

CERESCO RESIDENT NEWSLETTER January 2017

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****WATER RATE CHANGES:** At the December Village Board Meeting the Board approved the 3rd reading of Ordinance 2016-2 to change base water rates. The water rates will be based on the size of the meter you have. Residential rates are as follows: ¾" base rate is \$19.00; 1" base rate will be \$21.00; 1 ½" base rate will be \$24.00; 2" base rate will be \$27.00. You can review the Ordinance in its entirety at the Post Office, CerescoBank, or the Village Office.

**** WASTE CONNECTIONS:** Was awarded the bid for solid waste removal for the Village, by drastically reducing their monthly prices. New residential prices starting in January are: 35 gal can (provided by customer) - \$10.00; one toter (they provide) - \$10.95; toter/can - \$12.45; two toters - \$12.95; three toters - \$14.95. Optional recycling 65 gal toter \$5.95. Remember to have your trash out to the curb by 5:00 AM. If you have questions, please contact the Village Office (402) 665 - 2391 or Waste Connections at (402) 438 - 4777.

**** PROPANE SAFETY TIPS:** If you smell gas, put out all smoking materials and open flames. Do not operate lights, telephones or cell phones. Get everyone out of the building or area where you suspect the gas is leaking. Shut off the gas supply valve of the propane tank **IF** it is safe to do so. Report leak from a neighbor's home. If you cannot reach your propane retailer call 911. Do not return to the building or area until your propane retailer, emergency responder, or qualified service technician determines that it is safe. Get your system checked.

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**** PET OWNERS:** We have foxes, raccoons and possums in town. They have been seen eating pet food. Please make sure you take your pet's food in at night.

***** **WINTER WEATHER REMINDERS** *****

**** SNOW REMOVAL:** Be mindful of snow removal and PLEASE don't park in the street when snow removal is being done. **ALSO:** Snow is not to be blown or scooped into the street. Snow removal is the responsibility of the property owner and should be done by 8:30 AM after a night of snowfall.

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**** SEWER RATES:** Are determined by water used in December, January, and February. Now is the time to fix leaky pipes and running toilets to avoid large sewer rate increases.

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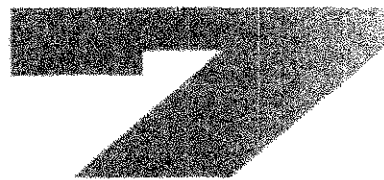
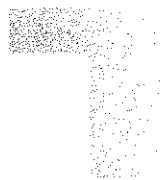
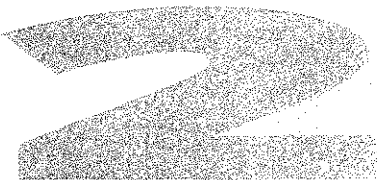
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December 30th – Village Office Closes at noon

January 2nd – Village Office Closed

January 17th – Village Board Meeting

January 21st – Ceresco Days Meeting

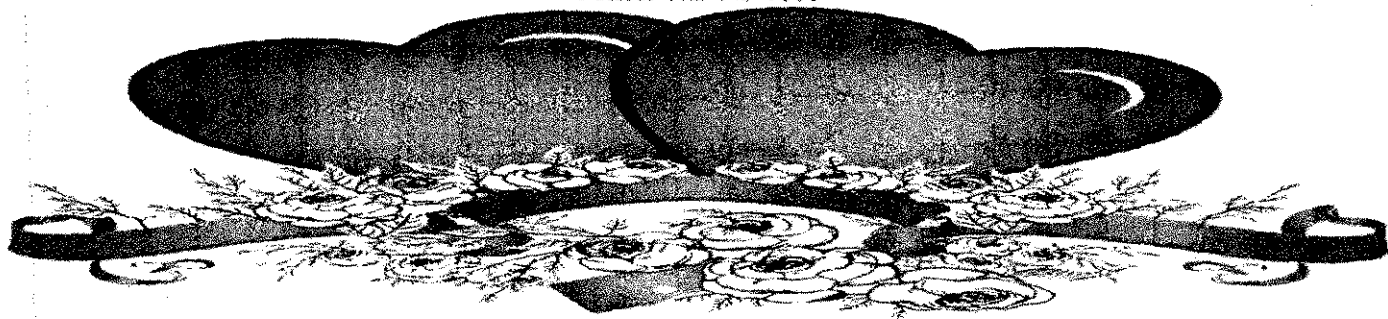


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** **BLOOD DRIVE:** The American Red Cross is having a blood drive on Saturday, February 11th in the Community Building from 7:00 am – 1:00 pm.

** **LEGION STEAK FEED:** Tuesday, February 14th The Ceresco Legion will be serving steak dinners from 5:30 pm - ?

** **CERESCO SENIOR DINER:** Is every Wednesday at noon, unless Raymond Central schools are closed due to weather.

***** **CHURCH NEWS** *****

** **SUPER BOWL LUNCHEON:** Ceresco United Methodist Church is holding a soup luncheon from noon – 1:30 pm on Sunday, February 5th. Assorted soups, sandwiches cookies and bars will be served. **FREE WILL DONATIONS going to Church Camp Scholarships.**

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- February 5th – Souper Bowl Luncheon – Noon -1:30
- February 11th – Blood Drive 7:00am – 1:00pm
- February 14th – Legion Steaks 5:30pm - ?
- February 21st – Village Board Meeting 6:00pm
- March 1st – Procrastinator’s Pancake Feed

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** **CERESCO POLICE DEPARTMENT:** Reminds you to not leave your valuables in your vehicles and make sure they are locked. If you notice anything suspicious please call Saunders Count Dispatch at (402) 443-1000 or www.saunderscountycrimestoppers.com.

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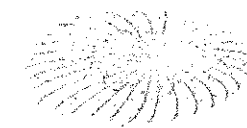
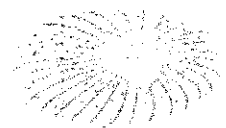
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**** CERESCO FIRE AND RESCUE:** Is having their annual pork BBQ on Saturday, April 8, 2017 from 5 – 8 P.M. in the Community Building. Free will offering collected at the door.

**** EASTER EGG HUNT:** Ceresco Covenant Church is having an Easter egg hunt for children from infant – 10 years old, on Sunday, April 9th. Registration begins at 12:30 P.M. and the hunt starts at 1:00 P.M. It will move to the Ceresco Elementary School if the weather is inclement.

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**** THE CERESCO DAYS COMMITTEE** would like to do an ice cream roll as a kid’s game during Ceresco Days and is in need of small coffee cans and gallon cans with lids. Please call the Village Office if you can help.

**** CERESCO DAYS T-SHIRTS:** You can pre-order your Ceresco Days (130 years since Ceresco was incorporated) t-shirt at First Northeast Bank of Nebraska, CerescoBank, or the Village Office. They are \$10 for youth or adult S – XL, \$12 for XXL, and \$14 for XXXL. Tank tops can also be pre-ordered for an additional fee. If you have questions call the Village Office.

**** THE CERESCO DAYS COMMITTEE:** is selling RADA cutlery to help raise money for Ceresco Days Activities. The orders will be sent in on May 1st. There are books at Ceresco Library, Sweet Pea Market and The Village Office.

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** **NOTICE OF VACANCY:** A vacancy exists on the Board of Trustees of the Village of Ceresco, Nebraska, for the term to expire December, 2018. Any qualified elector of the Village of Ceresco desiring to fill said unexpired term by appointment should contact Spencer Nelson, Village Board Chairman, or Joan Lindgren, Clerk of the Village of Ceresco, no later than **May 12th** at the Village Office 217 S. 2nd Ceresco, NE 68017. If you have questions call (402) 665-2391.

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** **VILLAGE WIDE GARAGE SALES:** Will be held Friday, May 19, 2017 from 8:00 am - 6:00 pm and Saturday, May 20, 2017 from 9:00 am - 5:00 pm. Sign up at Sweet Pea by May 8th.

** **MEMORIAL Day SERVICE:** will be held Monday, May 29th starting at 10:00 am. There will be a special flyover by a P51 Aircraft a between 10:45 - 11:00 am.

** **RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE:** Saturday June 10, 2017 from 7:00 am - 1:00 pm in the Ceresco Community Building.

PETS

** **PET LICENSE ARE PAST DUE:** The cost to license is \$10.00 for dogs, \$3.00 for cats that are spayed/neutered, and \$5.00 for cats that are not spayed/neutered. Proof of rabies vaccine is needed at the time of licensing. There is a limit of 3 dogs and 3 cats per residence. **REMEMBER:** With the warmer weather coming and people leaving their windows open, barking dog complaints always rise. Please do not leave your dogs outside all day while they are at work and are not there to monitor them. Kids are out of school and dogs running at large become a concern. Dogs should be fenced in, kept on a leash or tied up when outside. **REMINDER:** It is pet owners' responsibility to keep their pet off other peoples' property weather it's a dog or cat. **PLEASE, CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR PET.** Failure to license your pet will result in a \$25 fine per animal.

** **CHICKEN PERMITS:** Fowl, chicken, quail, and ducks are allowed in Residential Districts of the Village of Ceresco. Please visit the Village Office to see the requirements and fill out the permit. The cost is \$1.00.

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May 29th - Memorial Day Service

May 29th - Village Office Closed

May 31st - Ceresco Days T-shirt orders due

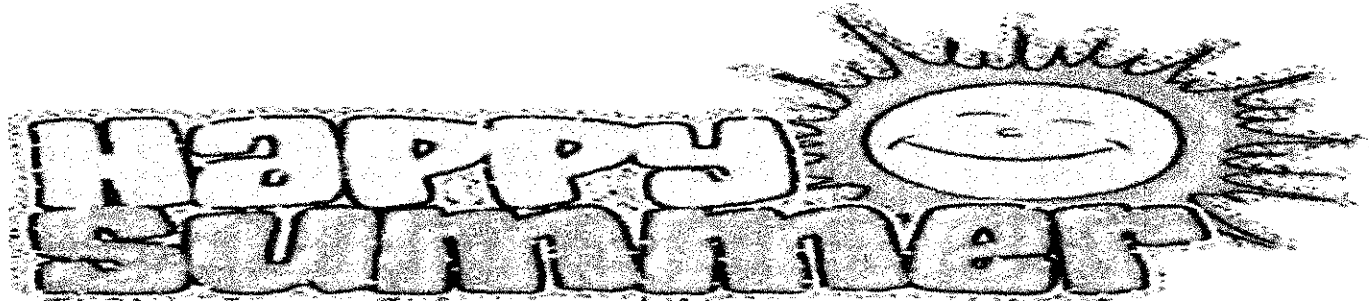
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!!!!!! CERESCO DAYS !!!!!!

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- FIREWORKS - DUSK

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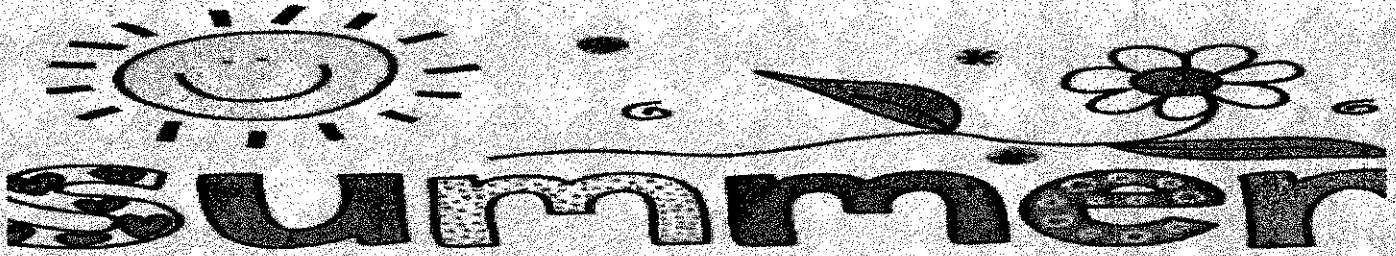
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July 4th – Village Office **CLOSED** all day

July 18th - Village Board Meeting

July 20th – 23rd Vacation Bible School

THE SPAGHETTI DINNER BEING HELD JULY 6TH DURING THE HISTORY EXHIBIT IS A FUNDRAISER TO SUPPORT POST PROM 2018!

Ceresco Days/Nebraska Sesquicentennial Celebration

Attend the Ceresco History exhibit, displays, and presentations by the Nelson Family and memoirs honoring Ceresco's Founders, Horace and Andrus Nelson, on Thursday, July 6, 2017 start your evening off with a spaghetti dinner at 5:30 pm. Savor spaghetti, Bread sticks and **VILLAGE INN PIES** along with other desserts and support Post Prom 2018. Enjoy readings, presentations and memoirs about the History of Ceresco's businesses and churches. The cost of this wondrous event is \$3.00 for children 5 and under and \$5.00 for everyone else. The cost of this experience... **PRICELESS!**

If you have Ceresco History items that you would like to share please contact Doug Swanson 402-430-3334.

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- Watermelon Feed – following parade
- Kids Activities following parade tennis court
- Ceresco's Fabulous Fireworks – Dusk
- Street Dance 8 pm – 1 am: Lightless Daze (RC 8th Grader Elijah Nacke) and Mark Vyhldal Variety Combo (Kevin Koopmann)

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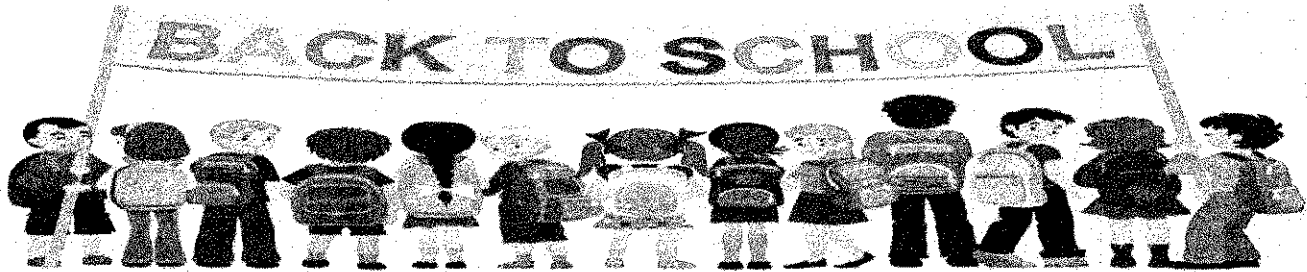
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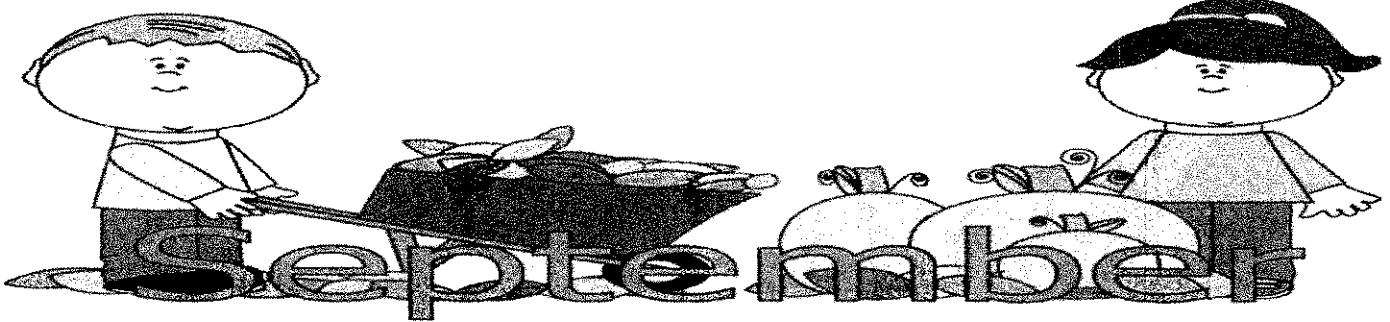
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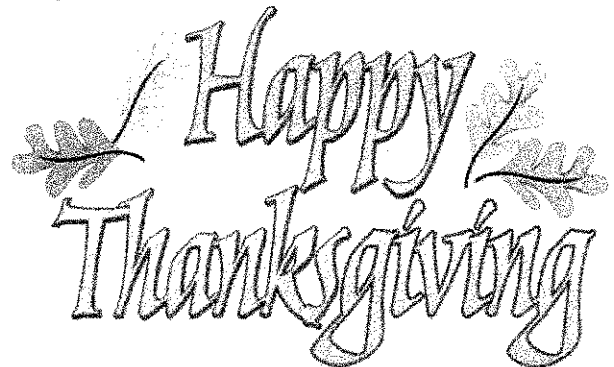
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- November 10th - Village Office Closed - Veterans Day
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CHRISTMAS SEASON CHURCH SERVICES *****

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** **EVANGELICAL COVENANT:** Will be having their regular Sunday service at 9:30 am on Sunday, December 24th. They will also be having a Christmas Eve Service at 5:30 pm.

** **UNITED METHODIST CHURCH: ADVENT SERVICES** – Sunday, December 3rd “Do Not Be Afraid, Zechariah” at 8:45 am in Valparaiso, at 9:45am in Ithaca, at 11:00 am in Ceresco; Sunday, December 10th – “Don’t Be Afraid, Mary”: at 8:45am in Valparaiso, at 9:45 am in Ithaca, at 11:00 am in Ceresco; Sunday, December 17th “Don’t Be Afraid, Joseph” at 8:45 am in Valparaiso, at 9:45 am in Ithaca, at 11:00 am in Ceresco. Children’s Christmas Program will be held during the Worship Service on Sunday, December 17th, at 9:45 am in Ithaca and at 11:00 am in Ceresco. Christmas Eve Morning Worship Services will be at 8:45 in Valparaiso – Communion Service at 9:45 in Ithaca – without Communion and at 11:00 in Ceresco – Communion Service. Parish Christmas Eve Evening Communion Service 5:00 pm in Ithaca.

** **UPDATED WEBSITE:** You can now pay your bill by going to www.ceresconet.com and clicking on **PAY MY BILL** on the right hand side of the screen. The monthly board meeting minutes and agenda are now on the website. Ordinances and Resolutions will be added soon. Also, you can see past newsletters and print off applications and permits on the website. Go to www.ceresconet.com for the latest in Village news and event information. Businesses and Organizations, if you have events that you would like advertised or added to the website please email cerescoutilities@gmail.com or call the Village Office. The website is now mobile, download the APP today!

** **ASH STREET NEIGHBORHOD LIBRARY:** As a community service project, Nicholas Davison a Webelos II Scout of Troup 20, constructed a Neighborhood Library. Nicholas drew up plans and with the help of Jerry Niday created the library using scrap materials and followed a Recycle/Repurpose/Reuse theme. The idea is a “Take One Leave One” library. You can find the library at 2nd and Ash. It is open to all.

**** COVENANT COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY:** Is a food program to help eliminate food insecurity in our community. It will be Saturday, December 9th and Saturday, December 23rd from 9:30 – 11:00 am at the Covenant Church. This service is available to anyone in the community that needs assistance. If you have questions, call 402-665-3967 and leave a message. They will get back to you. **Watch the Village Website for changes in dates or times.**

**** RADIO READ METERS:** The Village will provide a new Radio Read Meter in exchange for your old meter. This will allow your meter to be read from the sidewalk. Contact the Village Office for more information, or to reserve your new meter.

**** CHICKEN PERMITS:** Fowl, chicken, quail, and ducks are allowed in Residential Districts of the Village of Ceresco. Please visit the Village Office to see the requirements and fill out the permit. The cost is \$1.00. **ROOSTERS ARE NOT PERMITTED!**

UTILITY PAYMENTS

**** NOW ACCEPTING CREDIT CARDS:** You can pay your utility bill with a credit card at the Village Office or online. There is a convenience fee of 2.49% for credit card payments and \$1.75 for e-checks. <http://ne.gov/go/ceresco> or go to www.cerescone.com and click on PAY MY BILL.

**** AUTOMATIC BANK PAY:** Contact the Village Office to have your utility payment paid directly from your checking account.

COMPOST SITE

**** COMPOST SITE:** Is not a dump or a landfill and CANNOT be treated like one. **Do not leave trash bags at the compost site.** It is a collection site for tree branches and grass clippings only. "Clean" lumber cannot even be left at the compost site. Make sure to keep the piles separate. (Tree branches in the tree pile/grass in the grass pile.) Citations may be issued because we are at risk of losing it. Please contact the Village Office if you see any illegal dumping. A description of the vehicle and a license plate number would be a big help. **PLEASE DO NOT DRIVE IN THE COMPOST SITE WHEN IT IS MUDDY.**

SOLID WASTE

**** CARDBOARD:** There is a dumpster at the Village Maintenance Shop for **CARDBOARD ONLY**. No carpet or other items allowed. The metal box is for **METAL ONLY**. No mattresses, couches or other trash. The dumpsters will be removed if violations continue. **THE RECYCLING DUMPSTERS ARE FOR VILLAGE RESIDENTS ONLY. PLEASE FLATTEN BOXES.**

**** WASTE CONNECTIONS:** Is the Village's solid waste collection company. Residential prices applied to utility bill are: 35 gal can (provided by customer) - \$10.00; one toter (they provide) - \$10.95; toter/can - \$12.45 two toters - \$12.95; three toters - \$14.95. Remember to have your trash out to the curb by 5:00 AM, Monday mornings. If you have questions or have extra trash, please contact the Village Office.

**** RECYCLING:** Optional recycling with Waste Connections – 65 gal toter \$5.95 a month added to your Village Utility Bill. If you have questions, please contact the Village Office (402) 665-2391. Pickup is on Wednesdays.

CERESCO LIBRARY NEWS

**** MOVIE DAY:** Ceresco Library will be showing Despicable Me 3 at 12:30 pm Saturday December 9th. Everyone is welcome to attend. **A big thank you to Ernie's for providing the popcorn.**

**** YEAR AROUND HOURS:** Ceresco Library will be Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 10:00 am – noon and 2:30 – 7. Saturday hours 10:00 am – 3:00 pm.

**** STORYTIME:** Is Thursday mornings at 10:00. All children are welcome to attend.

COLD WEATHER REMINDERS

**** IN CASE OF A BIG SNOW EVENT:** Listen to the radio 106.3, KFOR, KFRX, the **BLAZE** and the **EAGLE 92** or **TV stations 10/11, FOX 42, and Channel 7** for the announcement of a snow emergency. In the event a snow emergency is declared, **ALL** vehicles must be moved off the Village Streets until the snow emergency expires. Parking for vehicles that will not fit in personal driveways is available at the owners risk at either Immanuel Lutheran or the United Methodist Church parking lots, **AND** vehicle must be removed from those parking lots immediately after the snow emergency expires.

**** PROPANE SAFETY TIPS:** If you smell gas, put out all smoking materials and open flames. Do not operate lights, telephones or cell phones. Get everyone out of the building or area where you suspect the gas is leaking. Shut off the gas supply valve or the propane tank **IF** it is safe to do so. Report leak from a neighbor's home. If you cannot reach your propane retailer call **911**. Do not return to the building or area until your propane retailer, emergency responder, or qualified service technician determines that it is safe. Get your system checked.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- December 2nd – Cookie Walk/Bake Sale – 9:00 am – 1:00pm
- December 9th – Food Pantry Open – 9:30 – 11:00 am
- December 9th – Library Movie Day ~ Despicable Me 3 – 12:30 pm
- December 9th – Legion Steak Feed – 5:30 – 8:00 pm
- December 10th – Christmas Carol Sing Along – 7:00 pm
- December 16th – Santa Claus is in town – 10:00 am – noon
- December 17th – Ceresco United Methodist Church Children's Program – 11:00 am
- December 19th – Village Board Meeting – 6:00 pm
- December 20th – Caroling Scavenger Hunt
- December 22nd – Village Office Closes at NOON
- December 23rd – Food Pantry Open 9:30 – 11:00 am
- December 24th – Christmas Eve Church Services
- December 25th – Village Office Closed ALL DAY
- December 29th – Village Office Closes at NOON
- January 1st – Village Office Closed ALL DAY

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