

Village of Elwood

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Proud of our past, Building our future
November 2010 Status Report

Sportsman's Club kicks off holiday toy drive

The Jackson Township Sportsman's Club Holiday Toy Drive will host this year's toy collection event on Sat. Dec. 4 at Watson's Diner & Pub. Between the hours of 7 and 9:30 pm, anyone who brings in an unwrapped gift will receive a free drink ticket. Watson's will offer food, drinks and prizes. Gifts may be dropped off at Watson's any time between now and Dec. 4. For age groups or for more information, contact Danielle Walsh at 815-423-5809.

Fire District lowers ISO Rating

The Elwood Fire Department significantly improved its ISO fire suppression rating this month, receiving a 3 for in town and a 5 for rural properties. The new numbers put Elwood among the top-rated districts in the nation. A change in ISO rating is not easy to obtain, but the department's hard work will help Elwood residents save money. Better ISO ratings mean lower insurance premiums. Let your carrier know about Elwood Fire Department's new status.

Larger ice rink planned

After the success of last year's ice rink at Lloyd Erickson Park, the village plans a larger skating area for this winter. The new rink, located next to the sled hill, was excavated during 2010 capital improvement work at Lloyd Erickson. Let us know who in your family will use the ice rink and whether they plan to figure skate or play hockey. Leave a message at 815-424-1093. The informal poll will help us plan winter activities.

Elwood resident starts neighborhood cold weather clothing collection

Our own Jerry Elwood is collecting blankets, coats, hats and gloves of all sizes. He plans to donate the items to local churches and shelters. Contact Elwood at 815-423-5013 to make a donation.

Recreation Programs at Elwood Village Hall, 401 E. Mississippi Ave.

Sign up at Elwood Village Hall. Call Recreation Coordinator for more information, 815-424-1093.

Self Defense Seminar- Learn to protect yourself at a Self Defense Seminar. Instructor John Ventura will teach pressure point applications and self defense techniques suitable for all ages and ability levels. Seminar meets Sat. Nov. 13 from 1-2:30 p.m. Cost is \$10 per person or \$15 for two people from the same family.

Ryuku-Kempo Karate- Sensei John Ventura, 5th Degree Black Belt, will instruct classes Mondays from 5:45 until 6:45 p.m., Nov. 15 through Jan. 3. Class is open to beginner students age 6-adult. Cost is \$36 for the 8-week session.

Tai Chi- Session meets Mondays 10-11 am through Jan. 24. Cost for session is just \$15, sponsored by Will County Senior Services center.

Circuit Fitness- Work out on circuit equipment or try small group mat exercises. Session meets Tuesdays 5:30-6:30. Cost is \$5 per class.



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Village President William Offerman

*Village Trustees Chuck Bernhard, Francis "Bud" Jones, Jason Kucera,
Mary Matichak, George Ruban & Robert Wagner*

LIGHTING CELEBRATION

at Little Park

Saturday, November 27, 4p.m. ~ 7p.m.

Kids,

*Families can help support
our local charitable efforts.*

Join us and...

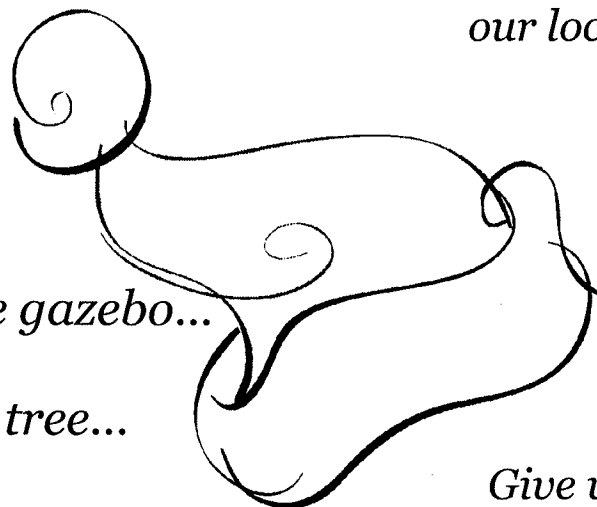
Create crafts...

*Visit **Santa** at the gazebo...*

Decorate our tree...

Enjoy hot cocoa...

*cookies &
popcorn*



*Donate an
unwrapped toy to
Jackson Township
Sportsman's Club
Holiday Toy Drive.*

*Give warm coats, gloves,
hats or blankets to the
neighborhood Cold
Weather Clothing Drive.*

For more information, call 815-423-5011.

