

NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2023 SMALL TOWN BIG HEARTS

SCAM ALERT

It has come to our attention that individuals have been soliciting donations for the Chalmers Police Dept. These individuals have no affiliation with the **Town of Chalmers or its** Police Department and under no circumstances should you give them money that will undoubtedly go into their pockets. **Anyone wishing to** donate to the Police or Fire Dept should do so through the Town Hall.



'Tis always the season for potential power outages – silly squirrels sometimes think those power lines are shortcuts until they get zapped and blow a transformer.

When spot power outages occur, please do not call REMC. In order for them to respond as quickly as possible, especially after hours, it's important that the call come from an employee of the town who can properly ID the town as a customer and get emergency assistance rolling. Call 219-984-5494 ext. 4 to reach the Town Superintendent who will make that call.

This year's Trick/Trunk or Treat was one for the books - record cold, a little snow, a little sleet + road closures – but the kiddos were no less enthusiastic. Thank you to the few die hards that dispensed treats from their vehicles. There were also plenty of treats, as well as hamburgers and hot dogs, in the comfort of the Legion plus lots of competition for the best costumes. Thanks to the Chalmers Park Board & Frontier Rotary Club!

The Town of Chalmers is pleased to welcome Doug Reed as our new Street & Utility Operations Superintendent. Doug will be assuming his duties on Monday 11/27.

Don't forget to check out our web site. Just google Town of Chalmers to access. We post changes in trash pick-up, boil orders, road closures, etc.



We hope that everyone has a merry Christmas and happy holidays. And if that's too much to ask, we hope that everyone will be OK.

Christmas is the most wonderful time of the year for many of us who enjoy family gatherings, gift giving, religious services or other traditions. We know this time of year can also be hard on people who know they're supposed to feel jolly, but can't quite manage it, for any number of reasons.

The holiday season is a time for celebrations, but for many, it can also be the season of loneliness, stress and difficult memories. These challenges can take an immense toll on our individual and collective mental health. If you are experiencing anxiety, depression or other challenges, reach out for help."

Christmas can feel like a lot of work, whether it be holiday shopping, trimming the tree or hosting guests. And even though there is so much to do and so much to think about, we hope people in our community will think about each other, too, and how to make sure those they care about have happy holidays. That might mean trying to extend ourselves outside our comfort zone to add to Christmas cheer, or it might mean understanding if one of our loved ones needs some time away from all the merry making.

Most of us, around this time of year, wish people a merry Christmas. We might also ask them if they're having a merry Christmas and listen to what they tell us.

We didn't forget Thanksgiving (as retail seems to do) – just ran out of time. Hope you all had

