

HALES CORNERS HIGHLIGHTS

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Winter Reminders

Here are a couple of helpful winter tips provided by the Dept. of Public Works:

Garbage and recycling bins should be placed a couple feet back from the road edge during plowing events. This will help keep them from being damaged by a plow or buried in snow.

Clean snow from your driveway near the edge of the road to the right side of the drive as you face the street. This will lessen the amount of snow that refills your driveway when the plow passes by.

Municipal ordinance prohibits blowing, plowing, or shoveling snow onto and/or across the street. This snow results in unexpected bumps or ice spots. Snow pushed across streets and dumped into roadside ditches can obstruct the natural drainage flow causing street flooding and ice.

The Village is divided into four plow routes that are as equal in size as possible. During snow and ice control operations, main roads and intersections come first, then the remaining streets.

When traveling behind a plow truck, maintain a distance of at least 200 ft.

During the winter, shorten your sump pump discharge hose to 10 to 15 ft. from your foundation. A sump pump that discharges near the roadway may create a dangerous icy condition.

Milwaukee County is responsible for the plowing of 108th Street (STH 100/ USH 45), Janesville Road (STH 24), and Forest Home Avenue (STH 24/ CTH 00). If you have any questions regarding snow and ice removal from these streets please contact Milwaukee County DPW at 414-257-6566.

Stay tuned to local radio and TV stations for declaration of a Snow Emergency. In the event of a **SNOW EMERGENCY**, parking along any local street is prohibited. Vehicles parked on the road may be towed and subject to fines.

2025-2026

Winter Newsletter



Christmas Tree Collection



The DPW will begin collecting Christmas trees the first week of January. Weather permitting, they will sweep the entire Village once a week for the month of January. No scheduling required. Trees must be placed roadside, in the right of way, and clear of all ornaments/decorations. Only real trees will be collected. This service is offered to residents with municipal trash collection only. Apartments and commercial occupants must dispose of Christmas trees through their own provider. For any questions, contact the DPW at 414-529-6167.

Holiday Lights Recycling

Help wildlife by recycling your holiday lights at the Milwaukee County Zoo this year! Recycling lights keeps them out of landfills and allows materials to be reused. Bring your lights to the Zoo through January 11, 2026, they can be dropped off with Zoo gate staff or deposited in the collection bin in the US Bank Gathering Place.

Annual Tree Lighting

On Dec. 6th at 6pm join us for the 50th anniversary of our annual tree lighting ceremony at the library. There will be performances by members of Whitnall Bands, live music from local singer Taylor Antony, a holiday story time, cookies, hot chocolate, blankets and more.

Noon Year's Eve Party—On Dec. 30th from 11:30am-12:30pm at the Library. Come celebrate the new year early with a joyful countdown to noon! Families with children ages 2–10 are invited to join us for festive fun, engaging stories, and a cheerful welcome to the year ahead.

2026 Garbage/Recycling Schedule Enclosed

For missed or special pickups, call GFL Environmental at 262-679-0860

2025 Property Tax Bills

Property tax bills will be mailed by December 15.

Be sure to read the insert mailed with your tax bill. Residents have two payment schedule options.

Option 1: Full payment on or before January 31, 2026 **OR**

Option 2: Three installment payment plan. See the tax bill for each installment due date and amount. First Installments will be due on or before January 31, 2026.

If you miss an installment, your account will become delinquent. Delinquent accounts lose the installment option and the full balance will be due immediately. Interest and penalty will apply retroactive to February 1, 2026.

The Village does **NOT** accept Credit Card payments at this time. Cashier checks are preferred in lieu of cash. We will not process cash payments with denominations smaller than \$50 and all cash payments must be within one dollar of total payment. Refunds, if any, will be mailed within 2-3 weeks.

The Village does not send payment reminder notices.

Pet Licensing

All dogs and cat five months of age or older must be licensed by March 31, 2026. If your dog or cat was licensed in 2025, you should receive a reminder in the mail from MADACC in December. You may license directly with MADACC or at Village Hall. Pet licenses at the Village cost \$12 for a neutered/ spayed pet or \$24 for unaltered pets. Proof of current rabies vaccination is required for new AND renewal pet licenses. A \$6 late fee per pet will apply beginning April 1.



Village Offices will be closed December 24, 25, 31, and January 1st

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Hales Corners, WI 53130

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RESIDENT OR BOX HOLDER



DECEMBER

- 6 Annual Tree Lighting**– Library
Lower Level @ 6pm
- 24 Christmas Eve**– *Library Closed,
Village Offices Closed*
- 25 Christmas Day**– *Library Closed,
Village Offices Closed*
- 31 New Years Eve** - *Library Closed ,
Village Offices Closed*



JANUARY

- 1 New Years Day** - *Library Closed,
Village Offices Closed*
- 19 Martin Luther King Jr. Day**
- 31 Full Payment or First Installment
of Property Taxes Due**



FEBRUARY

- 2 Groundhog Day**
- 14 Valentine's Day**
- 16 President's Day**
- 17 Spring Primary** (if needed)

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