

# THE VILLAGE OF ELWOOD

## SCARECROWS IN THE COURTYARD

### CONTEST RULES & REGISTRATION



#### ELIGIBILITY:

The Scarecrows in the courtyard is open to all ages, individuals, families, clubs, groups, & business in Elwood. Each person, family, or group may only enter one time.

**ENTRY FEE:** Free, NO cost to enter the contest.

**ENTRY DATE:** October 8 thru 9th, 2020 (no exceptions)

Entries will be on display from Oct 10 thru Nov.1, 2020

#### Entry form should be dropped off to:

Elwood Village Hall (Drop off in the coloring drop off box outside front doors)  
Village of Elwood  
401 E Mississippi Ave.  
Elwood IL 60421

Entries will be displayed in Elwood Village Hall Courtyard by the parking lot.

**Donation Prizes:** Sponsor by Sunshine Food Market, Subway, Dollar General, Silver Dollar, Race Way and Hair Code.

#### CONSTRUCTION:

- Set up dates. October 8<sup>th</sup> & no later than 4pm October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020 in the Village courtyard around the parking lot. (see map)
- The Village will provide you with a 6-foot-tall wooden frame (for the First 50)
- Scarecrows must be in good taste & constructed to withstand the weather.
- Scarecrows and props must fit into a 4x4-foot area. If you choose to bring fresh vegetables or fruit (like pumpkins) they must be whole and not punctured or carved, to ensure they last through the duration of the contest.
- No items such as audio devices/ sound-makers, balloons, open flame, tiki torches or gas power generators allowed.
- Creators may display lights (powered by batteries and/ or solar power only) if securely attached.
- As part of your display, be sure to make a sign with the name of your entry, and name, group, service, or club name. Your sign should be no larger than 11-17 inches. No advertising or political statement are allowed.
- Tear down begins Monday November 2, to November 3, 2020. Scarecrows not removed by 4pm November 4th will be discarded.

The scarecrows contest is family friendly. Scarecrows should be whimsical, humorous, mischievous, or lovable. Not frightening, monsters, gruesome, bloody, or especially scary entries will be disqualified.

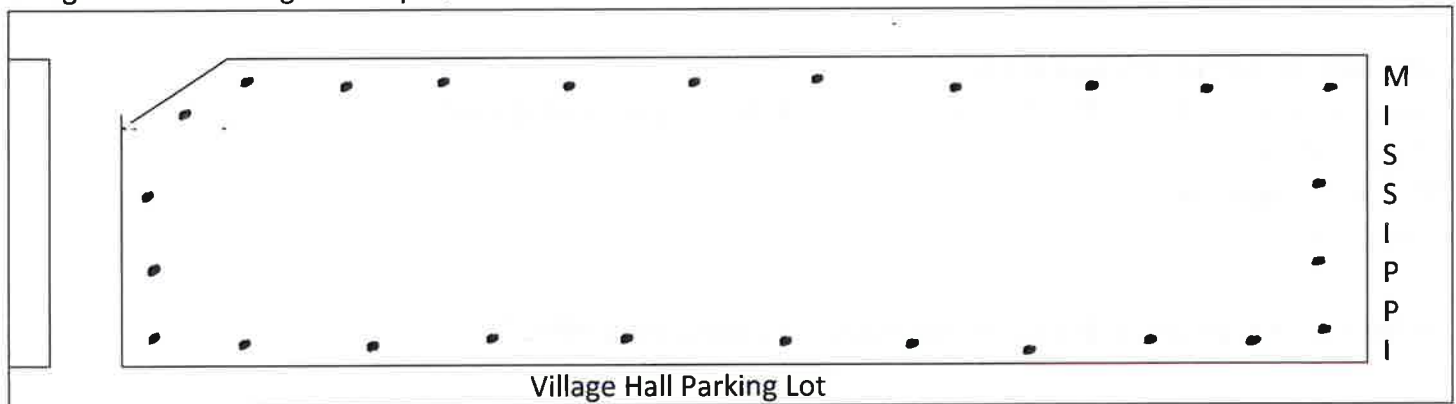
**We offer the following suggestions to get started:** Old, solid colored pillowcases or burlap, a pumpkin, or a gallon-milk jug for the head. Old gloves for hands. Button for eyes, color pipe cleaners for mustache, and permanent marker to make the mouth and eyebrows, and colored ball for the nose. Yarn for hair, bale of hay, leaves, newspaper covered for weather in plastic garbage bags. Empty 2-liter soda bottles, supermarket plastic bags, fabric, old sheets, bubble wrap and packing material.

**JUDGING:**

A Committee of community members will be formed to vote on the scarecrows.

**AWARDS PRESENTATION:**

Winner will be announced on October 23, 2020. Award will be presented to the winner at the November 4<sup>th</sup> Village Board Meeting at 7:00 pm.



**SCARECROW IN THE COURTYARD CONTEST  
REGISTRATION FORM**



Business/Organization/Individual/Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone#: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

I have read and understand the above guidelines, tear down procedures and scarecrows in the courtyard contest.