



# Trending NOW



November 30, 2024

## NEWS

# YOU BELONG IN BARTLETT



## **Merry & Bright Holiday Tree Lighting Friday, 12/6 at Bartlett Park**

4:45 to 8 p.m. - Ride through downtown Bartlett in a horse-drawn wagon. Enjoy cookies, cocoa, and the DJ spinning holiday music. Grab a bite from the food trucks.

4:45 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. - Santa arrives with Mrs. Claus and his elves. The Bartlett Lions Club invites you to visit Santa in the log cabin until 6:30 p.m. Bring your camera to take photos of your little ones. Also, help the Lions help those less fortunate by bringing a non-perishable food item for the Hanover Township Food Pantry.

4:45 to 6 p.m. - Enjoy a visit and pictures in the gazebo with special friends, Cinderella, Prince Charming and the Fairy Godmother. Once pictures are over at 6 p.m., enjoy their short song & dance performance.

6:30 p.m. - Enjoy a children's holiday story time in the gazebo with Bartlett Public Library. The book title is "Dream Snow" by Eric Carle.

7:15 p.m. - South Elgin choir sings holiday songs in the gazebo before & after the tree lighting.

7:15 p.m. - The holiday tree will be lit, kicking off Merry & Bright in Bartlett!

## **Merry & Bright Cocoa Crawl Saturday, 12/14 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.**

Join a fun filled day of supporting local businesses and sampling cocoa beverages -- some hot, some cold and even some for those 21 years and older.

Get \$10 tickets and more information on the [Bartlett Area Chamber of Commerce website](#); ticket includes passport/ticket book that covers the cost of your cocoa drinks, souvenir mug for each paying adult (while supplies last), and map to the participating vendor locations, where you can sip some sweet chocolaty goodness as you "crawl" along. Free for 16 and younger (no mug included).

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## **Bartlett Police Awarded Traffic Enforcement Grant**



The Bartlett Police Department has been awarded a federal fiscal year 2025 Sustained Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) grant to conduct additional traffic safety enforcement. The STEP program focuses on high-visibility enforcement and strategies aimed at saving lives and preventing injuries by reducing traffic crashes.

“We’re pleased to receive this grant to step up our road safety efforts with the goal of saving lives,” said Deputy Chief Rob Sweeney. “Our mission is to make travel safer through directed, proactive patrols and to stop, cite and arrest those who choose to violate traffic laws.”

During the STEP grant year, which runs from October 1, 2024, through September 30, 2025, the Bartlett Police Department will conduct additional enforcement to supplement mandatory and optional campaign enforcement dates scheduled during some of the deadliest times of the year.

The additional efforts will focus on the leading contributory causes of crashes: speeding, impaired driving, electronic device use, failure to yield and disobeying traffic control signals, as well as occupant restraint violations.

The STEP grant is funded by federal highway safety funds administered by the Illinois Department of Transportation.

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**Shop Local this Holiday Season**



Did you see Mayor Kevin Wallace on Fox 32 Chicago on Wednesday, 11/13? If you missed it, check out the segment and don't forget to shop local in Bartlett on Small Business Saturday, 11/30 and throughout the holiday season.

Fox 32 Chicago Promo for Shopping Small in Bartlett

## Your Favorite Painted Hydrants



Pump up some praise for the top three vote winners in Bartlett's Pump Up the Art hydrant painting program.

1st Place: "Sparky" painted by Lauren Yaccino

2nd Place: "Imagination" painted by Isabel Yu

3rd Place: "Little Friends on Oak Ave" painted by Debbie Kumorek

Thank you to everyone who participated in this program, either by voting or painting!

## REMINDERS



Bartlett's waste hauler, Groot, has extended leaf collection by two weeks, with the final collection scheduled for Tuesday, 12/10.

Leaves should be placed in brown paper yard bags at the curb alongside other household refuse and recyclables. DO NOT put leaves in plastic bags; these will not be collected. You do not need to use stickered yard waste bags for leaves. Generic yard waste bags without stickers are accepted. However, all other yard waste, such as grass clippings, pulled weeds, etc., must still be placed in stickered yard bags for collection.

Village ordinance prohibits any person from depositing, raking, shoveling, plowing, blowing or dumping any leaves, grass clippings, branches, snow, onto any public parkway, gutter or street. Excess leaves and lawn clippings can obstruct sewers and cause flooding. Large piles of leaves also can freeze once temperatures drop and become roadway hazards.



The 33rd annual Cookie Walk & Craft Fair will be held at Journey of Hope Bartlett Campus on Saturday, 12/7 from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. The church is located at 751 W. Army Trail Road in Bartlett (SW corner of Army Trail and Petersdorf Road).

In addition to thousands of homemade cookies available for purchase, there will be 30 crafters/vendors set up with many great gifts and home decor items available. A walking taco lunch for purchase also will be available at the event.

Santa will make an appearance from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and a photo space will be available if you would like to take pictures.



This holiday season, it's all about Merry & Bright in Bartlett! Bring this spirited



The Bartlett Depot Museum, 100 W. Railroad Avenue, is now closed for the winter season.

It will reopen Saturday, 2/1/2025. You are invited to come to the depot museum that morning, 9 a.m. to noon, for the First Saturday Free Family Craft. Depot museum staff will be celebrating Lunar New Year, the Year of the Snake, so please mark your calendar!

Admission and parking are always free.

message into your home with custom Bartlett merch featuring the Centennial Gazebo and holiday tree in Bartlett Park.

Designed and sold exclusively by the Village of Bartlett Museums, the charming hometown illustration is featured on a wooden ornament for \$5.75, and an 8-inch by 8-inch wooden plaque for \$14.61. (The soy candle offered earlier this season has sold out). These pieces are the perfect accents for your home or a thoughtful gift for someone on your "nice" list.

Sales tax is already included in all the prices shown here. Limited quantities of each item are available for purchase at Bartlett Village Hall, 228 S. Main Street.

## Meetings & Events

**SATURDAY, 11/30 @ 9 a.m.**  
**SATURDAY, 12/7 @ 9 a.m. and**  
**SATURDAY, 12/14 @ 9 a.m.**  
**Holiday Pop Up Shop**

**TUESDAY, 12/3 @ 7 p.m.**  
**Village Board & Committee of the**  
**Whole Meeting**

**THURSDAY, 12/5 @ 7 p.m.**  
**Planning & Zoning Commission**  
**Meeting - cancelled**

**FRIDAY, 12/6 @ 4:45 p.m.**  
**Merry & Bright Tree Lighting**

**SATURDAY, 12/7 @ 9 a.m.**  
**Cookie Walk & Craft Fair**

**MONDAY, 12/9 @ 7 p.m.**  
**Economic Development Commission**

## Kiwanis Club is Coming to Bartlett

**Residents and businesses of Bartlett!**  
**Here is an opportunity to make an impact on the children of your community, while developing friendships and having fun.**

**Kiwanis is an international volunteer service organization with the focus of impacting the lives of children in communities all over the world. Be a part of something bigger than yourself! Members are 18 years and older. If you are 65 and older, you could get "paid" to be socially active.**

**Kiwanis Club of Bartlett will be forming at an organizational night on Thursday, 12/12. You are invited to**

**SATURDAY, 12/14 @ 11 a.m.**  
**Merry & Bright Cocoa Crawl**

**SUNDAY, 12/15 starting @ 10 a.m.**  
**Breakfast with Mrs. Claus**

come to the Bartlett Community  
Center, Room 1, 700 S. Bartlett Road  
from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

For more information contact Kim  
Groom 630-688-5588 or email to  
[iigov2024.25@gmail.com](mailto:iigov2024.25@gmail.com).

See More Meetings & Events on the  
[Website Calendar](#). Please know that  
meeting agendas are not posted to  
the website until they are finalized,  
generally the week before the  
meeting date.

## QUICK LINKS

- \* [Village of Bartlett Employment Opportunities](#)
- \* [Learn more & sign up for Code Red Emergency Notifications](#)
- \* [Learn about the Bartlett Connect mobile app](#)

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