

# CITY OF ALTON NEWSLETTER

November 30, 2015

### **MUNICIPAL REMINDERS**

**1**. The Alton City **Offices will be closed** on Friday, December 25, in observance of Christmas Day and Friday, January 1, in observance of New Year's Day.

**2**. Reminder: **Snowmobiles must stay off** private, residential property unless permission has been obtained from the property owner.

**3**. We would like to remind everyone of the **sidewalk snow removal policy** for Alton. It is the responsibility of the abutting property owners to promptly remove from the sidewalks natural accumulations of snow and ice. If the property owner does not comply within a reasonable amount of time, the City may do so and assess costs of removal to the property owner. Your cooperation is appreciated.

4. Property owners are not allowed to push snow onto City streets or alleys. Try to keep snow piles on corners to a minimum for the safety of vehicles and pedestrians.

## CHAMBER NEWS

**SANTA IS COMING TO ALTON:** Santa will be at the Alton Public Library on December 12, 2015 from 10:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. Children can come meet Santa, have a snack and pick up a bag of treats! There will also be crafts!

**HAM GIVEAWAY:** The winners of the Thanksgiving Ham giveaway are: Rose Owens, Chris Schwarz, Rebecca Feller, Jane Horkey, Julie Hummel, Kasi Steven, Jon Roetman, Wyatt Konz, Denny Korthals, and Lee Steichen.

**CHAMBER BUCKS:** The Alton Chamber is offering Chamber Bucks at a 15% savings for a limited time. These are available in various amounts for use at any Alton Chamber business. There is a limit of \$300 per household, while supplies last. Purchase the Bucks at the Community Insurance Office.

**CHRISTMAS DRAWINGS:** The Chamber is sponsoring a drawing during the Christmas season. Register whenever you shop at a local business. Chamber bucks will be awarded as follows: 1<sup>st</sup> - \$100, 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$50, 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$25. Drawings will be held December 18, 2015.

#### **LIBRARY EVENTS**

- All adults are invited to play cards on Tuesday afternoons @ 1:30 pm. Cards and hot beverages are provided.
- Afterschool workshops are scheduled for December 2, 9, and 16 from 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm.
- Preschool story time will be held on Wednesday, December 9 @ 10:30 am. Winter sessions are scheduled for
- I January, February, and March 2016.
- Babygarten will begin on Wednesday mornings @ 10:00 am. First session will be held from January 6 through February 10.



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## **Caring for Your Gas Meter in Winter**

Outdoor natural gas meters and/or pressure regulator sets are designed to withstand extreme weather conditions. But please remember to protect them from ice and snow build-ups during our harsh winter months.

Clean and repair your leaky eaves gutters regularly to prevent ice and melting snow from dripping onto the natural gas meter and/or pressure regulator set causing them to be encased in ice when the weather is cold.

Do not pile snow against your natural gas meter and/or pressure regulator set when shoveling or using a snow blower.

Never allow snow to completely cover your natural gas meter and/or pressure regulator set. Remove soft snow build-up gently, using only a broom or your hand. Call **ALTON MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AT 756-4314** if you notice an ice build-up on any part of the natural gas meter and/or pressure regulator set. Do not try to remove it by kicking or hitting the gas meter or piping.



Know what's **below. Call** before you dig.