

Village Voice

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Village Voice newsletters are mailed to residents quarterly.

Emerald Ash Borer (EAB)

Emerald Ash Borer is an invasive, wood-boring beetle that kills ash trees by eating the tissues under the bark. Native to northeastern Asia, Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) was first detected in the United States in 2002. On May 1st, 2023, the Wisconsin DNR confirmed the presence of EAB within the Village of Hortonville. The Village is currently cooperating with state agencies to continue to monitor for EAB as well as working to identify and remove infested or dead ash trees on Village property, replanting trees where appropriate when resources allow.

What can you do?

- Be on the lookout for EAB.
- Do not transport firewood from an unknown source, especially ash firewood from an EAB infested area.
- Keep your ash trees in high vigor and monitor your trees for EAB.
- Consider planting other tree species that are not susceptible to EAB.
- Consult a certified arborist for expert advice.



Additional information on Emerald Ash Borer can be found at:

<https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/urbanforests/eabtoolbox>

<https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/foresthealth/emeraldashborer/lifecycle>

<http://datcpservices.wisconsin.gov/eab/index.jsp>



“HONORING THOSE WHO HAVE SERVED”

The above words are inscribed on the Hortonville Veterans Memorial, which is located in Veterans Memorial Park on the waterfront of Black Otter Lake. There are five bronze service emblems designating our country's five military services: ARMY, NAVY, AIR FORCE, COAST GUARD AND MARINE CORPS. There are three flag poles with the United States, Wisconsin and POW-MIA flags. A meditation platform has two concrete benches for people to sit on in order to meditate and remember the men and women from the Hortonville area that have served our country in war and in peacetime.

We continue to support the Veterans Memorial through the sale of memorial bricks. The minimum donation required for each brick is \$150. Donations and brick purchases can be made at the Village Administration Office, 531 N. Nash Street, Hortonville (920-779-6011).



From the Police Department

It has finally arrived...SUMMER is here!

School programs, camps, sporting events and construction zones are in full swing and we want to ensure safety for both children and drivers alike. Please be aware of your surroundings, drive slow and cautious while in work and school zones. We have a lot of little commuters in the community that will be walking to schools and parks using crosswalks and getting on and off buses. Help keep them safe!

With Summer comes vacations and we want you to know the Hortonville Police Department provides **vacation watch services** when requested. If you plan to be out of town for any length of time, call to be put on our list. Officers will check on your property in your absence to ensure nothing looks out of place.

Please follow our Facebook page. We would absolutely love it if you could LIKE our page to get current information regarding Village happenings, updates, or warnings. Just recently we posted information regarding scams happening in our community. Scams may come in the form of letters, calls, door to door or emails. If you are ever uncertain do NOT give out ANY personal information. A current scam that has surfaced is scammers requesting residents to obtain loadable credit cards. The scammers will request you purchase a RED DOT, GREEN DOT or other loadable credit cards to steal money from you. Please feel free to call the Police Department if you have any questions or concerns.

Summer can bring unpredictable weather and it is always best to be prepared. Please feel free to use the link below to get current weather updates. Please include your address, phone number, and contact information to receive public safety alert messages. These messages could include emergency evacuation notices, public safety/life safety notifications, and

hazardous chemical emergencies that are occurring within your neighborhood. You may also select to receive any weather alerts issued by the National Weather Service through this system.

<https://www.outagamie.org/government/departments-a-e/emergency-management/public-emergency-alert-notification-system>

Lastly, Tuesday, August 1st we will host our biggest event, National Night Out at Commercial Club Park. Every year Commercial Club kindly donates the use of the park, so we can host this wonderful event. We want to welcome everyone to this event, as the goal of National Night Out is to promote a police-community partnership. We will have food, raffles, activities for kiddos, police squads and fire trucks!



PETS IN THE VILLAGE

There are current ordinances that address the issue of pet owners keeping their animals restrained. The goal is to prevent problems such as an unrestrained, running at large pet becoming a public nuisance to other residents.

Pets running loose can be impounded and their owner will be responsible for payment of an appropriate fee that is imposed at the time the animal is reclaimed.

Dogs are not allowed anywhere in Otto Miller Park; there is a sign posted. Dogs are allowed in other Village parks but must be restrained.

Also, please be mindful and dispose of dog waste while walking your dogs. We do have a pet waste station located on the Nash Street entrance to the Municipal Services Center.



VILLAGE BOARD CHANGES

Two new public servants joined the Village Board in April. Bringing their own goals, community viewpoints, and enthusiasm to the Board are new Trustees Grace Abitz and Jane Olk.

We wish to thank outgoing Trustees Jack Kuhnke and Peter Olk who served the Village well. We appreciate your time and efforts furthering the goals of our community.

MUNICIPAL JUDGE

The Village would like to thank Village resident Norbert Dallman for his many years of service as our Municipal Court Judge. Mr. Dallman was our Municipal Judge for 22 years, starting in this position in 2001.

Thank you Norb! We appreciate all of your hard work and dedication to the position for so many years.

Effective May 1, 2023, the position of Municipal Court Judge is now held by elected Village resident Peter Olk. Welcome Peter!

2 DROP BOXES

When the Administration Office is closed, please use one of the drop boxes to make a payment or return rental keys.

- **One drop box** - located in the circle drive in front of the building
- **One drop box** - located in the hallway close to the Police Department (envelopes are provided)



Village-Wide Rummage Sale

Saturday, August 12, 2023

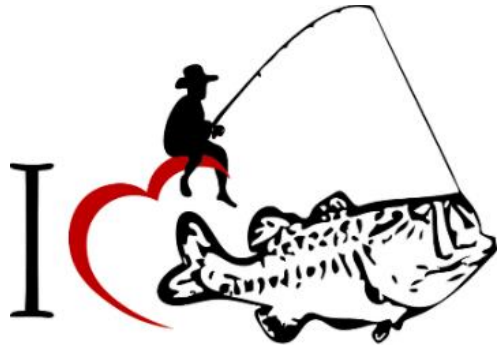
To place your ad, fill out and mail the special form that you can find in upcoming issues of the New London Buyers' Guide OR call the New London office at 920-982-2511 for more information or to place your ad over the phone. You can drop your ad off at the New London office, 301 S. Pearl Street. They do accept Credit/Debit Card payments over the phone. All costs and revenues are handled by the Buyer's Guide.

NOTE: Garage sales, yard sales and similar merchandise sales may be held no more than twice per year at any residence and for a total of not more than 6 days in that year. The sales shall be conducted between 7:30 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. and last no longer than 4 consecutive days.



BURNING RESTRICTED

Remember that according to Village Ordinance 14-3 all burning (other than campfires) shall be conducted only between the hours of 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. Monday through Sunday. Controlled burning of dry leaves and other non-offensive dry yard debris, and small campfires should be located at least 30 feet from any neighboring structure. Burning brush piles or controlled burning of grass or similar vegetation for environmental management purposes requires written approval from the Fire Chief.



FROM BLACK OTTER LAKE DISTRICT
Sean Kuske, BOLD Chairman

Happy summer! On May 6th, BOLD and FWWA (Fox Wolf Watershed Alliance) teamed up with the Boy Scouts and did a lake clean up on Black Otter. This year's turnout was amazing with 48 volunteers registered. With portions of the group on the water via boat & kayaks, people walking along the shore behind residents and businesses, and a group walking the state trail we were able to collect over 250 lbs of trash! 109 lbs picked up from the boy scouts alone.

On another note, we will be conducting site visits over the summer for all the lakeshore residents that committed to trying out the Healthy Lakes and Rivers Grant. If anyone has lake front property and would like to learn more about this reimbursement grant program, please reach out to Sean Kuske @ (920) 419-1571 or at boldchairman@gmail.com.



POOL FILLING CREDIT

Upon request by water and sewer utility customers, a seasonal sewer credit based on the number of gallons above two thousand (2,000) gallons will be issued for a residential customer swimming pool. The customer must notify the utility of the number of gallons the pool holds or a before and after meter reading to receive the seasonal credit.



GRASS CUTTING

Per Village Ordinance 26-26, it is the responsibility of the property owner to keep the grass cut the entire grass cutting season.

Failure to keep the grass cut may result in a fine.

GRASS CLIPPINGS

When you are mowing or mulching grass, or blowing or raking up leaves, please keep them out of the street. Grass clippings and leaves flow down the gutter during a rain and eventually plug catch basins. You will receive a fine if you are found to have blown grass or leaves into the street.



COMPOST SITE

Open Hours: Dawn to Dusk 7 days/week

Residents are invited to drop off their yard waste and brush at the compost site located by the Wastewater Treatment Facility, 521 W. Cedar Street. Be prepared to show an I.D. or utility bill.

It is illegal for **NON-VILLAGE RESIDENTS** to leave or discard any article or items (including yard waste), or allow any article or item under his or her control, to be deposited at the Village of Hortonville's yard waste drop-off site. If any **NON-VILLAGE RESIDENT** is caught depositing anything at the Village of Hortonville yard waste site, they will receive a fine and/or summons. The Village of Hortonville may dispose of the waste or waste material itself at the expense of that person found illegally disposing the waste.



SENIOR NEWS

The sun is shining, birds are singing and we are happy to welcome the new season. We continue to work on plans for activities, outings, and classes. Our committee meetings for the summer are at noon on June 15th, July 13th, and August 10th. Feel free to bring your lunch and share your ideas!

Check out our summer plans:

June 5th: Potluck at noon in the Community Room. Department of Public Works Director Aaron Steber will join us to share his plans for our Village. Then, we get our hands dirty planting the new trough planters on the east side of the library.

June 12th, 9am: Walk with friends! We'll decide our route when we meet in the Community Room. No need to RSVP, we'll get our steps in with whoever is able to make it. (*Walks will take place the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month at 9am.*)

June 19th, 1pm: Dessert and a movie! "80 for Brady" will be shown, guaranteed to bring smiles and laughter to your afternoon, along with a special birthday treat!

June 26th, 9am: Walk

****July 3rd:** Holiday, no activities

July 10th, 9am: Walk

****July 17th, Noon:** Summer Picnic at Alonzo Park! Thrivent is sponsoring this event, so the meal will be provided. Please RSVP by July 10th to Lauren at 920-779-6011 ext. 8 or office@hortonville.wi.gov. We will have some outdoor games and an art project to add some

fun to the afternoon. If the weather is threatening, we will relocate to the Community Room.

July 24th, 9am: Walk

August 7th, Noon: Potluck! Bring a dish to share if you'd like, but at least bring your appetite. Following the meal, we have been invited to join the Summer Reading Program for a movie.

August 14th, 9am: Walk

August 21st, 1pm: Birthday party! We are going to challenge ourselves and learn some "new" games! Please feel free to bring one you enjoy for the group to try.

August 28th, 9am: Walk

****September 4th:** Holiday, no activities

September 11th, 9am: Walk

Our annual Senior Autumn Fest will be held on Tuesday, October 10th. Once again, we will have an agency booth fair, program, and free lunch! Last year we looked at history, so this year we look ahead to the future of our Village! The deadline to register is September 1st. More information will be available soon. If you'd like to receive a flyer in the mail, please contact the Village office with your mailing address. Our monthly calendars are e-mailed. If you are not on our e-mail list, please let us know to add you to our group list. Paper copies of the calendars are available at each of our gatherings, the meal site, library, and some other locations.

Have you tried pickle ball yet? The courts at Miller Park are waiting! This is a great way to get moving and enjoy the fresh air. While you are outside, check out the newly refurbished trail behind the municipal building for a bit of time for reflection in a natural setting.

We are pleased to announce we will be hosting "Planning Ahead", presented by the Fox Valley Advance Care Planning Partnership. This is a free 7-week course, scheduled for September 12th-October 24th from 3:30pm-5:00pm in the Community Room. The class guides participants through the documents they need for the rest of their life. (Example: Power of Attorney for Health Care & Finance, estate planning, end-of-life care, final wishes, personal finances and understanding

grief). Participants who complete the course understand what the documents are, how to complete them, legal requirements for each and have a supportive group to confidentially discuss their experiences and progress with. The program is for people who prefer to be prepared, and finally put "their ducks in a row" rather than face unnecessary chaos. Community expert resources attend some of the sessions to answer specific questions and establish trusting relationships. This class is limited to 15 participants. Registration details will be provided soon.

The Outagamie County meal site is available each day, with meals served at 11am in the Community Room. Meals may also be picked up or, if you meet requirements, can be delivered to your home. Please contact Lisa at 920-740-4648 by noon the day prior to reserve your meal.

Card players have rousing games each Tuesday and the first three Thursdays of each month from 11-3 in the Community Room. Sheepshead is the game and they welcome all players!

We partner with the library for many activities. Be sure to check out their calendar for additional happenings. There are two book clubs each month, first Wednesdays at 10:15am and third Wednesdays at 6:30pm. It's fun for all who share the love of reading!

We hope you'll find something in the next few months you'd like to participate in. It's a great way to connect with others to share conversations, laughter, and new experiences. Let's enjoy the summer together!



Need Space for a Gathering?

The Community Center in the Municipal Services Center is available for rent. Call or stop in at the administration office to make a reservation.

\$308.25 – for a resident
\$413.75 – for a non-resident



Paying a Bill Online

To make a payment online, go to our website at www.hortonvillewi.org and choose **Online Bill Pay** on the Home screen. Next choose either **Pay Utility Bills** or **Pay Village Bills** and follow the instructions.

Please note that payments tendered through this portal will be assessed a one-time convenience fee based on the total amount due. Convenience fees are in addition to the amount(s) owed and are calculated as follows:

- A 2.20% convenience fee will be charged for payments using Visa, MasterCard, Discover or American Express credit or debit card. The convenience fee is based on the total amount due.
- A fixed \$0.25 convenience fee will be charged for payments using e-check.
- You will have the opportunity to review the total amount due with the convenience fee prior to payment submission.
- While you will be paying fees to the Village of Hortonville, the full amount of the convenience fee is passed to Municipal Services Bureau (MSB) as the provider of this online payment service.



LAKESHORE DRIVE BOAT LAUNCH

General Information

A daily fee or annual sticker is required to launch a boat or other trailered water vehicle at the Lakeshore Drive boat launch operated by the Village of Hortonville.

Annual boat launch stickers can be purchased at the Hortonville Municipal Services Center, 531 N. Nash Street, Monday through Friday, during regular office hours.

Annual Boat Launch Information

The annual boat launch sticker must be permanently affixed to the driver's side of the trailer winch post. If the design of your trailer prohibits the clear view of the sticker, the sticker should be placed on the driver's side of the trailer in a visible location.

An additional sticker is available for \$5.00 for a second trailer only if both boats are registered to the same person. The receipt from the first sticker and proof of ownership of both boats are required to purchase the second trailer sticker at the reduced fee. Registration of both boats must be current.

If you sell or transfer ownership of the trailer, a \$5.00 replacement sticker can be obtained for the new trailer by removing the old sticker from the trailer and returning it to the Hortonville Administration Office. The old sticker must be returned to receive the replacement sticker. If the sticker is not available to return, contact the Hortonville Park Department at 779-4086.

Resident - Daily _____ \$ 2.00 per day
(put in money box by the launch)
Resident - Annual _____ \$ **10.00 per year**

Non-Resident - Daily _____ \$ 3.00 per day
(put in money box by the launch)
Non-Resident - Annual _____ \$ **15.00 per year**



The Community Blood Center

Hortonville Community Blood Drives – Held at SS Peter and Paul Catholic Church, 107 N. Olk Street, Hortonville on the following days in 2023:

Saturday, August 5th

Saturday, October 7th

Saturday, December 9th

Giving blood is a special way to help others. Transfusions are used to treat a variety of hospital patients, from trauma victims to cancer patients. Every day, patients in area hospitals receive lifesaving blood transfusions, and blood donors help make this possible.

To schedule your donation appointment, call Sally at 920-779-6689 or log onto www.communityblood.org – sponsor code OU10. Appointments are preferred.

SUMP PUMP DISCHARGES

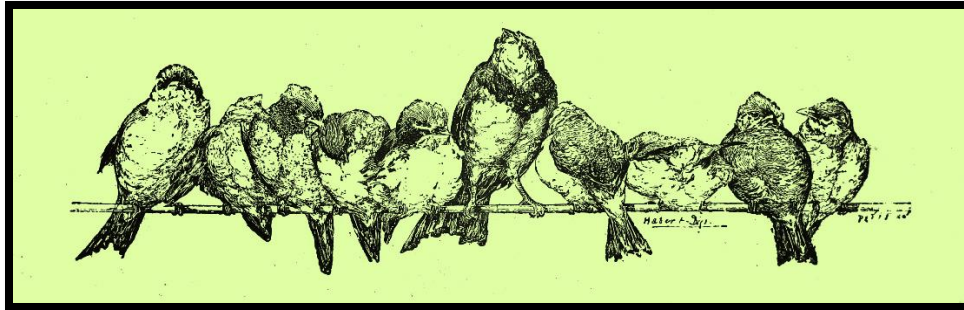
The connection of any private sump pump discharge to the Village's sanitary sewer system is not allowed.

No property owner, renter, lessee, or lessor in the Village shall place the end of his sump pump discharge hose or pipe closer than ten feet from the outside edge of the established curb. In the absence of a curb, the end of the discharge apparatus shall not be closer than ten feet from the roadway. The distance shall be measured in a straight line, regardless of hose or pipe angle, from the end where the water is discharged to the outside edge of the curb or the closest edge of the roadway. No sump pump discharge shall be directed so as to drain onto a driveway or other device to which the water would drain onto the Village street.

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Municipal Court

- 920-779-9542
1st and 2nd Wednesday of the Month at 6PM
Peter Olk, Municipal Judge

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Office Hours:

Monday thru Thursday 7:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Friday 7:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.