



New this year the Village will open the Community Center for Trunk/Trick or Treating.

This will provide a place for people who don't get trick or treaters and an easier way for people who have mobility issues to be able to pass out candy and see the costumes.

It will also be a safe warm place to bring little ones to trick or treat without having to worry about them being in the road.

If you would like to be a Trunk/Trick or Treat station contact the Village office at

217-963-2980 or harristownvillage01@gmail.com

Trunk or Treat spaces are limited.



Trick or treating in the Village will be **Tuesday, October 31, 2023 from 5-8pm.**

If you would like trick or treaters, remember to turn **on** your outside lights. Please remind children to only visit the homes with outside lights on and to use their manners.

VILLAGE BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE

October 23, 2023

November 27, 2023

December 18, 2023

Meetings start at 6:30 pm and are open to the public to attend.

Brush Collection

October 10th

Remember all yard waste needs to be in bags. All branches need to be cut into **4 foot or less** lengths. Brush pick-up is intended for branches removed during routine trimming or due to storm damage. **Depending on future weather this may be the last pickup before winter.**

If you notice a streetlight burned out call Ameren at 1-800-755-5000

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**** Indicates Office Closed**

October 9-Columbus Day**

October 31-Trick or Treating 5-8pm

November 10-Veteran's Day Observed**

November 24-Thanksgiving**

November 25-Day after Thanksgiving**

December 24- Christmas Eve

December 25- Christmas **

December 31- New Year's Eve

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You can always email the Village directly from the website or by emailing

harristownvillage01@gmail.com

Save the Date

Village of Harristown
HOLIDAY
BAZAAR

Saturday November 18th | 10am-2pm

If you would like to be a vendor at this year's Holiday Bazaar contact the Village Office at 217-963-2980 or email harristownvillage01@gmail.com

Welcome
to the **Team!**

We are pleased to welcome **Kurt Terry** as the newest member of the Village Board of Trustees.

**Veteran's & 1st Responders
Memorial Dedication and
Dinner.**

November 11th

Dedication: 3:30pm Dinner: 4-6pm Veterans, active military, & 1st responders eat free. Tickets will be available soon!

Do you know where the water shut off is in your house?

The moment water begins gushing from a burst pipe is not the time to start searching for your home's main supply valve.

Find the main shut-off valve

In most homes, this is a brass valve with a round handle. The main water line usually takes the shortest path into the house from the outdoor water meter and is most often located near the perimeter of a room at ground level. On the ground floor, look down. In the basement, look at eye level or higher. In warmer climates where freezing is not an issue, the main valve may be on the home exterior near the water meter. It is possible but unlikely that the valve is hidden behind an access panel, and they are rarely placed under a sink. Don't confuse the gas shut-off to the furnace or water heater lines with water lines.

Turn the valve clockwise (all the way to the right) Once you shut off the cold-water flow into the home, the only water that remains is the small amount that was already in the pipes. In the case of flooding, that water will empty quickly. If the problem is less threatening, you can speed the drainage process by running a faucet until the flow stops.

Restore water by turning counter-clockwise (left) Turning the water back on is a cinch. Just remember that the entire time the main water valve remains closed, nothing that requires water will be functional—including commodes and faucets.

Make a water emergency plan Many residents have disaster plans, but few think about their response to a home flood from a burst pipe. Know exactly what you need to do in the case of sudden trouble. You may only need to turn the shut-off valve to a single commode, sink, or appliance. Know where they are. At other times, you will have to stop the flow of water into the entire home. Don't just guess that you have found the location of your main home shut-off valve. Give it a test run by turning the valve all the way off and see if the flow stops when you run a faucet or shower.

What about shutting off the main street valve? Only three things will make it necessary to shut off the flow of water from the street: The home shut-off system fails, a pipe between the house and street is leaking, or the main house valve is being replaced.

It is NOT the responsibility of the Village to pay overtime for a Public Works employee to come in after hours because a resident doesn't know where their water shutoff is.

HALLOWEEN MOVIE NIGHT

October 27th In the Park

Featuring:

6pm-kids
Hotel Transylvania - PG

8pm- Teens/adults
Scream - R

210 N Kemabark
(across from the Village hall)

Please bring your own
lawn chair or blanket



PARK

More site work has been completed on the Harristown Community Park, located at **210 N. Kemabark St.** (Across the street from the Village Hall.) Trees have been cut down, stumps removed, and a fence installed. The Village has applied for an OSLAD Grant to help with part of the costs for the playground and courts. We should hear if we have been approved within a few months.