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Did you know?

Village Ordinance 72.13 prohibits overnight parking from **Nov. 1st through Apr. 1st**. Residents are reminded that during this period it is unlawful to park a motor vehicle on any street or parkway in the Village between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m.

For further information, please contact Village Clerk Jana Lee at 847-872-3846, ext 245. (The entire ordinance may be read online at www.WinthropHarbor.com.)

Village Hall will be closed on the following dates for the Holidays:

Thursday, Nov. 22nd
Friday, Nov. 23rd
Monday, Dec. 24th
Tuesday, Dec. 25th
Monday, Dec. 31st
Tuesday, Jan. 1st

Winthrop Harbor Holiday Joy!



As winter approaches, so does the pleasure of spending time with family and friends. In Winthrop Harbor you'll find plenty of opportunities to spend that time together, whether taking in a craft show, enjoying a local dance or any of the numerous recreation events scheduled during November and December. All of us at the Village of Winthrop Harbor wish you a safe and wonderful Holiday season, full of joy and happiness!

Lunch with Santa Claus

Boys and Girls, Moms and Dads, get ready to bundle up for a great day on Saturday, **Dec. 1st**, when Santa himself will be in town for lunch with the children. All village children age 9 and under are welcome to visit with Santa at the Schlader Building from Noon until 2 pm. Lunch will be free for the children, and door prizes and entertainment will also be provided. Photos with Santa will be available for a nominal fee of \$3.50, so bring your smiles and have a great time!



Annual Light Parade & Tree Lighting Ceremony

Everyone loves a parade! Here's your chance to take part in this annual favorite, as all village residents are invited to join in the fun by "lighting up" your vehicles for the **Light Parade** on Saturday, **Dec. 1st**. Line-up begins at 5 pm at the Community Center on 7th Street. We'll light-em up and begin the parade at 5:30 pm, which will culminate at the Fire Department for a grand **Tree Lighting Ceremony** at 6:30 pm.

New for this year— senior citizens who live in the village and would like to join the parade may ride along on the Winthrop Harbor shuttle bus. Seating is limited, please call Art Fossland at 847-872-3087 to reserve your place today!

All businesses and organizations are invited to join the parade with your own vehicle or float... please call Village Hall to sign up.

The parade route will be from the Community Center East to Landon, South to 9th, East to South Park, South to 14th, West to Fulton, North to 12th, West to Adams, North to 11th, West to Monroe, North to 9th, West to Roberts, North to 5th, East to Whitney, and finally South to the Fire Department.





Joe Leech Jr., Mayor

Jana J. Lee, Village Clerk

- VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES -

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- IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS -

Village Hall	847-872-3846
Police Dept.	847-872-2131
Fire Dept.	847-872-5957
Recreation Dept.	847-746-3505
Public Works Dept.	847-872-5275
Building/Zoning Dept.	847-872-3846 x 268
Economic Dev. Dept.	847-872-3846 x 255

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- VILLAGE HALL BUSINESS HOURS -

Monday through Friday - 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Important Information About Drinking Water

Tests Showed Coliform Bacteria in Village Water System

The Winthrop Harbor water system recently violated a drinking water standard. Although this incident was not an emergency, as our customers you have a right to know what happened and what we did to correct this situation.

We routinely monitor for drinking water contaminants. We took eight routine samples to test for the presence of Coliform bacteria during September 2007. Two of our samples showed the presence of total Coliform bacteria. The standard is that no more than one sample per month can contain this indicator bacteria.

What should I do?

You do not need to boil your water or take other corrective actions. However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor.

People with severely compromised immune systems, infants, and some elderly

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Village Meetings Open to the Public

Mayor Joe Leech, Jr., the Board of Trustees and Village staff encourage residents to attend the Village Board and committee meetings, held monthly at Village Hall or the Schlader Memorial Recreation Center. We value the input that our residents provide, and are committed to addressing all questions and concerns in a constructive, positive manner. Please consider joining us at any of the meetings listed in the table below:

<u>Board / Committee</u>	<u>Meeting Dates</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
Village Board of Trustees	Nov. 6 & 20 / Dec. 4 & 18	7:00 p.m.	Village Hall
Planning & Zoning Board	Nov. 13 / Dec. 11	7:00 p.m.	Village Hall
Economic Development Com.	Nov. 14 / Dec. 12	7:00 p.m.	Village Hall
Recreation Advisory Com.	Nov. 12 / Dec. 10	7:00 p.m.	Schlader Building

Village Board of Trustees meetings are televised on Comcast Public Access Channel 19 on Wednesdays (1 p.m.), Thursdays (12:00 p.m) and Saturdays (9:00 a.m.). For the full schedule please visit www.accesschannel.com.

Benton Township Programs

Benton Township offers a variety of services to citizens of all ages. For more information, please call Jan Suthard, Benton Township Supervisor, at 847-746-2100.

FREE CO DETECTOR & HOME INSPECTION

Seniors age 65 and over may call 847-406-4683 for a free CO detector and home safety inspection.

MEALS ON WHEELS VOLUNTEER NEEDED

A volunteer for Mondays is needed for Winthrop Harbor. Please call 847-746-2100 if you're able to help.

PACE DIAL-A-RIDE SERVICE

Pace Dial-A-Ride bus service is available for Benton Township residents. Service hours are Tuesday and Thursday from 8:30 am until 4 pm.

This service will take you anywhere in Benton, Newport and Zion Townships, as well as the Villages of Beach Park, Wadsworth, Winthrop Harbor and Gurnee. Cost is \$1.60 one-way for adults; 80 cents for seniors and children ages 7-11. To schedule a ride, call 800-201-6446 at least one day in advance.

REDUCED RTA FARES

Reduced fares for RTA Metra trains and buses are available to seniors 65 and older. A photo ID is required. Please call to schedule an appointment.

FREE AMPLIFIED PHONES

Neither age nor income a requirement. Call 847-949-4440 for information.

PRESCRIPTION DRUG CARDS

For those without prescription insurance, Prescription Discount Cards are available at the township office. Income or age is not a factor in obtaining the card.

FREE EMERGENCY CELL PHONES

For seniors and disabled citizens without a cell phone, the township office has free emergency cell phones available. The phones are programmed for calling 911 only. Residents who have an old cell phone to donate, please bring them to the Township office.

USED EYEGLASSES NEEDED

Please drop off your used eyeglasses at the Township office. They will be recycled and put to good use!

CEMETERY PLOTS AVAILABLE

The Benton Greenwood Cemetery, located on Greenbay Rd. in Beach Park, has cemetery plots available. Call for more information.

HALF FARE TAXI PROGRAMS

Seniors 65 and older, and disabled residents of any age,

may apply for half-fare rates on taxi rides. (Max. \$5) Please apply at the Township office.

MISC. SERVICES AT THE TOWNSHIP OFFICE

Need a document notarized? Could you use a new Illinois State Highway map? These and other services are always available at the Benton Township Office. Stop in any time and we'll be glad to assist!

American Legion Post 1943

The American Legion Samuel Schiera Post 1943 meetings are held at the Schlader Building on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7 pm. All visitors are invited to join us.

AARP Chapter 871

The Winthrop Harbor AARP Chapter meets at 1pm on the third Tuesday each month. Meetings are held at the Community Center on 7th Street.

Our next regular meeting will be held **Nov. 20th**. Our **Dec. 18th** meeting will be our Holiday pot-luck luncheon at the Community Center. The luncheon begins at Noon and attendees are asked to bring a dish to pass and their eating utensils. Coffee will be provided.

Currently we are enrolling people interested in taking the AARP Drivers Safety Class. The class will be held at the Community Center on Tuesday & Wednesday, Feb. 19th and 20th, from 9 am to 1 pm. Cost for the class is only \$10, with payment requested at time of enrollment.

Please call Jerry Larson at 847-746-6567 or email him at jerryplarson@sbcglobal.net for further information.

Winthrop Harbor Lions Club

Many of you saw members of the Winthrop Harbor Lions Club standing at street intersections and in front of stores collecting donations for our annual Candy Days fund raiser. The proceeds from this event allow us to help children and adults with visual and hearing impairments in our local communities. The Lions would like to thank all the businesses who allowed us to stand in front of their stores. We would also like to thank those individuals and organizations who assisted us with our collections. They include the Winthrop Harbor Queens, the Navy Jr. ROTC, the Winthrop Harbor Boy Scouts and Carl Simmons and the community service workers.

Our Lions Club recently held our Charter Night Celebrations. We were originally chartered on Nov. 17, 1954, making this our 53rd year of service in the "Cornerstone of Illinois". Our Lions Club would like to thank the members of the community who have supported our fund raising over the years. In addition to Candy Days, these activities include our annual Steak & Egg Breakfast and our weekly BINGO nights.

BINGO is held at the Schlader building each Wednesday

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day. Doors open at 4:30 pm at which time Pull Tabs are sold. Regular BINGO begins at 7 pm. Refreshments are available. Lions BINGO is now smoke free. Please join us for some BINGO fun and help us continue to help those in need.

For more information on Lions programs, please call Lion Debbie Coan at 847-872-2970.

Annual Thanksgiving Dinner

Eternal Word Prayer Community will host their annual free Thanksgiving Dinner, "Our Father's Table", on Thursday, **Nov. 22nd** at the Schlader Building. Dinner will be served from noon until 2 pm, to include all those traditional favorites of roast turkey with all the fixin's and pumpkin pie. All residents who would like to enjoy Thanksgiving with the company of others are invited!

V.F.W. Memorial Post 7448

On **Nov. 10th** the Polish Legion of American Veterans Post 25 will hold their annual **Veterans Day Dinner Dance** at our VFW Post 7448. This event is open to the public in our upstairs hall. Tickets are available at the door. Doors open at 5pm, with dinner at 6pm and live entertainment at 7pm. Please come and enjoy this occasion!

On **Nov. 11th** we will hold a **Veteran's Day Service** at Memorial Park on 9th Street, please join us.

Days in History: Nov. 11, 1918– Signing of WWII Armistice. Dec. 7, 1941– Pearl Harbor. Dec. 31, 1946– End of WWII officially declared by President.

Please remember to display the flag. If you have any tattered U.S. flags, please drop them off at our post home for proper disposal.

A great big Thank-You to everyone that supported or worked with us on our most successful Buddy Poppy Days yet! We wish everyone a safe and happy Holidays ahead.

Toys 4 Our Tots

Thank you to all the businesses that let us put donation cans out, and for all the responses to our letter asking for donations. With everyone's help we will be able to make the holidays joyful for those in need. If you can help with a donation, please drop off at the Schlader Building or Village Hall, or mail to Village Hall at 830 Sheridan Rd., Winthrop Harbor 60096. Checks should be payable to the "Village of Winthrop Harbor" with "Toys 4 Our Tots" on the memo line.

Cans for donations of new, unwrapped toys are at Harbor Lights, American Family Insurance, Alexander's Auto and Village Hall. Thank you in advance for your help, and for questions, please call Cindy Loy at 847-746-2464 or Pam Humphres at 847-746-3961.

Boy Scout Troop 667

The Troop has been very active since the last newsletter. Summer camp in Nebraska was a success. There was a swimming party with the Cub Scouts, a combined biking/camping trip to bike on the Elroy-Sparta trail and a camping outing with the Cub Scouts at Sterling Lake. Cabin camping will be coming up in November.

Community Spelling Bee

The 2nd Annual Corporate Community Spelling Bee will be held on Thursday, **Nov. 8th** at Zion Benton Township High School in the South cafeteria, beginning at 7pm. Included will be local celebrity judges, pronouncer and timekeeper, and all proceeds go to support education and wellness in Winthrop Harbor, Beach Park and Zion. Hosted by Community Resources for Education & Wellness, Inc., and Lake County News-Sun.

Leaf Vacuuming Continues

Veolia will continue vacuuming leaves on Mondays through Fridays through Nov. 30th (excluding the week of Nov. 19th). The tentative schedule includes: **MON**- South of 9th, East of Sheridan; **TUE**- East of Holdridge, North of 9th; **WED**- North of 9th, West of Holdridge, also West of Kenosha Rd.; and **THU**- South of 9th, West of Sheridan. Fridays will be for weather contingency or areas needing extra time. Please have your leaves on the parkway no later than the night before your pickup day. Place them as close to the road as possible, without going into the road, as the vacuum can only reach three feet into the parkway. Some areas of town overlap between the above mentioned schedules. To learn which day of the week your address falls on, please see the detailed map available on-line (www.winthropharbor.com) or visit Village Hall to obtain a printed version.

Reminder to Pet Owners

The Village would like to remind all pet owners to be conscientious about cleaning up after your pets while you are out and about in the village.

Village Ordinance §90.09 states *"It shall be unlawful for any person to cause or permit a dog or cat to be on private property not owned or possessed by such person unless such person has in his or her immediate possession a device for the removal of excrement and a depository for the transmission of excrement to a receptacle located upon properties owned or possessed by such person."*

The Ordinance continues; *"It shall be unlawful for any person in control of, causing or permitting any dog or cat to be on any private property not owned or possessed by such person to fail to remove excrement left by such dog or cat to a proper receptacle located on property owned by such person."*

Penalties for violating §90.09 are \$50 for 1st offense, \$100 for 2nd offense, and \$200 for 3rd offense.

Economic Development News

Tax Increment Financing District Established

On October 2, 2007 the Village Board passed the ordinances necessary to establish a Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District covering the eight acre parcel of land at the northeast corner of Sheridan Road and 7th Street known as the Triangle.

TIF is a tool that uses anticipated future tax dollars for a certain parcel of land to pay for development incentives today. It does not use current taxes nor does it increase taxes on existing or surrounding property owners.

TIF incentives can be varied from paying for infrastructure improvements like water, sewer and streets, to buying down interest rates for developers or assisting in the assembly of property to prepare for new development. Many Illinois communities have used this tool effectively and we are hopeful that it will help our Village in attracting new investment.

Establishing the TIF District is, however, only one step in a long process. Ultimately the success of implementing the Village's development plans will come down to our ability to effectively market ourselves in a highly competitive arena.

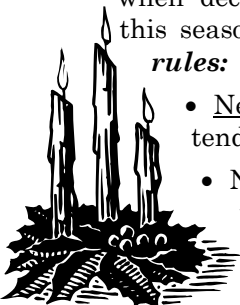
With this in mind the EDC is now working on a Request for Proposals document that will be sent to several developers over the winter months to see if they are interested in taking advantage of the TIF incentive. While there is no guarantee that this effort will be successful, we feel that we have a lot to offer and as such we are optimistic.

If you have questions about this subject or any of the Village's Economic Development plans, please feel free to contact Pat DiPersio at 847-872-3846, ext. 255, or e-mail pdipersio@winthrop harbor.com.

The Economic Development Commission holds open meetings on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7 pm at Village Hall. Agendas and Minutes are posted on the Village Web site at www.winthrop harbor.com.

Fire Department Safety Tips

With the advent of the holiday season the Fire Department would like to remind all residents to use caution when decorating and burning candles during this season. ***Here are a few candle safety rules:***



- Never leave a burning candle unattended!
- Never burn a candle on or near anything that might catch fire.
- Keep candles out of the reach of children and pets.

- Trim the wick to 1/4" each time before burning. Long or crooked wicks can cause uneven burning, dripping or flaring.
- Always use a candleholder specifically designed for candle use. It should be heat resistant, sturdy and large enough to contain any drips or melted wax.
- Burn candles in a well-ventilated room only.
- Place the candleholder on a stable, heat-resistant surface.
- Keep the wax pool clear of wick trimmings, matches and debris.
- Avoid drafts, vents or air currents. This will help prevent rapid or uneven burning, sooting, and excessive dripping.
- Follow the manufacturer's recommendations on burn time.

85% of all fires started with candles could be avoided if these rules were followed!

Building, Planning & Zoning

We have had quite a busy summer in the Building Department. Now that summer is coming to a close, we would like to remind our residents to make sure that all your summer projects are complete. Please call the Assessors office to get your new construction assessed and the Building Dept. for all your final inspections.

We also would like to remind our senior citizens about the permit discounts that they are entitled to. The discount is \$250 off of the permit fee, excluding new construction. Please call the Building Dept. for details.

Local Building Projects Update

Country Manor Phase-1 Subdivision has been building and selling homes. They have slowed down some, but we are very confident that real estate will pick up and they will be selling many more of their beautiful homes.

Harbor Plaza Unit G has just signed a new lease in the 8,000 s.f. unit for a Dollar Store. Plans are to open the store in December. A Video Surveillance store is taking 1,000 s.f. of space in Unit A along with the jewelry store that is moving from Unit J. E&L Mattress is a discount mattress store that is now open for business in Unit M.

Remember, if you have a questions about a project or contractor doing work in our village, please call the Building Department. If you need a contractor and you are not sure who to call, the Building Department can supply you with a list of contractors that do work in the village. We are always here to answer any questions and help you in any way we can to make your job easier.

Online applications will be available soon at our village Web site (www.WinthropHarbor.com) for all of your construction projects.

November 2007

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	EVERY MONDAY Walk'n Walk'n 8am-SB Open Play V-ball 7pm-SB Tae-Kwon-Do	EVERY TUESDAY Walk'n Walk'n 8am-SB Open Play B-ball 7pm-SB Boy Scouts 7pm -CC	EVERY WEDNESDAY Walk'n Walk'n 8am-SB Lions BINGO 7pm -SB	EVERY THURSDAY Walk'n Walk'n 8am-SB	EVERY FRIDAY Walk'n Walk'n 8am-SB Tae-Kwon-Do	
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				LEAF VACUUMING		
4 VFW Breakfast 8-11:30 at VFW	5	6 Village Board	7	8 Spelling Bee 7pm-Z/B High school	9 TEEN DANCE 5th-8th graders 7-10pm -SB	10 Veteran's Day Dinner Dance 5pm-VFW
LEAF VACUUMING - See schedule at www.winthropharbor.com						
11	12 Recreation Com.	13 Planning-Zoning American Legion 7pm-SB	14 E.D.C.	15	16 Social Night 3rd & 4th graders 7-9pm -SB	17 Arts & Craft Show 10am-4pm -Z/B Library
LEAF VACUUMING - See schedule at www.winthropharbor.com						
18	19 Cub Scouts 7pm -SB	20 Village Board AARP 1pm -CC	21	22 Village Hall Closed Thanksgiving Dinner Noon-2pm -SB	23 Village Hall Closed	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	
LEAF VACUUMING - Last day is November 30th						

December 2007

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2 VFW Breakfast 8-11:30 at VFW	3	4 Village Board	5	6	7	8 Happy Holidays Craft Show 9am-4pm-SB
9	10 Recreation Com. Cub Scouts 7pm -SB	11 Planning-Zoning American Legion 7pm-SB	12 E.D.C.	13	14 TEEN DANCE 5th-8th graders 7-10pm -SB	15
16	17	18 Village Board AARP 12pm -CC	19	20	21	22
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30	31 Village Hall Closed					



For the latest information, visit the On-Line
Community Calendar at www.WinthropHarbor.com!

Recreation Programs

For the latest information on these and other Recreation Department programs, please visit our on-line **Community Calendar** at www.WinthropHarbor.com.



OPEN PLAY VOLLEYBALL & BASKETBALL — Come to the Schlader Building on Monday and Tuesday nights from 7-9 pm for some friendly competition and camaraderie! Open-play volleyball is on Mondays and basketball is on Tuesdays. For only \$2 (\$3 for non-residents) you'll have a great time! (This program runs through April)

HAPPY HOLIDAYS CRAFT SHOW — Winthrop Harbor's annual Craft Show will be held Saturday, **Dec. 8th** from 9 am to 4 pm at the Schlader Building. Approximately 50 crafters and artists will be displaying and selling their unique items. If you haven't found that gift you've been looking for, or need to finish your Christmas shopping, this is the place to be! Crafters who would like to reserve a space may call the Recreation Department at 847-746-3505. Information, including the crafter application, is available online at the Recreation Dept. section of www.winthropharbor.com. Food will be available during the event, and door prizes will be given away. Come see what you can find at this Recreation Dept. sponsored event!

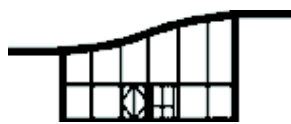
WALK'N WALK'N — Looking for a way to stay in shape this fall/winter without having to be outside? The Schlader Recreation Center will be open for walking from 8-10 am Mondays through Fridays, beginning on Sep. 4th. The gymnasium is available for all who wish to participate, and there is no charge. Note that the building is closed on some holidays.

New! Are you a stay at home parent with small children, and looking for another way to get a little exercise? On Mondays through Fridays from 10 am—12 noon, the gymnasium will be open to those of you who would need to bring the kids with to the open walking session. This new session begins Sep. 4th and will continue through the winter. Please keep in mind that everyone participating will have children with them, and each adult will be responsible for their own child(ren). There will be a few items available for kids to play with in the middle of the gym, but you may want to bring a couple items for your child to keep busy with. Babysitters are not being provided and the Recreation staff cannot be responsible for supervising the children present.

TEEN DANCE — Our monthly Teen Dances continue on **Nov. 9th** and **Dec. 14th**, held from 7-10 pm at the Schlader Building. Dances continue on the 2nd Friday of each month throughout the school year. Students attending 5th-8th grades at Winthrop Harbor schools may attend, as well as students who live in Winthrop Harbor but attend alternative schools. New for this year is a requirement to show a photo ID for entry into the dances. North Prairie Jr. High students must show their school ID at the door. Westfield students must have their photo taken at the first dance they attend, and an ID for entry to the dances will be issued (no charge for the ID). Students attending alternative schools must call ahead to setup a time to have a photo ID issued. Admission is only \$2, and pizza & soda will be available for sale. Please note that the normal school dress code is strictly enforced, and once you've entered the dance you may only leave when it's over at 10pm, unless a parent comes to the door to pick you up earlier. The dances are organized by the Recreation Dept. and we're always looking for help with chaperones. If you would like to help, please call 847-746-3505.

SOCIAL NIGHT FOR 3rd & 4th GRADERS — On Friday **Nov. 16th**, from 7-9 pm, the Schlader Building will open to 3rd & 4th grade students who live in the Village of Winthrop Harbor. Activities scheduled for the evening will include music, various games (board games/card games), open gym, and refreshments to purchase. This will be the first such event for this age group, and the Recreation Dept. hopes to put on a few more activities throughout the school year. Admission will be \$2 at the door, and no one who enters the building will be allowed to leave before 9pm, unless that child's parent comes to the door to pick them up. This is a Recreation Board sponsored event. We welcome any parent who would like to stay and chaperone. Call Recreation with questions at 847-746-3505.

BASKETBALL EVALUATIONS — For those participants in this year's basketball program, evaluations will be held in November on the following dates/times: Nov. 9th from 6-7:30 pm for 5th & 6th graders; Nov. 10th from 9-10:30 am for 7th & 8th graders, 10:30-11:30 am for 1st & 2nd graders, and 11:30 am-12:30 pm for 3rd & 4th graders. All evaluations will be held at the Schlader Recreation Center. Uniform sizes may be changed at this time as jerseys and shorts will be available for sizing your child. After these dates, coaches will call their players and let them know which night their practice will be beginning the week of Nov. 26th. The first weekend of games will be Jan. 12th & 13th.



Zion-Benton Public Library

* Downloadable audiobooks are a click away. Log on to www.zlibrary.org and go to NetLibrary.

* Have your next meeting @ the library. The meeting room (kitchenette available) is free to non-profits; a modest rental for commercial groups. Applications are available at the library or online at www.zlibrary.org.

* The lobby will be filled with music during the holiday season, Dec. 3-22. Local musicians are welcome to call Rosemary (ext. 124) if they'd like to participate.

Library programs are FREE!

Call 847-872-4680 x 4 for adults, x 5 for children. Registration is requested so we'll have chairs, refreshments, and supplies for all. Registration is required when seating is limited or when the presenter specifies a minimum or maximum. Don't hesitate to call the day of a program -- more than likely, there will be a space for you.

3rd Annual Arts & Crafts Show

Start your holiday shopping @ the library! Local crafters will display their wares. Sat. Nov. 17th, 10 am-4 pm.

Young Adult Zone—Game Gurus

Learn from others and share your expertise. Bring your video games and video equipment to the Library and show what you can do. Some board games will also be available. Call the Adult Reference Desk for details. Tue., Nov. 6th, 6:30-8:30 pm.

Timeless Peru

Anne and Ken Miller take us on a journey to Peru and the land of the ancient Incan Empire. See the Andes, trek up to Machu Picchu, and sit on the shore of beautiful Lake Titicaca. Sat., Nov. 10th, 2-3 pm

Fall into Reading—Adult and Teen Reading Club

Pick up a reading log at the Adult Reference Desk and read or listen to just five library books of your choice by December 8th and win a prize!



HAPPY HOLIDAYS!



Holidays Around the World

Kidworks Theatre will feature holiday traditions from many lands. Lots of audience participation! For kindergarten and up. Wed., Nov. 28th, 3:30-4:30 pm.

PLAYAWAY®

Playaway @ your Library!

No Cassettes. No CDs. No Downloads. Just Play! Playaway is the simplest way to listen to audio on the go. Each Playaway comes with the digital content already loaded on it— and it only weighs 2 ounces! Uses a standard AAA battery and earbuds, and is compatible with most any headphone and mobility accessory. Check out a Playaway at your library today!

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erly may be at increased risk. These people should seek advise about drinking water from their health care providers. General guidelines on ways to lesson the risk of infection by microbes are available from USEPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 800-426-4791.

What does this mean?

This is not an emergency. If it had been, you would have been notified immediately. Coliform bacteria are generally not harmful themselves. Coliforms are bacteria, which are naturally present in the environment and are used as an indicator that other, potentially harmful, bacteria may be present. Coliforms were found in more samples than allowed and this was a warning of potential problems.

Usually, coliforms are a sign that there could be a problem with the system's treatment or distribution system (pipes). Whenever we detect Coliform bacteria in any sample, we do follow-up testing to see if other bacteria of greater concern, such as fecal Coliform or E. coli, are present. We did not find any of these bacteria in our subsequent testing, and further testing shows that this problem has been resolved.

For more information, please call Public Works Superintendent John Hogan at 847-872-5275.

Please share this information with other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly. This notice is being published by the Village of Winthrop Harbor. Water System ID#IL0971950.