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NEWS

Happy Retirement to Police K-9 Dog Luther

Police K- 9 Dog Luther joined the Bartlett Police Department as a basic service dog and in canine narcotic contraband detection in June of 2014 after completing a 380-hour training program.

The Bartlett Police Department began operating a canine unit in

1996, when K9 Bart was installed as Bartlett's first canine. In 2004, K9 Brewster joined the ranks, and K9 Bart retired in 2005. K9 Brewster served the Bartlett community until his retirement in 2014, when K9 Luther became Bartlett's third canine.

Luther served on the Northern Illinois Police Alarm System Mobile Field Force K-9 Team to provide member agencies with a rapid, organized, and disciplined response to civil disorder, crowd control, or other tactical situations. He also

participated in various police and community presentations and special events.



During his nine years of loyal and dedicated service, Police K-9 Luther was credited with reuniting family members on numerous occasions after being deployed to search and locate missing or endangered individuals. He was responsible for the successful apprehension of suspects wanted for residential burglary in 2016, a suspect wanted for burglary in 2016, a suspect in a retail theft/resisting arrest incident in 2016, a suspect wanted for kidnapping with a firearm in 2018, and a suspect wanted for resisting arrest, as well as on an outstanding warrant for domestic battery in 2022.

The village thanks K-9 Luther for his service and wishes him a retirement of well-deserved relaxation, comfort and companionship with his handler Officer Michael Kmiecik and his family. Thank you and congratulations also to Officer Kmiecik on his retirement from the Bartlett Police Department after 24 years of extraordinary service to the Bartlett community.

[Read Their Proclamations](#)

Labor Day Holiday Hours

Bartlett Village Hall administrative offices will be closed Saturday, 9/2/2023 through Monday, 9/4/2023 for the Labor Day holiday.

Reminder: due to the holiday, Groot will collect trash and recycling on



Wednesday, 9/6 instead of Tuesday, 9/5.

Village officials and staff wish you a happy and safe holiday weekend.

Employment Opportunities

Want to join the Village of Bartlett team? The village is looking for:

Records Clerk

Bartlett currently has a position available for a second shift (2 p.m. to 12 a.m.) Records Clerk within the Police Department. Records Clerks perform a wide variety of civilian office law enforcement work in direct support of sworn personnel. Duties may require you to answer phones; process requests for police reports and public information; perform records maintenance duties; perform general clerical duties; and attend training as required. The village offers a great work environment and a starting pay of \$23.71 per hour.

Community Service Officer

Bartlett has a CSO position open and is offering a starting pay of \$26.14 per hour with a generous benefits package.

CSOs perform a wide variety of civilian field and office law enforcement work in direct support of sworn personnel, including taking police reports; conducting traffic investigations; providing traffic control, parking enforcement, and animal control; and performing related technical duties as assigned.

Requirements include a high school diploma or GED and valid driver's license. Two years of previous related experience and/or supplemental education in criminal justice is highly preferred. The CSO position is a non-union, non-exempt position. The rotating work schedule consists of four ten-hour shifts, including nights, holidays and weekends.

Crossing Guards

The village is hiring crossing guards for both permanent and substitute positions! Starting pay is \$20.86/hour, and hours vary depending upon the assigned location. Following interviews, guards will be trained, outfitted with equipment and assigned a position for immediate start. Application deadline is 9/14/2023.

[Apply for Positions](#)

Save the Date!



Join the fun on Friday, 9/29 and Saturday, 9/30, at another unforgettable Bartlett Oktoberfest in Leiseberg Park, 325 E Devon Avenue! Hosted by the Bartlett Area Chamber of Commerce, the Bartlett Rotary Club, the Bartlett Lions Club and Ignite the Courage, this year's Oktoberfest will feature live bands, family activities, a craft show and, of course, food and beer selections.

Visit the official Bartlett Oktoberfest website for more details, event updates and the full activity and entertainment schedule.

[Visit Oktoberfest Website](#)

REMINDERS



Bartlett is pleased to launch a new community garden program, opening in May 2024. This program at Koehler Fields aims to foster a sense of community while allowing residents to embrace a healthy lifestyle and connect with the food they eat.

The program will offer individual garden plots measuring 4 feet by 12 feet, as



Through its long-running Parkway Tree Program, the Village of Bartlett has planted trees with the help of homeowners in an effort to reforest and diversify Bartlett's parkways. This program provides the opportunity for residents to select and purchase a parkway tree, with the village sharing 50 percent of the cost.

All trees available for order are 2 inches in diameter. The cost, for residents, is \$100 per tree. This price includes tree planting, a one-time mulching, and a one-year warranty. Limited quantities of each species are available, and all orders are filled on a first-come, first served basis.

You are only eligible to purchase a tree if your property has an available planting space, as found on the interactive tree map. Planting is only done in the parkway, not on private property, and must be spaced 30 to 40 feet from other trees. Other restrictions, such as proximity to driveways, intersections, street lights, hydrants, underground utilities, etc. may occur. Final planting locations will be determined by the Village.

Visit the village website to view available trees and find the interactive tree map to start your application. All orders and payments must be received by 9/22/2023.

well as some raised beds for seniors with mobility issues. A nominal fee will be required to rent a plot for the season which will run from May to October.

Whether you are an experienced gardener or a beginner, this program will help you develop your gardening skills and offer the opportunity to cultivate your own fruits, vegetables, and flowers. Join the Bartlett Community Garden program and embark on a rewarding journey from seed to table.

Residents can sign up to secure their plots starting September 1. Look for the registration link on the village website homepage "In the Spotlight" section on Friday, 9/1.

Meetings & Events

TUESDAY, 9/5 @ 7 p.m.
Village Board Meeting

THURSDAY, 9/7 @ 11 a.m.
Health & Wellness Expo

THURSDAY, 9/7 @ 7 p.m.
Planning & Zoning
Commission Meeting
- cancelled

SATURDAY, 9/9 @ 10 a.m.
Fall Festival & Pet Event

MONDAY, 9/11 @ 7 p.m.
Economic Development
Commission Meeting

THURSDAY, 9/14 @ 5 p.m.
Fall Food Truck Festival

SATURDAY, 9/16 @ 11 a.m.
A Business Walk Through the
Years

WEDNESDAY, 9/20 @ 6:30 p.m.
Tri-Village Garden Club
Meeting

**FRIDAY, 9/22 @ noon &
SATURDAY, 9/23 @ 9 a.m.**
Friends of the Library
Book Sale

Village-Wide Garage Sale

Bartlett is hosting another village-wide garage sale, Thursday, 9/7 through Saturday, 9/9, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day.

An interactive map for the event, including addresses of all participating households, will be available on the village website for shoppers. The village will also publicize the garage sale and participating households in the newspaper.

Please know that you can sign up to participate in the village-wide garage sale until the date of the sale 9/7, and still have your address included on the online map.

[Sign up and see map.](#)

Prevent Rabies: Be Safe, Never Touch a Bat

DuPage County Health Dept - This is the time of year when bats are most active. The DuPage County Health Department (DCHD) is reminding residents to never touch or try to catch a bat or wild animal, especially in your home.

Bats are the primary source of rabies in Illinois. Rabies is a deadly virus that affects the brain and nervous system. Humans and other mammals can get rabies after being bitten by an infected animal. Rabies can also be contracted when saliva from a rabid animal gets directly into the eyes, nose, mouth, or a wound.

The following tips can help prevent the spread of rabies:

- Be a responsible pet owner. Keep vaccinations up to date for all pets.
- Seek immediate veterinary

- assistance if your pet is bitten by a wild animal or exposed to a bat.
- Call your local police department or your local animal control agency to remove stray animals from your neighborhood.
- Do not touch, feed, or attract wild animals with open garbage cans or litter.
- Never adopt wild animals or bring them into your home. Do not try to nurse sick animals to health. Call animal control or an animal rescue agency for assistance.
- Teach children never to handle unfamiliar animals, wild or domestic, even if they appear friendly. "Love your own, leave other animals alone" is a good principle for children to learn.
- If a bat is in your home, do not kill or release the bat outdoors until after speaking with animal control and public health officials to help determine if you, your household members, or pets could have been exposed to rabies and need preventive treatment.

All animal bites to humans that occur in DuPage County must be reported to DuPage County Animal Services at (630) 407-2800. All potential human rabies exposures must be reported to the DuPage County Health Department at (630) 221-7553 or after hours at (630) 682-7400.

See More Meetings & Events on the [Website Calendar](#).

Please know that meeting agendas are not posted to the website until they are finalized, generally the week before the meeting date.

PROJECTS

Route 59 & W. Bartlett Road Update

- Week of 8/28/23 through 9/1/23 – Pavement patching on W. Bartlett Road and IL Rt. 59. During this time, traffic will be down to one lane for northbound Rt. 59 and eastbound W. Bartlett Road. Changeable message signs should be up this week. To avoid major delays, it is recommended to seek alternate routes if feasible.
- 9/5/23 – Tentative date for Stage 2 traffic switch. This will flip the traffic from the north side of W. Bartlett Road to the south side. Caution should be taken while traveling through the work zone.

The police department continues to monitor the traffic situation on Park Place

during IDOT's IL Route 59/West Bartlett Road intersection improvement project.

QUICK LINKS

- * [Village of Bartlett Employment Opportunities](#)
- * [Learn more & sign up for Code Red Emergency Notifications](#)
- * [Learn about the Bartlett Connect mobile app](#)

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