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# DISCOVER *Channahon*



# MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Channaholidays sure was merry & bright this year!

With the Channahon Park District and Three Rivers Public Library District, we'd like to thank everyone who made our Channaholidays event so magical - especially our residents and visitors.

A special thanks goes to:

## Event Sponsors

- Air for You Heating & Air, Inc.
- Ascension Saint Joseph
- Channahon Lanes
- Complete Comfort Dental
- D Construction
- D'Orazio Ford
- Davidson Farms
- Forte Arts Center
- M&I Steel
- Minooka Grain, Lumber & Supply
- Northern Illinois Steel
- Strand Associates

## Village Christmas Tree & Holiday Decorations

- Edgebrook Outdoors

## Event Participants

- Santa & The Grinch
- MCHS Madrigals
- Fine Tunes Center for the Arts
- Those Funny Little Elves
- Old, Borrowed & Blue Vintage Truck Rentals
- Chat-tastic Balloons
- T2 Enterprises, Arabian Carriage Company
- Beta Club & NHS volunteers
- Auntie Anne's
- Environmental Recycling & Disposal
- Little Learners Children's Academy
- Kiddie Kampus Learning Center



# UPCOMING EVENTS

## Village Board Meetings

- Monday, December 18, 2023 @ 6:00 PM
- Tuesday, January 2, 2024 @ 6:00 PM
- Monday, January 15, 2024 @ 6:00 PM

## Planning & Zoning Commission Meetings

- Monday, January 8, 2024 @ 6:00 PM

## Village Hall Holiday Closures

- Friday, December 22, 2023
- Monday, December 25, 2023
- Friday, December 29, 2023
- Monday, January 1, 2024



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# HOLIDAY REMINDERS

## HOLIDAY CLOSURES

Please take note that Village Hall will be closed in observance of holidays on the following dates:

- Friday, December 22
- Monday, December 25
- Friday, December 29
- Monday, January 1, 2024

There will be no refuse service on December 25 and January 1. Service will be delayed one day in observance of the holidays.

## CHRISTMAS TREE COLLECTION

Christmas trees will be collected without charge for the first three (3) weeks following Christmas on the resident's regular collection day. All decorations, including tinsel, lights, ornaments and tree stands, must be removed. Flocked trees cannot be recycled and must be disposed of through regular refuse services. Trees cannot be wrapped in any plastic or placed inside a plastic bag.

## DECEMBER UTILITY BILLS

December's utility bill is due on or before December 31. If paying in person, please note that Village Hall will be closed on December 29 and January 1. To avoid penalties, please make sure that payment is received by the Village on or before December 28.

## 2024 ANIMAL TAGS AVAILABLE

2024 Pet Tags are now available! This free initiative is easy, quick and required by Village Ordinance (a copy of the Municipal Code of Ordinances: Chapter 91: Animals can be found online at [www.channahon.org](http://www.channahon.org)).

All cats and dogs must be registered with the Village on a yearly basis. Registering your pet allows for quicker identification and return should they get lost, avoiding boarding fees and fines. Owners can register their pets at [www.channahon.org/PetTags](http://www.channahon.org/PetTags), or stop by Village Hall (24555 S. Navajo Drive) to register in person. Whether registering online or in person, please provide proof of current rabies vaccination.

After your pet's Village tag is issued, you may email a photo of your pet to [mmazintas@channahon.org](mailto:mmazintas@channahon.org) (please include the pet's name and Village tag number). If you no longer have a pet, or if you move, please contact Village Hall at 815-467-6644 to update our records.

## HELP KEEP THE STREETS CLEAR

With winter weather conditions approaching, the Village would like to remind residents to please be considerate when clearing snow and ice from your driveway and walks.

Section 95.35 of the Village of Channahon Municipal Code of Ordinances prohibits the deposit of snow and ice from private property onto any street. Snow blower chutes should be aimed to prevent snow discharge from being blown onto the street.



Vehicles are also prohibited from parking on Village streets during snow events of 2 inches or more. Once the streets have been cleared and cleaned, on-street parking may resume. Residents can do their part to help snowplow drivers, removing the need for plows to weave around additional obstacles in the roadway.

## CHANNAHON HOLIDAY HOUSE LIGHTS TOUR

It's the most wonderful time of the year - and one of the most beautiful, too!

Drive by homes decked out in lights and decorations for the holidays during the Channahon Holiday House Lights Tour! Channahon residents who put up holiday displays are encouraged to enter their home to be added to the tour map, which will be continually updated throughout the season as new homes are registered. Registration opens on November 17 and closes on December 17. Participation is free. View the map at <https://www.channahon.org/336/Channahon-Holiday-House-Lights-Tour>.

*Note: the Channahon Holiday House Lights Tour is not a competition. No judging/voting will take place, and no prizes will be awarded.*

# WINTER HELPERS

A SALT SMART COMIC

LOOKS LIKE A LOT OF SNOW!



DON'T WORRY - WE CAN HELP!



USE A BROOM FOR LIGHT, FLUFFY SNOW.



HEAVY SNOW? USE A SHOVEL OR SNOWBLOWER.



USE A SCRAPER ON ICY PATCHES AND TIRE RUTS.



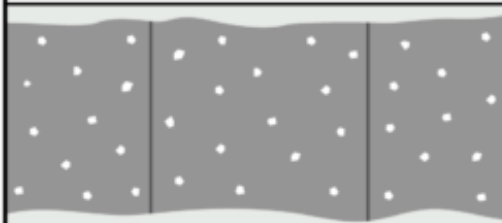
AFTER SHOVELING OR SCRAPING, YOU MAY NEED TO USE SALT FOR DIFFICULT ICY PATCHES. ONLY USE SALT WHERE YOU NEED IT.



A 12 OZ CUP OR MUG FULL OF SALT IS ENOUGH TO MELT ICE ON 10 SIDEWALK SQUARES OR A 20 FOOT DRIVEWAY.



WOW! THAT'S NOT A LOT. A LITTLE SALT GOES A LONG WAY.



SALT SHOULD BE SCATTERED WITH SPACE BETWEEN GRAINS.

SWEEP UP EXTRA SALT AFTER THE STORM TO USE NEXT TIME.

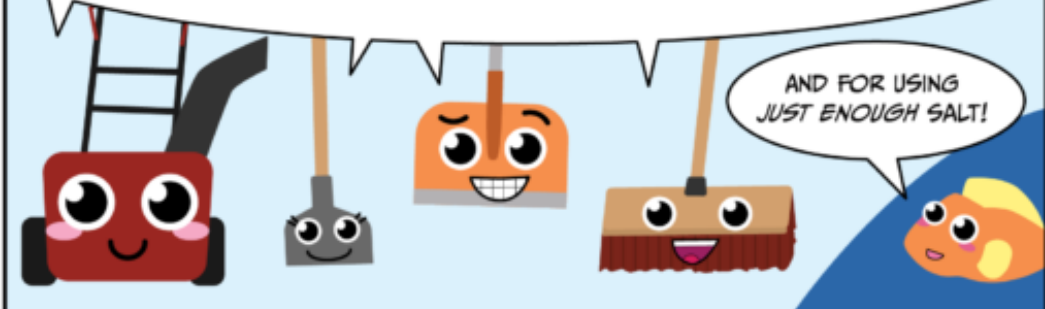


WITH THESE WINTER HELPERS, YOU CAN STAY SAFE...



...AND MINIMIZE WATER POLLUTION FROM EXCESS SALT USE!

THANK YOU FOR BEING SALT SMART!



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# PD POINTERS: DRIVING IN WINTER WEATHER



Ice and snow? Take it slow.

Winter weather brings about a greater potential for crashes when roads are covered with freezing precipitation. Here are some helpful tips when driving this winter season:

1. Increase your following distance enough so that you'll have plenty of time to stop for vehicles ahead of you. Give yourself extra time to get to your destination. Stay up-to-date on any predicated storms and travel advisories.
2. Keep your windshield and windows free of ice and snow. Make sure you have a clear line of sight all around your vehicle from the driver's seat.
3. Do not crowd snow plows and do not travel beside the trucks. Snow plows travel slowly, make wide turns, stop often, overlap lanes, and exit the road frequently. Stay far enough behind it and use caution if you pass the plow.
4. If you become stopped or stalled, make sure your car can be seen. Turn on your headlights, emergency lights, even your dome light. Use a bright marker on your antenna or window. Be mindful of carbon monoxide poisoning. Make sure your exhaust pipe is clear of any snow and turn your car on just enough to stay warm.
5. Stock your vehicle with common safety items, including: a snow shovel and ice scraper; an abrasive material (sand or kitty litter) in case your vehicle is stuck in the snow; jumper cables; flashlight; warning devices (flares or emergency markers); blankets for protection from the cold; a cell phone charger; food, water, and any necessary medicine.



## GET CONNECTED

