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Carl Bozenski's Christmas Village

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CHRISTMAS VILLAGE OPENS FOR THE 67TH YEAR!!!

On **Sunday, December 7, 2014,** Carl Bozenski's Christmas Village opens for the 67th consecutive year. A parade will start at the Armory at 12:30 PM, continuing on Main Street, then up Mason Street to Christmas Village on Church Street. The Civil Air Patrol Honor Guard along with the Torrington High School JROTC will lead the parade, which will consist of a variety of local organizations and entertainment including: Saint Peter's Drum Corps, the Torrington High School Band, Torrington High School Dance Team, Torrington High School Cheerleaders, Torrington Fire Department, Vogel Wetmore School, Torringford School, Torrington Trails Network, Miss Stacey's Early Childhood Education Center, LLC, Frosty the Snowman, Santa's Elves, local elected officials, the Mayor's Committee on Youth, and Mayor Elinor Carbone. Santa and Mrs. Claus will arrive at Christmas Village in a horse drawn carriage. If your organization is interested in participating in this year's parade, please call (860) 489-2274 to register.

The opening ceremony will begin at Christmas Village at approximately 1:00 PM. Former Mayor, Mike Conway will host the event and will be accompanied by the Torrington Musicians Association Brass Ensemble. The National Anthem will then be sung by Lynn Whittaker, followed by an invocation given by Pastor Steve Darr of First Congregational Church. The doors to Christmas Village will officially open at the conclusion of the opening ceremony.

Christmas Village will be open December 7-23 from 1:00 - 8:30 PM, before officially closing on Christmas Eve. The hours on Christmas Eve will be 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM. On Tuesday, December 16th, from 5:00 - 8:30 PM, Silent Santa will be "signing" for all deaf or hearing-impaired visitors; however, anyone is welcome to attend on that day. Mrs. Claus will again be visiting Christmas Village this year and will be greeting visitors in her special room.

For questions regarding Christmas Village, please contact the Torrington Parks and Recreation Department at (860) 489-2274.

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