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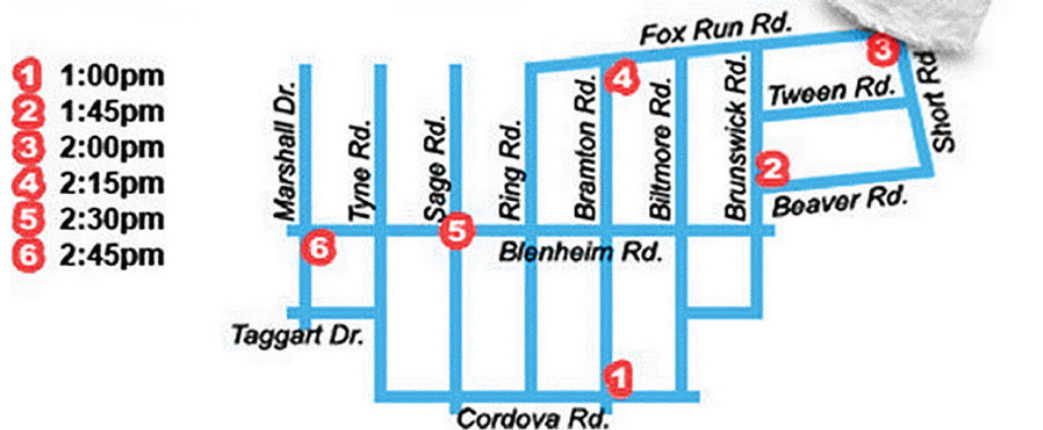
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Santa Is Coming To Beechwood Village

Jolly Old Saint Nick is back this year to visit all the good children of Beechwood Village. Santa will start at Beechwood Baptist Church and will travel around the Village to spread holiday cheer! This year's Santa Run is coming up on Sunday, December 11th, from 1PM to 3PM. Be on the lookout for Santa in his big, red fire truck.

When will Santa be near your home? Here's a map:



Getting Stuff Done

It's been a productive year for the Beechwood Village City Council. Some highlights include:

- Staging the first neighborhood "Free Family Movie Night" in April.
- Acquiring new larger, wheeled recycling containers for every home.
- Beginning a project to install new curbs in the village.
- Completing a multi-year audit to ensure the city's finances are accurate and on-track.
- Helping our residents plant new trees with a special cost-sharing program.
- Balancing the city budget.
- Holding the line on taxes, with no increase in the property tax rate for 2023.

Your city government looks forward to continuing to serve you in the New Year.



Solar Made Easy

With energy costs rising, many village residents have considered installing solar panels on their property.

In order to streamline the permitting process, the Beechwood Village City Council recently passed a new Solar Panel Ordinance. The ordinance lays out exactly how the application and installation process works.

To find out more about the new Solar Panel Ordinance, please visit:
beechwoodvillage.org/ordinances/.



A Fun Picnic

What a great time for everyone! It was a beautiful day for this year's annual Beechwood Village Fall Picnic. Many thanks to everyone who came out for the food, music, and fun. We'll look forward to seeing you again next year!



A Note Of Gratitude

Several of our elected city officials will be stepping down at the end of this year. They include:

Mayor Logan Griggs
 (6 Years Of Service)

Council Member Lora Coomes
 (8 Years Of Service)

Council Member Mary-Gwynne Dougherty
 (8 Years Of Service)

Council Member Kelly Carls
 (6 Years Of Service)

Council Member Phyllis Skonicki
 (4 Years Of Service)

We thank all of these public servants for their dedication and hard work to keep Beechwood Village a great place to live.



Keep The Season Safe

Here are some tips to ensure your holiday season is safe and accident-free:

- 1. Keep trees away from heat sources.** Place your tree away from fireplaces and heaters, and keep a fire extinguisher near your tree.
- 2. Hydrate your live tree.** A dried-out tree can catch fire faster than one that has been properly watered. Check the water level every other day.
- 3. Ask for help.** When stringing lights and decorations above your normal reach, be sure to use a proper ladder with someone supporting the base.
- 4. Double-check your lights for safety.** Replace any lights that have frayed wires, broken sockets, or loose connections.
- 5. Power down at bedtime.** Turn off all lights when you go to bed and before leaving the house to avoid a short circuit that could start an electrical fire.
- 6. Prevent electrical cord damage.** Don't mount lights in a way that might damage the cords, and avoid using nails or tacks to hang lights. Use hooks or insulated staples, instead.
- 7. Secure candles.** Keep candles on a sturdy base to prevent tipping. Never leave a lit candle unattended.
- 8. Use unbreakable ornaments.** If you have fragile ornaments, place them out of the reach of pets and kids.
- 9. Keep it real.** Avoid decorations that look like candy or food if you have young children — or pets — in the house.
- 10. Beware of poisonous plants.** While festive, poinsettias are poisonous when eaten. So, keep them out of reach of children and pets.

Calendar of Events

Sunday, December 11

1PM: Beechwood Village Santa Run

Tuesday, December 13

6:30PM: Monthly City Council Meeting

Tuesday, January 10

6:30PM: Monthly City Council Meeting

Tuesday, February 14

6:30PM: Monthly City Council Meeting

Tuesday, March 14

6:30PM: Monthly City Council Meeting

Happy Holidays

Everyone looks forward to seeing the many festive holiday displays and lights around our village.

We hope you'll take time to explore all the fun creativity your neighbors have to offer.





Reminders From Our Code Enforcement Officer

With the changing seasons, here are a few reminders from our city Code Enforcement Officer:

- Please collect and bag your leaves in a timely fashion.
 - Use paper or compostable leaf bags (not plastic) and leave them at the curb for pickup.
 - Ensure your trees, shrubs, and vegetation are trimmed to avoid intruding on streets, sidewalks, power lines, and the public right of way.
 - Keep storm sewer grates clear of leaves and debris, which could block drainage.
 - In the event of snow and ice, please don't park in the street, as it interferes with our snowplows.
 - Be aware that winter weather can alter trash and recycling pickup schedules, if trucks cannot operate safely.
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