



The West Milwaukee

SUMMER 2021

# Village News

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## 2021 SPRING CLEAN UP RECAP

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# Village News Brief

## President's Message

Welcome to the summer issue of the Village Newsletter.

The past year and a half has been a period of unprecedented changes and challenges in our community, across the nation and around the world. Now that the virus has caused so much disruption and suffering it finally appears to be under control, we still desperately need as many of you as possible to get vaccinated. Only when we are vaccinated can life truly return to what will seem 'normal'.

As I write this, summer like weather is returning and with it the County Parks Travelling Beer Garden. This is the first time this event has come to West Milwaukee Park and it reinforces just how nice the park can be. I hope you were able to enjoy it.

Our Police department will be hosting the annual National Night Out on Saturday September 4<sup>th</sup> on the field at West Milwaukee Intermediate School. This is a fantastic opportunity to get together with your neighbors, learn about services and happenings in our community, enjoy food from local restaurants, and roasted sweet corn from your West Milwaukee Lions Club.

Speaking of Lions, Did you know that Lions Clubs International is the world's largest service organization with local clubs in over 200 countries around the world? Did you know that local Lions, with the help of Lions International, are often the first to offer comfort and support to communities hit by natural disasters? Our West Milwaukee Lions Club was chartered in 1937 to serve needs of our residents as well as support the mission of Lions International. We need you to grow and continue this mission. Please contact me for more information. <https://www.wmlionsclub.org> or on fb West Milwaukee Lions Club.

When you have a chance, please, thank our police, DPW and municipal staff for the outstanding effort they have shown to support all of us and keep our Village a great place to live.

Public Service opportunities come up from time to time to participate as a citizen commissioner on our Plan Commission, Community Development Authority, Tourism Commission, Board of Review, or other positions in local government. If you would like to be considered to serve in some capacity, please contact me.

Please remember that you are always welcome to attend our Village Board meetings on the first and third Monday of the month at 7 PM. There is always an opportunity for public comments at the start of these meetings. Hope to see you.

Sincerely,

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Village President  
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 President John Stalewski



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**(414) 645-1530**

**4755 W. Beloit Rd.**  
**8:00 a.m.—4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday**  
**[www.westmilwaukee.org](http://www.westmilwaukee.org)**  
**[www.visitwestmilwaukee.org](http://www.visitwestmilwaukee.org)**

**Police Non-Emergency**  
**(414) 645-2151**

**Student Enrollment and Address Changes?**  
**Has your address changed?**

**Visit our Enrollment Center!**  
**West Allis - West Milwaukee School District**  
**Administration Building**  
**1205 S. 70th St., 5th Floor**  
**Monday — Friday, 7:30 am — 4:30pm**

Proof of Residency is required. Visit the district website for more information.

**Contact the Enrollment Center via email**  
**[enrollment@wawmsd.org](mailto:enrollment@wawmsd.org) or telephone at**  
**(414) 604-3014**

**Village Assessor**  
**Associated Appraisal Consultants, Inc.**

P.O. Box 440  
Greenville, WI 54942-0440

**Assessment Questions: 1 (800) 721-4157**

Fax: (920) 731-4158

Email: [info@apraz.com](mailto:info@apraz.com)

Property Info: [www.apraz.com](http://www.apraz.com)

(You can access Real Estate property information, current owner addresses, and more. For residential parcels more detailed information is available: styles, stories, year built, assessments, legal descriptions and more.)

# WATER SAFETY FOR YOUR DOG

By Karen Sparapani, Milwaukee Area Domestic Animal Control Commission (MADACC)

With warm weather approaching, more people will take to the water with their pets. Whether it is a pool, a river or lake, or on a boat, you need to make sure your pet is safe around water.

**Always look** at water conditions before letting your dog swim or wade.

**Provide your dog a fresh water** source to minimize the amount of pool/lake water they drink.

**Rinse your dog off** as soon as possible after being in the water. Since dogs often lick their fur, they can ingest toxins even after they are dry.

**Teach your dog to swim.** Start in shallow water and be sure to let him rest in between training swims. Give him enough support physically, encourage him verbally and with treats, and train him how to easily get out of the water.

**Never leave your pup unsupervised.** Even if you've got a good swimmer on your hands, do not leave your pet unsupervised around deep water.

**Let him enter and exit the water on his own.** Dogs should be able to enter and exit a pool, lake, river, or ocean on his own. Never throw or force your dog into deep water.

**Life vests and flotation devices are as practical as they are cute.** Canine life jackets and floats are a must for any dog you may take on a boat, puppies, seniors, or short-leg, long-body breeds that inherently aren't strong swimmers. Be sure you purchase the correct size for your pup so it works properly.

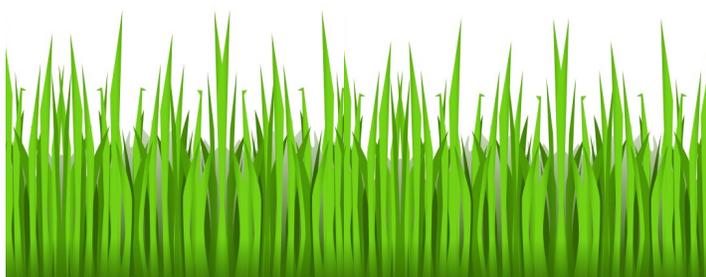


Photo Courtesy: "Underwater Dogs" by Seth Casteel

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## VILLAGE OF WEST MILWAUKEE MUNICIPAL CODE SEC. 90-80

It shall be the duty of every person or organization to mow or cause to be mowed upon property so owned or occupied all grasses or weeds exceeding six inches height.



## WEST MILWAUKEE PROPERTY REGISTRATION

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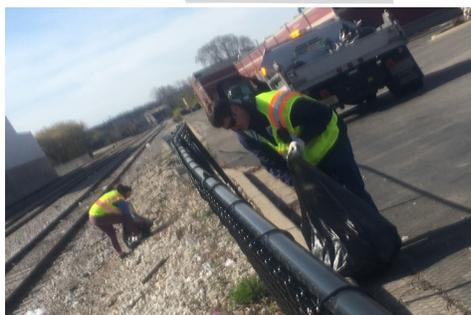
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There is no fee in 2020 to register your property at the Clerk's Office. Properties not registered may receive a fine.

## SPRING CLEANUP RECAP 2021

By: Village Trustee, Mariel Hildenbrand

April 17th, 2021 West Milwaukee held it's annual Spring Clean Up event and we had a great turnout of volunteers to help clean up litter around the village. In total 34 volunteers cleaned up 2,300 lbs. of garbage from various areas around West Milwaukee in partnership with our Department of Public Works. Thank you to all who came out and participated in keeping West Milwaukee clean and welcoming for all who live here!

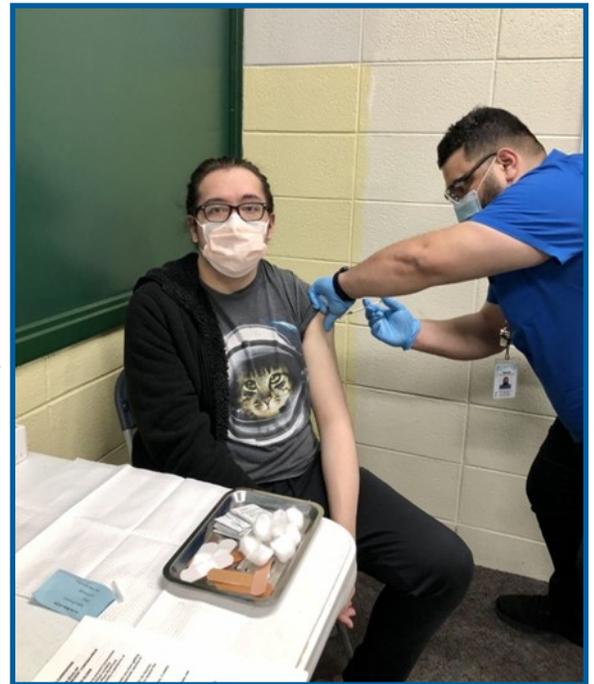


# WHY IS IT ESSENTIAL TO GET VACCINATED AGAINST COVID-19?

By: Feras Rizeq MD MPH, West Allis Health Department

**The vaccination process has begun and vaccines are available for people over the age of 12 in the State of Wisconsin. The COVID-19 vaccines:**

- Help keep you from getting sick or seriously ill even if you do get COVID-19.
- Protect community members around you, particularly people at increased risk for severe illness from COVID-19.
- Are the safest way to build protection for you and your loved ones.
- Are safe and effective. Clinical trials results have shown this to be true. Their use would not be authorized if they weren't deemed safe.
- Produce immunity in your body against the virus.
- Are important tools to help slow the spread of COVID-19 — along with wearing a mask, staying six feet away from other people who are not from your household, avoiding crowds, and washing your hands frequently.
- Do not cause you to get sick with COVID-19. After getting vaccinated, you might have some side effects, which are normal signs that your body is building protection.



*Photo courtesy of West Allis Health Department*

# West Allis-West Milwaukee School District

*Learning That Works*

## District to Open 4K-12th Grade Deeper Learning Virtual Academy in Fall

In response to the needs of our diverse learning community, we are proud to announce the launch of a 4K-12th Grade Deeper Learning Virtual Academy in our West Allis-West Milwaukee School District for the 2021-2022 school year. We feel it is important to provide our learners with an option that best fits their learning style. Learners enrolled in our 2021-2022 Deeper Learning Virtual Academy will:

- Receive tuition-free online instruction.
- Access engaging and empowering virtual learning opportunities with an emphasis on cross-curricular projects.
- Receive quarterly opportunities to spend time in one of our school buildings to access the equipment needed to create and build projects.
- Receive a computer device and learning materials.
- Have the ability to participate in co-curricular activities and events sponsored by the assigned neighborhood school.



Resident families that have questions about the Deeper Learning Virtual Academy or wish to enroll their child for the coming school year should contact Mr. Adam Hengel at [hengela@wawmsd.org](mailto:hengela@wawmsd.org) or 414-604-3015.

## Music Education Program Receives National Recognition

Our music program has been honored with the Best Communities for Music Education designation from The National Association of Music Merchants (NAMM) Foundation for its outstanding commitment to music education. This is the seventh time that our music program has received national recognition from the NAMM Foundation. "Music education is an important component of our curriculum 4K through 12th grade. As part of our Equity Beliefs, we work with our teachers to provide opportunities for all students utilizing the Deeper Learning Competencies. We focus on communication, collaboration, public performance, immediate feedback, and a sense of belonging in Music and Fine Arts, by supporting our children in developing their talents and pursuing things of interest to them. I am proud of our work and the dedication of our teachers in serving the children in our community," said Superintendent, Dr. Marty Lexmond.



## Resident Enrollment for 2021-2022 School Year

West Allis-West Milwaukee schools provide engaging learning experiences in classrooms where students are welcomed, challenged, and supported. Instruction is personalized, engaging, and focuses on college/career readiness and 21st century skill development. We develop school cultures where students, teachers, and families form strong relationships to support learning. Go to [www.wawm.k12.wi.us](http://www.wawm.k12.wi.us) for more information!

# REAL ESTATE TAX PAYMENTS

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***Your final tax payment installment is due on July 31, 2021.*** Please make sure that your tax payment is either in our office by this date, or postmarked by the post office by this date.

## PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX PAYMENTS

Your personal property taxes were due on January 31<sup>st</sup>, if they were not paid in full, there is a 1.5% penalty and interest that accumulates per month, until paid in full.

## TAX PAYMENTS BY CREDIT OR DEBIT CARDS

To pay the fee online through [www.allpaid.com](http://www.allpaid.com) and use PLC# 8020 for Tax Payments. Please list the parcel number and address.

For any questions on making a payment through GovPayNet, please do not contact our office, as there is a service that handles the online payment. Call: 1-888-604-7888.

***Taxes, assessment and owner information is available online at [www.westmilwaukee.org](http://www.westmilwaukee.org).***

***Please use the link on the Village website [www.westmilwaukee.org](http://www.westmilwaukee.org)***

*After the July 31<sup>st</sup> due date, the tax bills will be turned over to Milwaukee County and you will have to make payments to The Milwaukee County Treasurer's Office.*

**Office Telephone: 414-278-4033**

**Office Fax: 414-223-1383**

## NATIONAL NIGHT OUT 2021

The West Milwaukee Police Department will hold National Night Out on **Saturday, September 4<sup>th</sup> 2021**. The festivities will take place from **11:00am-4:00pm** and will be held at **West Milwaukee Middle School**. Please see [www.westmilwaukee.org](http://www.westmilwaukee.org) for important updates and information.



*Photo courtesy of Village of West Milwaukee*

## VILLAGE OF WEST MILWAUKEE CLERK/TREASURER'S DEPARTMENT

We are open Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m until 4:30 p.m.

**The Village of West Milwaukee's Clerk/Treasurer's Department will be closed on the following days:**

Monday, July 5, 2021 (Independence Day)

Monday, September 6, 2021 (Labor Day)

Thursday, November 25, 2021 (Thanksgiving)

Friday, November 26, 2021

Thursday, December 23, 2021

Friday, December 24, 2021 (Christmas)

Friday, December 31, 2021

## WEST MILWAUKEE WORD SEARCH

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BELOIT

MITCHELL

GREENFIELD

POLICE

TRUSTEES

PUBLICWORKS

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## PERMIT INFORMATION

Summer is the best time to complete many home improvement projects, such as putting up a new fence, roofing your house, and more.

Prior to performing any of these projects on your residential or commercial property, please ensure that you first obtain the necessary permits with the Village of West Milwaukee's Clerk's Office.

Performing work that requires a permit without first obtaining a permit may result in extra fees.

More information on permits (building, electrical, etc.) and inspections is available on the Village Website, under both the Departments tab (under "Inspections") and Information (under "Forms/Permits") tabs. For any specific questions related to permits and the permit process, please email [general@westmilwaukee.org](mailto:general@westmilwaukee.org) or call (414) 645-1530.

## WEST ALLIS FARMER'S MARKET

The West Allis Farmers Market offers a wide variety of seasonal produce, fresh meats and eggs, honey and maple syrup, fresh-cut flowers and annual plants, and prepared foods. Each year the Farmers Market is open from the first Saturday in May through the Saturday after Thanksgiving. **Open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from noon to 6 p.m. and on Saturdays from 1 – 6 p.m.**



Photo courtesy of West Allis Farmer's Market

It is the policy of the Village of West Milwaukee to assure equal opportunity to live in adequate housing facilities regardless of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, handicap, sexual preference, marital status of persons maintaining a household, lawful source of income, place of birth, or age, and to prohibit discrimination in housing by any persons.

In connection with any real estate transaction which affects any housing accommodation on the open market, or in connection with any public sale, purchase, rental or lease of any accommodation, it is illegal within West Milwaukee for a person, owner, financial institution, real estate broker or sales representative to:

1. Refuse to sell, purchase, rent or lease to a person because of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, handicap, marital status, sexual preference, sex, age, or place of birth.
2. To discriminate against a person in the terms, conditions or privileges on the sale, purchase, rental or lease of any housing accommodation.

Any person who has a complaint, or who may be aggrieved by any unlawful practice which is prohibited by the Village ordinance (50-30) or State Statute (106.50), may file a complaint after the alleged unlawful practice has occurred. In addition to the local Code of Ordinances, an individual can pursue complaints under both state and federal fair housing laws. If a person chooses to pursue a complaint through a federal administrative agency the complaint must be filed with the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) within one year of the last act of discrimination under the 1968 Federal Fair Housing Act (FFHA). To file a federal court action under the FFHA one must file the complaint within two years of the act of discrimination. In addition, under the Civil Rights Act of 1866, which only applies to racial discrimination, a person has up to three years to file a judicial complaint. Additional contact telephone numbers for complaints include the Metropolitan Milwaukee Fair Housing Council (414-278-1240), the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (414-297-3214, Ext. 8300 or 8301), or the State of Wisconsin Equal Rights Division (414-227-4384).

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There is no fee to register your property at the Clerk's Office. Properties not registered may receive a fine.

The contact information collected is used to notify those that have care and control of the property when there are building code violations.

For additional information, please visit our website at [www.westmilwaukee.org](http://www.westmilwaukee.org) (under the News and Property Maintenance tabs), call the Clerk's Office at (414) 645-1530, or email us at [general@westmilwaukee.org](mailto:general@westmilwaukee.org).

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## WISCONSIN STATE FAIR PARK EVENTS 2021

Wednesday Night Live is a unique, **FREE**, weekly summer concert series held exclusively at the Bud Pavilion at State Fair Park.

**Gates Open: 6 pm**

**Live Music Begins: 7 pm**

**Live Music Ends: 10:30 pm**

For more details visit [budpavilion.com](http://budpavilion.com).

The Wisconsin State Fair will return in August after being cancelled last year due to the pandemic. The fair will take place :

**Thursday, August 5, 2021 through Sunday, August 15, 2021.**

See [www.wistatefair.com](http://www.wistatefair.com) for more information and updates!



Photos courtesy of Wisconsin State Fair



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Police Department Emergency	911	Village President, John Stalewski	(414) 645-1530 ext. 126
Police Department Non-Emergency (24 hours)	(414) 645-2151	Village Administrator, Kim Egan	(414) 645-1530 ext. 131
Police Night Parking Permission	(414) 671-8093	Village Clerk/Treasurer, Susan Schupp	(414) 645-1530 ext. 124
Police Chief	(414) 645-2151	Superintendent of Public Works, Jim Stenzel	(414) 645-1530 ext. 160

Clerk/Treasurer's Department	8:00 a.m.— 4:30 p.m., Monday-Friday	(414) 645-1530
Department of Public Works	7:00 a.m.— 3:30 p.m., Monday-Friday	(414) 645-6238

Village Hall	4755 W. Beloit Rd.	(414) 645-1530	Property Maintenance Inspectors, Joe VanDerLinden and Rick Durica	(414) 645-1530 ext. 129
Municipal Court Room	1345 S. 47th St.	(414) 645-5411	Building Inspector (SAFEbuilt)	(414) 645-1530 ext. 127
Community Centre'	1345 S. 47th St.	(414) 645-1530	Court Clerk	(414) 645-5411
West Milwaukee Post Office	4300 W. Lincoln Ave.	(414) 643-0443	Assessor, Associated Appraisal	(920) 749-1995
Health Department (West Allis)	7120 W. National Ave.	(414) 302-8600		
W.A. W.M. School District	1205 S. 70th St.	(414) 604-3000		
W.A.W.M. Recreation Department	1205 S. 70th St.	(414) 604-4900		

### Village Board of West Milwaukee

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<b>Adrianna LaMack</b>	<b>Village Trustee</b>	<b>Adrianna.Lamack@westmilwaukee.org</b>

### Email Addresses:

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**Police:** police@westmilwaukee.org

These mailboxes are not continuously monitored and should never be used in emergencies.