City of Crystal Lake, Illinois
CITYLETTER



SHOP LOCAL THIS HOLIDAY SEASON!

Help support our community by shopping and dining locally this holiday season!

Triple Berry Café *- 435 Angela Lane*

The restaurant expanded, doubling their indoor seating area, and added a new seasonal menu including a wide variety of pumpkin-inspired dishes. The restaurant is open daily for breakfast and lunch from 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Community Foundation *- 33 E. Woodstock Street*

The organization recently opened a new location at 33 E. Woodstock Street. The organization connects donors with community needs to create a better quality of life throughout the region.

Raising Cane's Chicken Fingers *- 5417 Northwest Highway*

A southern-style fast-food restaurant chain specializing in chicken fingers, is now open at 5417 Northwest Highway. While you are there don't forget to ask for a side of the secret sauce!

Reclaimed *- 67 N. Williams Street*

The store is now open in their new location, and features handcrafted furniture specializing in custom designed and handmade tables for the home and office.

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POLICE DEPARTMENT

SHOP WITH A COP

During the December holiday season, McHenry County Police Charities (MCPC) brings local law enforcement agencies together in McHenry County to volunteer their time to take children shopping for the Shop with a Cop program. The children are picked up from their home by an officer in their jurisdiction and given a ride to a local Walmart for the event. The children are given a spending limit from donated money, and are assisted by police officers in making their purchasing decisions.

The event not only helps increase happiness during this time of year, but it also helps build a positive relationship between the community and the police.

MARINE CORPS RESERVE TOYS FOR TOTS

Every year, the Crystal Lake Police Department collects new unwrapped toys for the Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Program. The toys that are collected are wrapped and distributed to many children residing in McHenry County.

Now, through December 18, 2021, please help the Crystal Lake Police Department by donating a new unwrapped toy in the marked Toys for Tots cardboard box located in the Police Department lobby. Our lobby hours are:

- Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.



Last year, 1,000 toys were collected, and this year, the Department is trying to beat that goal. Please follow the Department's Facebook page for Stuff-the-Squad locations. Together, we can make a child's holiday special.

WINTER SAFETY TIPS

Severe weather can be scary and dangerous for all travelers. Winter storms as well as icy and slushy road conditions are a big factor in many crashes every year. The Crystal Lake Police Department urges drivers to slow down and drive extra careful.

Here are some winter safety tips:

- Keep a bundle of cold-weather gear in your car. This may include warm clothes, food, a flashlight, glass scraper, blankets, and even flares.
- Check your tires for proper thread and inflation.
- Be sure to leave more than half of a tank of gas in your car.
- Never warm your car in an enclosed space.
- Increase your following distance.

NATIONAL IMPAIRED DRIVING PREVENTION MONTH

December is National Impaired Driving Month. Impaired, drunk, drugged, or distracted driving has impacted so many lives, taking countless loved ones from their families. This holiday season, we urge you to drive sober, designate a sober driver, or take a cab/ride share.



Crystal Lake police officers will be participating in a traffic enforcement campaign throughout the holiday weekends, focusing on distracted and intoxicated drivers. Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over. It Can Wait Don't Text and Drive.

OVERNIGHT PARKING PROHIBITED

The City of Crystal Lake has an ordinance that prohibits parking for all vehicles on any City street between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. However, permission to park on the street overnight may be granted for certain hardships. You may request permission to park on the street at www.crystallake.org, or by contacting the Police Department directly at (815) 356-3620.

Officer Sal Alfano - (815) 444-5956 or by email at salfano@crystallake.org

Crystal Lake Police Department (815) 356-3620

FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT

WINTER HOLIDAY SAFETY

HOLIDAY DECORATING:

- Choose flame resistant or flame retardant decorations.
- Keep candles away from any decorations or things that can burn.
- Check to see if your lights are for indoor or outdoor use, some are not safe for both.
- Replace string of lights with worn or broken cords or loose bulb connections.
- Use clips instead of nails to hang lights so that cords do not get damaged.
- Blow out candles and turn off all light strings before going to bed.

CHRISTMAS TREE SAFETY:

- Choose a tree with fresh, green needles that do not fall off when touched.
- Cut 2" from the base of the trunk before placing the tree in the stand.
- Make sure the tree is at least 3 feet away from any heat source, including heat vents.
- Make sure the tree is not blocking an exit.
- Add water to the tree stand daily.
- Always turn off Christmas tree lights before leaving the house or going to sleep.

Source: *www.nfpa.org*

DID YOU KNOW?

- More than one-third of home decoration fires are started by candles.
- More than two of every five decoration fires happen because decorations are placed too close to a source of heat.
- More than one of every four Christmas tree fires is the result of an electrical problem.

KEEP THE WREATH RED



Let's "Keep the Wreath Red" this holiday! Crystal Lake Fire Rescue Department's "Keep the Wreath Red" program runs from Thanksgiving through January 1st to increase fire safety awareness during the holiday season. Green wreaths with red bulbs are hung on the outside of each of the three Crystal Lake Fire Rescue stations. In the unfortunate event of a holiday related fire, a red bulb will be replaced with a white bulb.

Crystal Lake Fire Rescue Department offers these safety tips:

- Consider an artificial tree.
- Fresh trees should be deep green in color and have a strong pine scent.
- Water fresh cut Christmas trees daily.
- Discard lights and cords that are worn or not in in good working order.
- Do not overload electrical outlets.
- Do not run extension cords under carpets, across doorways, or near heaters.
- Unplug lights and extinguish candles when you leave home or go to bed.
- Keep candles away from items that can catch fire.
- Use sturdy candle holders.
- Keep matches, lighters and candles out of children's reach.
- Make sure your carbon monoxide and smoke detectors are working properly.

Happy Holidays from the Crystal Lake Fire Rescue Department!



CRYSTAL LAKE FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT
(815) 356-3640

THREE OAKS RECREATION AREA

Park and Trail System Hours: Open daily 6:30 a.m. to Sunset year-round.

In-Person Pavilion Reservations Begin January 3, 2022
Online Reservations Accepted January 4, 2022

PAVILION RENTAL RESERVATIONS

Reservations for 2022 open on Monday, January 3, 2022. All pavilions are reserved on a first-come, first-served basis. In-person pavilion reservations will be accepted at City Hall on January 3, 2022. Staff will help you create an on-line account to aid in future rentals online. Online reservations will be accepted beginning January 4, 2022.

HOW TO RESERVE A PAVILION

Visit our website at www.crystallake.org/three-oaks-recreation/pavilion-rentals and click on the Online Rental Portal link, or visit City Hall.

- You will need to create an account on the portal.
- You will be able to check pavilion availability and submit a request for your pavilion rental.

Important Note: Your pavilion will not officially be reserved until it has been approved by staff and payment has been received. All deposits and rental fees must be paid within 24 hours of your pavilion request approval. If all payments are not received within 24 hours, the reservation will not be accepted. Credit cards are the preferred form of payment.

All details (size of pavilions, locations, fee schedule, amenities) and related FAQ forms are available on our website at www.crystallake.org/three-oaks/recreation under the Pavilion Rentals tab. Should you have any questions, please contact City staff at (815) 459-2020, ext. 4288.



Pavilion A:
Picnic Grove



Pavilion B:
Island Pavilion



Pavilion C:
Volleyball Court



Pavilion D:
North Lake Pavilion



Lakehouse Patio:
After Labor Day Only

JOIN THE TEAM!

Applications are being accepted to join us this upcoming 2022 season! Seasonal Lifeguards, Cashiers/Marina Attendant positions are available. For details, visit the City of Crystal Lake Human Resources Employment page and complete an employment application today!

5517 Northwest Highway, Crystal Lake, IL 60014
www.crystallake.org/threeoaksrecreation
Information Line: (815) 356-2447 Rainout Line: (815) 506-9333

PICTURE SUBMISSIONS

The City encourages residents to submit their favorite photos taken at the park this year. Whether it is a photo of wildlife, changing leaf colors, caught fish, or other activity at the park, the City is always accepting photos from park guests. Submissions received by park guests are shown to the right.



Photo Credit: Carole Hubbard



Photo Credit: Wes Smith



Photo Credit: Sara Joswiak

NEW BIKE RACK INSTALLED AT CRYSTAL LAKE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUILDING/McCORMICK PARK

The Rotary Club of Crystal Lake Dawnbreakers installed a bike rack in front of the Crystal Lake Chamber in McCormick Park on Route 14. Rotary Club of Crystal Lake Dawnbreakers has provided community service and support since 1989.

In addition to the Rotary, Associated Electrical Contractors, LLC, and Unity Landscaping worked on the project.



Associated Electrical Contractors, LLC donated time and material for the concrete layer, and Unity Landscaping donated labor to install the pavers. Funds for the project were part of a grant from Rotary International to improve awareness of Rotary in our communities.

HOW DO I REPORT A STREET LIGHT THAT IS NOT WORKING?

ComEd is contracted to maintain most street lights in Crystal Lake. You can streamline the repair process by reporting street light outages directly to ComEd in a few easy steps:

1. Visit comed.streetlightoutages.com/public/default.html.
2. In the search bar in the top left, type the address of the light, then hit enter.
3. A map of the location will come up. The street light in question may appear on the map. If not, click on the general location of the pole.
4. On the right, a box will appear. At the bottom of the box, click "report this light".
5. Complete the fields in the pop up box. An address is required. Use the drop down to select the correct "problem type" skipping the "pole number" box. Enter any "comments" you wish, or you may leave this box blank. You must check the "I acknowledge..." box at the bottom. Hit "continue".



6. Enter your contact information, and click "report". You will get a pop up message stating, "Your problem report has been received", along with a tracking number.
7. Street lights in the downtown and along Northwest Highway are maintained by the Public Works Department.

WINTER WATER SHUT OFFS

If your house will be vacant during the winter, whether for a vacation or the entire season, you may want to have the water shut off at the curb. Please call 815-356-3614, to set up a day and time to have the Water Division to perform this service. At that time, you may also set up an appointment to turn the water back on. If you prefer, you can call closer to your return date to set up a turn on time. Please call at least 24 hours prior to the day you want your water shut off. Appointments are first come, first serve. Please note there is a one-time $100 fee for water shut off/ turn on.

SERVICE IS THEIR MIDDLE NAME

BY DIANA KENNEY

For nearly a century, the ladies of The Service League have been serving up help and serving up hope to those in our community who need it most.

The Service League traces its origin back to 1925, when a group of five women gathered together in a room at the Dole Mansion to sew items for the children at the Woodstock Children's Home (orphanage). The women were Elizabeth Hoy, Catherine "Cac" Breytspaak, Gertrude Brunckhorst, Mossie Lyman, and Edith Eldred. All five women and their husbands lived on the south shore of Crystal Lake and were members of the newly formed Crystal Lake Country Club, which owned the Dole Mansion. The ladies called their group, "The South Shore Sewing Circle".

The South Shore Sewing Circle met regularly to sew sleeping attire, dresses, bean bags and doll clothes for the children at the Woodstock Children's Home. At Thanksgiving and Christmas, they collected items and filled baskets with food and toys to give to local families in need. Word of their good deeds spread, and more ladies joined the group. As the circle expanded with increased membership, the enthusiasm for helping others also increased.

One of their earliest known fundraising projects was in 1928 when local resident William Schoen sustained an injury which left him blind. Mr. Schoen was a widower with two children. Unable to work, Schoen's situation became quite dire as medical, mortgage and utility expenses piled up. The ladies of the South Shore Sewing Circle decided to host a Ladies Card Party fundraiser at the Country Club with proceeds benefitting the Schoen family. Tickets were $1 each for an evening of Bridge, 500, Bunco and Euchre. Items were solicited from local merchants to be used as prizes and/or raffle items. The women of the community came out in force, and enough money was raised to pay off Schoen's $460 mortgage.



Early 1930s photo from a Service League Fundraising party
Photo provided by (the late) George Lindberg

Buoyed by this success, the group continued to host card parties, dinners, dances, style (fashion) shows, and rummage sales to raise funds for the needy. The proceeds were used to purchase coal, food, clothing, medical and dental care, and other necessities for Crystal Lake's neediest families.

By the early 1930s, the group renamed itself as its members lived all over town (not just the south shore) and they were no longer exclusively sewing for the needy. The name was changed to The Service League.

Today, The Service League's events continue to raise necessary funds to help the needy. The group has added housewalks, golf outings, concerts and more to its list of fundraising events. It has also added educational assistance to its list of funded needs. In the past five years, they have distributed $175,000 in immediate aid and relief and $150,000 in educational funding.

Since 1925, The Service League has helped countless individuals and families. These ladies have certainly lived up to their name by providing nearly a century of service to our community.

About the Author: Diana Kenney is Executive Director of Downtown Crystal Lake/Main Street, is an appointed member of the City of Crystal Lake's Historic Preservation Commission, and is President of the Crystal Lake Historical Society.

LIBRARY BOARD VACANCY

The Library Board is looking to fill a vacancy on the Board for a term ending June 30, 2022. If you are interested, please submit a cover letter and resume to Melanie Nebel, Executive Assistant, via email at mnebel@crystallake.org or mail information to:

Attn: Melanie Nebel
City of Crystal Lake
100 W. Woodstock Street
Crystal Lake, IL 60014

Interested applicants must be a resident of the City of Crystal Lake. Library Board members are appointed by the Mayor with the consent of the City Council. For additional information, please visit the Crystal Lake Pubic Library website www.clpl.org.

REFUSE, RECYCLING AND YARD WASTE UPDATE

Lakeshore Recycling will be the new refuse and recycling provider in the City. The City's refuse, recycling, and yard waste collection will continue to be performed by Prairieland trucks and staff, in addition to Lakeshore Recycling trucks. This is a corporate change only and there will be no change to the services provided to residents.

Residents will receive additional information from Prairieland Disposal and Lakeshore Recycling regarding services and billing in the coming months. The monthly rates for refuse, recycling, and yard waste collection will remain unchanged. Please contact the City and ask to speak with Nick Hammonds at (815) 356-3675 with any questions regarding the recent changes. For any service or billing related issues, please contact Lakeshore Recycling Systems at (847) 381-9300.

HOLIDAY LIGHT RECYCLING

Free Holiday Light Recycling is available at City Hall, located at 100 W. Woodstock Street, during normal business hours. Please place your unusable holiday lights in the green Prairieland Disposal bin marked "Christmas Tree Lights Recycling" found in the lobby of City Hall.



CHRISTMAS TREE COLLECTION

Lakeshore Recycling will collect Christmas trees from January 3, 2022 through January 21, 2022 on residents' regular collection day. Trees should be set out at the curb and be free of decorations. Please do not place trees in a bag.



CRYSTAL LAKE SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE GREEN BUSINESS DESIGNATION PROGRAM

The Crystal Lake Sustainability Committee is now accepting applications from local businesses for the Green Business Designation program. This program has been created to recognize businesses engaging in environmentally friendly practices. There are six areas of achievement listed below, and applicants are not obligated to fill out all six of the categories.

Crystal Lake businesses are invited to complete an application for the program. Applications will be accepted until January 31, 2022. Please visit the City's Sustainability Committee web page at www.crystallake.org to access the application link. Please contact Nick Hammonds at (815) 356-3675 with any questions.

- Water quality and conservation.
- Energy conservation.
- Promoting healthy ecosystems.
- Handling of waste.
- Maintaining or improving air quality.
- Education of employees about green initiatives.

LEAD WATER SERVICE LINE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

The City of Crystal Lake provides safe, high-quality drinking water, and monitors the drinking water daily for contaminants, including lead. The City follows all IEPA requirements, including sampling and testing for lead in predetermined households throughout the City.

Some homes in Crystal Lake have lead service lines. The installation of lead water service lines generally stopped in 1940s or early 1950s. Houses built after the 1960s will have copper water service lines. Copper water lines are copper in color and lead water lines are silver color. If you have a lead service line, the City has a program to help defray some of the costs in changing out the lead service line.

For residential properties only, if a homeowner replaces the portion of the service line from the house to shut off valve (usually located in the parkway), the City will replace (at no cost to the homeowner) the remaining section of the service line from the shut off valve to the water main (typically located in the street under the pavement).

How do I determine what the water service line entering my home is made of?

- Complete a self-check by following an easy step-by-step picture tutorial located below and at: www.crystallake.org/home/showdocument?id=16956
- Visit www.crystallake.org and type "lead Q&A" into the search bar, and then click the first item the search returns.
- Contact Public Works at 815-356-3614. A staff member will come to your home to identify which type of service line material is entering your home.



Lead Service Line:
Silver/dull gray color and a magnet will not stick to it.



Copper Service Line:
Copper color like a penny and a magnet will not stick to it.



Galvanized Service Line:
Dull gray/silver color and a magnet will stick to it.

How does lead get into the drinking water supply?

Lead primarily enters into drinking water through plumbing materials located between the water main in the street and up to and including fixtures inside of a house. There are three primary sources that could leach lead into the drinking water:

- Lead Service Lines - A service line is the pipe that connects your house to the water main in the street. Some service lines that run from older homes (usually those built before 1950) to the utility water main are made from lead. Some houses built in the 1960s may also have a lead service line.
- Lead solder - Solder used to fuse copper pipes together prior to 1986 typically contained significant levels of lead.
- Faucets and fixtures - Lead can also corrode from metal faucets and fixtures made from brass, an alloy of copper and zinc that often contains lead impurities, including chrome-plated brass fixtures. Therefore, a home with no copper or lead pipe may still have elevated lead levels due to brass fixtures. Plumbing fixtures with a lead content of less than 8% used to be legally defined as "lead free" but since 2014, "lead free" refers to fixtures with a lead content of 0.25% or less.

Please contact the Crystal Lake Public Works Department if you have any additional questions at (815) 356-3614.

Water Quality Report

Crystal Lake Annual Water Quality Report is available at:
Informe anual de calidad del agua de la ciudad de Crystal Lake esta disponible en:

www.crystallake.org/home/showpublisheddocument/19839/637574591395970000

If you would like a paper copy mailed to your home, please call 815-356-3614.

SPEED LIMIT REDUCED TO 25 MPH ON ALL RESIDENTIAL STREETS

Effective October 19, 2021, the speed limit along all local residential streets within the City of Crystal Lake City limits was reduced from 30 miles per hour (mph) to 25 mph. The speed limit on all other roadways (main routes, arterial streets and highways) remains the same. The change was made based on research and emerging guidance from the Federal Highway Administration.

The Public Works Department is hard at work changing the existing speed limit signs. For a complete list of City streets and their speed limit, please visit the City's website at www.crystallake.org.



WINTER WEATHER OPERATIONS

It's that time of year again when winter weather operations are underway. The Public Works Department is preparing for the 2021/2022 winter season.

Before weather sets in, Public Works staff completes snowplow truck inspections, and all trucks are converted into "winter mode" with the installation of de-icing equipment, pre-wetting tanks, and snowplows. All of the City's snowplow drivers review their routes and familiarize themselves new equipment or procedures.

As we enter into the winter season here are a few helpful reminders and tips:

- Arterial streets are plowed first since all side streets funnel into these heavier used roads.
- Secondary streets, such as residential and local streets, will be plowed next.
- Local residential streets will have one lane in each direction plowed in about three hours. Parking lanes are plowed after snow has stopped falling.
- When shoveling driveways, snow should be placed to the left of the driveway (to the left if facing the driveway) as this helps our plow drivers push the snow to the appropriate areas.
- Once plow drivers have plowed your road, if you still need to clear your driveway, it is best to place the snow in your yard or in the parkway to prevent snow piles from building up at the end of your driveway.
- Snow should be cleared from fire hydrants to assist the Fire Rescue Department.
- Residents are asked not to park on City streets at night. Parking is prohibited from 2:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m.

If you have any questions regarding winter season operations please contact the Public Works Department at 815-356-3614.





SNOW REMOVAL AND SAFETY REMINDERS

The Public Works Department would like to remind residents it is illegal to deposit snow from your driveway onto the street. Pushing or blowing snow out into the street can create hazard for vehicles and impedes snow removal efforts. Violators can be subject to a fine.

Large snow piles along roadways, particularly in cul-de-sacs, are **not** a play area. Please do not allow children to build snow forts/ tunnels in these piles or play in/on them during snow removal operations.

STORMWATER TIPS: BE SALT SMART

Did you know, rock salt stops working if the temperature is below 15 degrees? When temperatures drop that low, switch to a de-icer formulated for colder temperatures.

SHOVELING SIDEWALKS

Please help your neighbors this winter season by clearing ice and snow from sidewalks if you are able. Clear sidewalks help pedestrians walking to bus stops or schools, work, or walking their dogs.

PREVENT FROZEN PIPES

When temperatures remain below freezing over the course of several days, water pipes and water meters exposed to cooler air may freeze. Below are some helpful suggestions to make sure your water supply stays flowing this winter season.

Eliminate the Cold

- Install storm windows on basement windows
- Fill cracks in walls around basement windows
- Turn off water to an outside spigot at an inside valve and drain the exposed pipe

Provide Warmth

- Wrap water pipes in insulation or heat tape
- If a sink is located against an outside wall, insulate the wall
- Place a lighted bulb near water pipes – never use open flames!
- Open the door to rooms where water pipes are located to allow circulation



Use Your Water Supply

- Run the cold water from the lowest fixture in the house at a stream the width of a pencil
- Make sure your drain remains clear to prevent overflow or flooding

If you have any questions or if you find yourself with a frozen water service this winter, please call the Underground Division in the Public Works Department at (815) 356-3614.

LOW INCOME, HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (LIHEAP)

To help eligible customers stay current on their bills, and help them avoid unnecessary fees come spring, ComEd regularly works with state and federal agencies to provide assistance options to those facing financial hardship.

The **Low Income, Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)** is a federal program that can help you stay warm in during winter by providing eligible customers with a one-time payment towards your energy bills. Benefits are available once per program year, September 2021 through May 2022, or until funds are exhausted. Whether you rent or own your home, LIHEAP offers financial help to limited-income households to pay heat and electric bills.

The **Percentage of Income Payment Plan (PIPP)** is a choice within Illinois LIHEAP to help manage energy bills year-round. You will be placed on a Budget Billing plan that is subsidized by a monthly PIPP benefit amount, determined by a percentage of your household income. Each month, you receive a PIPP benefit towards a portion of your Budget Bill amount. If an on-time and in-full payment is received, you may also receive a monthly arrearage credit, if applicable.

Applications for LIHEAP and PIPP can be submitted online, by phone or in person and are available at your Local Administering Agency. Visit LIHEAPillinois.com for details. Prefer to call instead? Residents of Chicago and Cook County can call 800-571-2332 for information. Residents of other counties may call 877-411-9276.

HEATING SAFETY TIPS

Heating equipment is a leading cause of home fire deaths. Almost 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 monthly.

SANTA HOUSE VISITS

Due to ongoing COVID-19 concerns, Santa House Visits will once again look different this year.

The safety of Santa and his visitors is our primary concern. Santa will be sitting outside on his decorated porch with a Plexiglas surround. Children will be able to sit on the stairs and visit with Santa and have their pictures taken. The entirety of the Santa visit will take place outside this year, dress warmly!

The Santa House is located in Downtown Crystal Lake at Brink Street Market. The memories of visiting with Santa are PRICELESS! Bring your camera, and be prepared to SMILE!



AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT: TRANSITION PLAN UPDATE

The City's Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Transition Plan has been updated in 2021. The Transition Plan will be posted on the City's website and a link will be available for the public to submit feedback to the City. The public comment period will be open for one month, from December 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021. Any comments will be reviewed by staff for potential inclusion in the final 2021 ADA Transition Plan update. Please contact the ADA Coordinator, Nick Hammonds, with any questions at (815) 356-3675.

2022 "THAT'S ENTERTAINMENT" CALENDAR

Discover the various groups and venues that provided entertainment to Crystal Lake audiences through the years. Each month's page is packed with information and photos about entertainment including CL Opera House, Phoenix Orchestra, Theatres, Martinetti's Pipe Organ, Crystal Drive-In, High School Plays, CL Strikers, Chautauquas, Circuses, Heraldry Guard, Kitchen Bands, and CL Community Band.

In Person Price is $10.
Available at: Crystal Lake City Hall, Colonel Palmer House, Heisler's Bootery, and KaleidoScoops Ice Cream.

Online Price is $14, which includes shipping and handling.
www.cl-hs.org



CALENDAR | December 2021

Wednesday, December 15

- Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting, 7:00 p.m. (City Hall)

Tuesday, December 21

- City Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m. (City Hall)

Thursday, December 23 & Friday, December 24

- City Offices Closed for Christmas Holiday

Friday, December 31

- City Offices Closed For New Year's Holiday

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The City of Crystal Lake values the opinion of its residents. If you have any concerns or comments about the City Letter, please express them in the space provided below. (If you need more space, please attach a separate piece of paper). Clip this and mail to: City Letter, City of Crystal Lake, 100 W. Woodstock Street, Crystal Lake, IL 60014. Questions or comments can also be sent to comments@crystallake.org.