

#### Winter and Fire safety

As this crazy year ends with unpredictable weather, there are some safety tips to consider below. If you haven't already checked, please check your smoke detectors. Your smoke detector should be replaced after 10 years. Batteries should be replaced annually if you haven't already at daylight savings time. If you need help replacing batteries or smoke detectors, please contact us. We still have some free batteries and smoke detectors for Claycomo Residents. If you live in KC, you need to contact the American Red Cross or the Kansas City Fire Department.

The winter months can create hazardous conditions for you and your family. There are several things that you can do to help keep your family safe.

#### **Heating safety tips:**

Heating equipment is a leading cause of home fire deaths. Half of home heating equipment fires are reported during the months of December, January, and February. Some simple steps can prevent most heating-related fires from happening.

Keep anything that can burn at least three feet away from heating equipment, like the furnace, fireplace, wood stove, or portable space heater.

Have a three-foot "kid-free zone" around open fires and space heaters.

Never use your oven to heat your home.

Have a qualified professional install stationary space heating equipment, water heaters or central heating equipment according to the local codes and manufacturer's instructions.

Have heating equipment and chimneys cleaned and inspected every year by a qualified professional.

Remember to turn portable heaters off when leaving the room or going to bed.

Always use the right kind of fuel, specified by the manufacturer, for fuel burning space heaters.

Make sure the fireplace has a sturdy screen to stop sparks from flying into the room. Ashes should be cool before putting them in a metal container. Keep the container a safe distance away from your home.

Test smoke alarms at least once a month.

#### **Christmas Tree Safety:**

Although Christmas tree fires are not common, when they do occur, they are more likely to be serious. Carefully decorating your home can help make your holidays safer.

#### Picking the tree

Choose a tree with fresh, green needles that do not fall off when touched.

#### Placing the tree

- Before placing the tree in the stand, cut 2" from the base of the trunk.
- Make sure the tree is at least three feet away from any heat source, like fireplaces, radiators, candles, heat vents or lights.
- Make sure the tree is not blocking an exit.
   Add water to the tree stand. Be sure to add water daily.

#### Lighting the tree

- Use lights that have the label of an independent testing laboratory. Some lights are only for indoor or outdoor use.
- Replace any string of lights with worn or broken cords or loose bulb connections. Read manufacturer's instructions for number of light strands to connect.
- Never use lit candles to decorate the tree.
   Always turn off Christmas tree lights before leaving home or going to bed.

#### **After Christmas**

Get rid of the tree after Christmas. Dried-out trees are a fire danger and should not be left in the home or garage, or placed outside against the home. Check with your local community to find a recycling program. Bring outdoor electrical lights inside after the holidays to prevent hazards and make them last longer.





Hello Residents,

Winter is almost here again, so I just want to remind you of our Snow Removal parking ordinance.

#### Sec. 27-207. Prohibited parking during snow emergencies.

- (a) Whenever snow has accumulated or there is a possibility that snow will accumulate to such a depth that snow removal operations will be required, the chairman of the board of trustees or such other person as shall be designated by the board of trustees, may declare a parking emergency, and until such an emergency is terminated and the snow removed from the streets, no vehicle shall be parked on any street or the right-of-way of any street in the village.
- (b) All vehicles parked on such street at the time of the declaration of such emergency shall be moved. Provided, however, that the village shall take reasonable action to notify owners/operators of motor vehicles that such emergency has been declared.

Some of you may be unaware of a service our Police Department provides to the residents. We have a residence check form available at City Hall that can be filled out when you go out of town. This form provides information on when you are leaving and returning, if your lights are on a timer, who has business on the property while you are gone and who to contact in case of an emergency. Our officers check your property several times a day while you are away. Many people worry about their property while they are absent, this residence check service may bring you some peace of mind on your next trip. Please remember to call us and cancel the check when you return.

As always feel free to contact me at city hall if you have any questions or concerns.

Business number - 452-4613

Matt Coonce Chief of Police



Dispatch non-emergency (816) 781-7373 Emergency - 911



### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**



Happy Holidays Everyone,

By the time you read this we will officially be 75 years old. We hope you all attended the celebration and added a memento to the time capsule.

We were pleased with our turnout for the Trunk R Treat. I think everyone was glad to get out for a fun occasion and the weather was perfect.

The Halloween Decorating contest winners were for businesses 1st place Nelle Belle's 2nd place Q Nails. At Northgate Mobile Home Park 1st place was Lot 167 and 2nd place was Lot 137. For the residential area it was 1st place 457 E Park and 2nd place was 12 E Park. Unfortunately, I do not have the winner's names at this time. But now it is time to decorate for Christmas. Judging will be on December 21st. Trophies will be given out at the December 27th Board meeting.

You will notice changes to the lobby of City Hall the next time you visit. We have added a new security wall.

We hope you have a safe and healthy holiday.

Norma Sulzberger Chairman, Board of Trustees



#### from Board Chairman Nor-

#### **DIRECTORY INFORMATION**

#### **Dispatch Numbers**

Police Non-Emergency (816) 781-7373 Phone Fire Dept. Emergency (816) 513-0911 Phone Fire Dept. Non-Emergency (816) 513-0900 Phone

**EMERGENCY—CALL 911** 

#### Village of Claycomo

115 E US 69 Highway Claycomo, MO 64119

#### (816) 452-5539 Main Phone

Email: CityHall@Claycomo.org Office Hours M-F 8AM to 5PM

#### **Municipal Court**

(816) 452-4539 Phone

#### **Police Administration**

(816) 452-4613 Phone

#### **Claycomo Fire Station**

333 E US 69 Highway (816) 452-4612 Phone

#### **Board of Trustees**

Norma Sulzberger, Chairman Daryl G. Hook, Trustee David Jett, Trustee Terry Bradich, Pro Tem Larry Barrera, Trustee

The Board of Trustees meetings are every month on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays at 7:00PM.

The Board of Trustees encourages all of our residents to attend the meetings and become involved in our community.

Visit the Village Website www.claycomo.org



## **Economic Development Committee**

#### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

All Board Meetings are held in our Community Building at 28 S Drake Street behind City Hall.

#### **Board Meetings**

December 13 7:00pm—Board of Trustees Meeting

December 27 7:00pm—Board of Trustees Meeting

January 10 7:00pm—Board of Trustees Meeting

January 24 7:00pm—Board of Trustees Meeting

February 14 7:00pm—Board of Trustees

February 28 7:00pm— Board of Trustees Meeting

#### Note:

The Economic Development
Committee is currently meeting
on an as needed basis. If you
would like information on the
next meeting, please contact
City Hall.





Hello Village Residents,

As a representative of the Economic Development Committee for the Village of Claycomo, I would like to thank everyone who came to the Halloween Trunk or Treat event on Oct.30,2021 and purchased a street sign(s). We heard heartwarming stories from those who bought signs with memories attached. They either lived on that street growing up or had grandparents they visited here in the Village of Claycomo. We thank everyone who went away with a happy memory. There are currently only two members on the Economic Development Committee. If you are interested in joining the EDC, please contact City Hall to complete the form required.

Thanks, from EDC members Marj Finley and Wanda Koehn





I hope this holiday season is filled with joy for all of you. We have been busy at City Hall planning our annual Holiday Party for all of our residents. Hopefully all of the little villagers have a great time making crafts and celebrating with us. If you haven't visited City Hall lately, you should come by and say hello and see our brand new wall that we've built in our lobby. Detective Bruner did a wonderful job building it for us. I have listed the dates in the coming months that City Hall will be closed due to the Holidays. As always, if you need any assistance or have questions about the Village, please contact us at City Hall. I hope you have a great holiday season!



## City Hall will be closed in accordance with the following holidays:

December 24th—Christmas Eve

December 31st—New Year's Eve

January 1st—New Year's Day

January 17th—Martin Luther King Jr. Day

February 21st—Presidents Day



# Holiday Schedule:

December 4th-

Village Wide Holiday Party

Ilam-Ipm

Claycomo Community Building

28 S. Drake

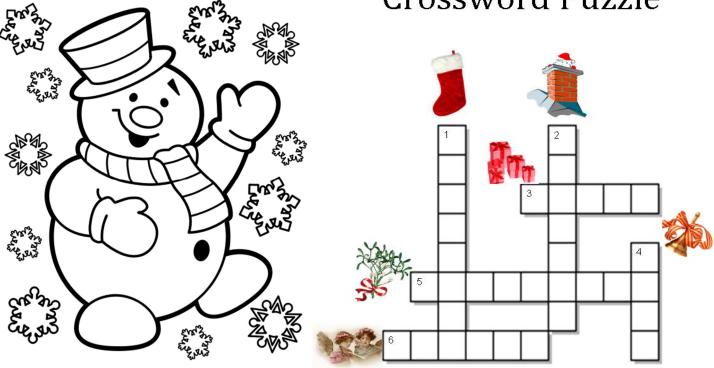
Crafts, Snacks & Movie time!

December 18th-

Santa arrives on the Fire Truck

Visiting all Claycomo residents

## Crossword Puzzle



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