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NEWS FOR THE CITIZENS OF WARR ACRES

NOVEMBER, 2014



**END OF THE YEAR DATES CITY HALL WILL BE CLOSED:**



THANKSGIVING	Thursday	November 27, 2014
THANKSGIVING	Friday	November 28, 2014
CHRISTMAS	Wednesday	December 24, 2014
CHRISTMAS	Thursday	December 25, 2014

Remember, NO trash will be picked up on the days City Hall will be closed. For those whose normal trash day is missed - there will be a **CURBSIDE ONLY** pickup on:

Wednesday, November 26, 2014

**ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY:**

All citizens of Warr Acres are invited to attend the annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony on Saturday, November 29th at 6:00 pm. The ceremony will take place at the Northwest corner of 42<sup>nd</sup> and MacArthur. Please bring the entire family to enjoy the festivities. Refreshments will be provided. There will be plenty of parking on the east and south side of the building

**SAFETY TIPS FOR HEATING YOUR HOME**

Consumer's Energy offers the following tips for heating your home:

1. Furnaces should be inspected once a year using a qualified appliance service/heating and cooling professional.
2. Change air filters at least every other month during furnace use.
3. Perform a visual inspection of the chimney and vent pipes to make sure they are free of obstructions such as leaves
4. NEVER use gas stoves or charcoal grills to heat homes. These appliances can produce dangerous amounts of carbon monoxide.
5. Never leave a supplemental heater or fireplace unattended. Keep clothing, papers and other flammable items well away from gas appliances and supplemental heaters.
6. When using generators, make sure they are connected by a licensed electrician and only operated where there is adequate ventilation. Never use a generator in basement, enclosed garage, breezeway or near air intakes.
7. Install an audible carbon monoxide alarm that will sound if dangerous levels of carbon monoxide are present in a home or building. Carbon monoxide is known as the "silent killer." Symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning include headache, nausea, fatigue or dizziness.

**Helpful Phone Numbers**

City Hall	789-2892
Fax	787-5432
Police Department	789-3329
Fire Department	789-5912
Animal Control	789-9025
Municipal Court	495-3032
Inspections & Permits	789-2892
Sanitation Department	491-6474
Streets & Parks	787-1404
Sewer Department	491-6478
Community Center	789-9892
Putnam City Schools	495-5200

**City Council Members**

**Mayor**

Patrick Woolley 409-4944

**Ward 1**

Cathy Maxey  
722-1045

**Ward 3**

Roger Godwin  
464-0411

James Mickley  
721-7959

Bill McClure  
787-5374

**Ward 2**

Stephen Fuhrman  
537-5415

**Ward 4**

Glen Lipinski  
789-8640

Stewart Shapiro  
721-8230

Donnie Ryan  
831-6483

**Storm Safety**

**HAVE A SAFETY PLAN:**

- Have a safety plan for wherever you might be when a tornado strikes – School, work, church, home, shopping, etc.
- Think through your plan in advance, since there may not be much time to act once the tornado is approaching you.
- Practice your plan and be sure all family members know what to do.
- City offices are **LOCKED** during a **tornado warning**.

**Recycling**

Recycling dumpsters are available at Dorothy Cavener Park, in the area of NW 52nd and Hammond Avenue on the first Saturday (9-3) and Sunday (1-3) of each month. Recycling includes plastic, glass, aluminum and tin cans. Closed during inclement weather.

## THE WARR ACRES POLICE DEPARTMENT WISHES EVERYONE A HAPPY AND SAFE HOLIDAY SEASON! Please keep these safety tips in mind:



- When shopping, try to **park in a well-lit area**.
- **NEVER** leave valuables visible inside your vehicle. Place all items out of sight, inside your trunk.
- **REMAIN AWARE** of your surroundings when walking to and from your car.
- **NEVER** leave your car unoccupied with the motor running or with children inside – regardless of how close you are.
- Whenever possible, **shop during daylight hours**. If you must shop at night, go with a friend or family member.
- **AVOID** carrying large amounts of cash.
- Criminals commonly take advantage of the generosity of people during the holiday season by soliciting donations. Thoroughly investigate a charity before giving any donation.
- If you are having packages delivered while you are at work or away, have a trusted neighbor or friend retrieve the packages for you soon after they are delivered.
- Be extra vigilant about locking doors and windows when you leave the house.
- **REPORT** suspicious people or activities to Warr Acres police immediately. Call 911 for all emergencies or 789-3329.

**CITY STORM SHELTERS TO BE PERMANENTLY CLOSED.** All storm shelters in Warr Acres will be permanently closed effective January 1, 2015. City office buildings do **NOT** meet storm shelter standards set by FEMA (Federal Emergency management Agency) and will be **LOCKED** during a tornado warning.

City officials suggest that people take shelter where they are when bad weather is approaching and have a personal emergency operations plan that they have practiced.

## MAYOR WOOLLEY PRESENTS CERTIFICATE TO EAGLE SCOUT



On November 9<sup>th</sup>, Mayor Woolley presented a certificate to Warr Acres resident, Reilly Otto, in recognition of his achieving the rank of Eagle Scout in the Boy Scouts of America.

Eagle Scout is the highest advancement rank in Boy Scouting. Since 1912 more than two million Boy Scouts have earned the Eagle Scout rank. In the words of the Eagle Scout Promise, Eagles do their best each day to make their training an example, their rank and their influence count strongly for better Scouting and for better citizenship in their troop, in their community, and in their contacts with other people. To this they pledge their sacred honor.

**CONGRATULATIONS, REILLY!**



## LOST AND FOUND AT WARR ACRES CITY HALL

We have a number of items in our Lost and Found that have been left at City Hall or have been found in the area and turned in. If you have lost an item in the local and surrounding areas, please call and describe the item to see if it is here.

## SANITATION DEPARTMENT – ICE AND SNOW

The sanitation department has always attempted to provide garbage service throughout the city regardless of the weather. When the city experiences ice storms, we must alter the way we gather the garbage for the safety of our workers. For the safety of our citizens, it is suggested that they hold their trash until the next scheduled pick up day.

When there is **ICE on the ground**, garbage will **NOT** be picked up. When there is **SNOW on the ground**, garbage **will be picked up Curbside only**.