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## Did you know?

Winthrop Harbor Village Ordinances state that it is unlawful to permit any dog to run at large within the municipality. Residents are reminded to use a leash when walking a dog on any public street, sidewalk, alley or parkway.

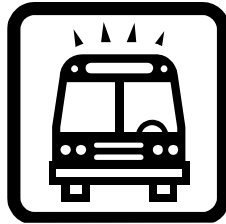
It is also unlawful for any owner to keep more than the following number of domestic animals in his/her home or on his/her property: 4 cats, 4 dogs, 4 rabbits or 8 pigeons.

For further information, please call Village Hall at 847-872-3846.

**Village Hall  
will be closed  
on  
Tuesday  
July 4th**



## Harbor Shuttle Provides Free Service



The Village of Winthrop Harbor is pleased to provide free shuttle bus service to Village residents and North Point Marina visitors. For a free ride between pick-up / drop-off points at any of the numerous local business sponsors, simply call **847-514-7274**.

Hours of operation during July and August are Thursdays 5pm-11pm; Fridays 5pm-1:30am; Saturdays 11am-1:30am; and Sundays 11am-5pm.

For the Independence Day Holiday, hours will be extended to 1:30am on Sunday (July 2nd) and the shuttle will run on Monday (July 3rd) 11am-5pm.

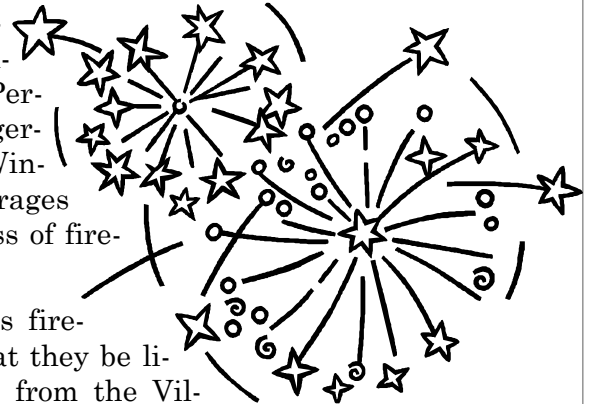
## Stay Safe and Leave Fireworks to the Pros!

With summer holidays and celebrations comes fireworks displays sponsored by many local communities. Personal or private fireworks can be dangerous, and quite possibly deadly. The Winthrop Harbor Fire Department encourages all Village residents to leave any class of fireworks to the professionals.

Our Village Ordinance 93.10 governs fireworks in the Village and requires that they be licensed and permitted by permission from the Village Board. The Fire Department fully supports this ordinance, because injuries are only a part of the problem.

Last year U.S. fire departments were called to some 36,900 fires started by fireworks. Those fires caused property damage totaling \$25 million. And, yes, people do die from fireworks related injuries and from fires which were started by fireworks.

Does legal mean safe? Don't think that fireworks are safe just because they're legal in your State. The largest share of fireworks injuries are caused by Class C fireworks, the kind that are legal in many States, and the kind sold over the counter in many stores throughout Illinois. For these reasons, those of us who



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## Joe Leech Jr., Mayor

Jana J. Lee, Village Clerk

### - VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES -

<u>Trustee</u>	<u>Committee</u>
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### - VILLAGE DEPARTMENTS -

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Lisa Shaw, <i>Director</i>	Finance Dept.
Neal Wollert, <i>Chief</i>	Fire Dept.

### - IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS -

Village Hall	847-872-3846
Police Dept. *	847-872-2131
Fire Dept. *	847-872-5957
Recreation Dept.	847-746-3505
Public Works Dept.	847-872-5275

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### - VILLAGE HALL BUSINESS HOURS -

Monday through Friday - 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

## Bicycle Registration Program



Once you've finished assembling that brand new bicycle, take a moment to jot down the serial number. For only \$1, you can register your bicycle with the Police Department for a permanent record of ownership. With this information on file, the Police Department can accurately report the serial number of stolen bicycles to surrounding police agencies. When a bicycle is found or otherwise recovered, we can quickly identify its rightful owner. This greatly enhances our ability to recover a stolen bicycle and is well worth the nominal fee!

**TIP:** Always carry a locking device for your bike wherever you go. A little prevention goes a long way in protecting your property, and a locked-up bike is far less likely to be stolen.

## Village Meetings Open to the Public

Mayor Joe Leech, Jr., the Board of Trustees and Village staff encourage residents to attend the Village Board and committee meetings, held monthly at Village Hall or the Schlader Memorial Recreation Center. We value the input that our residents provide, and are committed to addressing all questions and concerns in a constructive, positive manner. Please consider joining us at any of the meetings listed in the table below:

<u>Board / Committee</u>	<u>Meeting Dates</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
Village Board of Trustees	July 18 / August 1 & 15	7:00 p.m.	Village Hall
Planning & Zoning Board	July 11 / August 8	7:00 p.m.	Village Hall
Economic Development Com.	July 12 / August 9	7:00 p.m.	Village Hall
Recreation Advisory Com.	July 10 / August 14	7:00 p.m.	Schlader Building

Village Board of Trustees meetings are televised on Comcast Public Access Channel 19 on Wednesdays (1 p.m.), Thursdays (12:00 p.m) and Saturdays (9:00 a.m.). For the full schedule please visit [www.accesschannel.com](http://www.accesschannel.com).

## Recreation Department News and Activities

**SUMMER FAIR 2006** — Scott Fuller and Pam Humphres want to say Thank-you to the Recreation Board Committee for all their help at Summer Fair. It is with their help that we are able to provide this annual event for the community. Thank-you to Nickie Chagoya, Shawn DeBoey, Tanya Miller, Kathy Luke, Billy Luke, Diane Carlson, Gina Ennesser, Cindy Loy and Kathy Govekar. The Recreation Board is a volunteer working committee, as we do many events throughout the year. We are always looking for new people to join us. If you are interested or have any questions, contact Scott Fuller or Pam Humphres at 847-746-3505.

We hope everyone who attended enjoyed the carnival, fireworks, bands, contests and all of the good food. We hope to make next year's Summer Fair bigger and better than this year.

Thank-you to the businesses that donated to the Summer Fair; Harbor Lights, John Rich Signs, V.F.W. 7448, Senator Adeline Geo-Karis, Ace Hardware, American Family Insurance, Clark Gas Station, Harbor Foods, At Your Bark'n Call, and Bow Wows and Meows.

Pam Humphres  
Recreation Board  
Committee Chairperson

**ADULT SOFTBALL LEAGUES** - The Winthrop Harbor Recreation Department is organizing two adult softball leagues, one Men's league and one Co-Ed league, with registration to begin on July 10th and continue through August 11th. The Co-Ed League games will be played on Monday and Wednesday nights from Aug. 21st through Oct. 18th. The Men's League games will be played on Tuesday and Thursday nights from Aug. 22nd through Oct. 19th.

A maximum of eight teams will be allowed in each league, with each team having a minimum of 9 players to a maximum of 16 players on the roster. The team fee is \$375, plus \$10 for each player who is not a Winthrop Harbor resident. Teams will play one night a week for 7 weeks, with the maximum number of teams filled. A single elimination tournament will take place following the regular season. Look for more information at [www.winthropharbor.com](http://www.winthropharbor.com), or call us at 847-746-3505.

**DOG TRAINING CLASSES** — Whether you are having some trouble with your dog or you'd just like to teach him some good manners, this class is for you! We'll teach basic commands such as sit, down, stay, watch-me, heel and come. We use only positive reinforcement methods so it will be a great time for both you and your dog!

Classes will begin Thursday, Sep. 7th, at 7 pm at the Schlader Building, and will run for seven weeks with a cost of \$75. Class size is limited so register soon to reserve your spot!

Private, in-home lessons are also available by request. For more information or to register for the classes, please call Kristina Eastvold at 847-872-7036. You may also pick up a registration form at the Schlader Building or at Village Hall.



**TENNIS LESSONS** — The Recreation Department has partnered with *Eastside Tennis & Fitness Club* to provide tennis lessons at the Village Park tennis courts during July and August. Three levels of Junior Classes will be available for Tots, Intermediate and Advanced. Adult Classes will include a 6-week introductory program for those who have never played before or haven't picked up a racquet in years. For dates, times and fees, please contact the Recreation Department at 847-746-3505.

**HARVEST-FEST 2006** — Everyone is invited to the North Point Church 8th annual Harvest-Fest to be held on Saturday, Sep. 10th at Village Park. Admission is FREE to see the bands! The music will kick off at 12 Noon, featuring some of the area's best music, including Winthrop Harbor's very own *38 Acres*. There will be a different band blasting off the top of every hour all the way through 9 pm. Tickets will be available to purchase for food and kid's activities, including a giant inflatable slide, 2-man inflatable obstacle course, and many games, all at reasonable prices. Other Harvest-Fest events this year will include a 3-on-3 basketball tournament, arts & crafts vendors, and a car/motorcycle show. For more information, please visit [www.harvest-fest.org](http://www.harvest-fest.org) or call 847-746-5522.

## Winthrop Harbor Lions Club

The Winthrop Harbor Lions Club would like to congratulate the following students for their academic excellence: Melissa Hagood, Jonathan Rice, Elizabeth Plapp and Amanda Stidham. Each one of these 2006 Zion-Benton High School graduates has received a cash scholarship from the Winthrop Harbor Lions Club for their superior academic performance. Congratulations to the entire Class of 2006!

Please join us for a fun filled night of BINGO every Wednesday at the Schlader Building. The Winthrop Harbor Lions Club is in full swing with our summer activities. If you are interested in what the Lions Club is all about, or would like to learn more about our upcoming events, please contact Chris Redic at 847-872-5220.

## AARP Chapter 871

The Winthrop Harbor AARP Chapter enjoyed an interesting tour of Midwestern Regional Medical Center in Zion for the April meeting, and in May we visited with Susan Goss and two foreign exchange students at Zion-Benton High School. The June meeting included a presentation of health topics by Sharon Roberts of the Lake County Health Department.

Our July 18th meeting will include a pot-luck luncheon at the Community Center, beginning at 12 Noon. There will be no meeting in August.

For further information, please contact Jerry Larson at 847-746-6567 or send an e-mail message to [jerryplarson@comcast.net](mailto:jerryplarson@comcast.net).

## Boy Scout Troop 667

A gracious "thank you" to everyone who stopped by for our Pancake Breakfast held on Father's Day at the VFW. Our next breakfast will be in September. Cost for adults is \$5 for all you can eat, and free for children 5 and under.

On May 6th the troop repeated the task of repairing unclaimed bicycles that have been collected in the Village. All bikes repaired were donated to the

Samaritan House in North Chicago. It was exciting to see the children's faces when we brought in the bicycles.

The week of July 4th is our summer camp. We will be going to Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan Scout Reservation in Pearson, Wisconsin. The scouts earn the majority of their merit badges for the year through the summer camp programs, and still manage to have fun with camping, hiking and swimming. Other upcoming activities include a swimming party at Shiloh pool (Aug. 3rd); Sleeping on the USS Cobia Submarine in Manitowoc, WI (Sep. 15-16); Rock climbing in Bloomington, IL (Sep. 29th); and Eagle cave camping (December).

Anyone interested in joining our troop is encouraged to stop by during one of our Tuesday night meetings, held 7 to 8:30pm at the Community Center on 7th Street.

## Benton Township

We've moved into our new town building! Please note our new address is 40020 N. Green Bay Road in Beach Park. Stop by and see us!

Farmers Market Coupons for seniors are available at the Township office July through October. The coupons may be used at local farmers markets.

Senior Division of the Secretary of State's Department of Driver Services will have their mobile unit at the Zion Benton Public Library on Wednesday, Aug. 16th from 9:30 am until 3:30 pm.

AARP's Driver Safety Program, for drivers age 50 and over, allows you to take advantage of an 8 hour classroom refresher course on Aug. 7th & 8th from 10am until 2pm at the Zion Benton Public Library. There is a minimal fee, but no tests.

Six Flags Great America has an employment transportation program through Aug. 27th. Cost is \$20 per week. This is a cooperative effort between Benton and Zion Townships and Zion Benton Township High School. Please call 847-746-2100 for route information.

Volunteers are needed one day a week for the Meals on Wheels program. For information, please call Jan Suthard, Benton Township Supervisor, at 847-746-2100.

## Economic Development

At the May 2, 2006 Village Board meeting, Pat DiPersio was appointed as the Economic Development Coordinator for Winthrop Harbor. Pat has spent the past month setting up his office at Village Hall and familiarizing himself with the Village and our goals for the future. He is excited to play a role in the future economic success of the Village and wishes to thank the EDC, Village Board and residents for giving him this opportunity.

The Economic Development Coordinator position will have a primary responsibility of implementing the Village's economic development plans. This will be achieved by establishing an economic development program used to attract new business to the Village while at the same time supporting the efforts of our existing business base. A variety of initiatives will be considered during this process which is intended to produce a comprehensive and competitive development program for the Village.

In addition to filling the Development Coordinator position the EDC has continued its efforts to promote and support the local economy in a number of ways. The Committee initiated the sidewalk repaving project along Sheridan Road, managed the annual Sheridan Road Flower Pot program and was successful in securing \$144,800 in grant money to help pay for engineering costs associated with the 7th Street Streetscape Plan.

The Committee as well continues to play an active role in encouraging the completion of the planned Metra station expansion, the implementation of new business district zoning ordinances and in sourcing additional grant monies.

The EDC recognizes the significant challenge in growing the economy of the Village given budgetary constraints and the competitive environment in which we operate. It will require a cooperative effort from all stakeholders and our success will depend on taking advantage of our unique assets; the Marina, our location and our valued way of life. The Marina being the most marketable for its ability to attract visitors to the Village and also because it is State owned and therefore the State has a vested interest in ensuring that the Village thrives.

It has been 16 years since the Marina opened and unfortunately we have not seen the expected positive economic impact it promised. The Village, as a

gateway to Illinois, and Northpoint Marina, as a World class facility, should demand the full attention and support of the State. The EDC is committed to encouraging the State to continue its current investment and to increase its support in the future.

## Monday Branch Pick-up Policy

The Winthrop Harbor Public Works Department provides a weekly brush pickup on Mondays. To facilitate timely pick-ups, the length of limbs and branches should be left as long as possible, as whole limbs chip up much better than small, cut-up pieces.

Please spread branches out evenly along the parkway, with cut ends facing the street. *Tangled piles of limbs or branches placed haphazardly will not be picked up.*

Residents are reminded that the Village does not remove debris left by tree trimming or lawn service contractors. Also, please remember that the Village will only be collecting trimmed branches, not entire tree removals. We also do not pick up lawn refuse, leaves, grass clippings, tree trunks, logs, etceteras.

To ensure that your branches are picked up, please contact Public Works on the Friday prior to the next scheduled pick up day. Call us at either 847-872-5275 or 847-872-3846 (ext. 248).

Mulch is available for pick up or delivery to any Village resident.

## Foster a Child's Future

Be a Foster Parent and guide the way to a better life for a child. Help families come back together. Be someone that children can count on! Catholic Charities of Lake County invites you to learn more about becoming a Foster Parent and the many services available to support both you and your foster child.

These include personal caseworkers, therapists when a child needs counseling, support groups, monthly training, a yearly conference and bi-monthly newsletters. Please contact Lucy Rivera at 847-782-4249 to see how *you* can help!

# July 2006

**Sun****Mon****Tue****Wed****Thu****Fri****Sat**

Shop & dine locally... and the ride is on us!  
Call the Harbor Shuttle at 847-514-7274

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2 VFW Breakfast 8-11:30 am At VFW Hall	3	4 Village Hall Closed	5 Lions BINGO 7pm -SB	6	7	8
9	10 Recreation Com. Adult Softball Registration Begins	11 Planning-Zoning Boy Scouts 7pm -CC Tennis Lessons -SB	12 E.D.C. Lions BINGO 7pm -SB Tennis Lessons -SB	13 Tennis Lessons -SB	14	15
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# August 2006

**Sun****Mon****Tue****Wed****Thu****Fri****Sat**

<b>Sign up by Aug. 11th for Adult Softball Leagues!</b>		1 Village Board Boy Scouts 7pm -CC Tennis Lessons -SB	2 Tennis Lessons -SB	3 Tennis Lessons -SB	4	5
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27	28	29 Boy Scouts 7pm -CC	30 Lions BINGO 7pm -SB	31	<b>Enjoy the summer in Winthrop Harbor!</b>	

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see the injuries and damage caused by fireworks—physicians, fire fighters and police officers—all agree on this strong warning: *Leave the fireworks displays to the professionals!* Please play it safe and do not use fireworks, including sparklers, smoke bombs, fountains, ground spinners and other incendiary devices.

The Winthrop Harbor Fire Department, located at 830 Sheridan Road, always welcomes Village residents who would like to visit the Department and meet the employees. We'll be happy to perform a blood pressure check or show you around the station. Soon we will be starting some new fire prevention programs, including a home fire safety check program, a fire station tour schedule, and group information sessions.

Please call us at 847-872-5957 for any public education idea you may be interested in.

## Winthrop Harbor Pageant Results

The 2006 Winthrop Harbor Pageant was held on May 20th at North Prairie Junior High School. The new queens and court are:

**Miss Winthrop Harbor**—*Amanda Woods*. 1st Runner-up—*Leslie Madorsky*. 2nd Runner-up—*Brittany McEllen*. Congeniality—*Danielle DePew*.

**Junior Miss Winthrop Harbor**—*Alexa Colangelo*. 1st Runner-up—*Kennedy Belzer*. 2nd Runner-up—*Christy Degler*. Congeniality—*Tiffani Graves*.

**Little Miss Winthrop Harbor**—*Alyssa Hall*. 1st Runner-up—*Serena Christensen*. 2nd Runner-up—*Dana Cliff*. Congeniality—*Jenna Leech*.

**Tiny Miss Winthrop Harbor**—*Jessica Young*. 1st Runner-up—*Nicolette Terracciano*. 2nd Runner-up—*Natalie Habenicht*. Congeniality—*Jessica Young*.

Thank you to our 2005 Queens, *Brittany Gober* (Miss Winthrop Harbor), *Savannah Gorsuch* (Junior Miss), *Leah Anderson* (Little Miss), and *Rhiannon Graham* (Tiny Miss).

The 2006 Queens will be very busy this summer attending many pageants and parades. They made their first appearances at the Memorial Day parade and the Village Carnival.

## Yacht Club Fund Raiser

The 2006 boating season has begun and the Winthrop Harbor Yacht Club has a great new fund raising program for boaters and local residents alike.

We have introduced a new "Value Card" program in conjunction with many restaurants and other businesses in Winthrop Harbor and nearby communities.

The Value Card provides a variety of discounts on dinners, lunches, automotive and boat services, pet care and many others. Following is a list of participating businesses:

Alexander's Auto Care	At Your Bark'n Call
Bluefish at KYC	Boat House Pub & Eatery
Chops on The Lake	Dakota Rose
Dunkin Donuts	Baskin Robbins
Harbor Food & Liquors	Padgett's Family Restaurant
Hennessey's Steakhouse	Lake Short Yacht Care
Lake Front Boat Canvas	Madison Avenue Restaurant
Ray Radigan's	Rich's Dockside Deli
Ruffolo's	Skipper Bud's
Stone Creek Grill	Stonewall Grille
Subway	The Tropics
Village Supper Club	Wine Knot Bar & Bistro

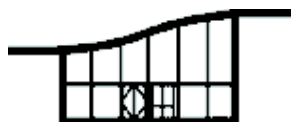
The Value Card represents a total savings of over \$300 and is available for only \$25. Examples of discounts include a free \$20 bottle of wine with dinner for two, a free \$10 appetizer with dinner for two, \$10 off with dinner for two or more, 10% off any purchase.

Stop by the Yacht Club to purchase your card or call 847-746-2222 for additional information.

## Venetian Festival August 12th

This year's Venetian Festival will include a lighted boat parade and fireworks at sunset. The date is Saturday, August 12th.

For further information, please contact Dave Suthard at North Point Marina (847-746-2845).



## Zion-Benton Public Library

The Zion-Benton Public Library invites you to have a summertime getaway here at home with great activities for kids, adults, and families.

### *Summer Reading Clubs*

Children, teens and adults can get credit—and cool prizes—for reading for pleasure during the summer! Research shows that kids who read during the summer need less remediation when they return to school in the fall. In the summer they can choose books on subjects that appeal to them, rather than to fulfill assignments. It's a great season for adults to enjoy reading for pure pleasure, too!

Sign up at the adult or youth desks any time starting Saturday, June 10th. The adult/teen club ends August 5th and the children's club ends July 22nd.

190 free Ravinia lawn passes to select concerts will be given out to those who sign up for the Adult & Teen Summer Reading Club. Up to 5 tickets will be given out per person. Sign up promptly to be assured of getting the concerts and number of tickets you want. Metra trains stop right at Ravinia's front gate, so getting there is easy. There's no need to drive!

### *Storytime Adventures*

Children, teens and adults can get credit—and cool prizes—for reading for pleasure

**Tiny Tykes Toddler Time:** Help your child get ready to read with stories and songs. For children 18-35 months and their parent or caregiver. Registration required.

6:00-6:30 pm—Mondays: Jun. 19 & 26, Jul. 10 & 17  
9:30-10:00 am OR 10:30-11:00 am—Tuesdays: Jun. 20 & 27, Jul. 11 & 18.

**Fun in the Sun Pre-school Storytime:** Children, 3-6 years old are invited for stories, finger plays and fun about pirates, islands, and the beach as we take a *Voyage to Book Island*. Registration requested.

9:30-10:30 am and 10:30-11:00 am—Mondays: Jun. 19 & 26, Jul. 10 & 17  
6:00-6:30 pm—Thursdays: Jun. 22 & 29, Jul. 13 & 20.

### *Tales & Treasures*

**Island Fun Stories & Crafts:** Join us for *Island Fun* as we read stories, play games and do crafts on island life, pirates, and anything else that might wash up on the

beach. For children entering Kindergarten to 4th grade.  
1:30-2:45 pm—Wednesdays: Jul. 5, 12, 26 & Aug. 2

**Bilingual Storytime & Craft:** Introduce your child to the world of books and the library with these bilingual stories and crafts for children ages 3-6. Bring the whole family to join the fun! Registration requested.  
2:00-2:30 pm—Tuesdays Jul. 11, 18, 25 & Aug. 1

**Origami Class:** Nancy Wu, an experienced origami instructor will teach children, ages 9-13, how to make fun paper crafts! Space is limited, registration required.  
7:00-8:30 pm—Thursday, Jul. 27

### *Island Concert*

Join musician Cat Catalani for a "Voyage to the Islands." Children are encouraged to sing along, clap, move, and even supply the endings to songs.  
2:30-3:30 pm—Wednesday, Jul. 19

### *Harry Potter Birthday Party*

Come dressed as a wizard or muggle and celebrate Harry's near-birthday! If you know Harry Potter trivia from the books and movies, you could be a game show contestant! We'll challenge your knowledge of Harry's life and adventures at Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry. The sorting hat will decide which house you belong to (the hat's decision is final). For kids in 4th to 8th grades. Registration is required.  
7:00-8:00 pm—Thursday, Aug. 10

### *Party!! Party!!*

Come meet us on *Book Island* for a party to celebrate your success in the Summer Reading Club! Join us on our shady lawn, but watch out for the falling coconuts!

The following adventures await you:

- Dip your toes in warm sea waters for a prize
- Toss a ring around the flamingo for an island treat.
- How low can you go? Find out in a limbo contest with your friends.
- Try the hoola hoop and the jump rope challenge!

You won't want to miss the daring dive for treasure as raffle prizes are awarded. Be warned—plundering pirates may be about, looking to steal your treasure!

2:00-3:30 pm—Tuesday, Aug. 8

### *Computer Classes*

Learn how to surf the Internet at a Beginner's class (7-8 pm Jul. 11) or Intermediate class (7-8pm Jul. 18). For details, register in person at the Adult Reference Desk or call 847-872-4680, extension 4.

# Happy Independence Day!