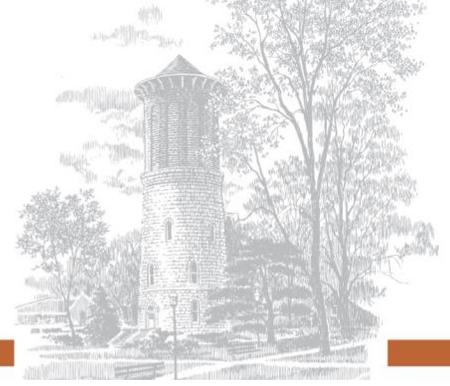


TUESDAY TOPICS



December 21, 2021

Changes to Tuesday Topics:

- In September 2020, Tuesday Topics replaced the monthly “President’s Corner” as a way of staying in touch about issues and events that are important to our residents on a weekly basis. Much of the information presented here is a reminder of what is already available on the Village website at www.wsprings.com, and on Village social media, which includes [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#). We are making some changes in 2022, to make this report more relevant and valuable to our readers. Going forward, the newsletter will be published bi-monthly on the Thursday following the Monday evening Board of Trustee meetings. It will include highlights of the outcomes of each meeting, including topics under consideration and/or pending Board approval, focusing specifically on items that may be of particular interest to residents. It is my hope that this information will help our residents stay better informed and encourage further public engagement in Village operations and activities.

Property Tax Levy and Fiscal Year 2022 Budget

- At last night’s meeting, the Board approved the proposed [property tax levy](#) and the FY2022 proposed budget. The FY22 annual budget is available on the [Village website](#), and hard copies are available in the Village lobby and at the Thomas Ford Library.

Open Gym at the Rec Center During the Holidays:

- Students aged 8-17 are invited to visit the Recreation Center for Open Gym during the holiday break. Pre-registration is required and limited to 40 participants. Masks must be worn at all times. For information about available dates/times and to register, visit the [Recreation page](#) on the Village website.

Styrofoam Recycling on January 8:

- The first Styrofoam collection of 2022 will be delayed by one week (due to the New Year’s Day holiday), and will take place on Saturday, January 8. Information about Styrofoam recycling, as well as holiday light recycling and Christmas tree curbside collection, can be found on the [Village Events Calendar](#).

Hospital Admissions Increasing:

- Unfortunately, local hospitals have seen a steep increase in the number of COVID-related admissions in the past month. As we approach the two-year mark of living with the lulls and surges of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Center for Disease Control and Illinois Department of Public Health strongly encourage everyone to get fully vaccinated (including boosters, if eligible). If you choose to gather with family, friends, and colleagues over the holidays, please continue with the recommended mitigation practices like masking and handwashing. Minimize contact with people at higher risk for severe illness, and isolate and/or get tested if you have symptoms or exposure.

Public Meetings to Be Held Via Zoom:

- In an effort to keep staff and Board members as safe as possible, while encouraging broader public participation at meetings, the Village Board will resume virtual meetings in 2022. Starting in January, all public meetings will be held via Zoom, with a participation link available on the [Village website](#) in advance of the meeting. Please join the public meetings via Zoom or phone from the comfort of your home. You may still attend a meeting in person should you prefer, so long as you comply with masking, social distancing, and any other indoor mandates deemed prudent at the time of the meeting.

Overnight Parking Restrictions Lifted for Christmas/New Year Holidays:

- WSPD will be suspending overnight parking restrictions for Christmas and New Year. See the [website](#) for specific dates/times.

Wishing you all a very happy holiday season, and best wishes for a safe and healthy 2022!

Until next year,

Alice Gallagher,
Village President

Take ple Care of Yourself, Protect Others, Support our Community