



# DISCOVER *Channahon*



*Congrats to Tractor Supply Company for officially opening their doors in Channahon!*

# MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Believe it or not, the holiday season is almost here! That means our annual Channaholidays celebration is just around the corner - and it promises to be bigger and better than ever!

Join us on **Sunday, December 3** from 2-6 p.m. as we join forces with the Park District and Three Rivers Public Library District for a winter wonderland celebration sure to get you in the holiday spirit.

Make sure you're at Village Hall by 2 p.m. for Santa's grand entrance before getting your photo taken with him in front of a beautiful vintage truck and scenic holiday backdrop. Fill your pockets with candy at the Candy Cane Scramble, join Story Time with the Library (who knows - there might even be a few celebrity guest readers!), take advantage of numerous fun new photo opportunities, stroll through the brand-new Vendor Market, take part in a round of Family Bingo, enjoy a horse-drawn carriage ride, try to spot the Grinch...and much, much more!\* Santa's Mailbox will also be present at Arrowhead Community Center for the final day to send off letters to Santa and receive one back before Christmas. Last but certainly not least, join us at the culminating event of the evening, the lighting of the Village's brand-new Christmas tree.

We certainly hope to see you there! Keep an eye on our social media pages and website for further details and updates, including an event map and full schedule of events.

*\*Events and activities subject to change*



# UPCOMING EVENTS

## Village Board Meetings

- Monday, November 20, 2023 @ 6:00 PM
- Monday, December 4, 2023 @ 6:00 PM
- Monday, December 18, 2023 @ 6:00 PM

## Planning & Zoning Commission Meetings

- Monday, December 11, 2023 @ 6:00 PM

## Upcoming Events

- Channaholidays  
Sunday, December 3, 2-6 PM  
See Page 3 for more info!

## Village Hall Holiday Closures

- Thursday, November 23, 2023
- Friday, November 24, 2023
- Friday, December 22, 2023
- Monday, December 25, 2023
- Friday, December 29, 2023
- Monday, January 1, 2024



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# FINANCE CORNER: ON THE MOVE

Whether establishing a new utility service or closing an existing one, it is the property owner's responsibility to notify the Village of Channahon of the change of service. A final utility meter read is required when creating or terminating a utility account. Calculating a final utility bill allows for more accurately billing a residences' utility usage up until a day or two prior to the new occupancy.

Appointments for final utility meter reads can be scheduled by calling Village Hall at 815-467-6664 (please ask for the Finance Department or the Utility Accounting Clerk). Please allow at least three (3) business days for appointment scheduling. The Public Works Department must physically read and inspect the meter; therefore, access is required to the residence or business. The property owner, tenant, realtor or anyone over the age of 18 years old must be present for the scheduled appointment. A final utility bill is generated immediately following the final read and is due prior to the transfer of ownership of the property. Payment can be made at Village Hall during operating hours or online at [www.channahon.org](http://www.channahon.org).

## VILLAGE HALL HOLIDAY CLOSURES

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

- **Thursday, November 23 (Thanksgiving)**
- Friday, November 24 (Thanksgiving observation)
- Friday, December 22 (Christmas Eve observation)
- **Monday, December 25 (Christmas)**
- Friday, December 29 (New Years Eve observation)
- **Monday, January 1, 2024 (New Years Day)**

Refuse service will be delayed by one service day for the dates noted in bold above. For questions about refuse pickup, please contact Environmental at 815-725-4555.

## 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.

## 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. Keep an eye on our website and social media pages for further updates.

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

# PD POINTERS: HOLIDAY SHOPPING



The start of the holiday shopping season is upon us. For many, that means increased package delivery to our homes while we are away. Unfortunately, packages left at the door provide opportunities for theft, with as many as 1 in 5 Americans reporting a stolen package at an average loss of \$106 (2020).

## To help prevent those losses, here are 10 tips to keep your gifts under the tree:

- Use Smart Package Lockers or convenience stores.
- Have packages delivered to your place of work.
- Install security cameras or doorbell cameras.
- Use shippers "Key" system or secure delivery option.
- Require a signature for delivery.
- Reroute or reschedule delivery for when you will be home.
- Place a hold on delivery until you are home.
- Insure your package.
- Ask a trusted neighbor to help secure packages while you're away.
- Sign-up for delivery alerts.



## GET CONNECTED

