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The white frame building at the west end of Chamber Park, which serves as our Historical Museum, was the original Wheeling Village Hall. It was built in 1895 at the cost of \$553.25 for a building "20 by 30 foot with two cells at the western end, 7 1/2 by 9 foot each." It served as a meeting place for the trustees, a police station and a court. A lean-to on one side housed a hand pumper which was purchased by the Volunteer Fire Department in 1904. It is on display at the Fire Station at 499 S. Milwaukee Ave., Wheeling.

There is one abbreviated jail cell and an addition has been added at the rear of the building. The basement serves as a working area and research center for the Museum. The main floor is used for permanent and rotating exhibits. This building was originally located at 84 S. Milwaukee Ave. and was purchased by the Wheeling Park District. It was moved to its present location in 1978.

Other buildings on the Museum Campus include the Chamber Park Community Center which was built in 1865 and served as the Zion Presbyterian Church until it was moved in 1969 to its present location. The Sicks Carriage House once stood on Dundee Road behind the Sicks house which was built in 1892. It now holds a carriage and sleigh, early farm implements and a fire pole from the old firehouse.

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## The WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY invites you to join us

**WHO** — Anyone interested in local history, preservation and educational programs

**WHEN** — Meetings are held at 6:30pm on the fourth Wednesday of each month

**WHERE** - Chamber Park  
Community Center  
251 North Wolf Road  
Wheeling, IL



Our meetings include lectures of historic interest, both with local flavor and general topics. Annual events include a White Elephant Dinner, Spring Installation of Officers Dinner and our most popular event, Lollipop Lane in December.

# WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Museum is a cooperative effort of the Village of Wheeling, Wheeling Park District, Indian Trails Public Library and Wheeling Historical Museum

Wheeling, Illinois



“The objective of this Society shall be the discovery, preservation and dissemination of knowledge about the Community of Wheeling, Illinois.”

WHS Constitution, 1965

## Member Volunteer Opportunities

- Lollipop Lane, the Society's largest and most prominent event, takes place in December for one week, with a wide range of volunteer activities.
- Work sessions are held in the Museum on Thursdays 9-noon, assisting with exhibits, restoration and cataloging of old artifacts, research and other projects as needed.
- Volunteers serve as guides for the Museum on Sunday afternoons, April-October, 2-4pm

Visit our website for  
current information:

[www.wheelinghistoricalsociety.com](http://www.wheelinghistoricalsociety.com)



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### Membership Application

WHEELING HISTORICAL SOCIETY – Jun 1 through May 31

Members joining during the year will receive all issues of the WHS Newsletter

Name		
Street Address		
City	State	Zip+4
Phone	Email (*)	

\_\_\_ Individual \_\_\_ New \_\_\_ Renewal \$15.00

\_\_\_ Family \_\_\_ New \_\_\_ Renewal \$20.00

\_\_\_ Philanthropic Contribution (Tax Deductible)

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Check No: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Make check payable to: *Wheeling Historical Society*

Mail check and application to: *Wheeling Historical Society*

*P. O. Box 3*

*Wheeling, IL 60090*

Annual membership fees are due in the month of May

(\*) Newsletters are e-mailed to all members who provide current e-mail addresses