Dear Neighbors:

Please mark your calendar! On Saturday, October 26th from 1:00 to 4:00 pm the Village and Rusty Nail have teamed up to co-host an Octoberfest in Ringwood. The purpose of this event is to mark the 25th anniversary of Ringwood’s incorporation and the grand opening of Rusty Malts ice cream and coffee shop. On November 8, 1994, the residents of Ringwood voted overwhelmingly to incorporate Ringwood. The event will be held in the Ringwood Commons Park. Food and music will be provided. Join us to celebrate these two very special occasions.

In other Village news, I am pleased to inform you that former Ringwood Postmaster Sue Keener was appointed to be Ringwood’s next Village Clerk. As most of you are aware, Sue was the Ringwood Post Master from August 28, 2005 until her retirement in late June of 2019. Join me in welcoming Sue to her new position! Please see the back information page for updated Village Clerk contact information.

Finally, I am happy to report that Santa Claus is coming to town on Saturday, November 30, 2019. Santa promised to be at the Village Hall from 9:00 am to 11:30 am. If you provide a camera, we will take your family’s picture with Santa. Refreshments will be served.

On behalf of the Village Board, I would like to wish you and your entire family a very happy holiday season and an especially happy, healthy 2020.

Sincerely,

Richard E. Mack
Village President
Public Works Report:

Parking Ordinance Reminder – At all times of the year, parking is prohibited on all Village of Ringwood roads, except Barnard Mill Road near the post office (15 minute limit). After a snow of two inches or more, parking is not permitted in the spaces along Barnard Mill Road near the post office until after the road has been plowed shoulder to shoulder. This parking prohibition is in effect 24 hours a day. If a 2-inch or greater snowfall occurs and your vehicle is parked along the road, you must move it or have it moved immediately so plows can get through. By doing so, you will avoid being ticketed and towed. In that scenario, an individual would not only have to pay the ticket, but the towing charge as well. Your compliance with our Parking Ordinance is appreciated.

Mailbox Post – With winter on its way, this would be a good time for residents to check their mailbox and post to be sure that they are sturdy and can handle the snow roll off from the plow. If repair or replacement is needed, please take the time now to do it. If your mailbox or post falls down during the winter months, the only thing that can be done at the time is a temporary fix and mail delivery may be disrupted.

Blitzed Mailboxes – If your roadside mailbox becomes a casualty during the Village’s war with the wintertime elements, the Village will repair or replace it if it was damaged from direct contact with a Village contracted-and-operated snow plow. However, if the damage is caused by a windrow (wall of flying snow) hurled by a passing plow, the Village will not repair or replace it. Sturdiness should be a consideration when you purchase and install your mailbox in a legal manner. It should be able withstand a force, weight, and sweep of snow flung by a passing plow. Replacement of mailboxes damaged as a result of being struck by a Village contracted snow plow will be a standard unit set on a wolmanized 4x4 wooden post. Please bear in mind, however, that sometimes downed mailboxes cannot be reinstalled immediately. In that case you will be required to pick up your mail at the post office.

Salt Caution – It’s important to be aware that the effectiveness of road salt diminishes as the temperature drops. The lower the temperature, the less effective the salt will be. Road salt effectiveness is also reduced during freezing rain, because it’s washed off the pavement by the traffic as the rain continues falling and freezing on impact. In any weather, when salt is spread, drive as if there was no salt at all. Reduce your speed and allow plenty of space between your vehicle and the one in front of you. Also, begin stopping well in advance of any stop sign or traffic signal.
Thank you Roni Bushroe

Roni Bushroe was Ringwood’s Village Clerk for the past 14 years. We would like to thank Roni for all your hard work over the past 14 years. In addition to her Village Clerks responsibilities, Roni took the lead on organizing the annual Picnic and Santa’s visits to the Village Hall. We wish Roni all the best.

The Village of Ringwood 2020 Regular Village Board Meeting Schedule
held at Ringwood Village Hall
6000 Barnard Mill Road, Ringwood, Illinois
at 7:30 p.m.

The Village of Ringwood will meet regularly in 2020 on the third Tuesday of each month as follows:

Tuesday January 21
Tuesday February 18
Tuesday March 17
Tuesday April 21
Tuesday May 19
Tuesday June 16
Tuesday July 21
Tuesday August 18
Tuesday September 15
Tuesday October 20
Tuesday November 17
Tuesday December 15

Ringwood
Trick or Treating Hours

Trick or Treating hours in Ringwood will be on Thursday, October 31, 2019 from 3:00pm to 7:00. Have a happy and safe Halloween.
Ringwood's Busy Three 4H Club Participates in McHenry County Fair
Highlights of the July, August and September Village Board Meetings:

July 2019

• Approve amendments to the Village of Ringwood Building Code.

*The Village Board voted unanimously to approve the above action, except Trustee Meyer who was absent.*

August 2019

• Approve Village President Rick Mack’s appointment of Sue Keener as Ringwood’s next Village Clerk.

*The Village Board voted unanimously to approve the above action.*

September 2019

• Approve an agreement between the Village of Ringwood & Marathon Towing to provide towing services to the Village for the removal of unauthorized vehicles parked on Village property.
• Approve Village of Ringwood Zoning Ordinance items that have been added or deleted, removed or repealed.
• Approve a contract between the Village of Ringwood and Upland Construction and Maintenance for snowplowing services for the 2019/20 winter season.
• Approve an easement agreement between the Village of and the Rusty Nail that would permit the Rusty Nail to use a small portion of the Ringwood Commons Park for its replacement septic for its ice Cream & Coffee shop.

*The Village Board voted unanimously to approve the above action.*

Possible Future Action by the Village Board:

• Consider Tax Levy ordinance.

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**SANTA COMES TO RINGWOOD**

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30**

9 am to 11:30 am

RINGWOOD VILLAGE HALL

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VILLAGE HALL HOURS

CLERK
The first Saturday of every month, 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. or by appointment.

BUILDING INSPECTOR
HR Green - Building Inspection & Zoning Enforcement.
Office Hours: Every Wednesday from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. or by appointment.
Contact: Tina Williams 815-759-8344

Village Zoning Board of Appeals and Plan Commission meets on as needed basis.
Village Board meets on the 3rd Tuesday of the month.
Busy Three 4-H Club of Ringwood, the leader is Jennifer Wittum Cell 815-739-6566, Email steergirl17@hotmail.com, meeting held on the 2nd Sunday of every month at the Ringwood United Methodist Church basement.