

# FOCUS



on Woodridge

## Village Names Brian Cunningham as Chief of Police



The Village recently announced the hiring of Brian Cunningham as the next Chief of Police. His hiring culminates a state-wide search and recruitment process, which included gathering input from the community at large and a community interview panel which reflected the leadership and diversity

of Woodridge. Chief Cunningham comes from the Naperville Police Department, where he has had a 30-year distinguished law enforcement career and most recently served as Deputy Chief directing the Investigations Division. ❄️

## Cedarhurst Assisted Living and Memory Care to Open in 2017

Cedarhurst Assisted Living and Memory Care started construction this summer at the southwest corner of Route 53 and 75th Street. The development will offer 76 assisted living apartments and 24 residences equipped for memory care services, helping to meet the needs of Woodridge's seniors. Cedarhurst specializes in individualized care

plans that are created for each individual based on their needs. The 100-unit development is expected to open at the end of 2017. For more information please visit <http://cedarhurstliving.com/location/naperville/> or call (314) 282-2808. ❄️

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## Residential and Commercial Activity Takes Place in Seven Bridges

If you've been to Seven Bridges lately, you've likely noticed the construction activity at the northwest quadrant of the development. Uptown at Seven Bridges, an 80-unit row home development by Pulte Homes Corporation, is the long awaited final phase of the Main Street at Seven Bridges Development. Uptown at Seven Bridges will offer three-story row homes with a mix of three and four-bedroom units ranging in size from 1,700 to 2,200 square feet. Starting in the low \$300s, the community is expected to open for sales in early 2017. Interested buyers can join the interest list and receive email updates by calling 1-866-214-0476 or visiting [www.pulte.com/uptown](http://www.pulte.com/uptown).

A recent ownership change in the commercial portion of Seven Bridges resulted in the purchase of five existing commercial buildings

and five vacant commercial pads along Main Street. Village staff is working closely with Gateway Development Partners to market these sites. Additionally, Blackstreet Capital Holdings took ownership of the Seven Bridges Ice Arena in September and is currently negotiating a long term lease with operators Chicago Mission AAA Hockey Club that will allow the successful ice rink organization to continue to operate at the facility. ❄️



# Support Local Businesses During the Holiday Shopping Season!

Small Business Saturday will take place on Saturday, November 26th. The focus of the event is to recognize local businesses for their contribution to the community and to support them through shopping. Woodridge is home to many dynamic retailers, restaurants, service providers, markets and specialty stores. On November 26th, and for your shopping needs leading further into the holidays, remember to Shop Local, Shop

Woodridge! A business directory of Woodridge businesses is available at [www.shopwoodridge.net](http://www.shopwoodridge.net). 🌟



# 2017 Village of Woodridge/ProLogis Foundation Scholarships



The Village of Woodridge and the ProLogis Foundation have scholarship applications available for Woodridge High School Seniors attending college in the fall. The primary criteria for applicants are: Woodridge residency, good citizenship, leadership potential, community or campus involvement, and academic excellence. Applications and the scholarship brochure can be found in high school guidance offices, at the Woodridge Village Hall or on the Village website, [www.vil.woodridge.il.us](http://www.vil.woodridge.il.us). Completed applications must be returned to the high school guidance office by Friday, February 24th. If you have any questions, please contact Leslie Davies at (630) 719-4706. 🌟

## Christmas Tree Recycling Begins in January

For residents looking to dispose of their Christmas Trees, the annual curbside Christmas Tree Recycling Program will take place during the first two scheduled garbage pick-up days in January. Residents may leave live

trees (up to 6 feet tall), at the curb with no sticker. Trees must be free of decorations, wire, and lights and not placed in plastic bags. Wreaths and evergreen garland will not be accepted. 🌟

## Have a Light Strand that Doesn't Work? Recycle It!

Do you have holiday lights that have lost their former shimmer? Then recycle them! Now through March 17th, recycle your holiday lights, extension, phone, and computer cords at the Woodridge Village Hall or Public Works building. The Village has partnered with Elgin Recycling to offer this free service to residents. Mini-



lights, C7 or C9 lights, rope or LED lights, extension, phone, or computer cords are all eligible for recycling. Please - no CFLs. Recycling receptacles can be found in the Village Hall lobby, 5 Plaza Drive, or the Public Works/Police Department lobby located at 1 Plaza Drive. 🌟

## Award Recognizes Village's Financial Transparency, Public Invited to View Budgets Online

For the twelfth year in a row, the Village of Woodridge has received a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting from the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA). This award is presented in recognition of the Village's effort to clearly communicate financial information and present it in a way that engages readers of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR).

This award, in combination with the Village's online financial tool that visually presents the Village's revenues and expenses, demonstrates the Village's commitment to transparency and sound decision making through public engagement. Want to learn about Village finances? Visit the Village's OpenGov portal at [www.vil.woodridge.il.us](http://www.vil.woodridge.il.us), by clicking the Transparency link on the left-hand side, and then clicking the link next to OpenGov - Access Financial Data. 🌟

## DATES TO NOTE

**NOVEMBER 26<sup>TH</sup>**  
Small Business Saturday

**DECEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup>**  
Pearl Harbor Remembrance - VFW

**DECEMBER 23<sup>TH</sup> & 26<sup>TH</sup>**  
Village Offices Closed

**JANUARY 2<sup>ND</sup>**  
Village Offices Closed

**JANUARY 2<sup>ND</sup> - 13<sup>TH</sup>**  
Christmas Tree Recycling

**FEBRUARY 24<sup>TH</sup>**  
Due Date for ProLogis Scholarship Applications

**MARCH 13<sup>TH</sup>**  
Daylight Savings Time

Visit the Events link at [www.vil.woodridge.il.us](http://www.vil.woodridge.il.us) for details on these events and more.

Reminder

## WONDER WHAT THE POLICE/PUBLIC WORKS BUILDING IS LIKE? CHECK OUT THE VIDEO ONLINE

The Village's Police and Public Works Departments currently share a 30 year-old facility that was built in 1986. The age of the building has contributed to the need for major capital repairs. To aide in the understanding of how the building's condition and configuration impact Village operations, a short video is now available on the Village's website, [www.vil.woodridge.il.us](http://www.vil.woodridge.il.us). ❄️



## CONNECT WITH WOODRIDGE & BE INFORMED!

Looking for a convenient way to keep up with what's happening in Woodridge? Wondering how to get plugged into current events but don't know where to start? Look no further. The Village website, located at [www.vil.woodridge.il.us](http://www.vil.woodridge.il.us) has a robust news section that contains multiple resources that can help you stay up to date. The Village can also be found on Facebook, can be followed on Twitter @VilofWoodridge, and it is easy to sign up for an RSS feed when visiting the site. Cable subscribers can find information and community programming on WCTV Channel 6, and U-Verse subscribers can find it on Channel 99. Check out these resources and get plugged in today! ❄️

## ROADWAY SNOW REMOVAL INFORMATION & REMINDERS

The Village's snow plan is designed with residents in mind, with a focus on making roads available for safe travel during and after a snowfall. To better understand the plan, consider the following:

- Snow is plowed from the center of a roadway towards the parkway. Unfortunately, the ends of homeowner's driveways are also in this location. Trying to direct the plow away from each driveway as the plow passes is not manageable – there are well over 10,000 driveways in the Village – and it would result in snow left in the street.
- On each street, multiple passes of the snow plow are needed in each direction just to clear snow from the center of the roadway



to the edge. Passes near the edge of the road will result in snow coming off of the plow blade and unavoidably being deposited on parkways and driveways.

- Remember that on-street parking is prohibited any time after 2" of snowfall and between 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. everyday. Observing these restrictions is important to give snow plows the room they need to maneuver.
- Remove empty refuse containers from the curb as soon as possible in order to avoid contact with the snowplows. ❄️

## SNOW SHOVELING TIPS & REMINDERS

- When shoveling the end of the driveway near the street, place the snow to the right of the driveway (as you face the street). Snow piled on the left side adds to the amount that can be spread into the driveway.
- On the left side of the driveway (as you face the street), clear a few feet of snow off of the street and curb line.

- Do not shovel snow back into the streets - this causes ice patches which are hazardous to drivers and snowplows.
- Keep fire hydrants on your property clear of snow and ready for use in case of an emergency.
- Keep sidewalks around your residence free of snow and ice. ❄️

## LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS WILL TAKE UNWANTED ITEMS

Planning on clearing out some space in your home before or after the holidays? Some worthy community organizations can help you find a home for items that you no longer need. From clothing to electronics, knick knacks, small furniture, cell phones, school supplies and more,

there are local organizations that are a resource for putting unwanted items to use. Visit the DuPage Convalescent Center at [www.dupageco.org](http://www.dupageco.org) or SCARCE at [www.scarce.org](http://www.scarce.org) to learn how to donate. ❄️



## WHAT TO DO WITH YOUR USED COOKING OIL? RECYCLE IT!

Frying a turkey this Thanksgiving? Have oil from frying other foods? There are two locations near Woodridge that can help you properly dispose of your oil. This includes the Downers Grove Sanitary Treatment Center, 2710 Curtiss Street in Downers Grove and the

Household Hazardous Waste Facility in Naperville located at 156 Fort Hill Drive. The Downers Grove location is open Monday – Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and the Naperville facility is open on Saturdays & Sundays from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (excluding holidays). Visit [www.scarce.org](http://www.scarce.org) for more information. ❄️

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### VILLAGE HALL HOURS

Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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## Overnight & Winter Parking Reminders

As a reminder to residents and their guests, the parking of vehicles on village streets between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. is prohibited without prior approval. Don't forget! You can now submit an overnight parking request online through the Village website, [www.vil.woodridge.il.us](http://www.vil.woodridge.il.us), for added convenience and flexibility. Winter is coming! Please remember, in the event of a snowfall that is expected or does exceed two inches, NO overnight parking will be permitted on any village street. ❄️



## Holiday Shopping Safety Tips from the Woodridge Police Department

The Woodridge Police Department wants you to be safe this holiday season. Please take note of the following

shopping safety tips to ensure your well-being while shopping at the mall and online! ❄️

### IN-STORE SHOPPING

-  Always lock your packages and valuables in the trunk to deter thieves.
-  Keep a secure hold on your purse, handbag or parcels.
-  Always have your keys ready and be aware of your surroundings when returning to your vehicle.
-  If you use an ATM, choose one that is located in a well-lit location and shield your PIN from people nearby.
-  Do not carry large amounts of cash. Always take note of which credit cards you are carrying in the event that one is lost or stolen.

### ONLINE SHOPPING

-  Make sure the site is legitimate. This includes a closed padlock on your web browser's address bar or a URL address that begins with [shhttp](http://shhttp) or [https](http://https).
-  Protect your personal information. Do not give out more information that is needed for the purchase.
-  Use a credit card as they are generally safer than debit cards.
-  Turn your computer off when you're finished shopping to prevent scammers from installing malware or committing cyber-crimes.
-  Never use unsecured wireless networks to make an online purchase.