

HALES CORNERS HIGHLIGHTS

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2025 SPRING NEWSLETTER



Spring Election: April 1, 2025

Polling hours are 7 am - 8 pm at Village Hall. All registered voters will be required to provide photo ID to receive a ballot. If you are not registered, you may do so ahead of time online at www.myvote.wi.gov. In order to register, you will need valid proof of residence at your current address and have resided there for 28 consecutive days prior to the election. Early absentee voting will be held weekdays Tuesday, March 18th -Thursday, March 27th, 9:30 a.m.- 3:30 p.m. and Friday, March 28th from 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. You will be required to provide photo ID for absentee voting. All registered voters are able to vote early at Village Hall during this time. If you wish to receive your ballot by mail, you will need to submit an Absentee Ballot Application online at www.myvote.wi.gov or by mail to Village Hall with a copy of your photo ID. For questions, call the Village Hall Administration Offices at 414-529-6161.



Property Tax Reminder

The second installment property tax payment is due **Wednesday, April 30th**. Payment reminders are not mailed. Payments received after a 7 day grace period are delinquent. Interest and penalty will accrue on unpaid balances retroactive to February 1st. Once delinquent, the total amount of the tax bill is due and installment option is revoked. If you are paying by mail, reference your parcel number and a phone number on your check. Do not include your original tax bill unless you also enclose a self-addressed postage stamped envelope for return. This is also the only way to receive a printed receipt by mail. To find your outstanding balance and for copies of payment receipts - visit www.halescornerswi.gov.

Summer Recreation Program

Sign up for the Hales Corners Summer Recreation Program will begin the second week of April. Keep an eye on the village website and summer recreation Facebook page for updates. Registration forms will be available following the Spring Election.

Rummage Sales & Signs

Residents are allowed three rummage sales per calendar year. Rummage sales, garage sales, estate sales, or other sale signs shall only be placed on the property having the sale. State and local laws prohibit these signs in the public right-of-way or public locations. Signs placed in the right-of-way will be removed. Help us maintain an attractive community!

Health Dept Workshops

Yoga with April: The first and last Monday of every month @ 11am in the Ben Hunt Room/Library Lower Level

Senior Program: The second Tuesday of every month @ 9am in the Ben Hunt Room/Library Lower Level

Spring Safety Event: May 2nd @ 3:30 pm - 5:30 pm HCHD (Outside)

Events are always FREE.

For more details on upcoming Spring Workshops (including our environmental seminars) please check our Facebook page: Hales Corners Health Dept.

Pet Licensing

MADACC mailed renewal notices for 2025 dog & cat licensing in December. Pet owners may renew or license a new dog or cat at the Village Hall during normal business hours (Mon-Fri 7:30am - 4:00 pm). Pet licenses are to be renewed each year at a cost of \$12 per pet for altered animals and \$24 for unaltered animals. The deadline to renew your pet license is **March 31st**. After this date a \$6 late fee will apply. This late fee does not apply to pets new to your household after the March 31st deadline. Proof of current rabies vaccination dates and rabies tag number are required for new and renewal licensing.



Hawthorn Garden Club History

In 1928 the State Horticulture Society divided into separate entities - one for amateur horticulturists and one for commercial growers. Mr. Huron Smith, a curator of Botany at the Milwaukee Public Museum, served as President of the Milwaukee County Horticulture Society. He held the first convention in Lake Geneva and presided over the meeting in which the Hales Corners Garden Club was one of eleven clubs present to form the Wisconsin Garden Club Federation.

The Hales Corners Garden Club was formed in 1925 and was involved in community projects that spanned from enhancing the Hales Corners Railway Depot to promoting the flowering crab trees still seen throughout the community. The club campaigned in the county for the continuance of the Whitnall Park Arboretum which today we know as Boerner Botanical Gardens, Whitnall Park, and Wehr Nature Center.

Mrs. R. H. Malisch of the Hales Corners Club became the WI Garden Club Federation State President from 1928-30 and served on the Board with Mrs. Caroline Strong, a charter member of the Milwaukee Society and considered to be the founder of garden clubs in Milwaukee, and Mrs. A.W. Sperber also of Hales Corners, the Secretary. Thus the noted history of the existence of what is now the Hawthorn Garden Club.

In the past, club meetings were held in the homes of members, then at the Hales Corners Library and presently meets the third

Tuesday of the month at the New Berlin Library. It's mission is to promote and share the love of gardening, floral design, civic and environmental responsibility. Meetings are open to the public. The club will be celebrating its 100th year anniversary in 2025.



Sump Pumps

Connecting a sump pump to a sewer line is illegal in many municipalities. Sewer systems are designed to handle wastewater from inside your home such as toilets, sinks, and showers. They're not meant to accommodate the large volumes of groundwater that sump pumps move. During heavy rain, sump pumps are designed to quickly move water away from your home's foundation. However, that water can add a significant load to the municipal sewer system if discharged improperly. Excess water can force sewage backups in your drains, creating an unsanitary and costly mess. Overflowing sewers can cause wastewater to back up into nearby homes and streets, spreading contamination and increasing cleanup costs for everyone. Overloading the sewer system during a storm can also have devastating effects on the environment. When wastewater facilities become overwhelmed, they may discharge untreated or partially treated sewage into nearby rivers, lakes, or streams. This pollution can harm aquatic ecosystems, contaminate drinking water sources, and create long-term environmental damage. By properly discharging your sump pump, you can help prevent these issues and protect your local environment.

Flushable Wipes

Flushable wipes can create more problems than the commodity they serve. You flush them and might think they've disappeared, but this action is the tip of the iceberg. Unlike toilet paper, wipes do not disintegrate because they contain microplastics. Additionally, their static charge causes them to stick together, creating blockages when mixed with oil and grease. This can cause sewer back ups in your home and damage or failures in the sewer utility system. It is important to remember that toilet paper is biodegradable, so it's safe to flush. Wipes aren't and should be thrown in the trash.

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MARCH

- 9 Daylight Savings Begins at 2:00 am
- 17 St. Patrick's Day
- 20 First Day of Spring



APRIL

- 1 April Fool's Day
- 1 Spring Election
- 18 Good Friday - Village Offices Closed
- 20 Easter Sunday
- 22 Earth Day
- 30 Second Installment of Property Taxes Due



MAY

- 11 Mother's Day
- 26 Memorial Day - Village Offices & Library Closed

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