



View to the Village

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Village of North Aurora

November/December 2014

Village President's Report - Dale Berman



Leaf pick-up continues in November. For residents on the WEST side of the river, leaf pick up begins on Monday, for the week of November 3 and again on Monday, for the week of November 17. For residents on the EAST side of the river, leaf pick-up begins on Monday the week of November 10 and Monday the week of November 24. Leaves must be out on the Monday of your pick-up week! Please see the Village's website for further information on how to prepare your leaves for pick-up at www.vil.north-aurora.il.us.

I am pleased to be able to report that the Village has had approximately 1,100 dead Ash Trees removed from the parkways this past summer and fall. This represents almost all of the dead Ash trees that needed to be removed from parkways. The Village anticipates planting replacements for the 1,100 parkway trees by next spring/fall of 2015, weather permitting.

The Village has completed a busy season of roadwork. If you travel Oak Street, Randall Road, or Mitchell Road you have witnessed the improvements. The 600,000 square foot Opus building on Orchard Gateway is nearing completion, along with Orchard Gateway road improvements at Randall Road. Liberty Property's 400,000 square foot building is underway on Mitchell Road, with completion expected in 2015. Both of these properties should add substantial employment in North Aurora in the future.

Please join us for our annual Veteran's Day Ceremony, which will be held on **Tuesday, November 11th at 2:00 p.m.** at the North Aurora Veteran's Memorial. The Memorial is located at the intersection of Farview Drive and Willow Way in North Aurora (just west of Rt. 31 and south of Oak Street). The event is free and I encourage residents to join us as we honor our Veterans. This annual event is very rewarding and gives us all an opportunity to be able to remember our Veterans for their commitment and dedication to our country. We are always grateful to the North Aurora Honor Guard, the Fox Valley Marines, and Marmion Academy for their participation in this event each year. Please be sure to join us as we pay tribute to our Veterans!

Mooseheart is holding their 5th annual Holiday Lights display daily from 5-9 p.m. from November 28 through December 31. Please support the Mooseheart Child City and School and be sure to enjoy one of Chicagoland's largest holiday light displays!

During this time of year, I am reminded of how very thankful I am for our fine community, our great residents, and our many outstanding businesses. I also want to encourage residents to be responsible and drive sober this holiday season. The Village of North Aurora partners with the Illinois Department of Transportation's Division of Traffic Safety, in an effort to educate residents about impaired driving, either by alcohol or drugs, which is America's most deadliest crime. Everyone has a responsibility to drive sober and a right to drive on roadways free of impaired drivers. Please be a responsible and safe driver during the holidays. Happy Holidays!

Shop North Aurora Businesses This Holiday Season



As the holidays approach, I would like to remind residents to shop locally, which will benefit our community and will give back to our local businesses. Did you know that sales tax revenues make up 40% of all Village revenues that fund police, public works, community development and Village Hall services? North Aurora is fortunate to have a variety of retail stores, restaurants and other service businesses that residents should be proud to patronize. By shopping and dining at local North Aurora businesses, you keep sales tax dollars in your community. So please remember to shop North Aurora! Please visit our website at <http://vil.north-aurora.il.us/business-directory/index.htm> for a directory of North Aurora Businesses.

Police Department News and Information



With the holiday shopping season almost upon us, the North Aurora Police Department would like to offer some helpful tips to protect you and your family from any criminal activities that may happen while shopping:

- Wait until asked before taking out your credit card or checkbook, to prevent a thief from “shoulder surfing” to get your account information.
- When shopping with young children, make a plan in case you are separated from each other. Teach them that they can ask store employees or security personnel for help.
- Deter pickpockets. Carry your purse close to your body or your wallet inside a coat or front trouser pocket.
- Do not buy more than you can carry. Plan ahead by taking a friend or ask a store employee to help you carry your packages to the car.
- Have your keys in your hand when approaching your vehicle. Check the back seat and around the car before getting in.
- Do not leave packages visible in your car windows. Lock them in the trunk or take them directly home.

Also, don't forget that parking after a two inch or more snowfall is restricted until the street has been plowed to the curb. Violators may be ticketed and towed. See the complete snow removal policy on-line at <http://www.vil.north-aurora.il.us/departments/public-works/snow-removal.aspx>.

Public Works News and Information

Garbage Pick-up: Due to Thanksgiving, trash pickup will be on Saturday, November 29 and due to the Christmas holiday, garbage pickup will be provided on Saturday, December 27th (1 day later). There will be no delay due to Martin Luther King Day.

Christmas Trees: Christmas trees will be collected until the end of January FREE of charge. Trees must be free of all decorations and cannot be in plastic bags. Trees over 6' will need to be cut in half. After the free collection period, Christmas trees will require one (1) refuse sticker visibly affixed to be collected.

Mailboxes: With winter around the corner it's time to ensure your mailbox is secure and can withstand the pressure of snow coming off the snow plows. If your mailbox is damaged during a snow event the Village will only repair it if the plow makes contact with the mailbox. **If the pressure of the snow coming off the snowplow causes damage, it will be the responsibility of the homeowner.** If the Village plow hits and damages your mailbox it will be temporary repaired and replaced with a standard 4x4 post and mailbox in the spring.

Fire Hydrants: Whenever possible, we ask that all residents help the North Aurora Fire Department by clearing snow from around the fire hydrant on or near your property.

Snow Removal: Snow removal is based on street usage and levels of traffic. Following are the **priority streets** for the east and west side of the Village. East Side: Banbury, Dee, Hartsfield Dr., Mitchell, Oak Crest, Pine Creek Dr., Sharon, Long and Wingfoot. West Side: Airport, Bennett Dr., Bauer, Juniper, Meade, Oak, Orchard Gateway, Sycamore, Randall, Western, White Oak, Harmony and Timber Oaks Drive. Secondary Streets - Those streets that collect and distribute vehicle traffic between the local street system and primary streets. Cul-de-sacs, alleys, dead ends and sidewalks will be cleaned last because they are more time-consuming to plow and are the least traveled.



Residents should be aware of Village Ordinances pertaining to snow removal. It is illegal to park on village streets after 2" or more of snow, until streets have been cleared. It is illegal to push, pile, or dump snow into Village streets. Violations to these Ordinances could result in fines up to \$750.

Code Enforcement Reminders



Code Enforcement would like residents to be aware of these important facts for the winter season:

No parking is allowed on Village streets after a 2 inch snowfall. This is to ensure that the entire street gets cleared of snow in order to allow Village snowplows to complete their routes as quickly as possible. Also, snow may not be dumped, shoveled, or blown into the roadway as this delays snow removal and can cause dangerous situations. Please remove any portable basketball poles from near curbside to avoid damage by Village snow plows and be sure mailboxes are installed properly. Thank you for adhering to the Village’s code with regard to snow removal and parking.

With regard to freezing weather, residents should notify Code Enforcement regarding any vacant homes / buildings that they may be aware of in their neighborhood. Being aware of vacant homes can help minimize damage that is most often caused by broken water pipes.

Residents who intend to be away for any extended period of time should be sure to protect their home by keeping the temperature at the minimum of 60 to 65 degrees and have your home checked regularly by a family member, neighbor or friend. If there is a problem with frozen pipes or water leakage, attending to it quickly could mean far less damage. Please remember your pets this winter, as they are also sensitive to the cold weather. Please take proper care of your pets when the temperature dips below freezing.

With the heating season here, Illinois Public Act 094-0741 requires all residential dwellings to have at least one carbon monoxide alarm in operating condition within 15 feet of any room used for sleeping.

It is unlawful for any person to operate any snowmobile on any state, tollway, highway and Village of North Aurora streets and alleys at any time. It is also unlawful for any person to operate a snowmobile without a valid motor vehicle driver’s license. Unlicensed operators who are between twelve to sixteen years of age may operate a snowmobile if they have completed a state-authorized safety course and have received a state safety certificate. Further, it is also unlawful for any person to operate any snowmobile on private property without the verbal or written consent of the owner, lessee, or other lawful occupant of the private property.

The Village Code is available on-line at www.vil.north-aurora.il.us for clarification of any ordinance. Please contact Code Enforcement at (630) 897-1457, ext. 231 with any questions or concerns you may have. Your cooperation is always appreciated and we wish everyone a wonderful and safe winter season.



Village of North Aurora Directory

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Meeting Schedules

All Village Board, Committee of the Whole (C.O.W.), Plan Commission and Committee meetings will be held at the North Aurora Village Hall, in the Village Board Room at 25 E. State St. (unless otherwise posted) North Aurora. Agendas are available on the Village of North Aurora website at: www.vil.north-aurora.il.us

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Village Board & Committee of the Whole (7:00 pm)	3 17	1 15
Plan/Zoning Commission (7:00 pm)	4	2

North Aurora Village Hall Holiday Closures

Veterans Day - Tuesday, November 11
 Thanksgiving - Thurs/Fri, November 27 & 28
 Christmas - Wed/Thurs, December 24 & 25
 New Years Eve - Wednesday, December 31