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NEWS



Get ready for Bartlett's second annual Restaurant Week! Dine at local eateries from February 2 through February 8, 2026, 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.

Recognizing Three Local Heroes



At the Tuesday, 1/6, Village of Bartlett board meeting, Officer Angelique Herrera, Officer Brithany Garcia and Bartlett Hills Assistant Superintendent Anthony Mazzone were presented lifesaving awards for their actions during an incident at Bartlett Hills Golf Course late last year. When an individual at the golf course went into cardiac arrest, each played a significant role in providing effective life-saving measures to the individual, who has made a full recovery.

During the board's recognition, Mayor Daniel Gunsteen noted that incidents like this underscore the importance of the CPR training village staff receives and how that training kicks in during an emergency.

Thank you Officer Herrera, Officer Garcia and Mr. Mazzone for your quick thinking and your heroic actions.

Save the Date!



Bartlett Park District invites you to Winterfest at Bartlett Nature Center in James "Pate" Philip State Park, 2054 W. Stearns, Bartlett on Saturday, 2/28 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Fun for all ages (younger than 16 years with an adult). Free horse drawn sleigh rides sponsored by Bartlett Parks Foundation. Pet & Upcycled Craft Show. Warm drinks available for purchase.

Free Adopt a Husky activities:

- Watch the huskies mush the trail
- Meet and learn about sled dogs
- Dog sledding history
- Iditarod Sled Dog Race slideshow

Other Free Activities:

- Try snowshoeing
- Make winter crafts & snow paint
- Mee Bartlett Nature Center resident animals
- Visit the IDNR Education Trailer

REMINDERS



Bring your dull knives, broken lamps, jewelry, or small appliances to SCARCE's Repair Fair! Held in the Education Center, 800 S. Rohlwing Road, Addison, on Saturday, 1/24 from 9 a.m. to noon.

Rather than throwing away broken items that are expensive to replace, learn the skills you need to keep your possessions working for years to come! SCARCE partners with different local experts who can educate you and help perform simple repairs onsite. With the right tools and a little know-how, you can keep your household items like new!

At every Repair Fair, SCARCE has had different local experts in attendance; the list below shows the types of repairs that experts have helped with in the past.

- Lamps & Light Fixtures
- Kitchen Knife Sharpening
- Handheld Tool Sharpening
- Crystal, Glass & Porcelain Repair
- Costume Jewelry Repair & Modification

Admission is free, though small fees may vary depending on certain expert services. Cash is recommended. Small pop-up shops also can be at the Repair Fair, and be sure to visit the SCARCE-LY Used Books & Records Resale Shop.



The Bartlett Depot Museum reopens for the 2026 season on Tuesday, 2/3. Hours of operation are Tuesday and Thursday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and the 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month from 9 a.m. to noon.

The First Saturday Free Children's Craft offers a different themed craft every month. No registration is required, but supplies are limited. Drop in any time between 9 a.m. and noon for the craft.

On Saturday, 2/7, the Depot Museum will be celebrating Valentine's Day, and kiddos will make a string art "potted" flower for a loved one or themselves. There will also be supplies to make Valentine cards.

The Depot is located at 100 W. Railroad Avenue with free admission and free parking across the street in the public lot. In addition to exhibits, there are lots of hands-on activities for all ages to learn about Bartlett's railroad heritage.

All Aboard for History!

Meetings & Events

SATURDAY, 1/24 @ 9 a.m.
SCARCE Repair Fair

THURSDAY, 1/29 @ 3 p.m.
Community Blood Drive

TUESDAY, 2/3 @ 7 p.m.

New State Laws for 2026

In the new year, more than 250 new laws in Illinois will go into effect — from one that bans discriminatory AI in the workplace to another that enhances missing persons investigations. These include:

Bartlett Village Board & Committee Meetings

THURSDAY, 2/5 @ 7 p.m.
Planning & Zoning Commission

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.

- Senate Bill 8: Increases gun storage safety requirements and reporting requirements for lost and stolen firearms.
- Senate Bill 24: Prohibits law enforcement agencies from observing a waiting period before accepting a missing persons report. It requires information from a missing persons report to be entered into the agencies' data systems upon receipt of the report.
- Senate Bill 212: Requires employers to provide paid break time to nursing mothers so they may express or "pump" breast milk for their child.
- Senate Bill 314: Requires a physical fitness center to clearly disclose any change in the cost of or reduction in benefits to a customer's gym membership at least 60 days before the automatic renewal of the membership.
- Senate Bill 710: Allows the Department of Natural Resources to issue two free deer permits to individuals who qualify for the youth-only deer season. Allows IDNR to issue nuisance permits to landowners whose property is being damaged by deer.
- Senate Bill 1274: Allows a sexual assault services voucher provided by a hospital to be used for a taxi or rideshare service to transport a survivor home, to a shelter or to the transfer hospital.
- Senate Bill 1548: Establishes a Golden Search Awareness Program to raise awareness of missing persons with developmental disabilities.
- House Bill 2517: Expands implicit bias training for health care workers in Illinois to include training in potential maternal health risk factors associated with increased mortality rate.
- House Bill 3247: Codifies a child's right to receive a public education and to participate in public school events and activities regardless of the child's immigration status or the immigration status of their parents or guardians.
- House Bill 3773: Makes it illegal for employers to use AI that discriminates against workers based on protected characteristics or uses ZIP codes as a stand-in for those traits in areas like hiring,

promotion, job training and more.

A full list of laws that take effect January 1, 2026 can be found using the link below:

104th General Assembly

Community Spirit

Donate Blood, Save a Life



Date & Time: 01/29/2026, 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Location: Bartlett Fire Barn, 218 S. Main Street

Vitalant, with the Bartlett Volunteer Fire Association and the Bartlett Lions Club, is hosting a blood drive on Thursday, 1/29/2026, from 3 to 7 p.m. at the Bartlett Fire Barn, 218 S. Main Street. Make an appointment at [vitalant.org](https://www.vitalant.org) or call 877-25-VITAL (877-258-4825). When you donate blood, you will help save lives and earn a chance to win a \$500 gift card.

Date: 02/18/2026, 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Location: Hanover Township Senior Center, 240 S. IL Route 59, Bartlett

Appointments are open for Hanover Township's blood drive, in partnership with the American Red Cross, on Wednesday, 2/18 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Senior Center. Donors are required to bring a photo ID, blood donor card, or two other forms of ID on the day of the blood drive. Appointments can be made by calling 1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or sign up online by visiting www.redcrossblood.org.

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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