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ALENDAR OF EVENTS

INDOOR FARMERS MARKET SECOND SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH

NOVEMBER 23

THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY VILLAGE OFFICES CLOSED NOV 23-24

DECEMBER 2

A VERY MERRY HUNTLEY

DECEMBER 7

LADIES NIGHT OUT

DECEMBER 16

WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA EVENT

DECEMBER 25

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY VILLAGE OFFICES CLOSED DEC 22-25

JANUARY 1

NEW YEAR'S DAY VILLAGE OFFICES CLOSED



a Very Merry Hwitley SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2

THE FUN AND MERRY FESTIVITIES INCLUDE

HUNTLEY ROTARY CLUB, ##, RUNNING OF THE ELVES

Join the Rotary Club of Huntley at the Running of the Elves event taking place during A Very Merry Huntley. The race will begin in downtown Huntley. Proceeds from the race benefit our local community and provide scholarships for Huntley students. All registered participants will receive an official Running with the Elves Race Shirt and Elf Hat (while supplies last)! For info and to register, visit: tinyurl.com/Elf-run

Dash for Kids (aged 5-12): 10am | 5K Run/Walk: 10:30am | 1 Mile Fun Walk: 10:45am

9am-2pm

10am-2pm 3pm-5pm 3pm-6pm

Shop the Kris Kringle Market in the Fellowship Hall (11628 E. Main Street) for great gifts & more!

Free Kids Games & Craft to Go at the Kris Kringle Market! Bring a new unwrapped toy for the Toys for Tots collection box

- Take a ride on the Trackless Train around the Square
- Free hot chocolate and cookies
- Bring \$ to vote for your favorite decorated Christmas Tree the tree with the most money collected wins and ALL the money goes to the Grafton Food Pantry! (the trees will be set up in front of the Legion Hall)
- Visit the live reindeer

Community Pasta Dinner at Legion Post 673 Legion Hall, 11712 Coral Street Kids (4-9): \$4 Kids 3 & Under: Free Adults: \$8

- Santa & Mrs. Claus arrive on a Fire Truck
- Lighting of the Christmas Tree in the Gazebo & Town Square
- Holiday Fireworks Show
- Visit with Santa in the Gazebo



4-6:30pm



LADIES NIGHT OUT—HOLIDAY EDITION

Ring in the holidays with a night of fun, special promotions & more on December 7 from 5-8pm in downtown Huntley! Pre-registration is *not* required. Check in at the Legion Hall (11712 Coral St.) to receive a game card and map of participating businesses. The first

200 ladies to check in will receive extra goodies! Have your game card stamped at each location you visit - for every 10 stamps received, you will earn a raffle ticket for the free drawings held at the end of the evening.

WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA

The Huntley Cemetery is honored to be chosen by Legion Post 673 to sponsor Wreaths Across America 2023. On December 16 at noon, a local and nationwide ceremony will take place as fresh wreaths are laid on the graves of our veterans. A \$15 sponsorship will help every veteran be honored with a wreath at their grave. Program and donation info may be found on the Village's Cemetery page.

HUNTLEY INDOOR FARMERS MARKET

Shop your favorite homegrown and homemade items all year long. Stock up on holiday favorites including foods, gifts and more! Join us the second Saturday of the month from 9am-1pm at the following locations:

December: Legion Hall on Coral Street

January-May: Fellowship Hall inside the First Congregational Church (Church and Main Street)



VILLAGE OF HUNTLEY NAMED A 2023 WEATHER READY NATION AMBASSADOR OF EXCELLENCE BY THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE

The Village was one of 55 organizations selected from over 13,000 Ambassadors throughout the United States to receive this award. Read all about this special recognition on the Village *website*.

PREPARE YOUR HOME FOR THE WINTER

Don't wait to winterize your home, now is the perfect time to prepare for the upcoming winter months.

Make sure pipes are protected. Disconnect and drain all garden hoses. Make sure all spigots are turned off. Winterize your lawn irrigation system

Always turn off the water to your home when leaving for any length of time.

If you plan on being away from your home for more than several days: Turn off the main shut-off valve for the water (found before the water meter inside your home). If you have a fire protection sprinkler system, this will become deactivated when you shut off the water. Set the heat in your home at a minimum 55 degrees. Open cabinet doors to allow heat to reach the pipes under sinks and along exterior walls

If you will be leaving town for the winter, it is recommended that your home be professionally winterized to avoid winter disasters.

WINTER WEATHER IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER

The Village Public Works team clears snow on approximately 132 centerline miles of roadway and 174 cul-de-sacs or eyebrows. Please help keep the roads free of snow and ice as much as possible by following some simple guidelines.

Parking: On-street parking is currently prohibited between the hours of 2am through 6am and at any time within 8 hours after a snowfall of 2 inches or more has occurred.

Driveways: Depositing snow from driveways and walkways into the street is prohibited by Village ordinance and creates a traffic hazard by leaving windrows or piles of snow in travel lanes. When clearing driveway aprons, property owners are encouraged to deposit snow in the parkway to the right side of the driveway (as you face the street) and as far away from the curb-line as possible. This will limit the amount of snow that the Village plow deposits into driveways as the streets are cleared.

To learn more, please view the Village of Huntley <u>Snow and Ice Control Plan</u> or the <u>Snow Removal Frequently Asked Questions.</u>

FROM THE HUNTLEY POLICE DEPARTMENT - PREPARE FOR WINTER DRIVING



A chill in the air, falling leaves, shorter dayswinter is quickly approaching. Even if you're not emotionally ready for it, make sure your vehicle and your driving skills are ready for the winter.

You never know when you will encounter winter weather or an emergency road closure, so make sure your vehicle is prepared:

- Take your car in now for a tune-up and routine maintenance
- Ensure you have good winter tires (including a spare)
- Keep your gas tank above half full whenever possible
- Have emergency supplies available, such as a cell phone charger/power bank, jumper cables, snow shovel and brush, flashlight, sand or kitty litter, tow rope, first aid kit, water and snacks, warm clothes (including gloves, hat, boots), blankets and flares

It is also helpful to review your winter driving skills for when we do encounter snow and ice:

- Watch the weather forecast for changing conditions and only travel if necessary
- Give yourself plenty of time to arrive at your destination
- Slow down and increase the distance from the car in front of you
- Brake early and gently
- · Do not use cruise control
- If you do slide, gently steer into the slide and avoid over-correcting
- Limit distractions and concentrate on the road
- Buckle up and drive sober for every trip

Finally, always give the plows and salt trucks plenty of room to do their job during and after any storm to ensure they can clear the roads effectively and safely.

Prepare in advance and be ready for the upcoming weather changes!