



Weston Wire

A Snapshot of Whats Happening in Weston

November 13, 2009

Car Cell Phone Use Survey Targets Teen Talking & Texting

The results are in for the October Focus Taxpayer Question of the Month on the use of cell phones while driving. With 145 votes cast, Weston residents voted **63% to 37% to develop an ordinance** to ban talking on your cell phone while driving. In a runaway, 91% of the respondents voted for prohibiting teens from talking & texting while they drive – with most of the written comments focusing on swerving teens who text. Everest Metro Police Chief Wally Sparks has been talking with other area chiefs about a broader county-wide ordinance to make enforcement more effective. Sparks reports that Marathon County Sheriff Randy Hoenisch is receptive to the idea. **The Village of Weston Public Safety Committee will revisit the issue on Thursday, November 19th at 6 PM.**

Better Signal Timing and Traffic Flow for Schofield Avenue

Village staff has been working the last three weeks to improve traffic flow and better signal timing on Schofield Avenue between Camp Phillips Road and Business 51. Technicians from TAPCO, a street sign and design company conducted an in-house seminar this week to train staff how to calibrate signal controllers to improve traffic flow. Many of the Schofield Avenue lights were installed in the 1980s and need occasional tweaking to maintain performance. A traffic study will be completed shortly to get a better handle on how and when lights should be timed for heavier traffic flow.

Leaf Pick-Up Complete

The Street Department has finished up its annual leaf pick up collecting over 300 loads/4500 cubic yards of yard waste. Two crews spent four weeks traveling the community picking up taxpayer's rakings that will now be turned into compost at the Village's Material Handling facility on Ryan Street. **Taxpayers must now bring their rakings to the Village's Yard waste facility** behind the Municipal Center. If you have a physical disability and cannot bring your yard waste in, please call 359-9114 and the Village will send a truck to help you out.

Help Peyton Keep Her Promise

Weston Resident **Peyton Meddick**, a sixth grader at the DCE Middle School, is on a mission to fill up area food pantries this year and staff members of the Village of Weston and the DCE School District want you to help. **We are asking all Weston residents to join our food drive by bringing non-perishable items to the Municipal Center drop off site or the DCE Middle School.** All items will be delivered to Covenant Community Church (the DCE open food pantry). Overflow materials will be delivered to the Salvation Army. Thanks in advance for helping to feed our families in need this winter! ☺

Nomination Papers Can Be Picked Up After December 1st

Interested on serving on the Village Board? Nomination papers can be picked up for (3) Village Trustee seats on December 1, 2009. All (3) seat are at-large positions serving two-year terms. Please call Village Clerk Sherry Weinkauf at 241-2626 with any questions.

Join Weston's Social Networking Community

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Growth Notes

The Village of Weston is working with Biggby Coffee to open a second store in our community that will be located close to the DC Everest High School...

Village staff made a presentation this week to a medical manufacturer with 56 new jobs looking to locate in WI.

Key Meetings Next Week

Village Board, Monday, November 16, 2009, 6 PM
Public Safety, Thursday, November 19, 2009, 6 PM