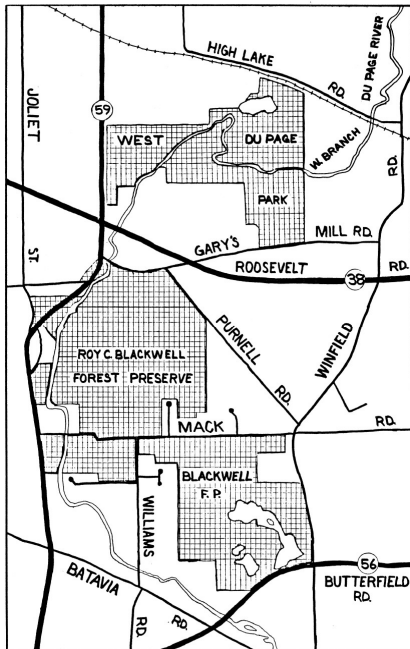


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<b>Fall General Meeting Agenda</b> <b>Tuesday, October 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	
Where :	<u>Winfield Public Library</u> – lower level. 0 S 291 Winfield Rd. Parking lot to the North of the building.
6:30 p.m.	Talk with local officials, West-Win Board Members and neighbors Pay annual dues.
7:00 p.m.	Brief business meeting
7:15 p.m.	Town hall style panel discussion with local officials and representatives
8:45 p.m.	Adjourn. Cleanup. Volunteers welcome.



## **West-Win Homeowners Association**

***individuals working together to preserve our idyllic countryside***

Welcome to West-Win! We are an organization of independent homeowners in unincorporated Winfield Township who have a history of protecting the ambiance of our country-like area.

Much of our work involves the exchange of mutually useful information through our semi-annual newsletter, our website and through issue-specific emails. We respond to concerns of our membership and often advocate with local governments on issues of common interest, especially those threatening the peace or security of our homesteads.

There are over 700 homes within our unincorporated area. By joining West-Win Homeowners Association, you will be one of many organized to protect the peace and beauty of our environment.

Membership in West-Win is voluntary. Please join us! Give us your opinions and ideas for protecting or improving our area. If you are new to our neighborhood, or are an eligible household recently added to our mailing list, we look forward to meeting you at our next General Meeting!

Your current Board of Directors to contact with ideas is:

		<b>Directors</b>		
<b>President:</b>	Herb Wigder	847 723-5150	Mary Bakas	773 799-4326
<b>Vice President:</b>	Vicki Weyer	630 400-1556	Judy Cummings	630 293-0474
<b>Secretary:</b>	Kathy Hydo	630 293-7645	Nick Parrilli	815 531-2855
<b>Treasurer:</b>	Eileen Kelly	630 876-1316	Gib Van Dine	630 231-4777
			Barb Whitney	630 231-0320

email: [info@West-Win.org](mailto:info@West-Win.org)

On the web: [www.West-Win.org](http://www.West-Win.org)

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### ***Remembering Sue Hodgson***

*Sue Hodgson was the Treasurer of West-Win Homeowners' Association and a member of the Board of Directors for many years. Sue is remembered for her wit and insight in finding solutions to attempts of inappropriate development in the West-Win area. She was persistent and methodical in researching issues and helped West-Win to keep the area as it is today.*

*Sue and her late husband, Vincent, generously opened their Woods of Cantigny home for board meetings and for committees addressing concerns that could disrupt our area's ambiance. Those who knew her realize they are fortunate to have done so.*



## TOWN HALL MEETING ON OCTOBER 23<sup>RD</sup>

In a break from West-Win's typical General Meeting, featuring a speaker on a chosen topic, on October 23, 2018 we will have a "Town Hall" meeting format instead.

We have noticed that much of the interest at our general meetings is detail about local happenings. So we have decided, for our next general meeting, to forgo the topical speaker and instead allow more time for reports from and interaction with local officials and representatives. In the past, many of you have come with reports of happenings of interest to the rest of us. For this meeting, there should be ample time for questions, answers and discussion.

The panel will include:

- Corporal Ed Castillo, DuPage County Sheriff's Liaison
- John Dusza, Winfield Township Highway Commissioner
- Karen Skillman, Winfield resident, Chairman of Winfield Plan Commission.
  - *Note: Karen is invited to discuss development and not as a representative of the Village of Winfield.*
- Al Murphy, Forest Preserve District 6 Commissioner
- Sarah Hunn, DuPage County Chief Engineer for Storm Water Management
- Mark Malay, Winfield Township Assessor

Some specific local activities are being tracked by members of West-Win's volunteer board of directors, who will provide updates on those. Let's stick together, bring what we know, ask about things that we question, and all do our part to keep each other informed. Together we can preserve the ambiance we all enjoy in our peaceful neck of the woods.

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## THE NEW WEST-WIN WEBSITE HAS ARRIVED!

The new website at West-Win.org is your one stop shop for all things West-Win. There is information about the next general meeting, a definition of what West-Win is all about, a list of our Officers and Board of Directors, articles about topics of interest to our membership that is fully searchable, copies of our newsletters going back several years that is fully searchable as well as an index of articles, a list of useful links, and information about how to contact us.

**Please visit our site, and if you have comments, suggestions or other feedback, please send them to our general email at [info@west-win.org](mailto:info@west-win.org).**

The site is still a work in progress as we are continually adding newsletters with the intention of having all of our newsletters available on the website. We will also be adding articles to our News page as they are found or written. We will also be adding the content from our Facebook page to the News list.

This website has been under development since Comcast pulled the plug on our old website in October, 2015. In the meantime we have migrated our membership database from our webmaster's personal computer to one hosted on the web so that our officers and board can have access to current information without requiring assistance from our technology team. We also went through a period of transition when our previous webmaster passed away and a new one had to get up to speed with all things technological.

We had a number of meetings of the Technology Committee of the Board to identify requirements for our new website, found an Internet Service Provider (ISP) to host our website, database and email services, and sent our website specifications to several potential developers in order to assess how much it would cost to do the things we wanted to do.

The Technology Committee and then the full Board has been testing and tweaking the website all summer and finally got to the point where it was ready for prime time – that is you, our members – in late August.

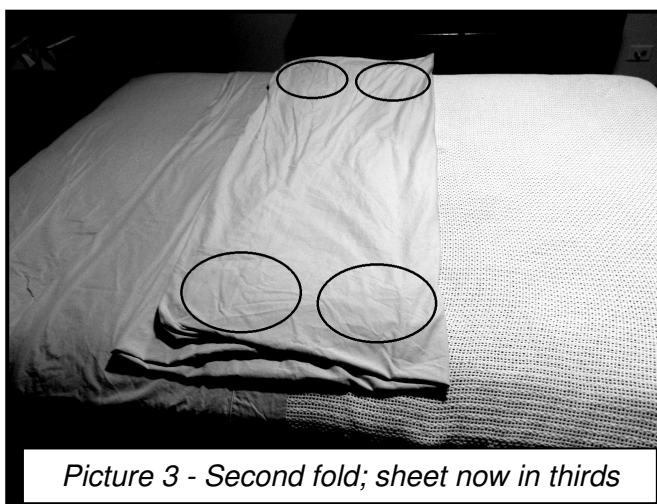
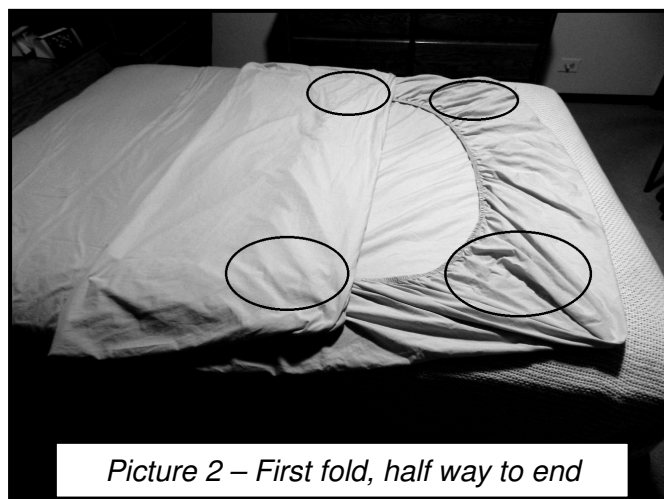
## FOLDING A FITTED SHEET

The problem in folding a fitted sheet is the bunched up areas produced by the elastic band around its perimeter. The secret to folding it up neatly lies in choosing the places to fold such that the bunched up areas, particularly at the corners, wind up lying side by side, not randomly overlapping each other. When this is done, the overall thickness is the same everywhere, and you have a neatly folded package. In the pictures that follow black circles are shown over each of the thick corners so you can see where they lie before and after each fold.

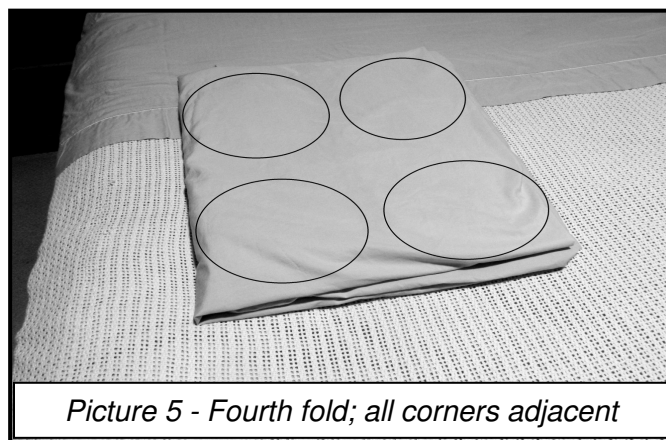
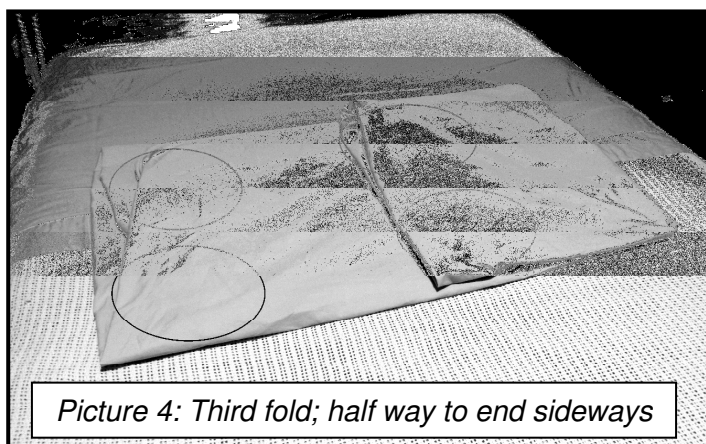
The folding principle is very simple, and can be done by one person, but two people make the job faster and easier.

In Picture 1 the sheet is laid out on a bed with the underside up. The circled corners are obvious in this initial picture, but become less so in later shots where they lie under folds.

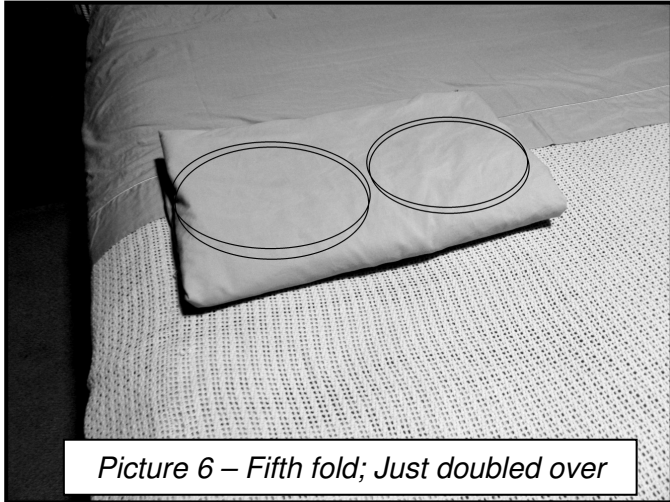
The first fold is shown In Picture 2. One end is brought up exactly half way to the other end. The second fold (Picture 3) brings the far end up over the previously folded area, and the sheet has now been folded in thirds. As you can see, what were opposite corners, now lie next to each other.



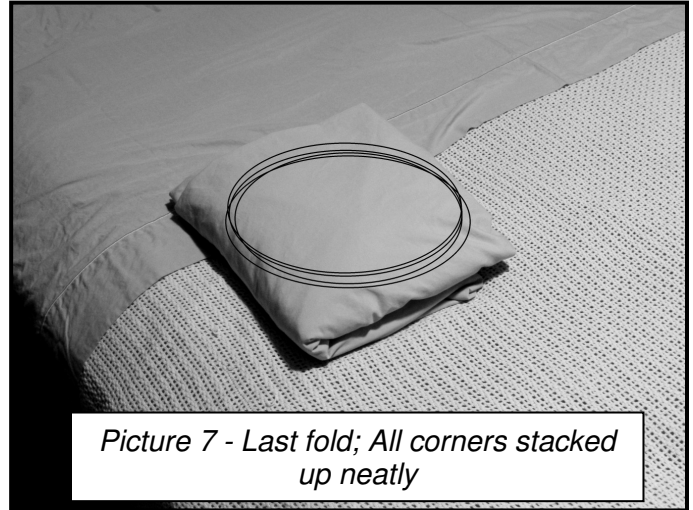
The next two folds (pictures 4 & 5) now duplicate folding the sheet again into thirds in the opposite direction. As the circles show, all four corners now lie next to each other.



The last two folds (Pictures 6 & 7) just double the sheet over in half (not in thirds) in each direction. As the multiple circles show, this results in all 4 corners stacked on each other vertically. Remember that all the bunched up edges also now neatly lie on top of each other resulting in a nice, neat final package that's easy to store.



Picture 6 – Fifth fold; Just doubled over



Picture 7 - Last fold; All corners stacked up neatly

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## WELCOME NEW NEIGHBORS!

**Especially if your Newsletter was Addressed to "Current Resident"** You've selected a beautiful, unincorporated setting in which to live. To stay connected and current on issues within our area, please email your contact information to us at [info@West-Win.org](mailto:info@West-Win.org).

**For Long-Time Neighbors:** Let us know when a house near you gets a new owner so we can welcome them to the neighborhood and send or hand deliver to them an issue of our newsletter. Please email their name and address to [info@West-Win.org](mailto:info@West-Win.org).

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## SAVE \$5 BY PAYING YOUR 2019 MEMBERSHIP DUES NOW

If you pay your dues by the end of October, you may deduct \$5. After October 31, dues are \$25 per household once a year - which is still a bargain!

On the top line of the cover sheet is the last year for which your membership dues have been paid. If you have already paid for 2019, we thank you. You have helped us to continue our efforts to protect our peaceful environment. If you have questions or concerns, please send an email to [info@West-Win.org](mailto:info@West-Win.org).

You may pay your dues at the October meeting or use the envelope provided in this newsletter to mail your dues to:

West-Win Homeowners' Association, PO Box 367, Winfield, IL 60190-0367.

Please put your member number (located on the top line of the cover sheet) on your check and fill out and enclose the cover sheet,



## HELP WANTED: ASSISTANT WEBMASTER / DATA BASE ADMINISTRATOR

We are seeking an individual with good technical knowledge to assist our Webmaster / DBA in the maintenance of our website and membership database.

Typical tasks will include investigation and correction of anomalies in the database, producing periodic database extracts wanted by board members, maintaining semi-annual updates of the 'flattened' Excel version of the database which will be available to Board members from the website and other similar tasks in coordination with the webmaster / DBA. Occasionally, generating a mass email to the membership will be done if the Webmaster / DBA is not available. Members of the Board perform routine database entry tasks and maintain the Newsletter and News content of the website.



A requirement for the position is fluency in the creation of SQL queries in a MySQL environment, and being very comfortable with Excel. A major plus would be familiarity with Crystal Reports, which is used to produce our semi-annual membership letters and meeting roster. CR is also used to create information that is used in the development of the Excel version of the database mentioned above.

Time frame: various times throughout the year. Time commitment and need will fluctuate, but generally not exceed 4 hours in a month. This is not a Board position so attendance at Board meetings is not required unless a technology issue is on the agenda and the Webmaster / DBA is not available. There may be periodic meetings of the Technology Committee of the Board, but those are scheduled with the input of all attendees and are very infrequent, especially now that the new website is available.

Please contact the Webmaster ([webmaster@west-win.org](mailto:webmaster@west-win.org)) if you are interested in discussing this opportunity.

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### IS YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS CORRECT?

West-Win uses member email addresses to send urgent notices to our members (such as crime alerts and public hearing notices for development in the area), and we depend on you to keep yours correct. When we have an invalid address for you (e.g., it changed or is misspelled) the email fails and you miss the message! Please verify your email address on the newsletter's cover sheet. If an email address has failed, you'll see "failed:" in front of it. Please notify us of any correction or additional email addresses by sending an email to us at [info@west-win.org](mailto:info@west-win.org) or correct the cover sheet and bring it to the October 23rd meeting or mail it with your 2019 dues payment.