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Carl Bozenski's Christmas Village

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CHRISTMAS VILLAGE OPENS FOR THE 68TH YEAR!!!

On **Sunday, December 6, 2015**, Carl Bozenski's Christmas Village opens for the 68th 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 Veteran's Honor Guard, Civil Air Patrol, 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 Cheerleaders, Torrington Warriors, Torrington Fire Department, Vogel Wetmore School, Toringford School, Southwest School, Torrington Trails Network, Miss Stacey's Early Childhood Education Center, LLC, Frosty the Snowman, Santa's Elves, Girl Scouts, 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.

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 the 2015 Northwest Idol Runner-up, Katelyn Gavagan, 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 6-23 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 15th, 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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