



## The Oaks of St. Charles

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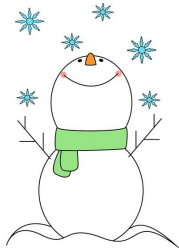
**NEW EMAIL:** [LandscapeMgr@oaksofstc.com](mailto:LandscapeMgr@oaksofstc.com)

### New Contact Email for Landscape & Snow Removal

We have created a new email address for contacting our Landscape Manager, Cindy Lund. This email is the best way to contact Cindy should you have landscape, or snow plowing concerns, questions and, of course, compliments.

**LandscapeMgr@oaksofstc.com**

Winter is upon us and that means snow, ice, shoveling and plowing. Our first snowy event this season fell on Christmas Eve when The Oaks was full of more cars that we've ever seen! This made it very difficult to clear many driveways, and with several parked cars on White Oak Circle, the street didn't get cleared completely either in a few spots.



On Christmas Eve, while several spaces remained open in guest parking, there were a number of cars parked on White Oak Circle which is expressly in violation of The Oaks Rules and Regulations, Rule IV: Vehicles and Parking.

To insure the best snow clean-up possible, when weather calls for accumulating snow please make sure your vehicles are parked inside your garage and your guests are either in your garage (if you have extra room), on your driveway or in guest parking.

**Never on the street, please.**



Also, as a reminder, there is a red tote of ice melt near the pool door for all owners to use as needed if you have icy areas between visits from our snow removal contractor. Please ONLY use this on concrete, NOT on blacktop drives or street, it will damage the blacktop.

**Feb 2** Mom & Son  
Date Night, St. Charles  
Pottawatomie Park  
Community Center,  
registration required

**Feb 10** International  
Pot Luck Dinner at The  
Oaks Clubhouse. Watch your mailbox for details and start thinking what dish you'd like to make to share that reflects your ethnicity.

**Feb 14** Oaks Board Meeting in the Clubhouse at 7:00p.m. All owners are welcome and encouraged to attend.



### Indoor Farmer's Markets

- Batavia** Indoor Farmer's Market from 9a.m. - noon  
at Gaetano's in Batavia on Saturdays through May
- St. Charles** Indoor Farmer's Market from 9a.m. - noon  
at Baker Hall in St. Charles on Fridays through May
- Geneva** Indoor Green Market from 9a.m. - 1:00p.m. at the  
First Congregational Church of Geneva on Saturdays.

## Post-Holiday Reminders

### LAST LIVE CHRISTMAS TREE DISPOSAL DATE

The last live Christmas tree pick up, no sticker needed, is January 16. Trees should NOT be placed in disposal bags and all decorations, including tinsel, must be removed.

### HOLIDAY LIGHT RECYCLING EVENT

Holiday lights and cords should not be tossed in your trash, and it's not too late to recycle them properly. Acceptable items include:

- Traditional Holiday Lights
- LED Holiday Lights
- Italian Mini Holiday Lights
- Rope Lights
- Extension Cords

**There is a donation box in our  
clubhouse through March 1.**

# Local Sledding, Ice Skating & More

The Geneva Park District has an Outdoor Ice Complex in **Wheeler Park**. There are three sheets of ice, one general and two for hockey, all free to the public, weather permitting. Plus there is a warming shelter available from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Monday through Friday, and from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Sunday and on school holidays. Lights are available until 10 p.m. daily. There is also ice skating available in the **Mill Creek Pool** parking lot, weather permitting. To make sure the rinks are open, call 630-232-4542.



The St. Charles Park District has outdoor ice rinks at **Timber Trails**, **Davis Park**, **Lincoln Park** and **Langum Park**, with the park at Langum reserved for ice hockey only. The rinks are open daily until 9 p.m., weather permitting. You can call for updated recorded daily updates: 630-513-4320.



“Windmill Hill” in Geneva is located in the **Fabyan Forest Preserve** at the corner of Route 25 and Fabyan Road, and features a wide open hill with few trees.

In St. Charles Park District sledding is available at **Langum Park**, facing Route 25, and at **Timber Trails Park** on North 19<sup>th</sup> Street, although you will sled off 17th Street. Call 630-513-4320 for daily recorded updates; sometimes the hills are closed due to icy conditions.

**Johnson’s Mound** in Elburn is part of the Kane County Forest Preserve. It’s reported to be a “long hill” and some state it is narrow and fast, probably best for older kids.

The Wheaton Park District offers a sledding hill at **Northside Park**, at the north end of West Street. It also features a warming shelter with limited concessions.

Fox Valley Park District launches from the Prisco Community Center parking lot on Illinois Avenue into McCullough Park.

The sled area in **Waubonsie Lake Park**, at Montgomery and Kautz Roads, is rated as intermediate.

For a fast, steep hill check out **Oakhurst Forest Preserve** on Fifth Avenue, just west of Kautz Road.



**Blackwell Forest Preserve** in Warrenville offers a snow tubing hill. Rentals are just \$5 per day (cash only). Call 630-871-6422 for update on hours and weather conditions. Note that rentals are available only on weekends and school holidays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and when 3 or more inches of snow covers the hill.

**Morton Arboretum** in Lisle rents snow shoes in its Visitor Center — makes for a great way to explore the grounds.

## Board Meeting Update from Jan 10, 2018

- The Board approved December minutes.
- Committee, Financial and B & I Manager reports were delivered. All owners were reminded that the first payment of \$300 for the special assessment is due by March 1 - please submit by separate check.
- During New Business Carol Patterson discussed CAI membership. Eligibility is open to all Board Members, Managers, Committee Co-Chairs and any homeowner in good standing up to 15 members for our Association. The Oaks will cover membership fees only, additional activity costs will be the homeowner responsibility and a one page written report is due to the Board within 30 days of event or risk membership.

As always, copies of the Meeting Minutes are available for \$.10 per page. Simply call or email the office and Elizabeth will have them ready for pick-up. Or stop by the office during business hours to review the office copy.