll take the stage at 8:00 pm, after some smokin' performances by bands from the School of Rock.



Families with youngsters can look forward to options in children's entertainment that are much different from those we've historically had on the Tower Green. And auto enthusiasts won't want to miss the Car Show... it's the first ever at GOG!

Gathering on the Green is our preeminent summertime family event, and I look forward to seeing everybody there on **Friday June 12, from 5:00 to 10:00 pm!**

*Mark Ptacek, President
Western Springs Business Association*

ATTENTION

- ✓ Community Groups
- ✓ Businesses
- ✓ Organizations

Interested in participating in Gathering on the Green?

Promotional Table:

WSBA Members \$75
Non-Members \$100

Food / Sales Table:

WSBA Members \$150
Non-Members \$200

To submit your table request, visit www.westernspringsbusiness.com. Participation is limited to WSBA members and organizations in the Western Springs local area.

WHIZ-BUCKS

are now for sale at Village Hall!

Available in \$10 increments, Whiz-Bucks can be redeemed at participating Western Springs businesses.



\$10

Gift Certificate

Think Local. Spend Local. Be Local

\$10



TEN Whiz-Bucks



\$10



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Whiz-bucks are redeemable at any WSBA participating business, service organization or WSBA Event and are used just like cash.



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Whiz-bits

Last month, the WSBA co-hosted a lunch meeting with the La Grange Business Association. The event featured a question & answer session with Illinois House Republican Leader Jim Durkin (R-Western Springs). Durkin discussed state finances and the business atmosphere in his district. The well attended event was open to the public.

QUESTIONS?
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