
VILLAGE OF WONDER LAKE

news and updates from the Village



Autumn is in full swing, and before we know it the kids will be Trick or Treating on Halloween!

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October dates of note:

Tuesday October 15, 7 p.m. at Village Hall:
Public Hearing regarding Solar Systems

Wednesday October 16, 7 p.m. at Village Hall:
Special Board Meeting, followed by the regular
Committee of the Whole meeting.

Friday October 18 & Saturday October 19, 7-
10:30 p.m.: Haunted Hayride at Petersen Park in
McHenry, sponsored by the Wonder Lake Ski
Team

Weeks of October 28th and November 18th: Fall
Leaf Pickup by Marengo Disposal Company (*To
get on the Call List, contact MDC 815-568-7274*)

Thursday October 31st: Halloween Trick or Treat
hours 3 - 8 p.m.



UPDATE ON SMART METER REPLACEMENTS IN THE VILLAGE

The Village of Wonder Lake has contracted with United Meters Inc to replace old water meters in homes in the Village.

As of September 2019 about 65% of the needed replacements have been completed, with another 7% of homes on United Meters schedule. **If you've received a letter asking you to make an appointment but haven't responded, PLEASE contact United Meters and get on their schedule!**

The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency now requires the Village to bill customers based on consumption; smart meters will make this process more efficient.

The process of replacing your water meter is fairly fast, generally taking an hour or less. Older water meters have internal parts and usually wear out after 20 years. Smart meters utilize an automatic meter reading system - your meter reading is transmitted to the Village, so manual meter reading is no longer necessary.

A transmitter will be installed on your home's exterior and connected to the new smart meter inside your home. Meters will be read by a vehicle driving by homes in the Village; usage data is then provided to the Village's Billing Department to process. This method is more accurate than manual readings.

You can find more information on the Village's website:

<https://villageofwonderlake.org/water-meter-replacement-program>

If you have questions or concerns about the replacement project, you can contact the Village's water company at 1-866-371-5699. *If you've already had your meter replaced or you've scheduled your appointment - THANK YOU!*



Village of Wonder Lake Trick-or-Treat hours on Thursday October 31st are 3 - 8 p.m.

HALLOWEEN SAFETY TIPS FOR KIDS (AND ADULTS!)



For Trick-or-Treating safety:

- Carry glow sticks or flashlights so kids can be seen.
- Decorate costumes and candy bags with reflective tape.
- Make sure costumes are the correct size and length to prevent tripping and falls. If possible, use face paint instead of masks (which can impair vision).
- Remind kids to be aware of cars; teach them to walk on sidewalks when possible, cross streets at corners or crosswalks, and not to dart out between parked cars.
- Join children under 12 during their adventure!
- If kids are going out on their own, remind them to stay in well-lit areas they are familiar with. Don't let them go out alone.

If you're driving on Halloween:

- Be extremely aware of your surroundings. Slow down, and watch for children.
- Be very careful when backing up; make sure there aren't any kids behind your vehicle.
- Turn your headlights on earlier than usual.
- Enter and exit driveways with even more care than you usually use.
- Always stop for children - allow them to cross in front of you before proceeding.
- Do NOT drive while distracted! Put your phone away, turn off your radio, concentrate on surroundings!

The Village of Wonder Lake hopes everyone has a safe and very fun time Trick-or-Treating on Halloween!

For more safety tips visit <https://www.safekids.org/>