

# NOVEMBER 2024

# **Community Connection**

CITY OF WATERLOO MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

# **LOOKING AHEAD**

Nov 16: MoCo Extension's Harvest Night 6pm at Hecker Community Center

Nov 24-Dec 1: Waterloo Christmas Walk see right

Nov 28-29: City Hall Closed for Thanksgiving

Nov 28: Share the Feast see info at right

Nov 30: GLOW Lighted Parade see info at right

Dec 1: Community Christmas Tree Lighting 6:30pm at Corner of Mill & Main St

**Dec 12:** Explore Waterloo's "Warm & Fizzies" Participating Merchants & Restaurants

Dec 12: Christmas Open House Morrison-Talbott Library

Dec 14: Cookie Walk 8am-Noon at SPPCS

Dec 14: Greetings from Times Past 1:30pm at MoCo History Museum

Dec 14-23: Santa Float

For more details, visit the city's website or scan the QR code: www.waterloo.il.us/our-community/ community-calendar



### **Holiday Trash Pickup**

There will NOT be recycle pickup on Thanksgiving, November 28th - it will be picked up on Friday, November 29th.

# Santa's Cottage

You can visit Santa at the corner of Third and Main Street (near the bandstand) in his cozy cottage between Noon and 4pm on these dates:

> November 29-31 December 7 & 8 December 14 & 15 **December 21 & 22**



# **SHARE THE FEAST**

The Waterloo Lion's Club "Share the Feast" free Thanksgiving dinner will be Thursday, November 28th at the Waterloo VFW. Meals will be served 11:30am to 1pm. You may dine in or have your meal delivered to your home. Carry outs also available. Call Sue at 618-830-6293 by November 24th to make reservations.

#### **EXTREME LEAF PROJECT**

On December 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>, LifeChurchX volunteers will provide our community with leaf pick-up services. They will try to reach as many homes as possible, but priority will go to elderly, widowed and disabled persons. Also, if you know of an elderly or disabled person who needs help raking their leaves, they will assist with that also! To register, please contact City Hall at 618-939-8600 by Thursday, December 5th.

To volunteer, call the church office at 618-281-0228.

**Reminder:** NEVER blow leaves from your yard into streets, as leaves and other debris can block sewers and cause flooding. You can dispose of leaves at the City's yard waste

#### OPTIMIST CLUB GIFT DRIVE

The Waterloo Optimist Club will sponsor its annual Gift Drive to benefit Waterloo families. New items can be dropped off at City Hall or the Republic-Times office now through December 6th. The main age group of these children is 5-18. For more information, please contact House of Neighborly Services at 618-939-8900.

#### WATERLOO CHRISTMAS WALK

The 43rd Annual Christmas Walk will be Nov. 24-Dec. 1. Enter to win your share of \$750 in gift cards by visiting the participating merchants on the walk and entering at each store, all week long. The more stores you visit, the better chances you have to win! No purchase necessary and no requirement to visit each store. Free carriage rides, holiday music & pictures with Santa on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Don't forget to vote for your favorite decorated lamp post around the Courthouse Square on Dec. 1st from Noon-3pm.

# GLOW LIGHTED PARADE

The GLOW Lighted Holiday Parade will be held on November 30th at 5:30pm. It will leave Gibault High School parking lot, travel up Columbia Avenue, head south on Main Street and then right onto Mill Street, ending at Library Street. To enter a float, registration forms are available at www.waterlooglow.com.

# SANTA FLOAT

The Santa Float will make its way through Waterloo, bringing treats and holiday cheer to all on December 14-23 from 5pm to around 8:30pm each night. There will be three golden tickets hidden amongst the treats each night, and don't forget to use the Santa Tracker to see when Santa is getting close to your house!

More details to follow at www.waterloo.il.us/our-community/santa-float.



