

Bartletter

YOU BELONG IN BARTLETT

Election Day is Tuesday, 11/5



For information about early voting & vote by mail, visit your county election website:

- www.cookcountyclerkil.gov
- www.dupagecounty.gov/election/
- www.kanecountyclerk.org/Elections

On Small Business Saturday - 11/30

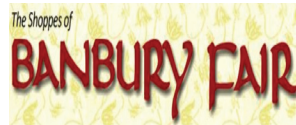
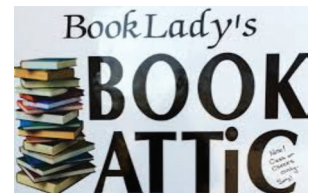


Founded by American Express in 2010 and cosponsored by the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) since 2011, Small Business Saturday is a day to celebrate and support small businesses and all they do for their communities. Please join the SBA, the Village of Bartlett and organizations nationwide in supporting local small businesses by shopping "Small" on 11/30 and throughout the holiday season.

To see more places you can shop and dine locally in Bartlett, look for the shopping & dining business directories and the interactive maps under the "Doing Business" tab on the village website.

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Begins with the TREE LIGHTING

Date & Time: Friday, 12/6, 5 to 8 p.m.

Place: Bartlett Park, Oak Avenue & North Avenue

- 5 to 8 p.m.** - Ride through downtown Bartlett in a horse-drawn wagon
 - Enjoy cookies, cocoa, the DJ spinning holiday music and the warmth from the fire pits
 - Grab a bite from the food trucks
 - See a live reindeer and some Disney characters

5 p.m. - Santa arrives with Mrs. Claus and his elves. The Bartlett Lions Club invites you to visit Santa in the log cabin until 6:30 p.m. Bring your camera to take photos of your little ones. Also, help the Lions help those less fortunate by bringing a non-perishable food item for the Hanover Township Food Pantry.

5:30 to 6 p.m. - Enjoy a children’s holiday story time with Bartlett Public Library. The book title is “Dream Snow” by Eric Carle.

6:30 p.m. - South Elgin High choir sings holiday songs in the gazebo.

6:30 to 8 p.m. - Music & visits with special Disney friends

7 p.m. - The holiday tree will be lit, kicking off Merry & Bright in Bartlett!

...and continues with the COCOA CRAWL

Saturday, 12/14 from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Join a fun filled day of supporting local businesses and sampling cocoa beverages -- some hot, some cold and even some for those 21 years and older.

Get \$10 tickets at business.bartlettareachamber.com/events. Ticket includes keepsake passport that lists participating businesses, a souvenir mug (while supplies last) and a raffle entry page. Free for 16 and younger. Drop your raffle entry page at Bartlett Village Hall or Bartlett Public Library after visiting your last location for a chance to win fun raffle prizes.



Take Five with the Trustees

Village of Bartlett Strategic Goals 2024-2027

Short-Term Routine ▾

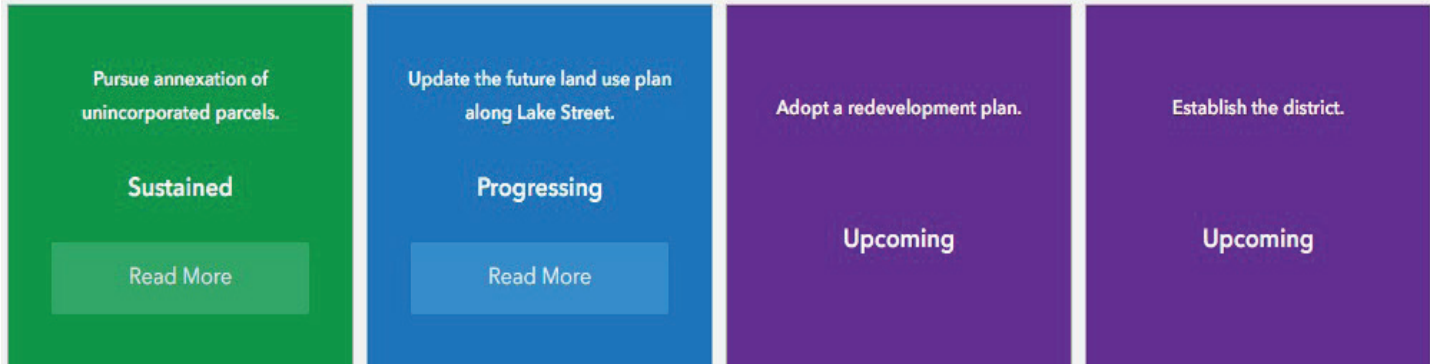
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Long-Term Routine ▾

Long-Term Complex ▾



Goal 9: Continue process for establishing a TIF district along Lake Street.



The 2024 - 2027 Village of Bartlett Strategic Plan was approved by this board at our March 5, 2024 meeting. The plan acts as a road map for the village, with department heads incorporating its vision into day-to-day operations and the budget.

It's important to know that the strategic plan was not formulated solely on board policy, but also was informed by the input of residents who participated in a comprehensive survey during the summer and fall of 2022. In January 2024, department heads analyzed the plan and incorporated additional objectives to align with the plan's goals.

However, developing and adopting the strategic plan is just the beginning of the work. Successful implementation is the end goal, and so to better track our progress, the village has created a dashboard where performance measurements are collected and reported. You can find the interactive dashboard on the village's "Strategic Planning" webpage.

As you can see in the sample image from the dashboard above, the plan is divided into four categories:

short-term routine, short-term complex, long-term routine and long-term complex. In each category, the corresponding strategic plan goals are enumerated with all objectives and performance measures/indicators listed below.

The objectives are color coded to indicate whether it has been sustained (green), is in progress (blue) or is still to be implemented (purple).

Providing this visual update on our progress implementing the strategic plan helps keep the work on our collective radar, provides all stakeholders with opportunities to provide feedback, and helps promote accountability across all levels of the village.

In addition, regularly monitoring the performance measures reinforces the importance of the strategic plan goals, is essential to keeping plan implementation on track and helps to quickly and easily identify challenges or any necessary changes that need to be made.

We encourage everyone to visit the dashboard and see how the village is doing.

Raymond H. Deyne



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Dan Gunsteen



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Joe LaPorte



Renée Suwanski





Bartlett has set Halloween trick-or-treat hours for 3 to 7 p.m. on Thursday, 10/31. Please remember to turn on your porch light if you will be passing out Halloween candy. Parents are encouraged to accompany children, to stay in their immediate neighborhoods and only go to homes where the porch light is on.

Trick-or-treaters should always walk on the sidewalk. If there are no sidewalks, walk on the left side of the road, facing traffic. Drivers are reminded to be extra cautious and watch for kids crossing roads.

Costume Safety: Wear a costume that fits; avoid overly long or baggy costumes to prevent trips and falls. Use reflective tape as a trim for costumes and outerwear to help others see you in lower light. Use non-allergenic makeup instead of masks, and keep wigs and hats well off the face. Wearing a brightly colored costume and carrying a flashlight or glow stick also can help brighten the walk for trick-or-treaters.

Safe Pumpkin Carving: Leave pumpkin carving to the adults. Child helpers can grab a spoon and scoop out the inside or use a marker to trace the design. When your jack-o-lantern masterpiece is ready, use battery-operated lights or glow sticks rather than open-flame candles. If you opt for candles, keep them away from curtains, decorations and other combustibles.

Finally, children are reminded to bring their Halloween candy home and to have an adult examine all treats before eating.

Free Leaf Collection

For the health and safety of residents, leaf burning has been prohibited in Bartlett since 1991. To help with the collection of leaves, the village's contract with Groot Industries provides for leaf collection at no additional cost to residents during October and November.

Leaves should be placed in brown paper yard bags at the curb each Tuesday alongside other household refuse and recyclables. DO NOT put leaves in plastic bags; these will not be collected. You DO NOT need to buy Groot yard waste stickers for leaves. Generic yard waste bags without stickers are accepted. **However, all other yard waste, such as grass clippings, pulled weeds, etc., must still be placed in stickered yard bags for collection.**

Branches/brush must be bundled in 2 foot by 2 foot by 4 foot long bundles, collected weekly through November.

Village ordinance prohibits depositing, raking, shoveling, plowing, blowing or dumping leaves, grass clippings, branches or snow, onto any public parkway, gutter or street. Leaves and lawn clippings can obstruct sewers and cause flooding. Large piles of leaves also can freeze once temperatures drop and become roadway hazards.





Saturday, 10/26 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Location: Downtown Bartlett

Costume Parade - 10 a.m. starting at Village Hall

Get the ghosts and ghouls in costume and join in for a scary good time. The parade steps off from Bartlett Village Hall, 228 S. Main Street, at 10 a.m. SHARP! So don't be late! It's a short trip to The Bartlett Depot Museum, 100 W. Railroad Avenue, where the trick/trunk-or-treating begins!

Trick/Trunk-or-Treat - 10:15 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Treats, tricks and giveaways abound from area businesses Trunk-or-Treating at the Metra Station, in downtown business entryways, plus dash over to the Streets of Bartlett for more goodies!

Haunted Hallway

Step into the creepy, crunchy hallway next to Arts in Bartlett, 215 S. Main Street. This dark and spooky secret passageway is full of skeletons and ghosts, plus a few surprises. Enter at your own risk - don't be scared, most exit at the end.

To learn more and get an event map of participating businesses/organizations, visit the Arts in Bartlett website, www.artsinbartlett.org/halloween-fun-fest.

Pumpkin Smash 2024

Saturday, 11/2 from 9 a.m. to noon

METRA Parking Lot on Bartlett Avenue (138 E. Bartlett Avenue)

The Village of Bartlett will be hosting its annual pumpkin composting event with this year's Pumpkin Smash! SCARCE, a nonprofit organization committed to keeping "stuff" out of the landfill by reusing or recycling, first brought this event to DuPage County in 2014! Since then, Bartlett's annual Pumpkin Smash has helped successfully divert approximately 18 tons of pumpkins from landfills.

Residents can bring their pumpkins and jack-o-lanterns for composting in order to return nutrients back to the soil and lower methane gas production in landfills. Regular or decorated pumpkins are allowed, but please remove yarn, stickers or any plastic items before composting. Visit the SCARCE website, www.scarce.org/pumpkins/ for more information or call the village at 630-837-0800.



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The History of Coca-Cola

How did a formula concocted by a pharmacist for baby colic, baseball and World War II come together to be instrumental in the creation and growth of one of the most readily recognized and successful corporations in the world? Join the Bartlett History Museum, 228 S. Main Street, as it hosts Dick Volker, a former longtime employee of the Coca-Cola Company, who will speak on the history of all things Coke on Wednesday, 11/6.

If you would like to come early, doors open at 6:30 p.m. for refreshments, including sips of Coca-Cola. At 6:45 p.m.



the museum will present "Remembering Humbracht's Confectionery." Volker's program begins at 7 p.m.

Registration is required for this free event. Please email Pam at prohleder@bartlett.il.gov with your name, the number of people attending and your phone number.

Down at the Depot

The Bartlett Depot Museum, 100 W. Railroad Avenue, highlights Bartlett's rail history with exhibits and hands-on activities. Admission & parking are free.

Hours are Tuesday and Thursday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and the first and third Saturday of the month, 9 a.m. to noon. However, in October, the depot will be closed 10/19 and open instead on 10/26 for Halloween Fun Fest. Come play the Toot Toot candy game!

Also, the depot will close for seasonal maintenance beginning 11/27. It will reopen on 2/1.

First Saturday Free Children's Craft.

10/5 - kiddos create a small mandala with sand and learn about Diwali.

11/2 - they enhance a Calac keychain and learn about celebrating the Day of Dead.

No registration required; supplies are limited. Drop in from 9 a.m. to noon.

Bartlett School, Final

This year, Bartlett Elementary School is celebrating its 150th year of establishment. The school began in 1874, one year after Bartlett was founded. Initially, it served students in grades 1 through 8.

Classes were first held above a store in town, and Miss Bailey was the first teacher. The school's second location was at the southwest corner of North and Hickory Avenues. In 1929, the school moved to its current location, 111 E. North Avenue.

Imagine a time with no TVs, movies, radios, computers. What did people do for entertainment? This was a period when the school was the social center for pupils and residents alike.

Activities included a 1903 "Calico Social" and literary program. Admission was free to those who wore their "old clothes." Those who dressed up were "fined" 6 cents at the door. A "Basket Social" was held in 1919 with an auction followed by dancing with music by an orchestra. A total of \$52.05 was raised to benefit the school's athletics and library. The park and library districts were decades away from forming.

The holidays were also a time to celebrate. In 1925, an "unique and unusual" Christmas celebration was held for the locals with the pupils entertaining in each of the school's four classrooms. Even Santa Claus made an appearance!

With the arrival of Elvina Ness Brandt in 1927, plays were performed by students, parents, and members of the community under her direction. The new 1929 schoolhouse's gymnasium had a stage for the performances. Today, that room is the school's library.

The P.T.A. oversaw advertising and ticket sales, earmarking the profits for the school's and student's benefit. "Aunt Tillie Goes to Town," "High Flyers," "Nora Nobody," and "Here Comes Charlie," (pictured here) were just some of the theatrical productions performed during Ness Brandt's tenure.



BARTLETT BRIEFS

KIWANIS CLUB IS COMING TO BARTLETT

Kiwanis is a service organization with a focus on children. The clubs are in more than 84 nations. One of Kiwanis many achievement is its Service Leadership Programs, including the Key Club at Bartlett High School.

Key Club is an opportunity for students to learn leadership skills, about their community, and the importance of volunteerism. It is the largest student led organization backed by Kiwanis International. Typically, Key Clubs are sponsored by an adult community Kiwanis Club, which is why Kiwanis Club of Bartlett is planning to organize on 10/23.

Do you have a passion for service? Do you support success for children? Kiwanis is for you. Become a charter member of the new club - email iigov2024.25@gmail.com with your interest. Kiwanis is looking forward to working with the Bartlett community.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Bartlett Lions Club is hosting its Fall Pancake Breakfast, available from 8 a.m. to noon on Sunday, 11/3, at the Bartlett Fire Barn, 218 S. Main Street. Cost for the all-you-can-eat pancakes, sausage, coffee, milk and juice: adults, \$10 and children age 6 to 12, \$6. Up to three children age 5 and younger are free with each paid adult. Raffles, a 50/50 Split the Pot and free low vision screening for children ages 6 months to 15 years will be available at the

Please submit information for the December/January Bartletter to: Gabrielle Infusino, Bartlett Village Hall, 228 S. Main St., Bartlett, IL 60103 or ginfusino@bartlett.il.gov by Friday, October 25.

breakfast. For more information, visit www.bartlettlions.org or email bartlettlionsclub@yahoo.com.

POINSETTIA FUNDRAISER

Bartlett Women's Club presents its 3rd annual Poinsettia Fundraiser. Proceeds support the club's scholarship fund and the Bartlett community. Available in red or white, small plants (5-7 flowers) are \$20/each; large plants (7-9 flowers) are \$30/each. Scan the QR code to order online:



Last day for orders is 11/6. Pick-up at the Bartlett Log Cabin, 102 N. Eastern Avenue, on Tuesday, 12/3 between noon and 2 p.m. For additional information or questions, email ANNROHDE1@YAHOO.COM.

SIGN UP FOR eNEWSLETTER

The **Village of Bartlett** has launched Trending Now, a twice monthly e-newsletter, as another way to help keep you informed about village services, programs & news. To subscribe, look for the Trending Now link in the "How Do I...Sign Up" drop down navigation menu on the website.



5 p.m. until 9 p.m.
Thursday, 11/14
at Bartlett Hills Golf Club,
800 W. Oneida Avenue

- Fashion Show by Closet Boutique
- Raffles, Appetizers, Signature Drinks
- Shopping with Local Vendors/Crafters
- DJ Entertainment with DJ Steve's All-Pro Music
- Wine & Cheese Tasting
- Complimentary Favor from Bartlett Hills
- Free Raffle Ticket with each Food Pantry donation
- Goodie Bags for First 50 Tickets Sold

Tickets are \$15 in advance or \$20 at the door. To pre-pay or reserve, call 630-213-3103 or email Evan@bartletthills.com.



Tuesday, 10/22, 5 to 6:30 p.m.
Bartlett Culver's
1430 S. Rt. 59

Join Bartlett Police Department and Bartlett Fire Protection District reading their favorite spooky stories. Free Culver's frozen custard for kids! Wear a costume.



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Merry & Bright Merch

This holiday season it's all about Merry & Bright in Bartlett! Bring this spirited message into your home with custom Bartlett merch featuring the Centennial Gazebo and holiday tree in Bartlett Park.

Designed and sold exclusively by the Village of Bartlett Museums, the charming hometown illustration is featured on a wooden ornament (\$5.75) and 8-inch by 8-inch wooden plaque (\$14.61), which are the perfect accents for your home or to give as a gift for someone on your "nice" list. These items are available for purchase at Bartlett Village Hall, 228 S. Main Street.



Contact Us

BARTLETT CONNECT: Need to report a pothole or a streetlight that is out, voice another concern, ask a quick question or offer a compliment? Use the Bartlett Connect mobile app to contact the Village 24/7. Download this citizen request system app on your smartphone or other electronic device for free by searching "Bart-



lett Connect" in the Apple app store or on Google Play. You can also access it using the "Stay Connected" link on the homepage of the Village website. Bartlett Connect ensures that your issue is directed to the right person, in the right department and it provides you with a tracking number for easy follow-up. You can also search a Q&A database, subscribe to eNews, connect directly to the Village website and more.

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