



## Winter 2018 Village of Gilberts E-Newsletter

### Important Winter Dates to Remember

**November 16** - Annual Tree Lighting at Town Square Park at 5:30 PM

**November 22** - Thanksgiving Day, Village Offices Closed

**November 23** - Village Offices Closed

**November 29 & 30** - Last Day for Yard Waste Pickup

**December 24** - Christmas Eve, Village Offices Closed

**December 25** - Christmas Day, Village Offices Closed

**December 31** - New Years Eve

**January 1** - New Years Day, Village Offices Closed

### A Word From the Village President



My Fellow Gilberts Residents,

With winter quickly approaching and 2018 coming to an end, we reflect on the successful year it has been in the Village of Gilberts. Once again, our audit found no deficiencies and our "rainy day" funds were able to increase. I am pleased to report that the Village once again received a Government Finance Officer Association's Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting. This is a prestigious award that is

awarded to very few municipalities in the State.

The Village has continued to grow with the arrival of new businesses and residents. The fourth and final building is beginning to be constructed in the Prairie Business Park behind the Shell Gas Station. These buildings bring much needed tax revenue to the Village and school system, without adding demand on services.

The Public Works Department has brought new light to the Village by replacing nearly all of the bulbs in our ornate streetlights with energy-efficient LEDs.

As we look toward the holiday season, I would like to invite you and your

families to join us for our last event of the year, the annual Tree Lighting on November 16 at Town Square Park at 5:30 p.m. Please find the dates and times of our special events scheduled for next year in the 2019 calendar. The 2019 calendar will be sent to all residents by mid-December. The Board Members and Staff hope you find the calendar to be a useful tool throughout the year.

As always, please do not hesitate to reach out to Village Hall with any questions or concerns you may have.

Yours for a Better Gilberts,  
Rick Zirk

## VISIT OUR WEBSITE

### FALL BONFIRE

The Village would like to thank the YMCA, the Rutland Dundee Fire Protection District, Police Department, Public Works, Dunkin Donuts, and DJ Rudy K. for helping make this year's bonfire a success.



### HOLIDAY LIGHTS AND TREE DISPOSAL

The Village of Gilberts' Waste Hauler (MDC) shall pickup discarded Christmas trees placed on the curbside on the resident's normal pickup day after the holidays until January 31st. If trees are over 6 feet tall, they must be cut into two pieces.

To recycle your holiday lights, please place them in the designated bin that will be placed next to the Utility Bill Dropbox in the Village Hall parking lot. This program will be available from December 1st, 2018 until February 1st, 2019. Lights that will be accepted for this program are: Mini-lights (or Italian lights), C7 lights, C9 lights, rope lights, LED lights, extension cords, etc. All colors and lengths will be accepted. Garland, live greens, wreaths or other non-recyclables will not be accepted.



## RUTLAND-DUNDEE FIRE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL SANTA RUN

It is that time of year when the Rutland-Dundee Firemen's Association will be conducting its annual Santa Run event within your Fire District. The District consists of the Village of Sleepy Hollow, Village of Gilberts and Unincorporated areas of both the Rutland and Dundee Townships. The events include the annual Santa Run, Raffle and most importantly, a **COMMUNITY FOOD DRIVE**. The Santa Run dates back to 1973, and provides residents an opportunity to support their community as well as their local Rutland-Dundee Firefighters.

The raffle presents a chance for residents to win cash prizes...On January 14, 2019, 10 winners will be drawn for the following cash prizes. (Grand Prize - \$300.00) (2nd Place - \$150.00) (3rd Place - \$75.00) (4th Place - \$50.00) (5th - 10th - \$25.00)

Sales generated from raffle tickets are used to purchase rescue items for our firefighters.

### Rescue Items Purchased in 2018:

- Feedback CPR Manikins to assist with the Department's CPR training program offered to District residents
- Upgraded Pediatric Monitor Cabling to existing EKG Monitors/Defibrillators



Don't miss the Santa Run while Santa makes his way through your neighborhood. The Rutland-Dundee Firefighters, Rutland-Dundee Support Team, Village officials from Gilberts and Sleepy Hollow, and Teachers/Staff from the two local elementary schools will accompany Santa on his tour. Young or old, Santa will be able and willing to greet everybody and wish a happy holiday to all. During Santa's travels, the volunteers will be collecting non-perishable food items, new toys and clothing that will be donated to local food pantries and shelters.

Santa's Schedule in Gilberts:

December 7 at 5:00p.m. - Indian Trails, Dunhill Estates, Gilberts Glen, & Woodland Meadows

December 8 at 12:00 p.m. - Timber Glen & Timber Trails

December 9 at 3:00p.m. - Old Town Gilberts, Gilberts Town Center & Windmill Meadows



## SEVERE WEATHER DRIVING: DOs & DON'Ts



**DO** SLOW DOWN



**DON'T** USE HANDHELD DEVICES



**DO** WEAR YOUR SEAT BELT



**DON'T** USE CRUISE CONTROL



**DO** FILL YOUR GAS TANK



**DON'T** DRIVE UNLESS NECESSARY



**DO** KNOW IF YOU HAVE ANTI-LOCK BRAKES



**DON'T** DRIVE UNDER THE INFLUENCE



Illinois Department of Transportation

Sources:

[www.nhtsa.gov/winter-driving-tips](http://www.nhtsa.gov/winter-driving-tips)

[www2.illinois.gov/115News/15085-100T\\_Winter\\_Weather\\_-\\_Get\\_it\\_Together\\_Release.pdf](http://www2.illinois.gov/115News/15085-100T_Winter_Weather_-_Get_it_Together_Release.pdf)

## AFTER SCHOOL CARE AT GILBERTS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



The YMCA has provided quality after school programming at Gilberts Elementary School since 2007. The YMCA after school program is a curriculum-based program that helps children in their everyday school work and social setting by enhancing their spirit, mind and body through large and small group activities, free choice time, and indoor and outdoor activities. The curriculum includes the following components: literacy; character development; conflict resolution; service learning; arts and humanities; health, wellness and fitness; science and technology and homework.

For more information contact Chris MacMillan at (224) 699-5803 or [chrism@gcfymca.org](mailto:chrism@gcfymca.org)

## **WATER BILL DROP BOX**

For your convenience, The Village of Gilberts has a 24-hour drop box located in the parking lot of Village Hall where you may drop off water bill payments. Water bill payments can also be paid at either Village Hall or at our Public Works building with cash or check. You may also pay your water bill **online** as a one-time payment or sign up for auto-pay.



## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM PUBLIC WORKS**

It is asked that trash collection containers (toters) not be placed in the streets but on the approaches to your driveways. Placing them on the streets makes the toters a hazard to vehicle traffic and makes snow-plowing activities much harder to complete.

**Parking on Village streets after a two inch snowfall is a violation of the Village Code and may be subject to a ticket.** Please remove the vehicles after a two inch snow and do not place them back on the street until snow removal activities by Public Works has been completed.

**It is a violation of the Village Code to blow or shovel snow onto a public street.** Direct your snow deposits to the grass areas of your lawn.

Please report streetlight outages or missing street signs to Public Works at 847-428-4167.



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