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NEWS

Happy Holidays!



Bartlett Village Hall administrative offices will be closed for the holidays on Tuesday, 12/24 and Wednesday, 12/25 and also on Tuesday, 12/31 and Wednesday, 1/1. Village of Bartlett elected officials and staff wish you and yours a safe and a very happy holiday season.

Museums' Online Collection



To learn more about Bartlett's history 24/7, visit the Village of Bartlett Museums' online collection at bartlettmuseums.pastperfectonline.com. You'll find more than 2,400 searchable images, objects and more, waiting to be discovered.

Since it is winter, you can enter the keyword “snow,” which will bring up 130 results, including the circa 1950 holiday greeting card shown above. It was sent to Bartlett residents Harvey and Elvina Brandt from their North Hickory Avenue neighbors Henry and Melinda Thurnau. The illustration, with its unique colors, is produced on black paper with a cozy hot pink cottage in the snowy tranquil woods of purple and silver. Smoke rising from the chimney fills the nighttime sky.

The inside of the card reads, “Best wishes for a Happy Holiday season and prosperous New Year.” This wish is still fitting today! Have a wonderful holiday.

Truck Safety Enforcement

The Bartlett Police Department recently conducted special joint truck enforcement in cooperation with the Illinois State Police and the Village of South Elgin Police Department. The objective of the initiative was to inspect commercial motor vehicles traveling through the Village of Bartlett and enforce safety regulations, including overweight limits and other infractions.

During the initiative, 157 commercial motor vehicles were weighed. This resulted in one overweight violation and four violations for missing valid safety test stickers. Additionally, the Illinois State Police placed six commercial motor vehicles and one driver out of service due to safety violations.

Looking Ahead to Restaurant Week



Get ready for Bartlett’s first annual Restaurant Week! Dine at local eateries from February 2 through February 8, 2025, and take advantage of special offers and/or prix fixe menus at participating restaurants.

Be sure to check the Discover Bartlett and Village of Bartlett Facebook pages, as well as the village website for updates and more information as we get closer to February.

REMINDERS



Groot will collect Christmas trees at no

additional charge for a three-week period following the holidays - on Tuesday, 12/31, Tuesday, 1/7 and Tuesday, 1/14.

Place your tree on the curb with garbage and recycling. If the tree is taller than 8 feet, please trim it to a size shorter than 8 feet. All ornaments and tinsel must be removed. Do not place the tree in a plastic bag. Trees that have decorations on them or are put out after this time period will be picked up but not recycled.

Groot's weekly waste pickup day is Tuesday. However garbage is not collected on: New Year's Day; Memorial Day; Independence Day; Labor Day; Thanksgiving; Christmas. If one of these holidays falls on Sunday, Monday or Tuesday, collection will be on Wednesday that week.

[More Garbage & Recycling Service Information](#)

The Village of Bartlett is collecting broken or unwanted holiday lights for recycling with the help of the Elgin Recycling Center. The holiday light recycling program will be available through January 31.

You can drop off lights at the first floor multi-purpose room, just outside the council chambers in Bartlett Village Hall, 228 S. Main Street, during regular business hours, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and on Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon.

Lights Accepted: Italian mini-lights, traditional C7 and C9 lights, rope lights and LED lights. Extension cords will also be accepted.

Meetings & Events

TUESDAY, 12/17 @ 7 p.m.
[Village Board & Committee of the Whole Meeting](#)

THURSDAY, 12/26 @ 3 p.m.
[Bike & Run Plan Committee Meeting - cancelled](#)

THURSDAY, 1/2 @ 7 p.m.
[Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting](#)

Enjoy a Safe Holiday Season

TRAVELING BY CAR? BE PREPARED

If you're traveling this year, be sure your vehicle is in good running condition, get plenty of rest and be prepared for any emergency.

Traveling by car during the holidays has the highest fatality rate of any major form of transportation based on fatalities per passenger mile. Alcohol impairment is involved in about a third of these fatalities.

Stay safe on the roads over the holidays — and every day:

- [Prepare your car for winter](#) and keep an [emergency kit](#) with you
- Get a good night's sleep before departing and avoid drowsy driving
- Leave early, planning ahead for heavy traffic
- Make sure every person in the vehicle is properly buckled up no matter how long or short the distance traveled

- Put that cell phone away; many distractions occur while driving, but cell phones are the main culprit
- Practice defensive driving
- Designate a sober driver to ensure guests make it home safely after a holiday party; alcohol or over-the-counter, prescription and illegal drugs can cause impairment

IT'S BETTER TO GIVE SAFELY

Gifts and toys should inspire joy, not cause injuries. Thousands of children are seriously injured in toy-related incidents every year. Avoid safety hazards while gifting with these tips from the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission:

- Toys are age-rated for safety, not for children's intellect and physical ability, so be sure to choose toys in the correct age range
- Choose toys for children under 3 that do not have small parts which could be choking hazards
- For children under 10, avoid toys that must be plugged into an electrical outlet
- Be cautious about toys that have button batteries or magnets, which can be harmful or fatal if swallowed
- When giving scooters and other riding toys, give the gift of appropriate safety gear, too; helmets should be worn at all times and they should be sized to fit.

WATCH OUT FOR FIRE-STARTERS

Use of candles and fireplaces, combined with an increase in the amount of combustible, seasonal decorations in many homes during the holidays, means more risk for fire.

- Place candles where they cannot be knocked down or blown over, and out of reach of children
- Keep matches and lighters up high and out of reach of children in a locked cabinet
- Use flameless rather than lighted candles near flammable objects
- Don't burn trees, wreaths or wrapping paper in the fireplace
- Use a screen on the fireplace at all

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.

times when a fire is burning

- Never leave candles or fireplaces burning unattended or when you are asleep

Information from the National Safety Council website

Community Spirit



A Season for Giving

Thank you, thank you, thank you to all the village employees that pulled tags from the Giving Tree and donated gifts for Hanover Township seniors. Because of their generosity, 119 gifts were delivered, helping to make this Christmas just a bit more merry for some seniors.

To extend the Giving Season, the village and police department in partnership with Hanover and Wayne townships are collecting non-perishable items, toiletries, household cleaners, baby supplies, pet food and supplies, and feminine hygiene products to support local families. Donation bins are located in the main lobby of Bartlett Village Hall and in the main lobby of the Bartlett Police Department (228 S. Main Street). This donation drive will run through early January.

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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