



# Scarecrow Rows Glen Ellyn

## Building your Scarecrow

Thank you for participating Glen Ellyn's Scarecrow Event! We are calling all Scouts, Non-Profits & Businesses to build a Scarecrow to create a fun family event in Glen Ellyn. Our hope is to attract people to see the 50+ handmade Scarecrows, highlighting the amazing community groups who created them, linking them with local sponsors and for guests to make a day in Glen Ellyn with visiting our storefronts and dining in our restaurants.

**Please keep track of these Scarecrow Rows dates:**

- **September 14: Build a Scarecrow Sign Up Opens**
- **September 27-October 8: Scarecrow Supply Pick up at Chamber Office**-Pick up your scarecrow kit from the Chamber office (810 N. Main St.)
- **October 8: Description is Due**-The Chamber will create signage and post on the scarecrows. Signs will list the organization, name of the scarecrow, a short description and sponsorship logo. Please go onto the Chamber's website to complete form.
- **October 9-October 15 Install Scarecrows**—Create and complete your scarecrow off-site. Attach your scarecrow to your designated light pole with provided zip ties no later than October 15<sup>th</sup>.
- **October 16-October 31: Scarecrow Rows Event**-Public viewing of scarecrows.
- **November 1-November 4: Scarecrow Teardown**-All scarecrows must be removed from their light pole by November 4<sup>th</sup>. Do not dispose your scarecrow in public trash bins.
- **November 1-November 5: Return Scarecrow Frame**-Return only the scarecrow frame to Chamber (810 N. Main St.) November 1-November 5 between 9am-3pm. There will be a large green trash bin to place your frame and a sign out sheet.

**The following SCARECROW KIT will be picked up at the Glen Ellyn Chamber Sept. 27th - Oct 8th:**

- PVC pipe cross to build your scarecrow on
- Burlap "body" to stuff (the arms and legs are created by troop)
- Straw (not hay due to allergies) to use as stuffing
- Extra-large zip ties to attach your scarecrow to the light pole
- Form to complete the name and description of your Scarecrow. Signage will be created and attached to your scarecrow.

**Your group might need the following supplies to build your scarecrow:**

- A tarp or large sheet to make clean up easier
- Scissors
- Sharpies
- Duct tape
- Twine
- Safety pins
- RAKE, BROOM & DUST PAN FOR CLEAN-UP
- BAGS FOR YOUR TRASH
- Clothes & décor for your scarecrow theme

**Helpful ideas for your scarecrow:**

- NOTHING PERISHABLE MAY BE USED
- Head ideas: Plastic pumpkin, milk jug, pot, ball, pillowcase, burlap bag
- Hair: Yarn, mop, wig
- Clothing: Shirt, pants/skirt, hat, glove, shoes, nylon/polyester hold up better than cotton
- Accessories: Costume jewelry, purse, gloves, suspenders, hat, feathers
- Arms/Legs: The PVC cross sticks out straight so your scarecrow arms will be straight. A button-down shirt or large t-shirt works well, pillowcases, long gloves, jeans, thicker tights, or leggings (tights may rip)
- Scarecrows must be NON-POLITICAL, tasteful and appropriate.
- There are many YOUTUBE videos and pics on-line for creative ideas as well.

**\*Your scarecrow will be out in the elements for two weeks and may get rained on, blown by wind, buried in snow. Attach everything very securely! Please DO NOT use anything valuable. Remember scarecrows are to be built/assembled off site and placed in Downtown October 9-October 15.**

**Take Down:**

- Please take down your scarecrow from November 1<sup>st</sup> to November 5th.
- Dispose of all trash at your home not in public trash cans
- Return the frame and sign to the chamber during office hours

**Please call the Chamber office for questions: 630.469.0907 or Email: [Admin@GlenEllynChamber.com](mailto:Admin@GlenEllynChamber.com)**