



*Fall / Winter 2023*

We would like to welcome all of our new residents, along with the new owners of Art & Alma's Supperclub. We are glad you are here.

### **Holidays in Burlington:**

The Village of Burlington is excited to be chosen as a 2023 recipient of the "Powering the Holidays" grant from Com Ed and the Metropolitan Mayor's Caucus.

Please join us for **"Holiday Magic on Main Street", Saturday, December 2, 2023, 4 – 6 pm.** This will be held at the corners of Main Street & Center Street. We will light our tree and the new decorations on Main Street. There will be fun for the whole family: music, caroling, hot chocolate, hot cider, and cookies will be given out during the event. All of us here are working together with local businesses and organizations, to bring us all together for a little "Holiday Magic".

We have heard from the North Pole and Santa will also be joining us arriving on Burlington's Firetruck.

We would like the ornaments on our tree to be from our community, please bring one to place on our tree at the beginning of the event. (non-breakable) We have plastic ornaments at the Village for pick up to decorate as well. Stop by during Village hours.

We also will be accepting non-perishable food items to be donated to the Burlington Hampshire Area Food Pantry.

### **The Burlington Lion's Club**

On December 9<sup>th</sup> Santa will be at the Burlington Fire Station from 10 am to Noon where donations will be accepted for the Burlington-Hampshire Food Pantry.

The Burlington Lion's Club will be accepting letters to Santa. The drop-off box will be in front of Mott's Lounge. Letters will be accepted from December 1<sup>st</sup> through December 15<sup>th</sup>. Santa will reply with a letter back.

**Holiday Coloring Contest:** Children in grades Pre-K through 5<sup>th</sup> are invited to enter this year's coloring contest. Coloring pages will be available at the Village Hall, on the Village website, Facebook page, and will be available during Santa's visit to the Burlington Fire Station on Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup>. Entries can be mailed to the Village Hall, dropped off in the payment drop box outside or in person during office hours. The deadline to drop off will be December 15<sup>th</sup>, and we will pick the best from each age group received the following week.

**Christmas Light Contest:** Betty Ebert-Rylko from Baird and Warner is sponsoring the annual Christmas Light Contest. Three winners will receive \$50 gift cards, plus funds will be matched to the winners' "Charity of Choice" Please text your name, and address plus your phone number to Betty's cell. 630 669 5295.

**Snowplowing:** Please observe parking restrictions on snow routes when in effect. There are snow route signs posted throughout the Village indicating no parking after two inches of snow and until the removal operation is completed. Please have alternative parking arrangements in place for the coming winter. **Violators will be towed at the owner's expense.** Also please refrain from pushing snow from your driveway into the street. Public Works always makes their best effort to plow and salt streets. With everyone's cooperation and effort, our streets and walkways will be plowed and remain as clean as possible. Thank you for your efforts in making snow cleanup more efficient in the Village.

**Moving? Water Stamp Required:** If you are moving you **ARE REQUIRED** to have a water stamp at your closing from the Village. There is no cost for the stamp. Please contact the Village Hall at least 48 hours before closing on the sale of your home for a final meter reading.

**Fall and Winter are great times for projects!**

A friendly reminder about permits: The Village's ordinances require that a building permit be obtained for all new construction and remodeling: including new home construction, building additions, renovations, etc. Small/Common minor projects that require a permit include but are not limited to demolition, driveway, fence, shed, patios/decks, pools (above or below ground), AC/furnace, water heater, siding, re-roofs, windows, door, residential generator, electric and plumbing. CONTRACTORS must register with the Village of Burlington before obtaining a permit. HOMEOWNERS completing projects on their own must apply before obtaining a permit. You will be directed to the Community Core website where you can register/apply for Building Permits through inspectors at SAFEbuilt. For questions or to schedule an inspection, call SAFEbuilt at 847-510-4104. Please visit the Village of Burlington website for forms and more information at: <https://www.vil.burlington.il.us/permits>. Contact J.U.L.I.E. at least 48 Hours Before You Dig! 1-800-892-0123

Please obtain a permit before scheduling work to be done. There may be pre-work inspections required.

**Village Website/Facebook:** You can pay your water bill, and apply/pay for permits online at [www.vil.burlington.il.us](http://www.vil.burlington.il.us). Also, stay up to date on events and information by following us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/villageofburlington/>.

**Burlington Fireworks Committee:** We have already started collecting for July 3, 2024. Fireworks Committee meetings will begin sometime in January. If you would like to be part of helping with any aspects of Burlington's Fireworks show please let us know. Call the Village Hall at 847-683-2283.

100% of the monies collected will be used for the fireworks and festivities. Please make checks payable to Burlington Fireworks Committee 175 Water St. P.O. Box 205 Burlington, IL 60109

On behalf of your Village Board, Plan Commission, Village Staff, and myself, we wish all of you a very Happy and Safe Holiday season.

Holiday wishes,

**Mary Kay Wlezen**

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