## VILLAGE OF GILBERTS

**WINTER 2015** 

Dear Residents,

We've had another successful year as Gilberts continues to build upon our successes as a great place to live and work.

We've enjoyed our first summer with the new splash pad, playground, ball field and restrooms at Town Center Park, with the skating rink returning this winter. We've continued to replace parkway trees throughout Gilberts, a popular program that we will continue next spring. Our public works department is ready for the winter with an ample salt supply, and the community is ready for spring rains and melting snow thanks to the storm sewer improvements that the Village has invested in over the past few years.

Gilberts welcomes the first families moving into the Conservancy development, which has 26 homes built or under construction after several years of inactivity. In addition to continuing to work with Interstate Partners to build out their Prairie Business Park development, Gilberts welcomed the following businesses to the community:

- Hardware Resources
- Interstate Partners
- Vehrs Shears
- Colorvision

- Jill Garcia, Berkshire Hathaway Starck Real Estate
- Keith Durso Plumbing & Remodeling
- Swedish Organizer

On behalf of the Village of Gilberts Board of Trustees and Staff, we wish you a happy and safe holiday season.

Rick Zirk Village President

#### **Snow Parking Ban**

As winter approaches, please keep in mind it is unlawful for any person to park a vehicle or trailer on any street within the Village after 2" or more of snow fall. Keeping cars off the streets allows for adequate snow removal. When clearing off your driveways or sidewalks, do not push the snow onto the street as the snow may make for slippery conditions especially if they have already been cleared by Public Works.

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Thanks to the YMCA for sponsoring our Annual Hayride.

### **Business Highlights**

**API Plumbing -** 99 Industrial Dr, 847-428-6604

The Battery Guy - 125 E. Higgins Rd, 847-888-8811

Big Timber Landscaping - 75 Koppie Dr, www.bigtimberlandscape.com, 847-428-3433

Community Self Storage - 94 West End Dr, www.communityselfstorageil.com, 847-426-8300

Enviroclean of IL - 115 E. Higgins Rd, www.healthycarpetcleaner.com, 847-836-6461

Fox Fire Farm - 39W301 Freeman Rd, 847-428-3298

Vehrs Shears - 11 Galligan Rd, 847-428-4002

### **Cross Connection Control Notice: Lawn Sprinkler Winterization**

Residential backflow preventers may be found on such items as your lawn irrigation system, hot water heating (boiler) system, or swimming pool filter. Remember to remove your backflow preventer and store it someplace warm for the winter. Please note, insulating it or taping it may be insufficient, and enabling it to freeze may be a costly mistake. Remember where you decide to store it, and be advised that your irrigation contractor or a plumber may need to reinstall it in the spring. Plumbing Code does require that your backflow preventer be tested immediately upon reinstallation every season. Annual tests must be performed by a certified tester and be submitted to the Village's contractor of Aqua Backflow for compliance through the online portal of TrackMyBockflow.com.

The Gilberts Cross Connection control Program is designed to safeguard public health. We ask for your cooperation with the program, its enforcement, and any requests for information that come from Aqua Backflow or Utility Staff. Please direct any questions to the Water Department at 847-428-4167.

#### Santa Schedule Rutland Dundee Township Fire Dept

This year's annual Santa Run will once again be sponsored by the Rutland-Dundee Firefighters' Association. Santa will be escorted around Sleepy Hollow and Gilberts on December 4, 5, 6, 11, 12, and 14th.

While little ones are visiting with Santa, volunteers will be collecting nonperishable food items and toys which will be donated to a local charity.

Once times and neighborhood schedules are determined, the information will be posted on our website.

# Recycling of Christmas Trees and Light Strands

Once again a drop off bin will be located in the parking lot of the Village Hall from the end of November through January for recycling strands of holiday lights which are no longer of use to you.

For your convenience, MDC will have curbside pick up of Christmas trees the first two weeks of January. Just place the tree at the curb on your regularly scheduled trash pick-up day.

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