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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Mark your calendars - the Channahon Community Potato Festival is coming back on Saturday, September 17!

Together with the Channahon Park District and Three Rivers Public Library District, we're bringing back this fan-favorite spud-tastic event filled to the brim with family fun, old-school picnic games, competitions, a car show and a return performance by Brass from the Past! Of course, plenty of potato dishes from our wonderful food vendors will be there to satisfy everyone's cravings.

Keep an eye on our website and social media pages for more details to come!



Annual
CHANNAHON COMMUNITY
POTATO
FESTIVAL

Car Show Food Trucks Family Games Live Music

September 17, 2022
Central Park
3:00-8:00 PM

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Village Board Meetings

- Tuesday, September 6, 2022 @ 6:00PM
- Monday, September 19, 2022 @ 6:00PM

Planning & Zoning Commission Meetings

- Monday, September 12 @ 6:00 PM

Fall Village Garage Sales

- September 8-10, 2022

Channahon Community Potato Festival

- Saturday, September 17, 2022



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FINANCE FACT: REAL ESTATE TRANSFER STAMPS

A real estate transfer stamp is a tax imposed on the transfer of ownership or title of property from one individual or entity to another for any parcel of land located within the Village of Channahon. The liability for payment of the tax is the responsibility of the buyer unless otherwise negotiated by contract. The stamp must be affixed to the original deed prior to recording it at the county. The amount of the stamp is based on the property's purchase price. The tax imposed is \$3.00 for every \$1,000 of value. For example, if a property is purchased for \$300,000, the real estate transfer tax would be calculated as $\$300,000/\$1,000 \times 3.0 = \$900$.

In certain instances, deeds or trust documents can be exempt. The following are some examples of exemptions:

1. If the actual consideration of the property is less than \$100.
2. If property is acquired by or from any governmental body.
3. Where proof is provided to the Village indicating that the purchaser maintains his/her primary residence in the Village of Channahon and has been a resident of Channahon for at least one year prior to the current purchase.

The complete ordinance related to real estate transfer stamp tax can be found at: <https://bit.ly/3PkhjU>



(Left): Mayor Missey and the Village Board recognized the Channahon Jr. High Track team for their outstanding performance at State this year. (Right): Thomas Robinson and Eagle Scout Troop 444 provided a flag donation box to the Village Hall lobby vestibule.



LABOR DAY CLOSURE & INFORMATION

Please be advised that Village Hall will be closed on Monday, September 5 in observation of the Labor Day holiday. As such, the Village's regularly scheduled first Board Meeting in September will take place on Tuesday, September 6.

Also, please note that there will be NO REFUSE PICKUP on Monday, September 5 due to the holiday. Collection will be delayed by one day for the remainder of the week: Monday customers will be collected on Tuesday, Tuesday customers will be collected on Wednesday, and so forth.

Please contact Environmental Recycling & Disposal at 815-725-4555 with any questions.

FALL VILLAGE GARAGE SALES

Mark your calendars: the Fall Village Garage Sales will take place on September 8, 9 & 10!

Registration to be included on the garage sale map will begin on Monday, August 22 at 9:00 a.m. on our website (www.channahon.org). Registration will close at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, September 2. There is no fee to register your home, but please note that you must reside within Channahon village limits to participate. If you miss the deadline to register your home for the garage sale map, you may still participate.

Maps will be available on Thursday, September 8 at Village Hall, Three Rivers Library, Casey's General Store, Feed Loft, Mac's Country Market and our website.

For more information or questions, contact us at 815-467-6644.

BACK TO SCHOOL SAFETY

School is back in session! Here are some tips to keep our community safe.



- **Watch for school zones:** It is easy to forget about the school zones after such a long break. Watch for school zones, children, and parents who may be walking, riding or driving to school.
- **Put your phone away:** Use of electronic devices in school zones is prohibited. Don't be distracted by messages and calls. Where allowed, the use of an electronic device when driving must be in the "hands-free" mode.
- **Drop off and pick up:** Follow instructions provided by the school and use the designated drop off and pick up procedures and areas.
- **Carpool:** Parents can organize or find a carpool to help reduce the number of vehicles on the road.
- **Look out:** Children can be unpredictable. Slow down and look between parked cars.
- **School buses:** Stop your vehicle when approaching school buses that are either loading or unloading students, be on the lookout for warning signs and signals. Do not proceed until the school bus resumes motion, the driver signals you to proceed, or the visual signal is no longer activated.
- **Reflection:** To make children more visible, have them wear reflective material during hours of darkness or near darkness.

Transportation Safety

Whether children walk, ride their bicycle, are driven or take the bus to school, it is extremely important that they take proper safety precautions. Here are some travel safety tips for your child traveling to school.

Walkers

- Walk on the sidewalk, if one is available; when on a street with no sidewalk, walk facing oncoming traffic.
- Before you cross the street, stop and look left, right and left again to see if cars are coming.
- Make eye contact with drivers before crossing and always cross streets at crosswalks or intersections.
- Be aware of your surroundings. Stay alert and avoid distracted walking.
- Never accept rides from strangers!

Bike Riders

- Do a pre-ride ABC quick check (air, brakes and chain) of the bike to make sure it is safe to ride.
- Ride on the right side of the road, with traffic, and in a single file.
- Come to a complete stop before crossing the street; walk bikes across the street.
- Stay alert and avoid distracted riding.
- Make sure your child always wears a properly fitted helmet and bright clothing.

Bus Riders

- Go to the bus stop with your child to teach them the proper way to get on and off the bus.
- Teach your children to stand 6 feet (or three giant steps) away from the curb.
- If your child must cross the street in front of the bus, teach them to walk on the side of the road until they are 10 feet ahead of the bus; your child and the bus driver should always be able to see each other.

Driving Your Child to School

- Obey school zone speed limits and follow your school's drop-off procedure.
- Make eye contact with children who are crossing the street.
- Never pass a bus loading or unloading children.
- The area 10 feet around a school bus is the most dangerous for children; stop far enough back to allow them to safely enter and exit the bus.

Teen Drivers

- Teens crash because they are inexperienced; practice with new drivers every week, before and after they get their license.
- Set a good example; drive the way you want your teen to drive.
- Sign the [New Driver Deal](#), an agreement that helps define expectations for parents and teens.

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