

RECYCLING NEWS UPDATE

PROGRAM UPDATE

With the holiday season right around the corner, it's not too early to think about what recycling can be accomplished during this holiday season.

In this day of electronics and the high demand to have the latest and greatest phone, Ipad, laptop computer, etc., many people receive these items as gifts during the holiday season. We wanted to remind everyone that electronics recycling is now required in the state. There are many different outlets for you to properly recycle these items. The closest one to the village is Best Buy in Darboy. It is a very easy process and keeps the electronics out of landfills. Also, there are avenues for donating your used cell phones so that they can be given out to the elderly so that they can call 911 when they need to. Most cell phone retail outlets will take your old cell phones for this program.

After the hustle and bustle of the holiday season and long after your great smelling real Christmas tree has lost its smell and all you have left is the dry needles that have found their way to your floor only to be vacuumed up by you, you may be thinking why did I purchase a real tree and now I need to get this out of the house without losing too many more needles. As in the past, we do have a solution for you to dispose of this tree. We will again pick up Christmas trees after this holiday season. Please remember that the trees must be placed by the curb. If the trees are not placed by the curb, they will not be picked up. Please also remember that all decorations, wires, bows, lights, etc. must be removed from the trees. If they are not removed, the trees will not be picked up. The deadline for picking up the trees will be **Monday, January 19, 2015**. No trees will be picked up after this time. The village employees will make every effort to pick up the trees in a timely manner. Please remember that we are at the mercy of mother nature and sometimes we will not be able to pick up the trees right away. We will no longer pick up Christmas Wreaths. Because of the amount of wires on them, we cannot chip them. Please dispose of them with your regular garbage. Any wreaths placed out on the curbing will not be picked up.

As the cold weather has set in and we were all reminded how cold it can get already based upon the cold weather we experienced in November, we wanted to take this time and thank everyone for their cooperation with the picking up of leaves this past fall. Overall, the process went quite smoothly and there were not too many issues. The one thing that we would like to remind people of is if it is possible next year, please try to place the leaves as close to the curbing without putting them in the roadway. We understand that it may be difficult to do this at times but it would make it more convenient for us when we are picking them up. Also, with the compost site, there are times when everyone does a good job in keeping the piles separated between compost and brush and there are other times that it is not. We wanted to remind everyone to be diligent when using the compost site and dropping off material there. Please make sure that they are on the right piles and that no garbage is dumped or left behind. This helps us control costs for operating the compost site.

Also keep in mind that we still need to make a conscious effort to continue to recycle year round. With the holidays, we tend to accumulate more items that can be recycled but we may think it is just as easy to place these items into the garbage. Please remember to recycle all cardboard, gift boxes, paper, etc. Please remember that the hauler will not accept wrapping paper. This is due to the types of coating that some of the wrapping paper has. Besides this, all other items should be recyclable and we should continue to exercise smart recycling.

The following table provides you with the pickup dates for 2015 for garbage and recycling:

GARBAGE PICK UP DATES		RECYCLING PICK UP DATES
<u>JANUARY 3, 2015</u>	July 3, 2015	<u>JANUARY 3, 2015</u>
January 9, 2015	July 10, 2015	February 6, 2015
January 16, 2015	July 17, 2015	March 6, 2015
January 23, 2015	July 24, 2015	April 3, 2015
January 30, 2015	July 31, 2015	May 1, 2015
February 6, 2015	August 7, 2015	June 5, 2015
February 13, 2015	August 14, 2015	July 3, 2015
February 20, 2015	August 21, 2015	August 1, 2015
February 27, 2015	August 28, 2015	September 4, 2015
March 6, 2015	SEPTEMBER 4, 2015	October 2, 2015
March 13, 2015	<u>SEPTEMBER 12, 2015</u>	November 6, 2015
March 20, 2015	September 18, 2015	December 4, 2015
March 27, 2015	September 25, 2015	
April 3, 2015	October 2, 2015	
April 10, 2015	October 9, 2015	
April 17, 2015	October 16, 2015	
April 24, 2015	October 23, 2015	
May 1, 2015	October 30, 2015	
May 8, 2015	November 6, 2015	
May 15, 2015	November 13, 2015	
May 22, 2015	November 20, 2015	
<u>MAY 30, 2015</u>	<u>NOVEMBER 28, 2015</u>	
June 5, 2015	December 4, 2015	
June 12, 2015	December 11, 2015	
June 19, 2015	December 18, 2015	
June 26, 2015	<u>DECEMBER 26, 2015</u>	

Please note that the special pick up dates that will be on Saturdays due to the holiday are bolded, underlined and capitalized. Keep this table for reference throughout the year. Any further questions please contact the clerk's office.

The Recycling Committee