

The Village of  
**Port Barrington**

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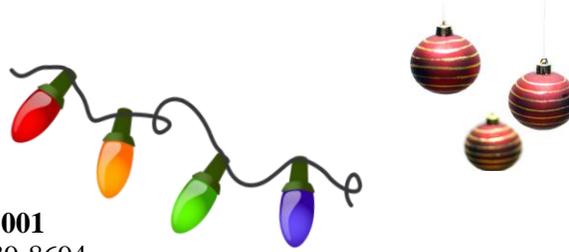
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## 2019 Village Holiday Newsletter



SNOW happens! And when it does, local ordinance prohibits parking along Village roads during and after snowfall accumulation of 2 inches or more. Overnight parking is prohibited on any Village road and there is no parking on cul-de-sacs *at any time* to insure emergency access. Please be sure to remove any decorative items from near the edge of the roadway, such as planters or decorative rock. When clearing snow from your driveway, please pile the snow along the right-hand side of your driveway apron as you face the road. This will decrease the amount of snow that the plow truck will deposit on your cleared driveway surface. *Please do not push, blow or pile snow into the roadway—it creates icy conditions that are dangerous for all.* Residents are responsible for removing snow from in front of your mailbox so that our mail carrier has clear access.

Since all streets can't be plowed at the same time after it snows, there is a priority schedule that generally applies to all Village maintained roads. School bus routed roads and intersections are cleared first, primary collector streets are next, followed by cul-de-sacs and dead-ends. Public Works uses the latest technology in the application of brine solution to minimize and make the most out of road salt use. When you see wet stripes on the road, you will know that the brine truck has been out de-icing the roads in the best way possible, working to reduce salt in our environment, and saving your tax dollars!



### Chili Cook-off Results

Chili! Chili! Chili! Judges from our 3 local eating establishments had a heck of a time deciding on which entry was best at the annual Chili Cook-off! Judges volunteered their discriminating taste buds to determine the best of 18 entered chilis! Thank you, Savanah Drewes and Chef Dave from the Broken Oar, Liz Monsen representing Hermann's Rest-a-While, and Eric Gomez from No Wake Bar & Grill for the following consensus:

#### Best Judged Chili

1<sup>st</sup> Place Chili.....Rusty Issleb

2<sup>nd</sup> Place Chili.....Dan Disclafani

3<sup>rd</sup> Place Chili.....Jennifer Jurkowski

#### People's Choice Best Chili Award

Jennifer Jurkowski

#### People's Choice Apple Dessert Contest

Lori Corrigan

Food donations were collected to support Wauconda Food Pantry at the event. Thank you to all who participated and to all the REC Committee volunteers, especially to Co-Chairs Suzi Gammon & Jen Jurkowski!

### Adopted Highway Roberts Rd Spruced Up for the Holidays!

Die-hard volunteers cleared Roberts Road of all trash--from Willow Road down to River Road! Thank you Connie Allen, Dan Cerny, Cathy Garrett, Angie Krcmar, and Cindy & Herb Waltenspeil! We hope to see new faces joining the effort at the next Adopt-a-Highway this spring!

### Village Building Department

.....wishes you a very happy and safe holiday season! Our BZ Officer, Frank, is in-house Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 8AM to 1PM or by appointment.

847-639-0498

[bz@portbarrington.net](mailto:bz@portbarrington.net)



Projects such as sheds, decks, driveways, basement build-outs and any/all earth moving or restoration in flood hazard areas require a permit. Please see the Village Website for specific permitting requirements.

#### **Emergency Contact**

Dial 911

#### **Non-Emergency Contacts**

McHenry County Sheriff

815-338-2144

Lake County Sheriff

847-549-5200

Wauconda Code Enforcement

847-526-2421, x 8152



PEACE ON EARTH  GOOD WILL TO ALL

## Coyotes



Coyotes are frequently spotted in and around our Village. They are the largest wild predator in the Chicago region and serve a vital role in maintaining the populations of many small mammals, including mice and rabbits. They also feed on goose eggs. Coyotes shy away from humans. However, they have been known to infrequently prey upon small cats and dogs. If you walk your dog in any open space area, keeping your dog on a leash no longer than 5' is particularly important. Do not let your pet approach a coyote. And, keep in mind, a coyote approaching you or observing you is *not* typically a sign of aggression. Often, the coyote is just curious. Simply shouting and waving your arms will scare it off and will reinforce its natural fear of people. NEVER feed coyotes and avoid feeding your own animals outside.

The Lake County Health Department recommends additional ways for residents to avoid problems with coyotes, foxes and other critters:

- \*Do not encourage wildlife to come in or near your home by feeding them.
- \*Keep pet food and water dishes inside, especially at night to avoid problems with raccoons, skunks, opossums, foxes and coyotes.
- \*To minimize conflicts between wildlife and household pets, make sure to turn on outside lights, make noise and observe the area for any sign of wildlife before letting your pets outdoors.
- \*Supervise pets and children when outdoors and keep dogs leashed when not in a fenced yard. Allow cats and small dogs outside only under strict supervision.
- \*Don't allow spilled birdseed to accumulate outside of bird feeders.
- \*If possible, do not keep garbage cans outside. Use sturdy cans and keep the lids securely fastened.

For more information on coexisting safely with the wildlife we appreciate in our area contact the Lake or McHenry Counties Health Departments, Lake County Forest Preserves or McHenry County Conservation District.

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## Christmas Tree Pick-up

Christmas trees can be set out by your curb for pick up by our waste hauler, *PrairieLand Recycling & Disposal Services*, on regularly scheduled pick up days the first two weeks in January for no additional charge. Trees must be free of decorations and must not be bagged. Or, you may recycle your tree by taking it to:



\*\*Lake Co. Forest Preserve District at Lakewood Forest Preserve on Rte.176 in Wauconda from 12/26/19 thru 1/31/19. Trees are chipped and used for trail maintenance.

\*\*McHenry Co. Conservation District at the Algonquin Township building on Rte. 14 in Cary from 12/26/19 thru 1/15/19. Trees are processed into mulch that will be available free of charge at a later date.

## Holiday Lights Recycling

Right outside the Village Hall is a bin for your fried-out holiday lights and extension cords. Get on Santa's "good list" and keep them out of the landfills!



## 2020 Village Meeting Schedule

### Regular Committee of the Whole

1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday, 7:00PM  
(except 1/1 & 7/1)

Regular Village Board  
3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday, 7:00PM

Planning Commission  
2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, 8:00PM

R.E.C. Committee  
2<sup>nd</sup> Monday, 6:00PM

[www.portbarrington.net](http://www.portbarrington.net) for updates

*"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it's the only thing that ever has."*

—Margaret Meade



A Wild Bird Concern

Barnswallow, A Wild Bird Concern is a state and federally licensed wild bird rehabilitation and education center located in Lake County, Illinois.

Barnswallow is dedicated to the rehabilitation of injured and orphaned raptors and songbirds with the goal of restoring their freedom in the wild and helping the public become aware of the wonderful winged creatures with which we share this space.

Barnswallow is a private, not-for-profit 501C3 Illinois Corporation supported entirely by private funding and donations.  
[www.barnswallow.com](http://www.barnswallow.com)

## Three Hoots for a Happy Halloween-fest!!!

The Port Barrington REC Committee threw a scary good party! All who participated in the costume contest received a prize and prizes were also awarded for outstanding costumes and pumpkin carving! A free pizza lunch was served--THANK YOU, REC Committee Volunteers!! And thank you to Crossroads Church volunteers for helping



out as well! Barnswallow visited us with two of their owls, enchanting the crowd with fun facts. Hearing the call of an owl in the stillness of a Port Barrington winter night is magical. Please consider supporting Barnswallow and your Village REC Committee with your holiday, year-end giving.

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**Annual Village Santa Parade & Party** is on Sunday, **December 22<sup>nd</sup>**. The parade starts from Fox Trail Park at 12:30PM. **NOTICE:** After the Parade, meet Santa in person at the Village Hall Party! See flyer on opposite page for more details!

Santa is looking for a lucky child to ride along in his sleigh for the Parade on the 18th again this year. Color the parade map and flyer in this newsletter and get it to the Village Hall to be entered in the drawing by December 18<sup>th</sup> at 4PM! The winner will be drawn and contacted by email. The winner may choose a parent or friend to ride along with them in Santa's sleigh!



**Calling all HOAs, Businesses, Residents!** If you would like to have an entry in the parade, contact the Village Hall ASAP to let us know. Throw a wreath on that vehicle and join in! Call the Hall for info!

**18th Annual House Lighting Contest**-Deck those halls and a winner will be declared in each neighborhood during the week of December 16<sup>th</sup>!!! **Brand new** traveling trophies will be awarded! Winners will be announced at the 12/22 Santa Party.

**Holiday surprises for senior residents** will be given by the REC Committee Carolers. *Please help Santa by contacting the Village Hall if you know of someone who should be on the list to receive a surprise gift & cheer!* Thank you to REC Committee member Patty Bryant for making this possible.



**Annual Snowman Contest** will run the entire winter season (ending March 31<sup>st</sup>, if not before!) Create snow sculpture in your front yard and call the Village Hall with your address—or submit a picture of your creation with your address attached. [villagehall@portbarrington.net](mailto:villagehall@portbarrington.net)

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Visit Santa at the Village Hall Sunday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>!