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January 2, 2026



Christmas Trees and Wreaths

Live Christmas trees and wreaths can be placed at the curb on your scheduled collection day throughout January.

Important reminder: Please have all items at the curb by 6:30 am. Also, do not place carts in the street.

For more information, contact the Environmental Health Division at 847-359-9042 or visit our [website](#).

Holiday Light Recycling Program

The Village of Palatine is pleased to offer a Holiday Light Recycling Program now until January 31, 2026.

Holiday string lights can be dropped off at the Palatine Village Hall, Village Services Counter (first floor), Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

[Learn More](#)

Simple Recycling

Textile recycling is available, free, to Palatine residents through Simple Recycling. Textile recycling is a way for residents to recycle used clothing items instead of throwing them away. This program diverts clothing and textile items from landfills, assists the local community, and supports the environment and planet.

Schedule your **FREE** pickup with **SimpleRecycling.com** and have them pick up directly from your door!

Let Your Clothing Be Loved Again!

[Schedule a Pickup](#)



The graphic is a vertical rectangular advertisement for Simple Recycling. At the top, the logo 'simplerecycling' is displayed in green and blue. Below the logo, a green banner contains the text 'CLOTHING COLLECTION IS NOW GOING DIGITAL! SCHEDULE YOUR FREE PICKUP @ SIMPLERECYCLING.COM' in white. The main body of the graphic has a light blue background and is titled 'GENTLY USED ITEMS WE ACCEPT' in bold blue letters. Below the title, there is a list of items with corresponding icons: a t-shirt for 'ALL TYPES OF CLOTHING', a sneaker for 'SHOES', a shoe accessory for 'ACCESSORIES', a jacket for 'KITCHENWARE', a lampshade for 'LINENS', and a bag for '*ITEMS LESS THAN 50 LBS THAT ONE MAN CAN CARRY'. At the bottom, the website 'simplerecycling.com' is written in white on a dark blue background.

Recycle Your Leftover Paint

SWANCC has a new, easy option to recycle paint with **PaintCare** at more than 250 drop-off sites across the state.

The **PaintCare** program is Illinois's new initiative that makes it easier to recycle or safely dispose of leftover latex and oil-based household paint. Funded through a small fee added to the purchase of new paint, the program sets up **FREE**, convenient drop-off sites where residents and businesses can bring unused paint instead of throwing it



Paint recycling is now available in

ILLINOIS

www.PaintCare.org/drop-off-sites/



away. Once collected, the paint is sorted, reused, recycled, or disposed of responsibly, helping reduce waste and protect the environment.

Find a drop-off location near you and recycle that old paint. Participating locations accept up to 5 gallons per visit (*some may take more*), contact your preferred location to confirm hours and requirements. You will not be charged to drop off acceptable paint at participating locations.

[Learn More](#)

Upcoming Community Events

Palatine Winter Farmers' Market

Palatine Train Station
Saturday, January 3, 9:00 a.m.

Beetlejuice Jr. (*Cricket Youth Theatre*)

Cutting Hall Performing Arts Center
Saturday, January 3, 7:00 p.m.
Sunday, January 4, 2:00 p.m.

Squirrel Door Project Pick-Up

Palatine Park District
Tuesday, January 6, 6:00 a.m.

Bingo

American Legion
Saturday, January 10, 6:00 p.m.

Parents Night Out

Rose Park
Friday, January 16, 6:00 p.m.

Paint and Craft Night

Twin Lakes Clubhouse
Friday, January 16, 6:30 p.m.

Winterfest

Salt Creek Sports Center
Saturday, January 17, 12:00 p.m.

Sammy's Bingo Bash

Birchwood Recreation Center
Sunday, January 18, 1:00 p.m.

(click on the event name for more details)

* **January 11, 2026 8:00am - 12:00pm** ❄️
Winter Brunch
All proceeds go to support Explorers.

* Brunch will include your choice of:

▪ Eggs	▪ Bacon
▪ Pancakes	▪ Orange juice
▪ French Toast	▪ Coffee
▪ Sausage	▪ Water

❄️ Adults \$13
Ages 5-10 \$6
Under 5 Free

Come join us at
American Legion Hall
122 W PALATINE RD
PALATINE, IL

Join the Palatine Fire Dept. for their Explorers Winter Brunch:

- Sunday, January 11, 2026,
- 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM
- American Legion Hall (122 W. Palatine Rd.)

Bring the family out for a delicious winter brunch while supporting a great cause! All proceeds directly benefit the Palatine Fire Department Explorers Program, which gives young people hands-on experience in fire service, leadership, teamwork, and community service.



WE'RE HIRING!

- CIVIL ENGINEER I OR CIVIL ENGINEER II
- ELECTRICIAN
- ENGINEERING INTERN
- FIREFIGHTER/PARAMEDIC

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847-358-7500



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