

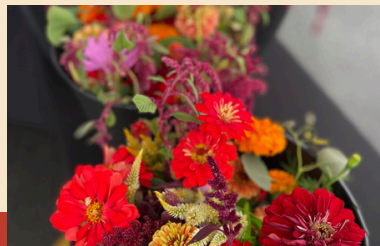


WILMINGTON CONNECTS



FALL FAMILY FUN AHEAD

Open here for all of the family fun coming to Wilmington this fall! From the return of the Gemini Giant to celebrating 75 years of your park district to another year of the spooky cemetery walk, Wilmington has something for everyone. Find all of the fun here!



NEWSLETTER



AUTUMN 2024

IMPORTANT UPCOMING EVENTS



CITY OF WILMINGTON



Final Comprehensive Plan Open House

Tuesday, October 22nd from 4pm to 7pm
City Hall Council Chambers

National Night Out

Sunday, September 29th from 2pm to 5pm
Wilmington High School

The Gemini Giant Landing

Please join Mayor Dietz, the City Council and other dignitaries for a ribbon cutting celebration like no other. Stay tuned to Facebook for exact date <https://www.facebook.com/wilmingtonil/>

Target Dates: Late September or Mid-October

Time: 11am - 2pm

Location: South Island

There will be fun for the whole family including live music from the Route 66 Band, Food Trucks, Route 66 Sodas, and Route 66 Merchandise for sale!



Senior News You Can Use

ACCESS WILL COUNTY DIAL-A-RIDE SERVICE EXPANDS INTO WILMINGTON

Will County residents aged 60+ or living with a disability can register and schedule rides through Access Will County if they live in one of our participating townships. To begin registration, contact the Will County Mobility Manager at (815) 774-6346, or colinphillips@willcounty.gov

"The need for a consistent dial-a-ride system in our community has been apparent for years," said Wilmington Mayor Ben Dietz. "This system will connect people with jobs, human services, and basic living needs. I appreciate our partnership with Will County and Pace to get this important program launched locally."



Wilmington City Road Program...FAQ Demystified!



The Road Maintenance program for 2024 in the City of Wilmington is currently underway. This year's program includes a range of activities aimed at either **rehabilitating failing pavements**, or **preserving pavements** that are still in good condition.



The work to **preserve the existing pavement** consists of one or more of the following techniques:

Crackfill Rejuvenation Microsurfacing

These techniques are intended to extend the life of our existing pavements at a fraction of the cost of rehabilitation.

Crackfilling is intended to seal existing cracks in the pavement to prevent continued damage caused by water and ice.

The **rejuvenator** is a topically applied solution intended to renew suitable pavements that have aged and oxidized. The rejuvenator restores the properties of the asphalt to a near-new condition.

Microsurfacing is a method that appears similar to traditional paving but has many distinct differences. As stated, Microsurfacing is a preservation technique that is intended to extend the life of existing suitable pavements at a fraction of the cost of traditional paving. Microsurfacing is applied as a thin layer over existing pavement. This layer consists of a sand and emulsion mixture that spreads much like a liquid and requires cure time prior to being driven on. Driving on this material prior to curing will result in permanent wheel marks. Additionally the finished appearance of this material can be affected by the pavement it's being applied to. Ridges and minor high spots left as part of the installation process are normal and will become less pronounced with use.

The **pavement rehabilitation** process involves removing the deteriorated surface, patching as needed, and repaving the road with hot mix asphalt.



We appreciate your patience as we work towards ongoing enhancements in the City of Wilmington!

CITY OF WILMINGTON



Youth Programs

Lil' Adventurers

Tuesdays @ 10am

09/10-10/15 & 11/5-12/17

Join us for some fall themed fun to keep your lil' ones entertained and excited! Sign up on our website today!

Athletics

TEEN Sand Volleyball Tourney!

Sun., Sept 22 12-4pm

We aren't ready to let summer go, so we are doing one more teen bash! Grab a team or sign up & we will assign you a team!

Youth Volleyball & Basketball Leagues

Starting in October.

Brush up on those skills, or develop new ones, with friends & coaches. Check out all of the details on our website, and sign up today!

Art Explorers



Sept. 11th @ 1pm

Oct. 2nd @ 1pm

Nov. 6th @ 1pm

Dec. 4th @ 1pm

Check out our newest exciting program for your littles that are still at home! We will explore all things arts & crafts and practice following directions to create works of art!

Dance & Tot Classes

Join Miss Kaylen for a new session of ballet & tumbling!
Saturdays 9/7-10/26

Ages 3-9

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Ms. Michelle with
Toddler Fit & Fun
Thurs @ 9am
9/12-12/19

Home School PE

Mondays @ 1pm

9/9-10/21 & 10/28-12/16

Join us for this new and engaging Home School PE program! We will learn new sports and recreational activities each week for a wide range of ages and abilities.

Register online or at front desk

www.islandparkdistrict.com



Adult & Family Programs



Special Events

Sept 19 - Farmer's Market & Rotary Car Show
Sept 28th - 75th Anniversary Party: Harvest Festival
Sept 29th - Touch a Truck w/ Nat'l Night Out
Oct. 14th - Pumpkin Painting
Oct. 19th - Trunk or Treat & Howl-o-Ween
Nov. 11th - Movie @ Mar 10am
Nov. 30th - Christkindlmarket & Holiday Parade

Group Fitness Classes

10am M/W/F - Low Impact Chair
11am M/W - HIIT
5pm T/TH - HIIT
5:30pm W - STEP
6:30pm W - YOGA
11:30am TH - Cardio Box
9am FR - FIIT Crew
If you buy a punch card, you can mix and match these classes! You can even bring a friend for free to try it, too!

Specialty Classes

Did you know we offer dance & wellness classes? These have special pricing and limited dates so don't miss out on your chance to experience these limited offerings!

HIIT Yoga
Soundbath
Belly Dancing
Line Dancing - Beginner & Intermediate

Adult Open Gyms

Do something for you and get active with an open gym session!

9/15 & 9/22
10/6 & 10/20
11/3 & 11/17
Volleyball 5-6pm
Basketball 6-8pm

Senior Series

9/13 & 11/1 - Senior Stretch @ 11:15am
9/26 - Medicare & You, presented by Oak Knoll Financial: @ 10am
11/15 - Senior Scams, presented by Wilmington Police Dept @ 11am
Ask us about FREE senior hours, Silver Sneakers and discounted memberships!

Party Room

Planning on booking that party? Prices go up January 1st, so be sure and reserve it today at www.islandparkdistrict.com

WILMINGTON PARK DISTRICT



September 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Spice Club: Cajun Blend	2 	3 PJ Story Time @5pm City Council Mtg. @7pm	4 Bandana Sunflower Wreath Craft @1pm	5 Planning & Zoning Mtg. @5pm Kidz Crafternoon @6pm	6	7 Genealogy Workshop w/ Jennifer Holik @9:30am-12:15pm Percy Jackson Book Club @1pm
8 	9 LEGO Club @3:30pm WCHC Meeting @6:30pm	10 Committee of the Whole Mtg. @5:30pm SoundBath @6:30pm	11 Art Explorers @1pm	12 Electronics Recycling @5-7pm	13 Senior Stretch @11:15am	14 
15 Adult Volleyball @5pm Adult Basketball @6pm	16 Library Board Mtg. @6:30pm	17 PJ Story Time @5pm HIIT Yoga @6:30pm Finance & Land Mtg. @6:30pm City Council Mtg. @7pm	18 BINGO @1pm	19 Rotary Car Show & Farmer's Market @5-8pm Kidz Crafternoon @6pm	20	21 
22 Youth Sand Volleyball Tourney @12-4pm Adult Volleyball @5pm Adult Basketball @6pm	23 Barbie Club @3:30pm Book Club @6pm	24	25	26 Medicare & You @10am Kidz Crafternoon @6pm Park District Board Mtg. @7pm	27 Cozy Mystery Book Club @1pm	28 Percy Jackson Book Club @1pm 75th Annual Celebration & Kickball Tourney @North Island! Welcome Back Gemini Giant Party!
29 Touch-a-Truck & National Night Out @WHS @2-5pm	30					

***WPLD Weekly Recurring Programs:**
 Homework Happy Hour:
 Wednesdays @3:30pm;
 Coffee, Tea, My Toddler, & Me:
 Thursdays @11am

***Park District Recurring Classes (9/12 - 12/21 unless noted):**
 Low Impact Chair: M/W/F @10am; HIIT: M/W @11am & T/Th @5pm; Homeschool P.E.: Mon @1pm;
 Lil Adventurers (9/10 - 10/15): Tues @10am; Step to the Beat: Wed @5:30pm; Yoga: Wed @6:30pm;
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 Combined Ballet & Tumbling Class (3-4 y.o.) (9/07 - 10/26): Sat @8am; Ballet (5-9 y.o.) (9/07 - 10/26): Sat @9am;
 Tumbling (5-9 y.o.) (9/07 - 10/26): Sat @10am

CALENDAR KEY

CITY HALL

LIBRARY: ADULT SERVICES




LIBRARY: YOUTH SERVICES

PARK DISTRICT: ADULT PROGRAM

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OTHER LOCAL ORGANIZER

October 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 Spice Club: Herbes de Provence Homeschool Fun @10am City Council Mtg. @7pm	2 Ghost Painting Craft @1pm Art Explorers @1pm The Art of Mourning Presentation @6pm	3 Planning & Zoning Mtg. @5pm	4	5 Hunter's Safety Course
6 Hunter's Safety Course Youth Volleyball @2:30pm Adult Volleyball @5pm Adult Basketball @6pm	7 Genealogy Club @6pm	8 Halloween Movie @5pm Committee of the Whole Mtg. @5:30pm SoundBath @6:30pm	9	10 Electronics Recycling @5-7pm	11	12 Boat Safety Course
13 Festival of Crafts	14 Pumpkin Painting @1pm LEGO Club @3:30pm WCHC Meeting @6:30pm	15 Homeschool Fun @10am HIIT Yoga @6:30pm Finance & Land Mtg. @6:30pm City Council Mtg. @7pm	16 BINGO @1pm Paranormal Moms Society Presentation @6pm	17	18 Murder Mystery Night @6pm Spook Hike	19 Bewitched on 66 Trunk or Treat & Howl-o-Ween Spook Hike
20 HIIT Yoga @9am Youth Volleyball @2:30pm Adult Volleyball @5pm Adult Basketball @6pm	21 Library Board Mtg. @6:30pm	22 PJ Story Time @5pm Final Open House For Comprehensive Plan @City Hall @4-7pm	23	24 Park District Board Mtg. @7pm	25 Cozy Mystery Book Club @1pm	26 Cemetery Walk @1pm
27 Halloween 5k, Mile Walk, & Kids' Fun Run @Midwin!	28 Barbie Club @3:30pm Book Club @6pm	29	30 Halloween Movie @4:30pm	31 		

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November 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 Spice Club: Garam Masala Senior Stretch @11:15am Elf on the Shelf Starts @Park District!	2 Dia de los Muertos - Coco Movie in the Dark!
3 Youth Basketball Game @12pm Youth Volleyball @2:30pm Adult Volleyball @5pm Adult Basketball @6pm	4 Genealogy Club @6pm	5 Homeschool Fun @10am	6 Art Explorers @1pm Historical Presentation w/ Jim Gibbons @5pm City Council Mtg. @7pm	7 Planning & Zoning Mtg. @5pm	8	9 Percy Jackson Book Club @1pm
10	11  Movie @ The Mar LEGO Club @3:30pm WCHC Meeting @6:30pm	12 Committee of the Whole Mtg. @5:30pm PJ Story Time @6pm SoundBath @6:30pm	13 In-person Craft: Scrapbook X-mas Trees @1pm	14 Electronics Recycling @5-7pm	15 Mobile DMV Event @10am-3pm Senior Scams @11am Holiday Paint Night @6pm	16 
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1949- 2024

Come celebrate
75 years
with us!

Youth Kickball Tournament
Adult Cup in Hand Tournament
Kids Inflatables
Live Music
Beer Garden
Meet your Park Board
Wagon Rides to the Gemini Giant
Family Fun!

*Wilmington
Park District*



HARVEST

FESTIVAL
CELEBRATING 75 YEARS

LIVE MUSIC | FOOD TRUCKS | KICKBALL

SEPT. 28, 2024

NORTH ISLAND PARK

WWW.ISLANDPARKDISTRICT.COM

Follow along on socials for all the latest details!

Wilmington Park District

Christkindlmarket

Saturday, November 30th
220 N. Water St.

2PM - 7PM

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L I G H T E D

Holiday Parade

@ 5PM



COMING SOON- KANOPY!



Anyone with a Wilmington library card will soon be able to enjoy over 31,000 free videos from Kanopy and Kanopy Kids, our amazing new video streaming service that provides instant access to thousands of critically acclaimed films that inspire, educate, and entertain. Kanopy's unique selection offers something for everyone: from award winning indie films, to important and timely documentaries, to foreign films, popular cinema, children's shows and more. Patrons will be able to stream content via mobile/tablet apps for iPhone and Android, as well as on their computer desktop, and SmartTV apps, like Roku and Apple TV.



Kids, are you ready for a wicked watch party? We will be showing Scary Godmother: Halloween Spooktakular on October 8th at 5:00 pm and Halloween Spooktakular and The Revenge of Jimmy on October 30th at 5:00 pm. Sign up required.

PARANORMAL MOMS SOCIETY

The Paranormal Moms Society of Northlake will visit the Wilmington Public Library District on October 16th at 6:00 PM to discuss their investigations and services they provide. Sign up required.

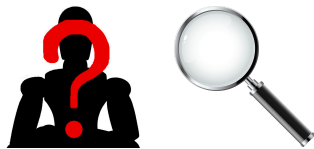
SPOOK HIKE!

Prepare for chills and thrills as the library once again joins the fun of the Lions Club Spook Hike! For the second year in a row, Mrs. Amanda and helpers will transform their area at the Spook Hike into a haunted library, filled with spooky surprises and eerie encounters. Face your fears, and have some fun, by joining us on October 18th and 19th at the North Island Park starting at 7:00 PM.



ANNUAL HISTORIC CEMETERY WALK

Saturday, October 26th, 1:00 PM
Join us for a historic walking tour at Oakwood Cemetery with local historian, John Persic. We will meet at the cemetery and will be walking and standing on uneven terrain. There are limited spaces available so sign up today! A waiver must be signed to attend.



MURDER MYSTERY

The library at night can be a dangerous place. Join us for an after hours Murder Mystery event. Limited spaces will be available so sign up early. Event will take place on Friday, October 18th at 6pm.



MOBILE SECRETARY OF STATE OFFICE RETURNS

The Mobile Secretary of State will be back at the Wilmington Public Library on Friday, November 15th from 10am-3pm for Driver's License renewals, New IDs, Real IDs and plates services. Thanks to Senator Joyce for sponsoring us. Appointments are available and fill fast! Call the library to make yours!

NOTICES

The Library will be closed on Monday, September 2nd-Labor Day and Thursday November 28th and the 29th for Thanksgiving!



THANK YOU TO OUR SUMMER READING PROGRAM SPONSORS!

- Route 66 Creamery
- Tuffy's Lounge and Patio
- Oak Knoll Financial Strategies, LLC
- City Pizza & Sub Co.
- AJ's Hotdogs & Gyros
- Grundy Bank
- D. Construction
- ITI Intermodal
- Hughes and Hughes
- Free Press Advocate
- Wilmington Autoplex
- Illinois Central Bus
- Grand Dental



Christmas Decoration Exchange Dec. 4th!

Bring your old decorations in, and get something new-to-you!

Library Hours

Monday - Thursday 9 am - 8pm
Friday and Saturday 9 am- 5 pm
Sunday 12- 5pm

Library Phone Number 815-476-2834
Get our PrairieCat Mobile app in the Google Play Store or in Itunes

Keep an eye on our website and social media for information on upcoming bus trips!



WILMINGTON CHAMBER



FREE ADMISSION - FAMILY FRIENDLY EVENT

NORTH ISLAND PARK
10:00AM - 4:00PM
RAIN OR SHINE



JURIED CRAFT SHOW
FOOD TRUCKS
WINE GARDEN
LIVE MUSIC
VINTAGE ITEMS
PUMPKIN PAINTING

FOR MORE INFORMATION & VENDOR APPLICATIONS
www.wilmingtonchamber.org/crafts



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