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Taxing Bodies Battle Over TIF

By Lisa Goodwin

The Village of Winfield and two school districts in Winfield, District 34 and High School District 94, have been struggling with a lawsuit since November 2021. D34's original lawsuit raised two issues. One

challenged the Village's ability to move some parcels of land from the first TIF district into a second, newly created TIF district. In June 2022, the trial court dismissed this issue, ruling that the Illinois TIF laws do not prevent parcels from being moved from one TIF into a different TIF.

The second issue in D34's complaint is that the area within TIF #2 is not blighted, or in need of special action to support new development. The Village, on the other hand, maintains that the land parcels comply with very specific criteria that must be met in order to qualify for a TIF.

Ultimately, the trial court granted judgment in favor of the Village on March 11, 2025, and found that the Village's arguments satisfied the requirements of the Illinois TIF Act. The Village estimates that approximately \$2 million dollars of taxpayer money has been spent litigating this lawsuit.

However, it is not over, as Districts 34 and 94 filed an appeal on April 8th. The appeal covers both the dismissal of the first issue in June 2022, and the recent March decision finding that TIF #2 was "not

When asked about the motivation for the appeal, D34 School Board President Dan Krasinski said

that the school board has a financial responsibility to protect the school's funding. Currently, the school board has a capital investment plan through 2037 that requires \$4.3 million. Putting some school district parcels into TIF #2 impacts the future growth in

the district's funding over the next

Only a small portion of today's tax levy is affected because the TIF #2 parcels' currently equalized assessed value is small. Future tax revenue growth for D34 depends

on growth in the equalized assessed value of those properties, which the Village estimates to grow from \$2 million to \$30-35 million once redeveloped. Only the upwards future growth in these parcels would be directed to the TIF fund, unless a separate agreement is reached.

The issue is not actual funds lost in revenue, but rather the lost future potential tax revenues. While the Village believes that without TIF #2, there are few future tax revenues, D34 believes there are.

According to D34, they believe that NM/CDH is already willing to develop Town Center and the Village can accomplish some of their goals without a second TIF district. Village President Carl Sorgatz says the village can only fund a new village hall and police station without raising property taxes through using the TIF #2 fund.

However, the D34 school board feels that the Village intentions to use the TIF #2 funds to build a new village hall and police department transfers a

Winfield-wide tax burden only to the residents that live within the D34 district, which has a very small footprint. Winfield residents east of County Farm Road are in Wheaton CUSD 200 and would not be impacted, while TIF #2 would impact taxing districts in West Chicago, who would not benefit from new Winfield municipal buildings.

The Village plans relocate Village Hall and the Police Department to new sites north of Jewell Road. D34 President Krasinski points out that construction of a new Village Hall and Police Department in a prime location in Town Center, while sorely needed, will also be off the tax rolls and consuming a larger footprint than they do today. State TIF laws do allow investment in the expansion of public buildings.

Village President Sorgatz said that the Village has offered several concessions to the school districts, such as agreeing to limit TIF #2 expenditures. and initially proposed a compromise to share just under \$10 million over the next 23 years. D34 countered with a compromise to share the tax revenues 50/50, which the Village does not consider reasonable. The 23-year budget of TIF #2 was estimated at approx. \$45 million in 2020. This stalemate prompted the school district's original lawsuit in 2021 and the appeal filed in April.

These types of TIF issues have been filed in other Illinois courts, but the lawsuits were dismissed when the municipality and the taxing bodies negotiated a settlement to return some tax revenues continued on page 4

Get to Know Winfield First Responders



Police Officer Hector Saucedo

Where are you from and what brought you to Winfield?

I am from Addison, IL. I knew Winfield was a tightknit, growing community with a great appreciation for their police officers.

Why did you become a police officer?

I became a police officer because I have always been the type of person to help others in any way I possibly can. This is a challenging career that I have accepted and plan to carry out with the utmost respect and integrity.

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What's the best part of your job in Winfield?

The best part of my job in Winfield is interacting with the residents and business owners in town.

What are your professional goals, or are there any skills/certifications you'd like to learn?

My professional goal is to better myself day after day as a police officer. This is a career where learning and training will be everlasting. As for skills and certifications down the road, I would like to learn about investigative work.

What's your favorite food?

It is difficult to pick one, however, I will go with hot wings for now. With ranch of course.

Favorite restaurant?

My favorite restaurant is Bien Trucha in Geneva, IL.

Favorite law enforcement movie/TV show?

My favorite law enforcement TV show is Mindhunter on Netflix.

Hidden talents?

Video gaming.

Favorite hobby?

I love to play and watch soccer.

Favorite dinosaur?

I am a fan of the Spinosaurus, as they were skilled on both land and water. Like a Navy SEAL.

First Car?

My first car was a 2005 Ford Focus.

My dream car is a Ram TRX truck.

Firefighter/Paramedic Ed Troutman

Where are you from and what brought you to Winfield?

I'm from Glen Ellyn. My great-grandfather was a respected Chicago police detective—he even worked on the Al Capone case—which inspired me to pursue a similar path. After high school, a friend introduced me to the Glen Ellyn Volunteer Fire Company. I joined to build experience but quickly discovered a passion for the fire service. I earned my EMT, paramedic, and diving certifications, and in 1995, I applied to Winfield for a part-time/paid-on call firefighter paramedic role. I've been here ever since, becoming full-time in 1999.

What's your favorite part of your job in Win-

What I like most about working in Winfield is that I get to work as part of a team. I learned from playing sports when I was young that every member of a team has an important part to play in helping the team accomplish its goals. Where one member is still learning a skill, another helps them learn, and the whole team excels.

What are you most proud of in your career in Winfield?

This job has challenged me to learn, adapt, be a better team member, but most of all be more empathetic. It has made me a better husband and dad. I enjoy helping people when they are having a

What is something most people don't know about you?

My wife and I have been to 50 states, 28 national parks, and 28 MLB ballparks. I love Chicago baseball.

And now some fun questions!

Favorite restaurant? Torchy's Tacos

Favorite hobby? SCUBA diving

First car? 1970 Buick Skylark

Favorite animated movie character? Shrek

Winfield Farmers Market Starts 33rd Year in Prairie Trail Center

Since the summer of 1993, Winfield residents, as well as those in surrounding communities, have had the good fortune of having fresh fruit and vegetables available from Illinois and Michigan farmers every Wednesday for five months, June through October, here in

"The only difference is that back then there were only four or five farmers that made up the entire market", says the market manager of the past 30 years, Rich

"But like every other farmers market in America", recalls Bysina, "they've grown in size to the point where they're now virtual shopping plazas themselves. We now have close to 40 business vendors each week offering a great variety of food products, fresh bakery goods, health and beauty items, handcrafted jewelry, and even professional services for the homeowner.

Many shoppers spend an hour or two here, casually walking the 250-foot-long shoppers' aisle from local farmers at the west end entrance, to The Cheese People, Manbot Coffee and the Farmers Insurance agent at the east end entrance.

"And that's not all," Bysina continued. "For the fourth year, our market is displaying coloring sheets of Bugs Bunny - celebrating his 85th

> birthday this year on July 27th -- in the shoppers' aisle for customers to take home and have their children ten and under color. When they turn them in, they get five Winfield Farmers Market Vendor Bucks to spend at any vendor. One reason we're doing this

is to give kids a positive feeling about farmers markets so that one day they'll return as shoppers themselves."

Bysina's ultimate goal? To get Warner Bros. to consider this world-renowned character of theirs to be the spokesman/mascot for farmers markets across America. "They haven't yet answered several of my letters, but as a famous basketball coach once said, 'Don't give up. Don't ever give up."

Winfield Farmers Market is located at the SW

corner of Geneva & County Farm Roads in the Prairie Trail Center shopping plaza, open Wednesdays 7am to 1pm. Handy vendor directories listing every business vendor are displayed in the shoppers' aisle.

Winfield residents who have a business and are interested in participating in this market are welcome to contact Bysina at sezwhorich@gmail.com.



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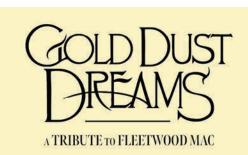
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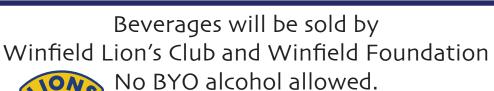




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TIF Battle

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during the TIF period. The D34 school board makes a compelling argument about distributing the tax burden across all of Winfield instead of only the D34 taxing area, however that argument is not a factor in the court case. Illinois TIF laws do not address these issues. Also note that the TIF's projected funds are only estimates of future growth and not guaranteed to meet the expectations.

Krasinski says that D34 respects that everyone is putting a lot of effort into improving Winfield. The Village has realized some additional revenues which should be factors in the negotiations, such as the new revenue from the Amazon facility and Casey's which are outside both D34 and the TIF. Also, some TIF #1 properties are returning to the tax rolls in 2029, which Village President Sorgatz estimates at increasing D34 tax revenue by \$450k per year.

Ultimately, D34 serves 300 to 350 students with a very small footprint. Town Center redevelopment benefits the entire Village, and the Police Department and Village employees certainly deserve better buildings. Winfield residents would like the Village and the School Districts to come back to the negotiating table and collaborate to settle this disagreement. While these concerns may not be specifically addressed in the appellate court, they have the potential to create another deep divide in our community like past conflicts from which Winfield has only recently begun to heal.

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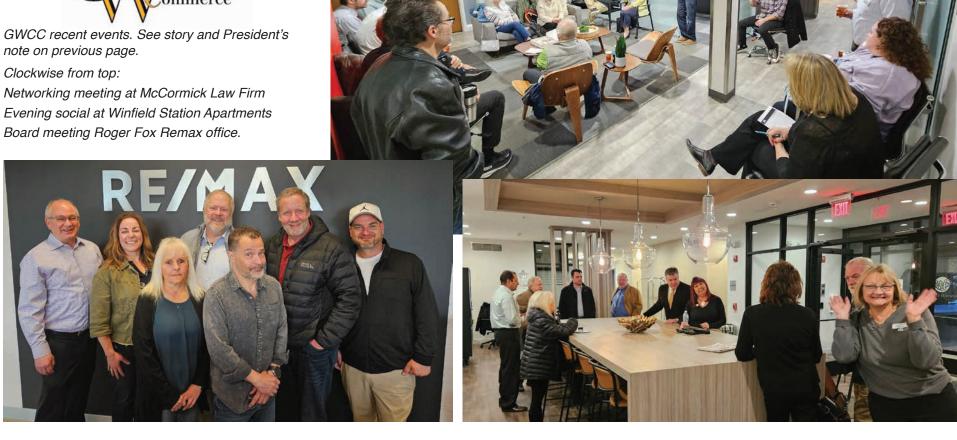
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Luncheon with speaker at Klein Creek Golf Club. See more photos on page 5.









Two New Sweet Treats Open in Winfield

By Lisa Goodwin

Sugar Mama's Mini Donuts opened in February on Chicago Ave facing the train tracks. Their specialty Ultimate Mini Donuts are a modern update on cupcakes, drizzled with a variety of glazes and jellies and topped with even more colorful and crunchy toppings from jellybeans to mini M&Ms to crumbled cookies. Ultimate Mini Donuts are available in many quantities, from 6 to trays of 24. While the decorated Ultimate Minis are perfect for the office or a party, the Classic Mini Donuts are simply tiny, hot, fresh, crunchy donuts served either plain



or dusted with powdered sugar. A half-dozen is a perfect treat, but a bucket would be great to bring home for dinner! Sugar Mama's also serves a variety of coffee and tea drinks. For more savory options, they also serve Avocado Toast and a Bacon & Egg Croissant. They are open every day of the week. Grab a bag of the plain Classic Mini Donuts and visit the antique stores within walking distance!

Sweet Reserve Café & Bakery at High Lake Rd and Winfield Rd opened in March on the first floor of the new NM building. The space is beautifully designed, with natural light and plenty of seating. The pastries are gorgeous, and the pistachio croissant is highly recommended, along with any of the beautiful continued on page 10













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New Fire Station Reflects Winfield's Growth and Future

By Luke Allen

Thursday, May 29 marked a historic milestone for the Winfield Fire Protection District and the Village of Winfield. Just over a year after breaking ground, the district's firefighter-paramedics bid farewell to their longtime downtown firehouse—escorted out with cheers and waves from Winfield Middle School's 6th, 7th, and 8th graders in a heartwarming "clap-out" sendoff.

The new fire station, located at County Farm Road and Churchill Road (just south of Geneva Road), is designed to serve the growing community's needs for the next 75 years. The original downtown station, built in 1974, was constructed when the fire district had a population of about 7,000 and relied on volunteer firefighters. Over the years, as the community expanded, so did the department's responsibilities—including ambulance service, dive rescue, and the addition of full-time firefighter-paramedics in 1993. The station was remodeled several times but eventually outgrew its capacity. The Winfield Fire Protection District now serves a



Top: The new fire station. Left: Winfield Middle School students and St. John the Baptist Catholic School students have a "clap-out" sendoff to fire equipment heading to the new station.

central site north of the train tracks—yet still close to the County Farm Road viaduct—to improve response times and allow room for future growth.

The architectural firm Healy, Bender, Patton & Been of Naperville designed the 16,055-square-foot station, and construction was handled by E.P. Doyle & Son of Wheaton.

Chief Steve Evans, along with many of the firefighter-paramedics, completed the move on May 29. Students from Winfield Midde School lined the sidewalk in Winfield Town Center, surprising the firefighter-paramedics with cheering as the department left the downtown station for the last time—a fitting tribute to 50 years of service in that building.

Now that there is enough space and an additional ambulance has been acquired, Commissioners are in the process of hiring additional crew.

The Fire District plans to host a public open house during the Winfield Good Old Days celebration on Saturday, September 6. More details will be shared in the next issue of The Glimpses and on their website.



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By Kathe Doremus

On Tuesday, May 6, the West Chicago Community High School District 94 held a reception to honor outgoing Board members, one of which was Winfield's own Gary Saake. Gary served four terms on the Board of Education – including serving as Board President during some tumultuous times. Many people do not realize that serving on a school board is one of the only unpaid elected positions in the State of Illinois – and Gary served four terms of four years each - so SIXTEEN years, of more meetings than can be counted, more hours in training, countless hours in committees, consulting with administration, interviewing potential staff members, attending special events and activities and football games and being one of the seven faces of the Board of Education visible in the community. Gary Saake put his heart into all of this for sixteen years.

While there are varying reasons people choose to run for a School Board - children in the district, a jump off for other political offices, a personal agenda - Gary ran because he wanted to give back to his community and saw the high school as a place he could dig in and make a difference with his unique skill set. Gary and his wife Anna have no children - Gary has always stated that as he doesn't have his own, he thinks of every child in the high school as his responsibility. His commitment to the Board made a difference in the life of approximately 8,000 children that graduated from

WCCHS during his tenure. Gary took great pride in every student achievement - whether in academics, journalism, sports, business - and made certain to attend graduation for sixteen years of graduating classes of Wildcats as they stepped out to their

Gary brought fiscal knowledge to the table and helped keep the high school financially sound through many difficult years – beginning his years on the board in the middle of "The Great Recession", through years where State funding was a challenge, and into the financial turmoil driven by Covid. He led the school through a successful referendum and massive construction project and was always considering the impact on the taxpayers in the district while striving to achieve constant improvement for the students - throughout it all, D94 retained a status of financial excellence with the State of Illinois.

I have had the opportunity to serve on the Board through most of my tenure with Gary and appreciate what a fine and dedicated public servant he has been - and want to make this community aware of the commitment, the knowledge, and the talent that he has brought to D94. The board is made of seven people from the community – we have been fortunate through so many years to have had a solid Board that has always strived to do better for our students and staff - and Gary Saake is one of seven that has contributed so much throughout

his tenure. For your knowledge and talents shared openly that contributed to our community and our children, - for wise governance and leadership, for dedication and so much time given freely, for going above and beyond in your commitment to District 94 - we thank you Gary Saake.



Winfield Historical Society Seeking **Volunteers and Additional Board Members**

The Winfield Historical Society is seeking additional Board Members and people from the greater Winfield Illinois area to be active volunteers to keep the Society viable in the future.

The Board is seeking new active Board members that have experience in social media and website marketing, fundraising, finances and with an interest in local history. The commitment is a Board meeting on the third Tuesday of each month.

Volunteers of the Society have opportunities to represent the Society in the community during

events (Good Old Days, Farmer Market, etc.) and to volunteer time to keep the Museum open for additional hours during the summer.

If you are interested in helping, please contact Kevin Davis, Winfield Historical Society President at the following email address: hedgesmuseum@ winfieldparkdistrict.com.









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"Buying a home is one of the biggest financial decisions someone will ever make," Roger says, "but what's most important is how that property becomes a home."

With a calm and steady approach, Roger helps guide clients through what can often be an emotional and overwhelming process. His goal is not just to close a sale, but to build a lasting relationship—one grounded in honesty, care, and connection. Over the years, many of his clients have become lifelong friends. "Being trusted enough to help someone's family member or friend is the greatest compliment I can receive," he adds.

Known for his deep knowledge of the local market, strong negotiation skills, and reliable network of resources, Roger has

helped multiple generations navigate buying, selling, and relocating their family homes.

Outside of real estate, Roger is a familiar face around town. you might find him browsing the Winfield Farmers Market, attending the local car show, or enjoying a concert at the bandshell. You might even find his friendly face on a local billboard! He is a founding member of the Greater Winfield Chamber of Commerce and remains committed to keeping Winfield a vibrant and welcoming place to live. Roger and his wife, Joan, enjoy a quieter pace when at home, where they share their time with two adorable dogs.

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tarts and cheesecakes. The assortment of cake jars is very unique, with a wide variety of fresh cakes

in a baseball-sized jar. The Black Forest was delicious and not too sweet, and I purchased the chocolate cake jar as a birthday gift for a friend. The sturdy jar was handy for transporting to the office, and I put a bow on it for a perfect gift. The full



cakes start at \$40 and they have a nice assortment, but you can talk to them about custom cakes. It's also nice to see at least one gluten-free offering in the pastry case!

Sweet Reserve has some surprising savory options as well. The Turkish Breads are like a Danish with savory fillings like spinach and feta, chicken tikka and tomato basil. The Chicken Tikka Twisted Bread is my favorite, but I would like to try the Spinach Feta next. They also have quiche and grilled cheese sandwiches for the less-adventurous eaters.

The coffee and tea options are varied as well. In addition to the normal lattes, Sweet Reserve has both a black tea and a green tea chai, and several different flavors of lemonade. The lavender cardamom latte is a welcome twist on a sweet coffee. The

pistachio syrup is made in house and should definitely be sampled. They are open every day until 8pm.





Our 2026 Semiquincentennial **Celebrates Great American Leaders'** nspirational Words That Enrich Our Lives

By Rich Bysina

In a little more than six months from now, America will be honoring its 250th birthday, more commonly known as our Semiquincentennial, a year-long celebration in many different ways of what this great republic of ours has not only achieved, but also what we've suffered through, since our forefathers signed the Declaration of Independence in 1776.

Personally, I've always been fascinated by the things American public figures have said or written, which is the subject of this TriviaCrostic for you to play.

A TriviaCrostic is one intriguing, fun, trivia-filled step beyond the ordinary crossword, played by one or more people.

To the right are 26 Clues, A. to Z., many related in some way to America's pop culture – movies, TV, music and sports.

If you know the answer, print it in the numbered spaces. Then print those same letters in the corresponding numbered squares in the TriviaCrostic quotation grid below.

A unique feature of any crostic word puzzle – and another way to help solve it - is that the first letter of each word in the Answers column, reading top to bottom, spell the words of the person whose quote is being used. In this one it's

PRESIDENT THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

When completed, you'll enjoy (or at least I hope you will) the inspirational message New York Governor Theodore Roosevelt – later our 26th U.S. President (1901-1909) – delivered in a speech in Chicago on April 10th, 1899.

If That's Not Enough Fun for You...

If you correctly complete this Trivia-Crostic, bring this original page from The Winfield Glimpses to the Winfield Farmers Market on any Wednesday in June, hand it to the market manager – or if he's not there, to the folks who run the Honey Trails booth - and you'll receive ten Winfield Farmers Market Vendor Bucks to spend at any vendor. If it's any other month the market is open through October, you'll receive five Vendor Bucks.

Above all, enjoy the **Semiquincentennial**. We Americans have much to be proud of.

B. "I Got", George & Ira Gershwin tune (1930). C. Ms. Parker, Roosevelt, or The Beatles' 1966 Rigby D. American flag flew on this Iwo Jima Mount (2/23/45)

A. Richard Gere/Julia Roberts 1990 film (2 words). .

Clues

E. Reside in any place F. Conrad Bain/Gary Coleman 1978 sitcom (2 words) .

G. Mr. Cub "Let's play two!" Hall of Famer (2 words). .

H. NHL's Devils play in this Garden State (2 words). I. Ice cream with chopped candied fruits (2 words) .

J. Food...Family...Football...a day to celebrate! .

K. Santa's familiar greeting in an echo chamber? . L. World War II Supreme Commander & 34th President

M. Supernatural, mystical or even magical phenomena

N. According to M-W: Marked by fearless resolution . O. Forbidden to a designated group (hyph.)

P. ND fans know Daniel Ruettiger from this 1993 film

Q. U. clue is a popular place you'll find this wading bird

S. Hollywood's annual awards evening event (2 words)

R. The "House" he built, aka Yankee Stadium . . .

T. Euphemism for invasion and takeover of a country.

U. Wading birds description of Florida's Everglades .

V. SCRABBLE word between EJIDO(!) & EKISTICS(!)

W. Small long-tailed African monkey .

X. "At Last" I Hall-of-Famer blues singer James . .

Y. Coach K's 1st win (at Army) of Division 1 Basketball record 1,202 wins was over this PA school (11/28/75) 77 **Z.** Social networking messages over the internet . .

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Winfield-Wheaton Aurelios Pizzeria Restaurant

By Ellen Manyon

On a sunny Sunday afternoon, I met a friend at Aurelios at 27W101 Geneva Road near County Farm Road. Owners Tom and Charise showed us a comfortable booth in the bright dining room.

She described the day's specials and their great sandwich deals.

For \$9.99 many of the hot sandwiches come with a generous serving of fries, onion rings or chips. A welcome lunchtime bargain given prices these days!

My friend ordered a small dinner salad and an Aurelios famous six-inch "L'il Pie" pizza with sausage. Her salad came with fresh Romaine lettuce, tomatoes, cucumbers, red onion, seasoned croutons and marinated sweet red peppers.

My meatball sandwich

came with two hearty meatballs smothered in marinara sauce and a huge side of crinkle cut French fries.

For dessert, I enjoyed the cannoli sprinkled with

chopped pistachio nuts, and my friend had a spectacular Brownie Sundae with rich vanilla ice cream, whipped cream, and mini chocolate chips.

On a Saturday afternoon, another friend and I split a beautiful dinner salad, a Philly cheese steak

sandwich with onion rings, and a large Super Six "The Works" thin crust pizza with sausage, ham, cheese, pepperoni, mushrooms, and green peppers.

I like the pre-sauteed green peppers on the pizza and sandwich, because it created a soft texture and sweet flavor. The onion rings with the sandwich were the best I have ever tasted, very crisp and hot.

Winfield-Wheaton Aurelios serves great food, made with fresh ingredients and their prices are very reasonable. They also host live

musical groups on Friday evenings. Enjoy listening to vocals, guitar, keyboard, and drums in their bar or outside on the patio, weather permitting.

Bring the whole team over after a game or

practice. The comfortable booths and tables in the dining room are perfect for small family gatherings. After all, family tradition is a key ingredient in Aurelios philosophy of serving great food in our neighborhood. Tom and Charise look forward to serving you!







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'Neighborhood' – the Heart of Winfield

By Kathe Doremus

trees and grass are green again, bright spots of color are everywhere as flower gardens explode in glory and the neighbors start coming out of their winter hideouts, the walkers on the streets can be identified again as they shed their heavy coats and

As little by little, Spring has finally arrived, the

hoods and hats and suddenly, Winfield once again shows off one of the best parts of living in this little community – our neighborhoods and the people who make them lively and vital.

So often, neighbors disappear during the cold and grim months -I live in an older neighborhood, some of us have been here for well over thirty years and we wave or stop to chat when we see each other on the street. We are close to a park and the "River Walk" so we can watch everyone out walk-



ing be it for health, pet care or just to escape the confines of our own walls - we wave whether we know each other or not, we smile, comment on the day, stop and chat and wish each other a wonderful day – it is what we do in this neighborhood. I would say I live in the best neighborhood in town – but somehow, I am sure that others could make the same claim wherever they reside in Winfield - there are small enough to recognize faces - whether it is

go to or the little places we frequent within our town - limited though they may be - I think that most of us find the small town feel rather special and comforting. We look out for each other.

I grew up in Oak Park and we all knew our neighbors -we watched out for each other and if we saw someone in our neighborhood that needed help, we ran to help. There is a sense of safety and security about knowing your neighbors. This same feeling is what I have discovered in Winfield - where on both

> sides of me, the neighbors have here longer than I have – and why I have stayed for over thirty years - our neighborhood is one of mature trees - and very deep roots. Roots matter here – we know each other, we know each other's children, we know each other's business (well, to some

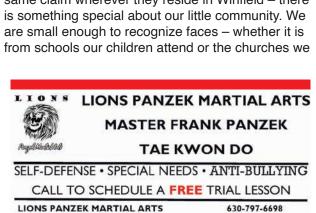
degree...) and we care deeply about each other we watch out for one another whether someone is on vacation or something unusual is happening at the house...there is a commitment, connection and concern.

Winfield is – and has always been small – but it offers all that I need (except John's Buffet – I desperately miss John's and nothing can ever replace it!) – we have great bagels, the best Chinese food anywhere, our unique "antique" area, my daughter's Tai Kwon Do classes, most wonderful parks – and of course, Brach's to keep our cars running long enough to get to a grocery story. Winfield - this incredible little town - offers a place to come home to when you need to just sit in your yard and listen to the leaves of the trees and the birdsong and watch the neighbors walk by - and if you stumble and fall (as I often do) – there is a great hospital a stone's throw away. Who could ask for more? I moved here so many years ago - it is the best choice I could have made to raise my children, to grow older and to put down roots. Winfield may lack in the amenities of many of the bigger towns around – but it offers all that I need to proudly and happily call it "home."



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Winfield Public Library Director Passing the Torch

Congratulations to Winfield Public Library Director Matthew Suddarth on his upcoming retirement! He has been Director for more than 22 years, and has seen the library through a renovation project, the shift to more digital technologies, the rise of eBooks, and much more. During his retirement, he hopes to have more time to travel, visit loved ones, and bike across Illinois' many beautiful trails.

The library would like to welcome new Director, Joe Marcantonio. He has been an innovator in services to teens and young adults, with his most recent position being Teen Manager at Schaumberg Township District Library. The Library is glad to welcome him back to Winfield, as he was born and raised there. His first library job was as a page at Winfield Library, and he's now married to the woman he was dating back then. They have two children, ages 4 and 9. Winfield looks forward to welcoming Joe to the staff.

Matthew and Joe will be working together

throughout June, before Matthew retires at the end of the month. The Winfield Library staff and Board of Trustees wish him all the best in his retirement.

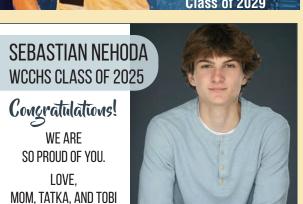


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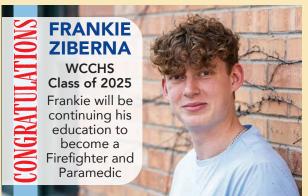
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