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HOLIDAY HELPERS



Holiday Helpers is a community program who assist families in need by arranging "angel trees" around town, with the families' wish list for their children. These tags remain anonymous and help provide 3-4 gifts per child in the program, purchased by "Holiday Helpers" in our community. If you and your family would like to be a Holiday Helper, you can find the gift tags at :
Dillman Hardware, MainSource Bank, Midland Bank or the Village Hall. Deadline to drop gifts is Dec 13.

BILL COLLECTION

There are citizens who have been abusing the system for a long time. The village has tried to accommodate them. However, it is not fair to the rest of our citizens who pay their bills in full each month to carry the rest.

This is now Village procedure.

30 Days: Late fees are added to the bill along with the new sewer charges .

60 days: If outstanding sewer charges are not brought current, account goes into debt recovery resulting in an additional 20% administrative fee.

90 days: If the outstanding sewer charges, including late and administrative fees, are not current, your septic tank will be disconnected from the sewer system and the residence and/or business will be considered uninhabitable. The cost of disconnection and reconnection will be added to the existing sewer bill before the building can be entered again. This fee generally does not exceed \$5,000. Payment plans are no longer an option.

TIMELY TAX TIPS

This program is presented by The Grant Park Foundation and will feature Douglas Graves with tips to help you use the last few days of 2016 to your best advantage. You can also hear the latest news about the Grant Park Foundation, and its purpose as a 501c3 organization. Dec 12

7:00pm at the Community Center
Complementary Beer & Wine will be served.

HOW TO VOICE YOUR GLB CONCERNS

E FILING INSTRUCTIONS

- Go to <http://www.stb.gov>, then E-Filing tab, click and click again on "E-Filing"
- Click on "ENVIRONMENTAL COMMENT"
- Docket #: FD 35952 all in first box
- Attention of : Kenneth Blodgett (drop down box)
- Fill in rest of blanks
- Leave your comments in the Comment box and/or attach a file then Click *Submit*

VILLAGE BOARD

Forms are now available if you are interested in running for office in Grant Park. The following positions will be available.

Village President (4 year term)

Village Clerk (4 year term)

Village Trustee (2 year term)

(3)Village Trustee (4 year terms).

Pick up the forms at the Village Hall. The election is in the spring, but the forms need to be turned in by *December 19th* during Village Hall Business hours.

An Olde Fashioned Christmas

The Chamber of Commerce invites you to Christmas in the Village on December 10th 8-3pm start at the Elementary School 8am for breakfast served by the Grant Park Fire Department. 9 -11:30 you can visit with a "secret visitor" from the North Pole, sponsored by MainSource Bank, then make your way down to the Craft Fair, you'll find all manner of last minute items for gift giving, including fresh baked goods. Don't miss it. If you miss the morning, not to worry, the fair runs till 3pm and you can visit businesses in town for special treats and activities. Santa might even make an appearance!
For full details, visit the website www.grantparkchamber.org or visit the chamber on Facebook.



QUESTIONS AND CONCERNS

If you need assistance with a village issue, please make the village aware of it by: calling the Hall, writing a signed letter, emailing the Village, or attending a Village Board Meeting. Please do not assume the board members are privy to different sites on assorted websites and pages.

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DATES TO REMEMBER December

- Tree Lighting @ 630pm
- Village Board Meeting 6:00 @ Village Hall
- Christmas in the Village @Elementary School 8-3 Village Businesses Noon-3
- "Timely Tax Tips" @ Community Center 7pm Sponsored by the Grant Park Foundation
- Last Day to contribute to Holiday Helpers
- Last Day to file papers to run for office in Grant Park 4:30 @ Village Hall
- Young At Heart Seniors Mtg 1PM till 3PM @ Community Center
- Library Board Meeting 5:00 @ Library
- Village Board Mtg 6:00@Village Hall
- School Board Mtg 7:00 PM, Middle School
- Early School dismissal begins Winter break
- Christmas Day Dinner Sponsored by Christmas Day Inc. 11-2:00 @ Community Shelter
- Happy New Year!

BECOME A VILLAGE VOLUNTEER TODAY

Just call the hall. Whatever you are good at we can use!

You can reach us at
465-6531



The Village is again COLLECTING WRAPPING PAPER, GIFT BAGS, NAME TAGS AND BOWS for the Holiday Helpers. Donations may be made at the same donation spots as gifts.