

# Village of Sherwood News

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## Upcoming Events

### WINTER SOLSTICE AT WANICK CHOUTE PARK

Sherwood residents, family, and neighbors are welcome to attend Winter Solstice 2016! Free photos with Santa from 4:30 to 5:30 PM at the Warming Shelter, SJSH Carolers (4 to 5 PM), along with our tree lighting, bonfire, and complimentary hot beverages! Hope to see you there!

### 2017 MAJOR EVENTS

#### ◆ Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 15

Please refer to [page 4](#) of this newsletter for the registration form!

#### ◆ Sherwood SummerFest

Sunday, August 20

Food, live music, friends, and fun! Come on out and enjoy our park and what it all has to offer.

#### ◆ Sherwood FallFest

Saturday, October 7

Local vendors featuring a variety of crafts and fun!

#### ◆ Winter Solstice 2017

Saturday, December 16

### CHARTER BUS DAY TRIPS

#### ◆ Warrens Cranberry Festival

Saturday, September 23

Visit Warrens, WI for a day filled with shopping, contests, marsh tours and more. Check out [www.cranfest.com](http://www.cranfest.com) for event info.

#### ◆ Shop at Gurnee Mills

Saturday, December 2

Shop 'til you drop without having to deal with parking headaches! A great way to finish your holiday shopping in one trip.

◆ **Interested in a day trip? Contact our office for details – 989-1589!**

## From the Village Administrator...

### Happy Holidays from the Village Hall!



Thanksgiving is now in the rearview mirror as we segue toward Christmas and celebrate another New Year. However, before time runs out on this year we invite you, your family and friends to join in the Annual Winter Solstice celebration on **Saturday afternoon on Dec. 17 at Wanick Park**, which includes the ceremonial holiday tree lighting, free photos with Santa, a bonfire, caroling, hot beverages, ice skating and sledding (weather permitting), and holiday cheer with your neighbors. We hope to see you out in the (heated) Performance Pavilion!

Construction-wise, the Village had a modest season repaving some older street sections, including portions of Golf Course Road, Palisades Circle, and Park Drive, as well as beginning to reconstruct a portion of the Nuthatch Trail. Next Summer, we will finish complete the Nuthatch Trail section and pave the two remaining gravel sections in Wanick Park adjacent to the main shelter building.

Residential housing starts continue chugging along at the fastest rate in over a decade. So far, we have issued 48 new single-family home building permits for the year adding \$9 million to our tax base. Over the past four years Sherwood has gained \$25 million in new, single-family home value, moving our estimated population to over 3,000 residents.

In November, the Village Board approved next year's *Annual Budget* with no new borrowing scheduled for large construction projects. This is reflected in the local tax rate and continues our trend of reducing your local tax bill burden, which will reduce from \$4.42 to \$4.32 p/\$1,000 of assessed value on your property. Comparatively, your local tax rate is now lower than it was 25 years ago—a quarter century ago!

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The Community Development Authority continues to put its mark on our Downtown Revitalization efforts. The *Sherwood Cliffs Apartments* building adjacent to the Village Hall has been managed down to zero occupancy and is now being actively marketed to potential commercial developers. Also, the Village-owned residential property on CTH 'M' is in the process of being razed, while three other properties lying between the Post Office and the *Sherwood Cliffs Apartments* building will be scheduled for removal in the near future.

From the Parks & Recreation perspective, be advised that all facility rentals can occur after January 1 (this includes our Community Center, Village Gym, and Legion and Wanick Park pavilions). This year, New Year's Day, which is also a Village Holiday, falls on a Sunday. **Therefore, no reservations will be processed until Tuesday, January 3.** Reservations are processed on a first-come, first-served basis and all paperwork must be completely filled out with accompanying deposit fees included.

**We wish you a wonderful and safe Holiday Season !**

*Randy*

Randy Friday  
Village Administrator

**E-mail:** [administrator@villageofsherwood.org](mailto:administrator@villageofsherwood.org) ▲



## Contact us

### VILLAGE HALL

W482 CLIFTON RD

**PHONE:** (920) 989-1589

**HOURS OF OPERATION:**

M-F 8:30 AM — 4:30 PM

### Village Administrator

Randy Friday

### Clerk/Treasurer

Sue Williams

### Utility/Finance Clerk

Kathy Mader

### Office Coordinator

Valerie Neuman

### PUBLIC WORKS

W479 CLIFTON RD

**PHONE:** (920) 989-4085

### Public Works Supervisor

Scott Nadler

### Public Works Staff

Wes Hietpas

### VILLAGE OFFICIALS

#### President:

Jim Rath 680-6026  
2017

#### Vice President:

Joyce Laux 989-1956  
2018

#### Trustees:

Joe Hennlich 989-2715  
2018

David Miller 841-3141  
2018

Roger Kaas 989-2106  
2017

Bob Benz 989-1760  
2017

Stacy Gedman 989-3065  
2017

## From the Village Clerk-Treasurer...



**REAL ESTATE TAX PAYMENTS** — The Calumet County Treasurer's office will be mailing the real estate tax bills in mid-December.

**Payment Options:** Real estate tax payments may be made in person, by mail, or placed in the drop box outside the Village Office entrance door. Accepted forms of payment include cash, but check or money order are preferred.

If you are making tax payments in person, office hours are Mon. through Fri. 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM with the exception of holiday closures.

**Village Office Holiday Closures:** Fri., Dec. 23 Mon., Dec. 26 & Mon., Jan. 2

**Check Payments:** Please make checks payable to Village of Sherwood Treasurer.

**Receipt Requests:** If a receipt is needed, please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope.

**First Installment Deadline:** Jan. 31 (Tuesday) - Payments received in Village Office dropbox by Monday morning at 8 AM will still be considered timely. If by mail, articles must be postmarked by Jan. 31.

**After January 31, all payments must to be forwarded to:**

Calumet County Treasurer — 206 Court Street — Chilton, WI 53014 ▲

**SEEKING NOMINATION PAPERS** — Beginning December 1, 2016, nomination papers may be circulated for the April 4, 2017 Spring election for the following Village Offices:

OFFICE	INCUMBENT
Village President —	Jim Rath
Village Trustee —	Bob Benz
Village Trustee —	Roger Kaas
Village Trustee —	No Incumbent

All terms are for two (2) years. Nomination papers are to be obtained by the Village Clerk's Office at W482 Clifton Road. Completed papers must be filed by 5 PM on Tues., Jan. 3.

### UPCOMING 2017 ELECTION — Tues., April 4 for Spring Election

**Note:** Photo IDs are now required. *For alternative absentee voting information, please contact the Village Office.*

### 2017 DOG LICENSES

It's State law — all dogs five (5) months and older must be licensed annually by March 31 of each year. Proof of a current rabies vaccination is required. **2017 dog licenses are GOLD.** If your license is red or blue, it is expired.



The fee for a neutered male or spayed female is \$5; an unaltered dog is \$10. 2017 dog licenses are available at the Village Office now. **If you no longer have your pet, please contact the Village Office at 989-1589 so we can remove the pet from our database.**

You may handle your license renewal by mail; please include proof of rabies vaccination, the license fee and a **self-addressed, stamped envelope** (so we can send it to you!).

After March 31, a \$5 late fee will be charged in addition to the licensing fee. **Please mark your calendars** — reminder letters will not be sent out. ▲

## Bird City Update

### FOR KIDS ONLY

Hey kids! Do you need a little excitement during these cold, long winter months? Well, a whole world of fun is right outside your window.

By putting up a bird feeder you can enjoy hours of entertainment provided by the big variety of birds that spend their winter right here in Sherwood! And you can do all of this from the warmth of your home.

Build your own bird feeder out of common household items like an old milk jug or purchase an inexpensive one from your local store.

Most Wisconsin birds love seeds, especially black oiled sunflower seeds and suet (ask for it at your grocery's meat department).

If you keep your feeder clean and full, you can expect visitors such as cardinals, chickadees, nuthatches, woodpeckers and more. They will love the food you give them, especially during these winter months when their food is scarce.

But watch out for "feeder bandits"!!! Squirrels and raccoons are hungry too and will eat all the food and scare away the birds. Baffles (cone shaped barriers) placed on your feeder pole can help prevent those feeder bandits from gobbling up all the bird seed.

Once the birds find your feeder, a bird book and binoculars can help you identify them. Keep a journal or take a photograph of your new friends.

There are hundred of websites to visit and learn more about feeding Wisconsin birds. Try this one: [www.dnr.wi.gov/org/caer/ce/eeek/nature/winterbird.htm](http://www.dnr.wi.gov/org/caer/ce/eeek/nature/winterbird.htm)

It's a good one. Have fun! ▲

## From the Village President...

### Merry Christmas to you All!

As I reflect over the many successes of this past year and ask myself what has changed during the recent times, I notice both our credit union and bank have changed names. Sadly, the diner and bowling alley are currently looking for a new owner and have shut their doors. I read the other day the Menasha grocery store that opened the same time as the one here in Sherwood is already closing its doors. With all the competition in the grocery business, I hope you will take extra time to support our grocery store and other local businesses. I remember all too well a decade without a grocery store and am constantly amazed at the number of employees that the grocery store and other businesses employ. I hope to see the number of employment opportunities expand as we move forward. Our village restaurants also provide a quality product at a reasonable price. The drive time to shop for groceries and dine within the Village of Sherwood is minimal.

Soon you will be receiving your tax bill. It is my understanding that both the Kaukauna Area School District and the Village of Sherwood are lowering taxes. Our friends at We Energies have promised us flat rates since their recent merger with Integrys. Our water and sewer rates are anticipated to remain flat for the near future.

I want to take this opportunity to encourage all our residents to purchase additional gift certificates from our local businesses to support them and make it a little easier for them to get through the winter heating season. One can only imagine the heating bills our local businesses incur compared to our residential heating bills.

I am always looking for ideas to help our local businesses thrive. Thanks again for supporting local businesses.

Wishing you all a Happy Holidays!

*Jim Rath*

Jim Rath

Village President

E-mail: [jrath52@gmail.com](mailto:jrath52@gmail.com) ▲



### "Be a Fan" of your local municipality...



Keep up-to-date on our upcoming events on our Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/villageofsherwood](http://www.facebook.com/villageofsherwood)

## Sherwood Public Works & Utility

**SNOW REMOVAL** — Snow from your property is your own responsibility. It is unlawful to shove accumulated snow from your property onto nearby vacant lots, ditches, or lots across the roadway.

The Village is not responsible for any broken or altered stakes placed in Village right-of-way while truck snowplows clear roadways. Do not plug-up your culvert ends or you may regret it come springtime!

**PINK STAKES SERVE IMPORTANT PURPOSE** — The pink-topped stakes are placed strategically by our Public Works to ensure proper snowplowing of Village streets. These identifying markers help with our drivers maintaining the integrity of Village infrastructure AND help with mitigating issues with your property! Please do not remove them.

**OVERNIGHT PARKING ENFORCEMENT** — Village Parking Code Chapter 20 Art. I — No parking is allowed between 2:30 AM and 6:30 AM on Village streets between Nov. 1 through April 15. Vehicles in violation will be ticketed for non-compliance and may be towed.

**MAILBOXES** — It is the property owner's responsibility to keep the mailbox clear of snow and ice and accessible for mail delivery. Please ensure that it can withstand the force of snowplowing.

**ADOPT A HYDRANT** — The Sherwood Water & Sewer Utility is encouraging citizens to adopt a fire hydrant for the winter. Please help keep your neighborhood safe by clearing the snow around the hydrant making it easily accessible for the Fire Department in case of a fire emergency.

Thanks for doing your part in helping to ensure safety of all residents and visitors of our Village! ▲

**UPCOMING EVENT — 2017 Easter Egg Hunt Sign-Up Form**

# Village of Sherwood's Easter Egg Hunt

**Sat., April 15  
10 AM – 12 PM at  
Wanick Choute Park**

The Village of Sherwood is sponsoring its 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Easter Egg Hunt at Wanick Choute Park. Sign-up your child(ren) for an **egg-cellent** time at the park with friends and family!

- WHERE:** Village of Sherwood's Wanick Choute Park (W4690 Castle Drive)
- WHO:** Sherwood-based families with children ages 3 to 8 are welcome to attend this activity.
- HOW:** Pre-registration is required so please mail in the form below.
- COST:** \$2 per child for Sherwood resident; \$4 for non-resident child.

**REMEMBER TO BRING A BASKET OR BAG TO COLLECT YOUR EGGS!**



**DATE OF HUNT:** Saturday, April 15 at 10 AM  
**DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION:** Friday, April 7  
 Please complete this form, include payment, and mail or drop off at:

**Resident's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-Mail Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

- Yes, I would like to become a volunteer for the Village Parks & Recreation Department.**
- Yes, I would like to be placed on an e-mail list for upcoming Village-sponsored events.**

Child's Name Attending: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

**QUESTIONS?** Contact Parks & Recreation Coordinator, Brenda Stumpf, at 920-989-1589.

*Disclaimer/Waiver: Sign-up permits the Village of Sherwood to use photos taken at the event in promotional materials.*

# Garbage & Recycling for 2017

Village of Sherwood—Trash and Recycling Schedule for 2017

MONTH	DATE	RECYCLING PICK-UP
JANUARY	6	WEST
	13	EAST
	20	WEST
	27	EAST
FEBRUARY	3	WEST
	10	EAST
	17	WEST
	24	EAST
MARCH	3	WEST
	10	EAST
	17	WEST
	24	EAST
	31	WEST
APRIL	7	EAST
	14	WEST
	21	EAST
	28	WEST
MAY	5	EAST
	12	WEST
	19	EAST
	26	WEST
JUNE	3	EAST (SATURDAY)
	9	WEST
	16	EAST
	23	WEST
	30	EAST
JULY	8	WEST (SATURDAY)
	14	EAST
	21	WEST
	28	EAST
AUGUST	4	WEST
	11	EAST
	18	WEST
	25	EAST
	31	WEST
SEPTEMBER	1	WEST
	9	EAST (SATURDAY)
	15	WEST
	22	EAST
	29	WEST
OCTOBER	6	EAST
	13	WEST
	20	EAST
	27	WEST
NOVEMBER	3	EAST
	10	WEST
	17	EAST
	25	WEST (SATURDAY)
DECEMBER	1	EAST
	8	WEST
	15	EAST
	22	WEST
	30	EAST (SATURDAY)

Our waste management provider (Advanced Disposal) supplies the garbage cans used for automated collection. The cans come in three sizes: 35-, 65-, and 95-gallon. Residents are assessed on annual pickup fee based on the size they select.

**2017 Annual Fees for Garbage & Recycling Collection:**

35 gallon = \$127, 65 gallon = \$140, and 95 gallon = \$153

Recycling canisters come in a 96-gallon size only. It is the standardized size throughout the majority Calumet County.

If your can is damaged during collection and requires repair or replacement, please call the Village office to make arrangements at no cost. If a can is damaged through misuse (i.e., hot ashes) or lost, the homeowner will be responsible for the replacement cost. ▲

**Reminders — Accepted Items for Recycling**

**PLASTICS:** All food, beverage and household bottles, jars and jugs, dairy containers and lids, deli, bakery and produce containers and lids.

**PAPER:** Newspapers and inserts, cardboard and paperboard (food boxes) without food/grease, junk mail and catalogs, office and school paper, milk, juice and soup cartons, phonebooks, books, and magazines.

**METALS:** Aluminum bottles and cans, steel, tin, and bi-metal cans, empty aerosol cans; no need to remove labels.

**GLASS:** Food/beverage bottles and jars. All metal jar caps and lids are also recyclable.

**Recycling Etiquette:** Remember to empty and rinse out all containers before disposing in the trash. Shredded paper should be in a paper bag and stapled shut. Items may be placed loosely in your recyclable container. Items outside the recycling container will not be picked up. ▲

**Christmas Tree Disposal:** The Village Yard Waste Site will be open from January 3 — January 31 for tree disposal. We have no curbside pick-up service so please utilize this option.

**MARK YOUR  
CALENDARS!**

**BULK-ITEM  
PICK-UP**

**May 16, 2017**

List of accepted items will be included in a future newsletter.

Immediate questions? Contact our Village Office at: 989-1589.

## Village Parks & Recreation Dept.

### SOCCER REGISTRATION IS COMING SOON

In February it will be time to start registering for the 2017 YMCA Sherwood Soccer League. This year the league is being held in the summer and is for ages 4K-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade. June 19-August 1. **Registration runs from February 20–May 29.** Teams practices will be followed by a game one day a week at Wanick Park in Sherwood. Sherwood residents will receive the member price.

The Lake to Lake League, which is for grades 3 – 8, will start practicing in early April and play games on Saturdays from April to June.

New this year, the YMCA will be having its Intown Soccer program during the summertime over the spring. Anticipate this soccer program to run from June–August and it will be offered for youth in 4K – 2nd grade.

### REGISTRATION FORMS

Registration forms are available at The Heart of the Valley YMCA and at the Sherwood Village Office. You may also register online at [www.ymcafoxcities.org](http://www.ymcafoxcities.org) or print off a registration form from the website. Remember, if you want to receive the Sherwood Resident Rate, you must register in person or mail in the form.

If you have any questions, comments or concerns, please call or email Brandon Vanderhoof, Sports & Recreation Director, Heart of the Valley YMCA. (920) 830-5703 or [bvanderhoof@ymcafoxcities.org](mailto:bvanderhoof@ymcafoxcities.org). ▲



### FOOT CLINICS CANCELLED

Calumet County foot clinics at our Sherwood Community Center are no longer available.

Interested parties are welcome to attend foot care clinics held at Chilton's Calumet County Medical Center Clinic (cost is \$15). Alternatively, you can call Calumet County to find upcoming clinics near the Sherwood area at 989-2700 ext. 432.

We apologize for the inconvenience. ▲

### STRONG WOMEN

Group-based exercise program targeted for midlife and older women, focusing on strength training and aerobic exercise.

**Session Start:** 12-week session starts Tues., Jan. 3!

**When:** Tues., & Thurs. at Village Gym

**Time:** 9:30 AM — 10:30 AM

**For more information or to register,** please contact Nancy Krueger at [nkrueger@vpcind.com](mailto:nkrueger@vpcind.com) or call (920) 740-9572. *Cost is a suggested donation of \$15.* ▲

### Greetings from the Village Parks and Recreation Office!

Well once again winter has descended on us bringing the Holiday Season and giving us the opportunity to begin planning next year's Park and Rec. activities. We have been working on a few new ideas that we hope you will enjoy and plan on attending. We will of course run the events we have already established, for instance, Movie nights, Sunday Amphitheater Entertainment, Easter Egg Hunt, Summerfest, and Fallfest. These events are great community gatherings and I hope that you take the opportunity to enjoy some, if not all, of them.

The Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for Saturday, April 15, 2017. Registration is required for this event. The fee will be \$2.00 for residents and \$4.00 for non-residents. Registration will be taken until April 7. The registration form is included this newsletter. I know it may seem early, but it will come sooner than we think so register today!!!

We are going to establish "Wanick Wednesdays" for the kids. It will consist of various activities from arts and crafts to kickball, etc. It will occur on every other Wednesday at Wanick Park starting in June and running through August. Watch for a calendar of the events and times to come out with the next newsletter.

We are also planning at least two community bus trips. The first is a trip to the Warren's Cranberry Festival in September. It includes 3 miles of shopping and 1300+ booths. Vendors vary from arts & crafts to flea and farm market goods. There will be over 80 taste-tacular food vendors on site. This trip will be sure to please everyone.

The second is a shopping trip to Gurnee Mills on the first weekend of December. This will be a great opportunity to finish (or start) any holiday shopping, or just get away for day to shop for yourself. Again, watch for details to come.

All the events that happen are always posted on our Facebook page and the Village website. So be sure to like us on "Facebook" to keep up to date on all the happenings!!!

The YMCA has informed us that they will be offering Soccer in the spring next year. Unfortunately, they will not offer T-ball/Rec baseball program.

Do you plan on renting one of our pavilions next year? Did you know that you can now rent a Village owned grill when renting either Legion or Wanick Park? Yes, it is true!!! If you rent either of these pavilions, you can also rent one of our large grills to use for your grilling needs. Just indicate on the rental form that you would like to rent a grill and we can guide you from there. Please keep in mind that grilling is otherwise not allowed in the parks.

With all these great events going on, would you like to volunteer for the parks? We are always looking for people to help with big and small community events to the tending of the flower beds. Without volunteers it is very hard to make these things happen, so if you would be interested please e-mail me or just give me a call.

For now, I hope the winter treats us well and we look forward to another great year!!! Any questions, comments, or suggestions please contact me.

Brenda Stumpf  
Recreation Coordinator

**E-mail:** [parkandrec@villageofsherwood.org](mailto:parkandrec@villageofsherwood.org)

# SHERWOOD CIVIC NEWS

## Scholarship Opportunities

### AMERICAN LEGION

Sherwood American Legion Post 496 is accepting applications for their annual scholarship awards. This annual scholarship must be used for undergraduate or graduate, full-time study at an accredited college or university. The applicants' primary residence must be in the Sherwood service area of the Thomas E. Kees American Legion Post.

Applicants will be judged on overall academic achievement, demonstrated extra-curricular, community and service involvement, and completed of the scholarship application. Since its inception in 1999, American Legion Post 496 scholarship committee has awarded over \$64,000 to area students.

**Completed applications are due no later than March 1, 2017.**

To receive an application, write Sherwood American Legion Post 496 Scholarship Committee, P.O. Box 90, Sherwood, WI 54169-0090, and include a self-addressed, stamped envelope or e-mail address.

These scholarships were made possible by the generous gift of Frank and Ann Schneider of Sherwood. Frank was a highly decorated World War II pilot and founding member of Post 496.

### SHERWOOD AREA OPTIMISTS

The Sherwood Area Optimists are again offering six (6) \$500 scholarships to area graduating seniors planning to attend any accredited college, university, or technical college as a full-time student. Preferential consideration will be given to the applicants residing within the Sherwood area.

To obtain a scholarship application, please send a request to: Sherwood Area Optimist Club Scholarship Committee, c/o Jan Keuer, N251 Kings Court, Sherwood, WI 54169 or e-mail [dkeuer@new.rr.com](mailto:dkeuer@new.rr.com).

**All applications are due by April 1, 2017.**

## FRIENDS OF HIGH CLIFF STATE PARK

The Friends enjoyed an active, productive and exciting 2016 and are anticipating a similar year for 2017.

With the WI State Parks now being self-funded we are realizing the FOHC group will be called on to assist the park staff and help with more of the maintenance and material needs of the park than ever before. We are extremely grateful for the support our members and the citizens of Sherwood have provided in the past and are hopeful the support and assistance will continue into 2017.

Did you know High Cliff State Park is considered to be one of Wisconsin's Seven Natural Wonders? We believe it is imperative to be a part of helping to enhance, maintain and promote this natural beauty which sits within the Sherwood boundaries. Everything the Friends do with our projects, fundraisers and promotions are geared toward the fore mentioned goals which will protect and sustain the environment of this Natural Wonder.

This year we have welcomed new members from throughout the valley, state of WI and even Illinois, and Maryland. We are an open and welcoming group which accepts members who wish to be active and those who want to be members and not be active. We are also welcoming of volunteers who just want to use their talents and abilities to help maintain and enhance the park. You may call the park office 989-1106 or 989-2676 regarding volunteering or FOHC membership.

A few of tid-bits: 1) After being a state park for 52 years we learned something new about High Cliff: Did you know you can see Lambeau Field from High Cliff? Just climb the tower and look out to the right. Bring your binoculars for an even better/clearer view. It is an awesome sight when there is an evening game. 2) Our paved, accessible Butterfly Pond Trail now has a totally accessible shelter and an accessible picnic table. With the help of a kind and generous Sherwood couple who use the trail and a Sherwood contractor who was willing to come in to build it, we have been able to provide this for our visitor. It is a perfect place for a picnic, bird watching, or just taking in the serenity and beautiful scenery of the Butterfly Pond Wetland Trail. 3) Snowshoes are available for renting at the park office during the winter and fishing poles and tackle are available during spring, summer, and fall. Come visit the park, enjoy all the opportunities it has to offer. We would love to have you join the Friends—if interested, please contact us at [fohcsp@gmail.com](mailto:fohcsp@gmail.com) or call the High Cliff State Park Office at (920) 989-1106.

Thank you for your continued support! Char Barribeau — FOHC President

## SHERWOOD LIONS

- ◆ The Lions will be conducting their semi-annual blood drive at the Sherwood Village Gym on Tuesday — March 22, 2017 from Noon to 6 PM, in collaboration with the Community Blood Center. Please call to schedule an appointment at 1-800-280-4102; walk-ins are welcome.
- ◆ The annual Memorial Day Parade will take place Monday, May 29, 2017 at 9 AM in Sherwood's historic downtown area (near the Post Office). All are welcome! A memorial service will follow at St. John -Sacred Heart Cemetery (weather permitting).



**Wicked Fit Club** — Where working out is "wicked fun"! Class meets every Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday mornings 5:30 AM to 6:15 AM. This club offers innovative high-intensity workouts that build lean muscle and improve cardiovascular endurance in a fun, friendly environment and convenient location. The class meets right at the Sherwood Village Gym and anyone can join at anytime. Contact Nancy Krueger at [bnkrueger@msn.com](mailto:bnkrueger@msn.com) or call 920-740-9572.

**Hatha Yoga at Community Center** — This relaxing class focuses on stretching, breathing, balancing, and quieting of the mind. Class takes place every Friday from 9 AM to 10 AM at the Sherwood Community Center. Cost is \$4 per class.



W482 Clifton Rd.  
 P.O. Box 279  
 Sherwood, WI 54169

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## Monthly Meeting Schedule

All meetings will be held at the Village Hall, W482 Clifton Rd., unless posted otherwise:

- Plan Commission (PC) 1st Monday — 6:30 PM
- Village Board (VB) 2nd & 4th Mondays — 6:30 PM
- Park Rec and Urban Tree Board (PRUT) 3rd Monday — 6:30 PM
- Community Development Authority (CDA) 4th Wednesday — 6:30 PM

Agendas are posted at the post office, Village Hall, Dick's Family Foods, and on the Village website: [www.villageofsherwood.org](http://www.villageofsherwood.org).

## Office Closures

Village Office and Public Works Garage will be closed the following days:

### DECEMBER

- Fri., 12/23 — In observation of Christmas Eve
- Mon., 12/26 — In observation of Christmas Day

### JANUARY

- Mon., 1/2/2017 — In observation of New Year's Day

JANUARY 2017				
MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
OFF	PC	4	5	6
VB	10	11	12	13
	17	18	19	20
	24	CDA	26	27
VB	30	31		

  

FEBRUARY 2017				
MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
		1	2	3
PC	7	8	9	10
VB	14	15	16	17
PRUT	21	CDA	23	24
VB	28			

  

MARCH 2017				
MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
		1	2	3
PC	7	8	9	10
VB	14	15	16	17
PRUT	21	CDA	23	24
VB	28	29	30	31

## Sherwood Water & Sewer Utility — Your Bill of Rights (as Utility Customer) 1 of 2

The Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (PSC) provides this information to let you know your rights as a water customer. If you have a question or problem with your service, first contact your utility. If your utility cannot resolve the problem, call the PSC.

### What is on Your Bill

All water utility bills must include:

1. Account number.
2. Billing address.
3. Service address (if not the same as the billing address).
4. Current meter reading and date.
5. Prior meter reading and date.
6. Number of units consumed.
7. Minimum and estimated bills shall be distinctly marked as such.
8. The date on which the utility bill is due.
9. The rate schedule under which the bill was computed.
10. Clear itemization of the amount of the bill for the present billing period, any unpaid balance, and any late payment charges.
11. Clear itemization of other utility charges and credits. If the rate schedule is not included with the bill, the utility must provide a copy of the rate schedule to all customers whenever a rate change becomes effective *and* at least once each year.

### Late Payment Charges

A utility can add a late payment charge if your bill has not been received by the utility by the due date printed on your bill.

A late payment charge can be:

1. A one-time charge of 3% of the unpaid bill (minimum of 50 cents), *or*
2. A monthly charge of up to 1% of the unpaid bill (including unpaid late payment charges).

### A Deposit May Be Required

If you are a new residential customer, you may be asked to post a deposit if you did not pay an undisputed bill for gas, electric, or water service anywhere in Wisconsin during the last six years *and* your income is above 200 % of federal income poverty guidelines.

If you are a current residential customer, you may be asked to post a deposit if:

- a. Your service has been disconnected within the last 12 months.
- b. You falsified a service application.

### Installment Plans for Overdue Bills

You may enter into an installment plan to pay what you owe your utility. This helps you pay your current bills and any overdue bills. You will be asked to make a "reasonable down payment" and "reasonable installments." A reasonable amount is based on:

1. The size of your overdue bill.
2. Your payment history.
3. How long your bill has been overdue.
4. Reasons your bill is overdue.
5. Other important factors such as household size, income, and necessary expenses. Your utility may ask you to sign an installment agreement. Do not sign it unless you agree to the terms. You have the right to suggest a different payment agreement. If you do not pay installments as agreed, the utility may disconnect your service. If you do not pay, the utility does not have to negotiate a new agreement before it disconnects your service. It is up to you to let the utility know if there have been any significant changes in your ability to pay. If you and the utility cannot agree on an installment plan, you can file a dispute with the PSC. While the PSC investigates and attempts to resolve your dispute, your service should not be disconnected.
6. You refuse or fail to allow the utility to obtain a meter reading at least once every four months where the utility bills monthly or bimonthly, or at least once every nine months where the utility bills quarterly.

### Medical Problems

The utility may delay disconnection for up to 21 days if there is a medical emergency in the home. During this delay, you must work with the utility to make payment arrangements in order to continue the service on a permanent basis. The utility may require a letter regarding the medical emergency from your doctor, a public health official, a social service official, the police, or sheriff.

The letter must specify the medical emergency, the need for water, and the expected duration of the emergency. The utility may grant another 21-day extension if there is evidence that you are working with the utility to establish a payment plan. However, you must pay all bills not in dispute.

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### Service Disconnections

A utility must either mail or personally deliver a notice before your service is disconnected. This notice must include:

1. Date of notice.
2. Date when service can be disconnected.
3. Reason for the disconnection.
4. If feasible, the occupants may apply to the utility to accept responsibility for future bills and avoid disconnection of service.
5. How to contact the utility about the notice. The notice must be mailed to your home or mailing address at least 10 days before the disconnection. If the billing address is different from the service address, notice shall be posted at the service address at least five days before disconnection. The utility is required to make a reasonable effort to contact you by telephone or in person before service is disconnected. If service is not disconnected within 20 days after the notice is mailed, the utility must leave a new notice at the site not less than 24 hours or more than 48 hours prior to disconnection. A utility may disconnect utility service without notice where a dangerous condition exists for as long as it exists. Service may be disconnected with a written 24-hour notice for non-payment of a bill covering theft of water.

Your service **cannot** be disconnected if:

1. You fail to pay for merchandise or non-utility service.
2. You fail to pay for a different type or class of utility service.
3. There is a declared heat advisory, warning, or emergency for your area.

Your service **can** be disconnected if:

1. You fail to pay your bills, including delinquent bills from a previous address.
2. You fail to pay your installment plan as agreed.
3. You fail to pay required deposits.
4. You tamper with your meter.
5. There is a safety hazard.

### Delinquent Bills Levied as a Tax

Delinquent municipal utility bills may be levied as a tax as provided in Wis. Stat. § 66.0809(3).

### Have a Dispute?

First contact your utility to try to resolve the problem. If you are behind on your bill, the utility may offer you an installment plan to pay the amount owing. If the utility cannot resolve your problem, you may contact the PSC at 1-800-225-7729 or (608) 266-2001. While the PSC reviews your dispute, your service should not be disconnected. However, you must still promptly pay any charges not in dispute. After the PSC completes its review, a staff member will contact you and the utility to discuss the resolution.

*The PSC does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the provisions of programs, services, or employment. If you are speech, hearing, or visually impaired and need assistance, call (608) 266-5481 or TTY (608) 267-1479. We will try to find another way to get the information to you in a usable form.*

### For More Information Contact:

**Public Service Commission**  
610 N. Whitney Way  
P.O. Box 7854, Madison, WI 53707  
608-266-5481 / TTY: 608-267-1479



## ATTENTION

Please do **NOT** flush products such as sanitary napkins, disposable baby wipes/wet wipes, or dental floss. The package may be marked the item "flushable", but it is unfortunately causing backup issues and headaches for our utility personnel. Please help our WWTP by disposing such personal hygiene products in the trash.



**Thank you for your cooperation in advance!**

### TO MAKE A UTILITY PAYMENT

**MAIL TO:** W482 Clifton Road, P.O. Box 40, Sherwood, WI 54169

**DROP IT OFF:** Turn in at the payment window Monday — Friday from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM or place it anytime in the drop box, which is outside the Village Office.

**PAYMENT OPTIONS:** Payments need to be by check, cash or money order. We cannot accept credit or debit cards.



## Medication Disposal Update

Unwanted medications can be safely disposed of 24/7 at the following safe drop-off locations:

- Appleton Police Dept. — 222 South Walnut Street, Appleton
- Brillion Police Dept. — 130 Calumet Street, Brillion
- Calumet County Sheriff's Dept. — 206 Court Street, Chilton
- Menasha Police Dept. — 430 1st Street, Menasha

There is also a medication disposal drop box available in New Holstein, Mon.-Fri., 7 AM-4:30 PM:

- New Holstein Police Dept.—2110 Washington Street, New Holstein.

Household drugs accepted at the drop boxes include prescription and over-the-counter medications such as pills, capsules, ointments, liquids, sprays, drops, creams, inhalers, and vials, including pet medications. For all drop box sites, pills should be emptied into zip-top sandwich bags for disposal. Liquids, creams, and powders should be left in their original containers. Use of the drop boxes is free.

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## Everyday Actions That Can Help Fight Germs, Like Flu

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends a three-step approach to fighting influenza (flu): 1.) The first, and most important, step is to get a flu vaccination each year. 2.) If you get the flu, there are prescription antiviral drugs that can treat your illness. Early treatment is especially important for the elderly, the very young, people with certain chronic health conditions, and pregnant women. 3.) Finally, everyday preventive actions may slow the spread of germs that cause respiratory (nose, throat, and lungs) illnesses, like flu.

### How does the flu spread?

Flu viruses are thought to spread mainly from person to person through droplets made when people with flu cough, sneeze, or talk. Flu viruses also may spread when people touch something with flu virus on it and then touch their mouth, eyes, or nose. Many other viruses spread these ways too. People infected with flu may be able to infect others beginning one day before symptoms develop and up to 5-7 days after becoming sick. That means you may be able to spread the flu to someone else before you know you are sick as well as while you are sick. Young children, those who are severely ill, and those who have severely weakened immune systems may be able to infect others for longer than 5-7 days.



### What are everyday preventive actions?

- Try to **avoid close contact with sick people.**
- If you or your child gets sick with flu-like illness, CDC recommends that you (or your child) **stay home for at least 24 hours after the fever is gone** except to get medical care. The fever should be gone without the use of a fever-reducing medicine.



- **While sick, limit contact with others** as much as possible to keep from infecting them.
- **Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze.** Throw the tissue in the trash after you use it.
- **Wash your hands often with soap and water.** If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand rub.
- **Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth.** Germs spread this way.
- **Clean and disinfect surfaces and objects** that may be contaminated with germs.

**What additional steps can I take at work to help stop the spread of germs that can cause respiratory illness, like flu?**

- **Find out about your employer's plans if an outbreak of flu or another illness occurs.**
- **Routinely clean frequently touched objects and surfaces, including doorknobs, keyboards, and phones.**
- **Make sure your workplace has an adequate supply of tissues, soap, paper towels, alcohol-based hand rubs, and disposable wipes.**
- **Train others on how to do your job so they can cover for you** in case you or a family member gets sick and you have to stay home.
- **If you begin to feel sick while at work, go home as soon as possible.**

*Information retrieved from the CDC website by Calumet County Public Health.*

For more information, visit: [www.cdc.gov/flu](http://www.cdc.gov/flu)

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## **Youth and Alcohol Don't Mix**

Because their brains are still developing, youth who drink alcohol may suffer lifelong damage to brain function. The safest choice for youth is to not drink any alcohol.

Help youth be "Too Smart to Start." Visit [www.toosmarttostart.samhsa.gov](http://www.toosmarttostart.samhsa.gov) , an excellent website for youth, teens, families and educators to help prevent underage alcohol use.

For more information on local efforts to prevent youth substance abuse, contact the REACH coalition, through Calumet County Public Health, by calling 920-849-1432 or by sending an email to [healthdept@co.calumet.wi.us](mailto:healthdept@co.calumet.wi.us) .