



BLACK EARTH NEWS

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Newsletter

November 2021

Important November Dates

- 3rd – Second-to-last brush collection date
- 11th – Village office & Library closed for Veterans Day
- 13th – American Legion Steak Feed (see back page)
- 17th – Final brush collection date of the year
- 25th – Village office closed due to Thanksgiving
- 25-28th – Library closed for Thanksgiving weekend
- 27th – Garbage/recycle pick-up will be on Saturday due to the Thanksgiving Holiday.
- 30th – Leaf collection ends (weather dependent)

Snow Removal Reminders

It's getting to be that time of year! Here is a refresher on snow removal rules:

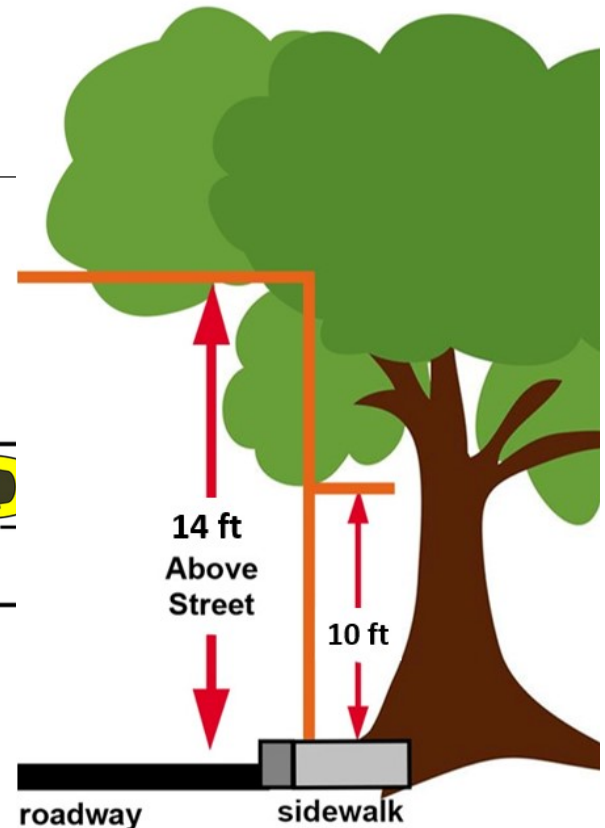
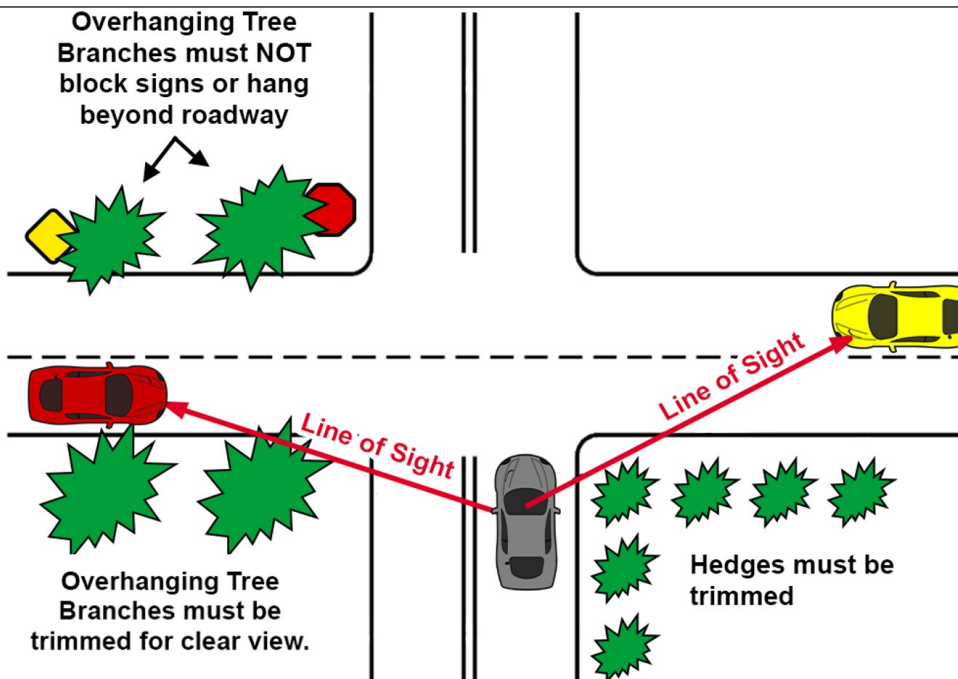
- All vehicles must be moved off of public streets within 12 hours of the end of any snowfall over 1 inch and cannot be parked on the street again until the snow has been cleared by the plows. (Ord. 255-21)
- During a declared Snow Emergency no parking is allowed on any street until all snow has been cleared. (Ord. 255-20)
- All snow and ice must be removed from all public sidewalks within 24 hours after the end of any snow event. (Ord. 236-6)

A Tree Trimming Reminder from Public Works

Village Ordinance 236-9 requires the lowest branch of all trees projecting over a public street/alley to have a minimum of a 14' clearance and a minimum of 10' clearance over any public sidewalks. This height requirement allows for safe travel of commercial vehicles and emergency vehicles such as ambulances and firetrucks, and also keeps pedestrians safe on the sidewalk. The Public Works Department will be out throughout the winter months to ensure any overhanging branches are cut to the appropriate height if they have not already been cut by the homeowner. If you have any questions about tree branches, please reach out to Public Works Director Matt Kahl at 608-767-2063 or at bepublicworks@blackearthwisconsin.com.

Also be mindful of trees, bushes, hedges, etc. near intersections. Please keep your greenery maintained in order to have clear line of sight at all intersections and ensure all road signs are visible.

Thank you for your help in keeping Black Earth safe!



Black Earth Public Library & Community

Library Hours:

Monday - Thursday: 10 a.m. to 6:45 p.m.

Friday: 10 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. **Saturday:** 10 a.m. to 1:45 p.m.

The Library will be **CLOSED**
Thursday, Nov. 11—Veterans Day
Thursday, Nov. 25 – Sunday Nov. 28—Thanksgiving

November Activity Grab Bags

Beginning November 1, we will have Activity Grab Bags filled with activity sheets, a foam sticker craft, a pencil, and a sticker sheet available! Stop in to get one, or give us a call at 608-767-4905 to reserve your bag.

Community Art Project

We're making a chain of flowers with the help of the whole community! Craft kits are available at the library's Grab n' Go station. Make your own flower with our kit, bring it back to the library to add to our flower chain, and watch our chain grow! Craft kits are available for all ages of community members and there's no limit on the number of kits you can take!

Emergency Broadband Benefit

The Federal Communications Commission has launched a temporary program to help families and households struggling to afford Internet service during the COVID-19 pandemic. The Benefit provides up to \$50 per month toward broadband service for eligible households. Eligible households can also receive a one-time discount of up to \$100 to purchase a laptop, desktop computer, or tablet from participating providers. For more information on how to enroll please visit www.fcc.gov/broadbandbenefit or call 833-511-0311.

Build Your Own Storytime

Don't forget to visit our YouTube channel anytime for videos of your favorite songs and rhymes to enjoy at home. Plus there will be NEW stories to watch every Monday morning! Go to blackearthlibrary.org and click on our YouTube link, or search for Black Earth Public Library on YouTube.

1000 Books Before Kindergarten Club on Beanstack

Go to blackearthlibrary.beanstack.org to sign up for our 1000 Books Before Kindergarten Club. All children from birth until the start of Kindergarten are welcome to join. When you've finished the program, your child will earn a free book and book bag. (Note: If you have already started this program on paper, feel free to continue on paper or transfer to Beanstack.)

AMERICAN LEGION STEAK FEED — NOVEMBER 13TH

The American Legion's annual Steak Feed is right around the corner!

Come down and enjoy a nice steak supper and support American Legion Post 313.

When: Saturday, November 13th. 4:00pm to 8:00pm

Where: Black Earth Fire Station, 711 Blue Mounds St

Menu: 8oz. Ribeye, Baked Potato, Coleslaw & Baked Beans.

Beer, soda, brats, burgers & hotdogs also available.

Dine-in or Carry-out!

Cost: \$16 in advance, \$18 at the door.

Tickets are available from The Shack Bar & Grill (1103 Mills St), any Legion member, or from Mikey Helmenstine.