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The trash & recycle calendar is attached. This is the last issue the schedule that will be in the Chenoa Junction. You can always print the schedule or pick up at City Hall.

Look at the updates to the Silliman Pond! The benches have also been refreshed, the fish have been replenished, a new pier and trees trimmed!





Shane Lane

Happy New Year Chenoa Residents! I have an open door policy – let me know your ideas to improve Chenoa. We are working hard to improve communication with you. Let us know what is working the best for you.

Tips to Beat the Freeze

- Keep garage doors closed
- Open kitchen and bathroom cabinet doors
- Let the cold water drip from a faucet
- Keep the thermostat set to the same temperature
- If you plan to be away during cold weather
- For long term – add insulation

Commissioner Corner

Chenoa Water Updates

Bev Pickett, Water Commissioner

The Clear Well project has been completed and should be in service the week of 1/8. Our old Well was 50-60 years old and below ground. This one is above ground and helps to keep the pumps not to work to hard.

Phase 1 of the water main should begin spring of 2025. This will include 8800 feet of new main, hydrants and valves.

We would appreciate anyone who has lead in the water pipes to make sure City Hall is aware.

This is crucial so we can complete our report by 4-1-24. This inventory needs to be completed so we can turn that into the EPA. A year from that we have to have a plan in place on replacing all lead in our inventory. We do appreciate any suggestions that could help out in this process.

As a reminder, unfortunately any improvements will come with a cost. So at some point we will have to raise our water rate.

Did you know about the water app that you can download to your phone to monitor your water usage? It is called Eyeonwater and it is free to download. You just need to know your billing account number to use it. You can monitor if you have leaks with this. It will show you in graphs on per day, week, month or year on when the most water is being used. I personally like keeping track of the usage this way and helps with reminding me why 1 day is much higher than average, for example you hosted a family dinner. Or you find out the who is using the most water in the house! And it wasn't me!!!



Resident Ave

* Kudos to Mary Cerda (and Santa John) for her work with the Christmas Giving Tree located in the Chenoa Fitness Center. Mary Cerda started the Giving Tree three years ago and what a wonderful tradition to begin in Chenoa. Nearly 60 kids were visited by Santa this year! The response by residents was overwhelming. The Chenoa Fire Department, Dollar General and Joe's Station House Pizza gave above the items already given by residents on the Giving Tree. Thanks Mary & John!

* **The best way to report an issue with your trash, water, etc is to email or call City Hall. We have several forms online so you can report even if City Hall is closed.**

Have you been to the Chenoa Library lately? There is so much to do for all ages. Check it out!

<https://chenoalibrary.org/>

Please be on the look-out for information for voting for the name of the Chenoa Dog Park!!!!

<https://www.facebook.com/people/Chenoa-Dog-Park/61552755370017/>



Chenoa Business Boulevard Brown Jug

Route 24 / 318 W Cemetery Ave Chenoa Illinois 61726
(815) 945-2408

The Brown Jug has been owned and operated by Bill and Pat Bridge since 2016.

Come for the food and stay for the ice cold beer. We have a full kitchen Monday through Sunday with daily food and drink specials. You can visit us on Facebook to see our daily specials.

<https://www.facebook.com/thebrownjugon66/>

Our staff will always go above and beyond to make your experience exceptional. We serve the best wings at the best prices in the area on Sundays and Mondays. Friday nights we offer North Atlantic cod fillets, grilled shrimp, homemade coleslaw, and baked potatoes.

We do yearly fundraisers with the proceeds going to the Chenoa Fire Dept. and The Chenoa 4th of July Committee. Once a year on the Marine Corps birthday we host a night dedicated for all the Marines and their families.

Every Saturday at 4:30 we hold a cash drawing open to all for the continued support of our business.

We greatly appreciate all of you that have continued to support us throughout the years.





Chenoa Club Crossing - Chenoa Girl Scouts

The Chenoa Girl Scouts have been around since 1923. That's over 100 years of Girl Scouts in our growing little town! With the goal of the Girl Scouts being "to empower young women", we have helped grow and raise hundreds of young women in Chenoa and the surrounding areas.

Today, the Girl Scouts of Chenoa host all of Prairie Central School district and more. With over 20 girls living in Chenoa, Fairbury, Forrest, Chatsworth and even Colfax, our girls come to learn and stay for the friendships and fun!

Everyone knows that we sell cookies, but did you know we also sell candies and nuts? Or that we help our community whenever we can? We often use some of our sales profits to donate goods to the food pantry or put on events for the community. So when buying our awesome treats, or donating to our wonderful organization, remember that we don't keep all of it for ourselves. We teach the girls that giving back is better! While we do use some for camping, crafts, and badges, we always think of others first!

The Chenoa Girl Scouts are currently organized by Danni Burger and Vanessa Beavers. The 20+ girls range from kindergarten through 8th grade and most have been with the scouts for at least 4 years. While the two leaders do everything they can to keep the girls interested and make sure they have fun, we are always looking for new ideas on how to give back to our community.

The Girl Scouts have partnered with other organizations on events in the past and had wonderful turnouts and a lot of fun. Examples of past events are: Grinchmas Party with the Library, Fall Touch a Truck, Daddy Daughter Dance (with many sponsors), Veterans Dinner with the Cub Scouts, Memorial Day Service, 4th of July Parade float, Shop-N-Go helpers (we help with the spring vendor show), and Dog Wash with PuppyDo.

As always, we thank everyone for the amazing support and can't wait to further serve our community. Don't forget that cookie season starts Feb 2nd! If you want cookies and don't know how to find them, feel free to reach out!



Aluminum Can Dumpster has moved to the City of Chenoa Shed -Morehead and Franklin St (behind Casey's)

- Aluminum Cans only
- Please have the cans in securely tied bags. No other recycle material is accepted.
- January, February and March donations will be used for the Downtown Chenoa Flowerpots.

Send an email to officeassistant@chenoail.org listing your favorite Girl Scout cookie as the subject line for a chance to be randomly selected for a reward. Email must be received by midnight on 1/19/24 in order to participate in the reward. If you do not have email, please call City Hall to enter. Calls must be received by 4:30 pm on 1/19/24.

Your Girl Scout Cookie favorites are back!



Adventurefuls*



Indulgent brownie-inspired cookies with caramel flavored crème and a hint of sea salt



Toast-Yay!*



French Toast-inspired cookies dipped in delicious icing



Lemonades*



Savory slices of shortbread with a refreshingly tangy lemon flavored icing



Trefoils*

Iconic shortbread cookies inspired by the original Girl Scout recipe



Thin Mints*



Crispy chocolate wafers dipped in a mint chocolaty coating



Peanut Butter Patties*



Crispy cookies layered with peanut butter and covered with a chocolaty coating



Caramel deLites*

Crispy cookies topped with caramel, toasted coconut, and chocolaty stripes



Peanut Butter Sandwich

Crisp and crunchy oatmeal cookies with creamy peanut butter filling



Caramel Chocolate Chip



*Caramel, semi-sweet chocolate chips, and a hint of sea salt in a delicious cookie**
*Limited availability



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girl scouts



2024 Republic Services Recycling and Trash Collection Calendar

■ Holidays
 ■ Recycling
 ■ Trash

JANUARY

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Please contact Republic Services in Republic Services at **815.723.3200** or visit RepublicServices.com for more information.

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Items that can always be placed in your recycling cart include:



Items that can never be placed in your recycling cart include:



Paper



Flattened Cardboard



Metal Cans



Plastic Bottles & Jugs



Glass



Plastic Bags & Wrappers



Soiled Paper



Polystyrene Foam



Clothing & Shoes



Greasy Pizza Boxes



Food



Tools



Toys



Scrap Metal



Diapers



Yard Waste



Medical Waste



Construction Waste



Electronics & Batteries

How to prepare your recyclables:



Empty. Clean. Dry.

Keep all recyclables free of food and liquid.



Don't bag it.

Never put recyclables in containers or bags.

Visit [RepublicServices.com](https://www.RepublicServices.com) for more information on recyclables.

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Sustainability in Action

January / February

2024

	SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
January / February	14-Jan	15 MLK Day Trash Day EDC Meeting	16 Water Shut Off Day	17	18	19	20
	21	22 Trash & Recycle Day	23 City Council Mtg 6:30 pm	24	25 Water Bill Due Date	26	27
	28	29 Trash Day	30	31	1-Feb	2 Groundhog Day	3
	4	5 Trash & Recycle Day Zoning Board Mtg 6:30 pm	6	7	8	9	10
	11	12 Trash Day	13 City Council Mtg 6:30 pm	14 Valentine's Day	15	16	17
	18	19 President's Day City Hall Closed Trash & Recycle Day	20 Water Shut Off Day	February 26, 2023 - Water Bill Due Day			