

Silvis News

25th Edition

Food Drive Success!



"The generosity and the kindness of the community coming together in the season of giving tells a lot about our community" said Mayor Carter.

Mayor Carter contacted Steve Sandberg via email on November 11th, asking if the City could partner with Railroad Heritage of Midwest America to raise awareness of the need for non-perishable food items at the local food pantry.

In response, Railroad Heritage of Midwest America donated two VIP tickets to their November 20th Walk Among The Giants Fundraiser to the City of Silvis valued at \$500.

The city raffled the donated tickets, requiring at least three non-perishable food donations per participant to enter the raffle.

"It was a tiny window of opportunity," said Mayor Carter. "We only had four days to collect as much food as possible for the local food pantry, and the city staff sprung into action." "If it wasn't for the entire City Clerk staff and City Clerk, said the Mayor, we would not have been so successful in collecting 415 lbs. of food!" The participants in the raffle were all winners; by their acts of kindness, said the Mayor. They helped 138 individuals during the Thanksgiving season.

The winner of the two tickets in the November 18th drawing was Berta Velasquez. Congratulations!

The City of Silvis now has a recycling collection container!

You may now dispose of extra recyclable items behind the new Public Works building on 1st Avenue during the hours of 7am-3pm Monday-Friday.



Resident Says 'Thanks'

On the last Friday before Thanksgiving, like clockwork, Bob Roman gathers up the necessary ingredients and donations from fellow residents to say thank you to Silvis city employees.

For ten years and counting, a yearly tradition, Bob Roman prepares gallons of his famous chili and dishes it out to all the city staff, saying thank you for a job well done.

From all of the City of Silvis employees. **Thank you, Bob!**

Snow Ordinance Reminder

With the arrival of winter, it's that time again: we all must be reminded of our obligations to adhere to snow routes. Please do not deposit snow onto public streets or sidewalks; clear all sidewalks in front of your property. Vehicles must not remain parked on public roads between the hours of 9 am to 5 pm when snow accumulation depth is 2 inches or greater.

Thank You

Water Line Nearing Completion



Public Works Director, Joe Rockwell, is beginning to see the light at the end of the tunnel, as the Moline Water project nears completion.

The water project was expected to be completed in October but hit a few snags along the way.

The pipe is 100% complete. We are now waiting on the valve, meter, and fiber line to be installed. We expect Moline water during the first two weeks of December, said Rockwell.

Moline water will service approximately half the city. The dividing line between the high-side and low-side water system is near 6th Avenue. Moline water will be servicing the high-side water grid of Silvis.

City Hall Holiday Schedule

Closing: @ Noon Dec. 22nd

Closed: Dec. 23rd-26th

Closed: January 2nd

Angel Tree



An Angel Tree is a way to give to children in our community whose parents cannot financially provide them with a gift during the holidays. City Hall will host its very own 'Angel Tree' adorned with numerous tags; each hold the name of a child & their Christmas gift wishes. Please consider sponsoring an Angel from the tree. The deadline for gifts is December 16th.



Congratulations to Kyle Poling, the winner of Cookies by Design and a \$50 HyVee gift card. Empire Living hosted an employee appreciation luncheon and raffle for Silvis employees on November 16th.



Suppose you find yourself in need of help this winter shoveling your snow. There are organizations within our community willing to help. Contact the City Clerks' office at City Hall.

Christmas Tree Pick-Up



Pick up & disposal of natural Christmas trees will be January 9th-13th. Please set along the curb so they can be picked up.

McGehee Hall Rental

The McGehee Center is available for rent year-round. The hall rents for \$25 per hour. You must be a Silvis resident to rent the hall, and a \$125 deposit is required. Questions or to make a reservations, please call the City Hall office at 309-792-9181.

