



The West Milwaukee

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# Village News

Official Publication of the Village of West Milwaukee



## SHOP WITH A COP RECAP

On December 13th, our Police Department hosted our 2024 Shop With A Cop event at Target in West Milwaukee. Our officers were accompanied by Village of West Milwaukee administrative staff, elected officials, and other law enforcement officers from the U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs Federal Police, Wisconsin State Patrol, Wisconsin State Fair Park Police, Marquette University Police Department, Village of Pewaukee Police Department and Germantown Police Department.

The kids and their families had an awesome time picking out toys and other items throughout the store, spent time with Santa and enjoyed some delicious pizza from Rocky Rococo Pizza and Pasta!

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# Village News Brief

## President's Message

Welcome to the Spring 2025 issue of the Village Newsletter. Spring is widely regarded as a time of renewal and that carries over to the Village of West Milwaukee.

March 9th is when we set our collective clocks to 'Spring Ahead' and think of the warm sunshine to come.

April 1st marks the General Election in the Village where we all have the opportunity to participate in the selection of our neighbors to represent our interests on the Village Board and the WAWM School Board. There will also be important statewide candidates and issues, but our local candidates have the opportunity to direct and affect our quality of life the quality education of our children. Please vote!

April 26th will be our annual Village clean-up project. Volunteers are asked to gather at the DPW garage on Burnham St. before 9:00 AM for area assignments and supplies.

There continues to be development activity bringing positive changes to the Village landscape with discussion underway on two significant redevelopment targets.

Your Village Board is committed to maintaining and improving infrastructure, services, and public safety. Our Police Department is doing an outstanding job responding to calls for service, but they cannot be everywhere. If you see something happening or something suspicious, please make the call to the Police Department at (414) 645-2151. This is our Village, let's take care of it! Our Public Works Department has again done an excellent job this past winter keeping our Village streets clear and safe. Say thank you if you get an opportunity.

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 or hear from you.

Sincerely,

John Stalewski  
Village President  
645-1530 ext. 126

[john.stalewski@westmilwaukee.gov](mailto:john.stalewski@westmilwaukee.gov)

 President John Stalewski



**WEST MILWAUKEE**

**Village Hall  
(414) 645-1530**

**4755 W. Beloit Rd.  
8:00 a.m.—4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday  
[www.westmilwaukee.gov](http://www.westmilwaukee.gov)  
[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  
9333 W. Lincoln Ave.**

**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.**

W6237 Neubert Rd.  
Appleton, WI 54913

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

Fax: (920) 731-4158

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



## ADOPTABLE DOGS AT RESCUE GANG



Meet Pierre! This charming 6-year-old French Bulldog is on the hunt for his forever home. Pierre arrived in rough shape, but with plenty of love & care, he's making great progress—gaining weight & building strength in his back legs.

Pierre is doing wonderfully with potty training & kennel training, & his playful personality is starting to shine. He adores toys & bones, but balls are his ultimate favorite. If you're up for a game of fetch, you'll win his heart in no time!

Pierre is great with children & cats, making him a wonderful addition to a family. However, for now, he'd thrive best as the only dog in the household.

Meet Your New Best Friend!

Born on November 21st, Coffee is a bundle of joy with a personality that's just starting to shine. It's an exciting time as they discover the world, and you get to see their sweet, curious, and playful nature unfold.

What makes this opportunity truly special is the chance to meet this pup before they're even ready to go home—a rare experience in the rescue world! You'll witness their early milestones and watch their unique personality develop as they grow.

This adorable puppy will be ready to join their forever family starting January 21st. Could your home be the perfect place for them to thrive? Don't miss out on welcoming this one-of-a-kind companion into your life!



## VILLAGE INFORMATION

### Village of West Milwaukee's Historical Society

Looking for new members!  
Meetings will be held on the  
second Saturday of each  
month from 9-11 am.

Community Centre • 1345 47th Street

President: Craig Omick

Contact: (414) 915 - 0588

### 2025 DPW Refuse & Recycle Pickup



**SCAN  
ME**

### Village Hall Closures

**2025:**

**Monday, May 26**

**Friday, July 4**

**Monday, Sept. 1**

**Thursday, Nov. 27**

**Friday, Nov. 28**

**Wednesday, Dec. 24**

**Thursday, Dec. 25**

**Wednesday, Dec. 31**

## WEST MILWAUKEE STRONG NEIGHBORHOODS PROGRAM

**Upgrade Your Home's Exterior with Up to \$5,000 in Matching Grants!**

The Strong Neighborhoods Program is a matching grant initiative, that aims to fund exterior upgrades to residential properties. Owner-occupied homes are eligible for a 1:1 match. For every dollar you invest in your home improvement, you can receive an equal amount in grant funds, up to a maximum of \$5,000. Non-owner-occupied homes are eligible for a 1:2 match, up to the same maximum of \$5,000.

The program covers a range of exterior improvement activities including but not limited to, siding and roofing repairs, exterior masonry repairs, window upgrades, exterior paint, and front porch repairs. To qualify, no more than 30% of your household's gross monthly income can be spent on housing-related expenses, which include your mortgage, property taxes, and home insurance. With a streamlined application process, you can get started on your improvements quickly and without hassle.

For more information or to apply, scan the QR code or visit [www.westmilwaukee.org](http://www.westmilwaukee.org). For questions or assistance with your application, please contact the Clerk's Office at 414-645-1530.



# Be Responsible.

**If you know,  
you know.**

Testing available  
at SWSHD Sexual  
Health Clinic



If you know, you know... and if you don't, it's time to find out!

Taking charge of your sexual health is the ultimate act of love. Get tested, stay safe, and protect what matters.

Book your STI test today by calling the Southwest Suburban Health Department at 414-302-8600, because knowing is caring!

## APRIL 1ST ELECTION

### In-Person Absentee Voting Schedule

Tuesday—Friday, March 18—March 26  
8:00 a.m.— 4:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 27 & Friday, March 28  
8:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

In person absentee voting will be available in the Village Clerk's office located on the second floor of the Village Hall at 4755 W. Beloit Rd.

## BIKE RODEO

Save the date for the third annual West Allis Bike Rodeo hosted by the Southwest Suburban Health Department and Liberty Heights Neighborhood Association!

When: May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Where: West Allis Farmers Market

Time: 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Cost: Free- but registration will be required. Follow the Southwest Suburban Health Department Facebook page for additional information or check our website [www.swshdwi.gov](http://www.swshdwi.gov) starting in March.



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:

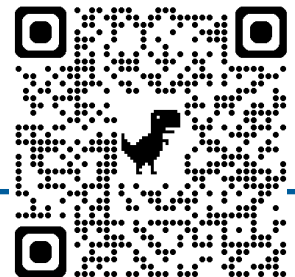
1. Refuse to sell, purchase, rent or lease to a person because of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, handicap, marital status, sexual preference, sex, age, or place of birth.
2. To discriminate against a person in the terms, conditions or privileges on the sale, purchase, rental or lease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



West Milwaukee have you seen the new logo for the Southwest Suburban Health Department! This fresh look represents our commitment to 'Thriving Together' to better serve the communities of West Allis, Greenfield, and West Milwaukee.

Go like us on Facebook [www.facebook.com/swshdwi/](http://www.facebook.com/swshdwi/) and explore our new website by scanning the QR code or visiting [www.swshdwi.gov](http://www.swshdwi.gov)



988 Lifeline

People call, text, and chat the #988Lifeline to talk about a variety of emotional needs - not just during a crisis. Whatever your reason, the 988 Lifeline is here to help. There is hope. Talk with us. Call or text 988 or chat at 988Lifeline.org

## PREVENTING FALLS WITH Stepping On

**Did You Know?**  
One in four people age 65 and older has a fall each year, but you don't have to be one of them!

**But Good News!**  
Falls are not a normal part of aging and can be prevented. The Stepping On program has been researched and proven to reduce falls by 31%!

**The Stepping On Program**  
In just 7 weekly, 2-hour sessions, Stepping On gives participants strategies for avoiding falls including balance and strength exercises, home safety check suggestions, medication review, and more.

**Who's Eligible?**  
People aged 60 or older and who have fallen and have a fear of falling. Participants will leave with more strength, better balance, and a feeling of confidence and independence!

**How Do I Sign-Up?**  
Stepping On will take place on **Wednesdays starting April 2nd - May 14th, 2025** at VMP Healthcare & Community Living (3023 S 84th St, West Allis) from **1:00-3:00 p.m.**

To register, call:  
**414-302-8700**

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**REASONS TO CALL, TEXT, AND CHAT 988**

- 1 Thoughts of suicide
- 2 Drinking too much or drug use
- 3 Feeling depressed or anxious
- 4 Trauma



## A SPECIAL THANK YOU

At West Milwaukee's December 16th Board Meeting, Chief Randolph presented David Macklin, a resident of the village, a Lifesaving Award.

On September 28th, David observed a large amount of smoke coming from a residence near his home.

David then jumped over a fence and entered the home where he located the residents of the home and evacuated them from the first floor. After the residents were out, David went back into the home a second time to verify that no one else was on the second floor before exiting the home. Thanks to David's quick actions and bravery, all of the residents of the home were evacuated safely, and no one was hurt!

## CELEBRATING YEARS OF SERVICE

As we bid farewell to a remarkable pillar of our community, it's with mixed emotions that we announce the retirement of our **DPW Superintendent, Jim Stenzel, after 28 years of service.** As he embarks on this new chapter of his life, we extend our heartfelt gratitude for his years of service and dedication. Jim has demonstrated unwavering commitment to the community, tirelessly working to ensure that public infrastructure, streets, parks, and other essential services were maintained and improved for the betterment of the lives of residents while serving the Village of West Milwaukee.

His contributions have undoubtedly made West Milwaukee a better place to live, work, and thrive. While his presence will be greatly missed, his impact will be felt for generations to come. **Please join us in congratulating Jim on his well-deserved retirement!**

## UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE VILLAGE

### VILLAGE OF WEST MILWAUKEE'S ANNUAL SPRING CLEANUP

**SATURDAY, APRIL 26 9-11 AM**

Department of Public Works - 4517 W. Burnham St.  
Equipment and refreshments provided



### Join us for Pickles & Pints in the Park

**Where:** West Milwaukee Park

**When:** July 12th, 2025 at 5pm

**What:** Pop Up Beer Garden and Pickleball tournament with food, live music, and fun vendors!



Hosted by the Village of West Milwaukee





## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The Village of West Milwaukee's Public Works and Police departments are currently hiring. Our Department of Public Works is looking for Equipment Operators and a Mechanic. Our Police Department is looking for Officers.

Please visit our website to find descriptions and applications!

We are  
**HIRING**  
Join our team

Department of  
Public Works



Police  
Department



# THE PLACE TO BE



West Allis Senior Center

7001 W. National Ave.

414-302-8700

The Rummage Sale is one of the West Allis Senior Center's largest events of the year! Curators, savvy shoppers, and treasure hunters gather to share their best with the community.

This event is Friday, May 16 from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Be sure to check out the bake sale, hot food for sale, and thousands of square feet of deals!

Would you like to sell at the rummage? The deadline for rental applications is Friday, May 2. Call 414-302-8700 for more details.



**"Thank you Senior Center for letting me be me"**  
- Mike G, 67

Anyone 55 or greater can be a member of the Senior Center. Membership is free! There is always something to do, and no two people are the same.

"I retired a few years ago and it's a great way to stay active," says Linda, "I go to strength training class, yoga, and use the fitness center. I also lead walking club."

"I work full-time, but on Fridays I have off and teach the painting class. We go to Ope to hang out after class sometimes" says Oscar, 61.



Beat the heat at the coolest party in town! Friday, June 13 is the West Allis Senior Center's Summer Fun Party. Reserve your spot to take part in classic yard games, sweet and salty bites, and some of the best company you can find.

To join the party, become a Senior Center member and pay the \$5 fee before the RSVP deadline on Friday, June 6.



Tours are available whenever the Senior Center is open: Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. For questions and more info, call 414-302-8700 or visit our website [westalliswi.gov/seniorcenter](http://westalliswi.gov/seniorcenter).

## STORM WATER POLLUTION & CAR WASHES

Professional car washes use less than half the amount of water as at-home car washes.

As your vehicle collects dirt, grime, and road salt, you may utilize a professional car wash service or wash your car at home. Below are some tips to help you prevent water pollution while keeping your vehicle clean!

Many professional car washes treat their used water, preventing soap, motor fluids, and other pollutants from entering waterways.

When washing your car at home, wash it over the grass to prevent excess runoff!



During a car wash, harmful debris, motor fluids, and soap are washed off of vehicles. When untreated, these materials may runoff into storm drains and have the potential to cause harm to nearby aquatic environments. Whenever possible, opting for the commercial car wash over the at-home car wash reduces the amount of pollutants entering waterways. Many professional car washes collect their used water, treat it, and recycle it, greatly reducing the amount of freshwater they consume! If you decide to wash your car at home, washing it over the grass is a great way to prevent harmful runoff. If washed on paved surfaces such as driveways and roads, runoff collects pollutants and can flow into waterways. Therefore, washing cars over an unpaved surface such as your lawn and limiting the amount of water used helps to prevent water pollution.

Visit [respectourwaters.org](http://respectourwaters.org) for more information

Sweet Water



# Property Tax Web Portal

Tax information is online at the Village website  
[www.westmilwaukee.org](http://www.westmilwaukee.org), Taxes Tab and Village of West Milwaukee  
Tax Portal link.

### West Milwaukee E-Payment Service

Pay your Property Taxes in-office or online  
with a **debit or credit card!**



<b>2.55%</b> Credit Card & PayPal Convenience Fee*	<b>\$3.95</b> VISA Debit Card Flat Rate Fee	<b>2.55%</b> Other Debit Card Convenience Fee*	<b>\$1.50</b> eCheck Flat Rate Fee <small>\$25.00 Minimum Fee</small>
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[milwaukee-co-wi-fb.app.landnav.com](http://milwaukee-co-wi-fb.app.landnav.com)



## You can use the Portal to:

- Access your tax bill or balance
- Make a tax payment, includes user fees
- Obtain and print your tax bill
- Obtain and print your tax summary, which shows balance due and payments made
- See the receipt for your property tax payment

## REAL ESTATE TAX PAYMENTS

**Your tax installments are due:**  
**2nd installment is due April 30,**  
**2024, Final Installment is due July**  
**31, 2024.** Please make sure that  
your tax payment is either in our  
office by the due dates, or post-  
marked by the post office by this  
date.

***Taxes, assessment  
and owner  
information is  
available online.***

## ADOPTABLE PETS AT MADACC



**JESSE**

I am a spayed female, gray and white Terrier. The shelter staff think I am about 4 years old.



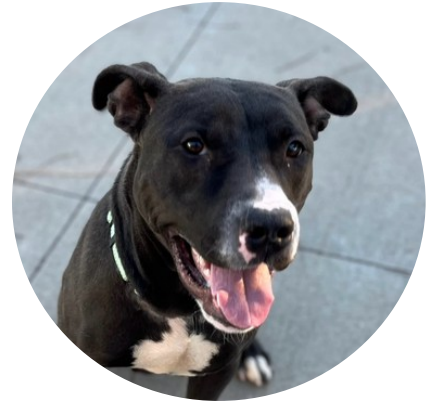
**COPPER**

I am a neutered male, white and brown Domestic Mediumhair. The shelter staff think I am about 2 years old.



**DOZER**

I am a neutered male, brown merle and white Pit Bull Terrier mix. The shelter staff think I am about 2 years and 2 months old.



**PLUM**

I am a spayed female, gray and white Terrier mix. The shelter staff think I am about 1 year and 9 months old.





## Recreation & Community Services Department

### Upcoming Events

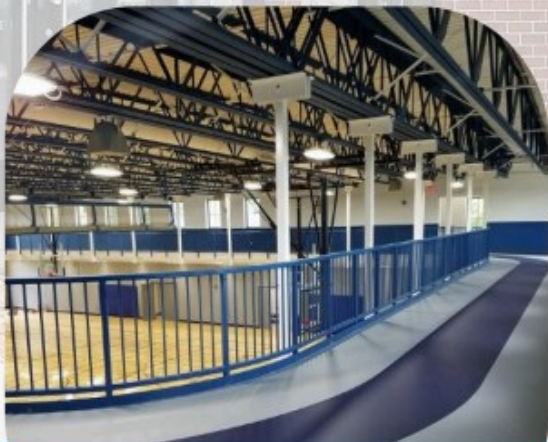
Puzzle Palooza - 18+yrs - March 15 - 1-3pm -  
Recreation Center - Team: \$20 RES/\$30 NR  
Individual: \$5 RES/\$8 NR

Glow in the Dark Egg Hunt - 6th-12th Grade - April 12  
- 8pm - Recreation Center - \$10 RES/\$15 NR

EGGED - WAWM Residents Only - 4+yrs - April 17-  
19 - 6-10pm - Price varies depending on # of eggs

6th Annual Mother/Daughter Tea Party - 4+yrs w/adult -  
May 10 - 10am-12pm - Recreation Center - \$20  
RES/\$30 NR per couple

4th Annual Senior Prom - 55+yrs - May 16 - 1-4pm  
Recreation Center - \$5 RES/\$15 NR



**Beat the winter blues one step at a  
time at the WAWM RCS Indoor Track!**

## Happy 2025 from the WAWM RCS Department!

As we step into the new year, we're excited to continue our mission of providing engaging, equitable, and accessible programs and services for our amazing community. Thank you for making 2024 so memorable — we can't wait to see what we'll achieve together in 2025!

Let's kick off this new year with an update on the Activity & Fitness Center from Shelly Strasser!

We are so excited to welcome you to the Activity & Fitness Center or AFC as we like to call it! This name is reflective of the physical programming that will occur here. We wanted to find a way to connect this location with the Recreation & Community Services Center on 68th Street while also giving it an identity of its own as it truly looks and feels different. Phase 1 of this project is complete and we have received occupancy, so currently we have Early Childhood classes, Spin Classes, Youth Basketball and Open Badminton. Starting in April, the Board of Education will meet here and additional programming will be added.

As for next steps, our Phase 2 design is almost complete and construction on Phase 2 will begin in March. This phase will include a Community Fitness Center, Personal and Small Group Training room, and a new welcome & reception front desk area. The WAWM School District recognizes the Recreation & Community Services Department role in providing programs to West Allis & West Milwaukee residents with programs that support social, emotional, cultural, physical, intellectual and economic well being. The consolidation of Lane Intermediate School provided an opportunity to preserve the property for the community and expand the department's program offerings and reach.

We can't wait for you to see the progress we've made and we are continually grateful for your support of this project. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to me!



**414-604-4900**

**[wawmrec.com](http://wawmrec.com)**



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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, Paul Baumgart	(414) 645-1530 ext. 132
Police Chief	(414) 645-2151	Public Works Superintendent, Jason Jourdan	(414) 645-1530 ext. 164

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		
Community Centre'	1345 S. 47th St.	(414) 645-1530	Building Inspector (SAFEbuilt)	(414) 645-1530 ext. 127
West Milwaukee Post Office	4300 W. Lincoln Ave.	(414) 643-0443	Court Clerk	(414) 645-5411
Health Department (SWS)	7120 W. National Ave.	(414) 302-8600	Assessor, Associated Appraisal	(920) 731-4158
W.A. W.M. School District	1205 S. 70th St.	(414) 604-3000		
W.A.W.M. Recreation Department	2450 S. 68th St.	(414) 604-4900		

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