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NEWS

National Night Out 2024 -- It's a Wrap!



Thank you to everyone who participated in this year's National Night Out (NNO) events and congratulations to all of Bartlett's NNO 2024 award winners, who were recognized at the village board meeting on Tuesday, 8/20.

Community Spirit Awards - Bartlett High School Cheer Team

The Bartlett High School Cheer Team is not only engaged in the school, but also in the community. The team, the coaches, and the parents have volunteered their time at Bartlett's National Night Out Picnic in the Park for more than 15 years, performing, running the watermelon eating contest and now the watermelon "popsicle" station. It's not simply that the BHS Cheer Team passes out watermelon, it's that they do it with such a positive and engaging spirit.

In addition, the cheer team runs camps for younger kids, instructing them on cheer techniques, and allowing the team members to become positive role models and mentors.

Last but not least, each November the BHS Cheer Team volunteers their time at a local food bank.

Business Star Award - Taylor Street Pizza

Taylor Street Pizza, located in the Brewster Creek Shopping Center, has been a huge supporter of the Bartlett Police Department and its annual National Night Out celebration. The business has donated pizzas to the NNO Family Fun Night. They have

also discounted pizzas for DARE celebrations at the local elementary schools.

As an employer, Taylor Street Pizza has proven to be flexible and understanding, adapting employee schedules for schooling and allowing them to grow and become more successful.

Finally, people are always met with a smile and kind greeting upon walking in their door.

Citizen Star Award - Linda A. Balfe

On 06/29/24, officers responded to the area of Marina Terrace for what started out as a check on well-being. On 06/30/24, homeowner Linda Balfe, notified police that she observed pieces of video footage from her indoor cameras that she felt were suspicious. Viewing Linda's video footage greatly assisted the overall investigation, which turned into a home invasion, aggravated domestic battery and aggravated kidnapping case. Due to Linda's quick actions, officers were able to identify the individuals in the video and move forward with the investigation and pursue charges.

Citizen Star Award - Lawal Abdulsalan

On 06/03/2024, Bartlett police responded to a medical call to assist Bartlett paramedics at 1550 Hecht Dr (Greco and Sons). Upon arrival, Officer Wittenbrink met with Lawal Abdulsalan, who said he found his coworker on the ground, unresponsive and not breathing. Lawal administered life saving aid by conducting CPR on his coworker. Due to Lawal's quick reaction to the situation, his coworker regained consciousness and began breathing again prior to police arrival.

Citizen Star Award – Amy Tolosky

Tolosky attended Bartlett Police Department's first community opioid and Narcan information night more than two years ago. Since then, she has made it her mission to support and encourage those who are currently battling addiction, working on recovery, and educating their families/friends. Amy has retrieved numerous doses of Narcan from Bartlett PD/DuPage Narcan program and distributed it to those who are not always comfortable coming into the police department.

Amy also has volunteered her own time to help clean up trash at the Bartlett Metra station.

You Belong at Oktoberfest! -- September 27 & 28



Bartlett is hosting the 3rd annual Oktoberfest on Friday, 9/27 and Saturday, 9/28, at Leiseberg Park, 325 E. Devon Avenue. Presented by the Bartlett Area Chamber of Commerce, Bartlett Rotary Club, and Bartlett Lions Club, this annual event promises a weekend filled with live music, dancing, American and German cuisine, activities for all ages, beer and wine, local vendors and, of course, Oktoberfest merriment.

Oktoberfest kickoff is at 4 p.m. on Friday, 9/27, and is quickly followed with the "Tapping of the Golden Keg" by festival sponsor MORE Brewing Co. at 4:30 p.m. Fun continues until 10:30 pm.

The fest runs from noon to 10:30 p.m. on Saturday with live music, kids' activities, food, exhibitor booths, and an excellent selection of beer. New this year, Kori's Koop food truck will be serving pork schnitzel with a side of mashed potatoes – available on Saturday only, 3 to 7 p.m. Brats, hot dogs, burgers, and soft pretzels will be available all weekend. Admission to Oktoberfest is free with beer/food tickets available for purchase.

There is no parking available at Leiseberg Park, so ride sharing transportation (Uber, or Lyft) is encouraged. Festgoers can also take advantage of free parking throughout downtown Bartlett. In addition, parking is available at Apple Orchard Park's Jim Jensen Pavilion parking lot, 620 W. Stearns Road, which will offer a free Hanover Township shuttle on a loop to and from Leiseberg starting at 5 p.m. on both Friday and Saturday. The last return trip will depart from Leiseberg Park at 10:45 p.m.

Music Lineup:

Friday, 9/27

5 to 6 p.m. - Austin Hopkins

6:30 to 8 p.m. - Onset

8:30 - 10:30 p.m. - Big Boss & the Toes

Saturday, 9/28

1 to 3 p.m. - Prost

6 to 8 p.m. - Flying Nowakowski Brothers

8:30 to 10:30 p.m. - Killing Me Smalls

Visit the Bartlett Oktoberfest website to see a full schedule and up-to-date information.

Bartlett Oktoberfest

Happy Anniversary!



Bartlett's Village Board took a moment at the start of the 8/20 meeting to congratulate the Bartlett Lions Club on its 85th anniversary. The club was established in September of 1939, when 29 men signed the charter beginning the organization's many decades of civic service in the community

For 85 years the club has supported the causes of Lions International, which includes acting as "knights of the blind in the crusade against darkness," a 1925 challenge of Helen Keller. In addition to collecting and refurbishing eyeglasses and hearing aids for those in need, today's Bartlett Lions work year-round sponsoring everything from the annual Easter Egg Hunt, Visit with Santa and Bartlett Oktoberfest to pancake breakfasts, golf outings, and holiday food boxes.

And everyone knows that Bartlett's 4th of July celebration would be incomplete without the eagerly anticipated Bartlett Lions Club Independence Day parade of bands, floats and non-stop fun.

The proceeds from the group's many events and fundraisers are used to send special needs children to camp, provide diabetes awareness and vision screenings, offer scholarships to outstanding students and continue other good works that advance the Lions "We Serve" tradition.

Next time you see a Bartlett Lion please congratulate them on this milestone anniversary and join the village in thanking club members for their hard work, dedication and their many, many contributions to the Village of Bartlett.

Free Access to Narcan

DuPage County, IL — In recognition of International Overdose Awareness Day on August 31, the DuPage County Health Department (DCHD) and the DuPage Narcan Program (DNP) are highlighting their commitment to saving lives through increased access to naloxone, also known as Narcan. This life-saving medication is free at county public access locations, is easy to use, and plays a critical role in reversing opioid overdoses.

Overdose can affect anyone – parents, students, friends, and neighbors. Recognizing the signs of an overdose is crucial. Symptoms may include slow or irregular breathing, unresponsiveness, and a bluish tint to the lips or face. It's important to know that anyone can use Narcan to reverse opioid overdose.

To enhance Narcan accessibility, DCHD and DuPage Recovery Oriented System of

Care (ROSC) have strategically placed Narcan Boxes at 14 public access points throughout DuPage County, including Bartlett Police Department, 228 S. Main Street, ensuring community members have easy and immediate access.

"International Overdose Awareness Day serves as a reminder of the importance of reducing stigma and increasing access to life-saving resources like Narcan," said Adam Forker, Executive Director, DuPage County Health Department. "By working together and making Narcan widely available, we are taking vital steps towards preventing overdose deaths and supporting those affected by substance use."

Since its inception in 2013, the DNP has:

- Trained over 6,300 DuPage first responders and community residents.
- Mailed out 1,856 Narcan kits to individuals who have requested Narcan through the online order form.
- Distributed over 1,600 Narcan kits through the vending machine at the Linda A. Kurzawa Community Center, which opened on Overdose Awareness Day 2022.

The DNP is a collaborative initiative involving the DuPage County Coroner, Sheriff, State's Attorney, Chiefs of Police, Fire Chiefs, and DCHD.

DCHD encourages community members to be aware of the Narcan public access locations and seek training to learn how they can contribute to overdose prevention efforts. For more information on available trainings or to learn how everyone working together can make a difference in the fight against opioid overdoses and help create a healthier, safer community for everyone, please visit:

www.hopedupage.org

REMINDERS



Tri-Village Garden Club (TVGC) will host guest speaker Sherri Lasko, an award-winning photographer specializing in nature photography on Wednesday, 9/18 at 6:30 p.m. at the Streamwood Fire Station #31, 1204 S. Park Ave., Streamwood.

TVGC represents gardeners from Bartlett, Hanover Park and Streamwood. The club hosts most monthly meetings at the Streamwood Fire Station #31, 1204 S.



It's time to bargain hunt again at Bartlett's community-wide garage sale. The sale runs from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Thursday, 9/5, Friday, 9/6 and Saturday, 9/7.

Use the link below to see an interactive map for the event, including the addresses of all participating households.

[Village-wide Garage Sale Map](#)

Park Ave., Streamwood. The meetings are held the third Wednesday of the month from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Meetings are free. Gardeners are welcome to join the club by paying annual dues and actively participating in various activities hosted by the club. Monthly meetings usually feature a guest speaker.

The club also offers garden-related field trips, a member garden walk, community service projects and a food pantry garden and community gardens maintained by members.



Join Hanover Township for food, fun and music at the 7th annual Fall Food Truck Festival on Thursday, 9/19, from 5 to 8 p.m., at the Hanover Township William Tiknis Campus (250 S. IL Route 59, Bartlett). Food vendors featuring menus of BBQ, pizza, tacos, lobster, tasty pierogis, churros, desserts and more will be onsite. Beer, wine, water, and soda also will be available for purchase.

Chicago area favorite, The GooRoos will be performing live at the fest, which will also include carnival games. Attendees will have the opportunity to learn more about the township's programs and services for residents of all ages.

Free admission and free offsite parking at the back lot of the Village Church of Bartlett (601 W. Bartlett Road, Bartlett) with shuttle service to and from the fest. Questions? Call 630-837-0301 or visit www.fallfoodtruckfest.com.

Meetings & Events

TUESDAY, 9/3 @ 7 p.m.
Village Board & Committee of the Whole Meeting

THURSDAY, 9/5 @ 7 p.m.
Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting - cancelled

SATURDAY, 9/7 @ 9 a.m.
First Saturday Family Craft

SATURDAY, 9/7 @ 10 a.m.
Pet Event

Labor Day & the Labor Department

Observed the first Monday in September, Labor Day is an annual celebration of the social and economic achievements of American workers. The holiday is rooted in the late nineteenth century, when labor activists pushed for a federal holiday to recognize the many contributions workers have made to America's strength, prosperity, and well-being.

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

THURSDAY, 9/12 @ 11 a.m.
Health & Wellness Expo

SATURDAY, 9/14 @ 5 p.m.
Family Golf Night

Before it was a federal holiday, Labor Day was recognized by labor activists and individual states. New York was the first state to introduce a bill, but Oregon was the first to pass a law recognizing Labor Day, on February 21, 1887. During 1887, four more states – Colorado, Massachusetts, New Jersey and New York – passed laws creating a Labor Day holiday. By the end of the decade Connecticut, Nebraska and Pennsylvania had followed suit.

By 1894, 23 more states had adopted the holiday, and on June 28, 1894, Congress passed an act making the first Monday in September of each year a legal holiday.

FUN FACTS

1.What's Older - Labor Day or the Labor Department?

Americans first celebrated Labor Day in 1882, and it became a federal holiday in 1894 – nearly 20 years before the creation of the Labor Department.

2.Ladies First

The Labor Department was the first Cabinet agency led by a woman: Frances Perkins. Six women have held the title since then, giving the department the record not just for the first, but for the most women secretaries as well.

3.Fashion Forward in Pants

When the Labor Department's female employees started wearing pants to work, it was notable enough to merit a mention in the newsletter. "Fashion forward" isn't a phrase typically used to describe the department, but in the 1970s, it was ahead of other federal agencies in officially allowing women to work in pants, thanks to Elizabeth Duncan Koontz, the director of the Women's Bureau and an advocate for women's rights. Pants proved to be very practical, and the rest is history.

4.The Original Weekend Warriors

The Labor Department enforces the law that created the 40-hour workweek. Early twentieth century

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labor activists had long advocated for clearly defined work hours and a minimum wage – two causes championed by Secretary Frances Perkins. The 40-hour workweek and the minimum wage became law with the passage of the Fair Labor Standards Act in 1938, and the department has been enforcing it ever since.

Information from the U.S. Department of Labor website.

PROJECT UPDATES

W. Bartlett Road & IL Route 59

The Village of Bartlett has continued to connect with ComEd, IDOT and the project contractor regarding the status of the intersection.

TRAFFIC SIGNALS: ComEd has completed the majority of the electrical work on the traffic signals, and the signal turn-on is expected to be scheduled within the next few weeks.

STREET LIGHTS: The village is waiting for a backorder electrical component for the remaining poles. Once that is completed, ComEd will come back and make final voltage adjustments on the street light cabinet.

EXTRA WORK: Currently IDOT Construction and IDOT Hydraulics are discussing the best solution for an unforeseen issue with the existing storm sewer on the south leg of the intersection. Hopefully, the traffic impact should be minimal.

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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