



# OUTLOOK

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## Nomination Papers for Spring Election Available Nov. 30

Three Village Board Trustee seats will be contested in the Spring Election to be held April 5, 2016. Nomination papers for these offices may be picked up at the Clerk's Office beginning Nov. 30 and circulated beginning Dec. 1. Completed nomination papers must be filed with the Clerk's Office no later than 5 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 5, 2016.

The two-year terms of incumbent Trustees Jerry Adrian, Mary Pat Lytle, and Dan Kolk expire April 19, 2016.

The four-year term of incumbent Municipal Judge Randi Othrow expires May 1, 2016. Effective with the 2012 election, the term for Municipal Judge was changed to be four years, expiring May 1, 2016. Candidates must be a resident of the Village of McFarland, licensed to practice law in the State of Wisconsin and have been so licensed for five years immediately prior to election or appointment.

If necessary, a Primary Election for these offices will be held Feb. 16.

If you are interested in finding out more about the nomination process, duties, time commitment, and compensation for these offices please contact Village Clerk Tracey Berman at 838-3153 or e-mail at [tracey.berman@mcfarland.wi.us](mailto:tracey.berman@mcfarland.wi.us).

## Photo ID is Required to Vote at The Polls

Photo ID is required to vote and is used to provide proof of identity, not residence. Therefore your photo ID is valid even if it does not contain your current address or expired after the most recent general election (Nov. 4, 2014). The acceptable forms are listed below.

- Wisconsin driver's license\*
- Wisconsin DOT-issued photo ID card\*
- U.S. passport\*
- Military ID card\*
  - \*The above documents may not have expired earlier than the date of the last November election.
- Certificate of naturalization issued within last two years
- Unexpired Wisconsin driver's license or state ID receipt
- ID card issued by a federally recognized Indian tribe in Wisconsin.
- Unexpired ID issued by a Wisconsin accredited university or college that contains an issuance date, student signature, and expiration date within two years of issuance, along with a separate document showing proof of current enrollment.

If you are eligible to vote but do not have an acceptable ID, you may obtain a **free** ID for purposes of voting. Please visit The Wisconsin Government Accountability Board's Voter ID website <http://bringit.wi.gov/> for more information.

## Photocopies of Photo ID Required to Absentee Vote

During in-person absentee voting at the Village Clerk's Office, voters must present a photo ID, just like on Election Day. Photo ID is also required for mail-in absentee voting, and absentee voters must provide a photocopy of their photo ID card with their absentee ballot request. Once you have sent the Village Clerk's Office a photocopy of

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## Property Tax Bills Are Due Jan. 31

The 2015 property tax bills are scheduled to be mailed the second week in December. Property taxes are due in full on or before Jan. 31, 2016, or they may be paid on a two-part installment payment plan. The first installment is due Jan. 31, 2016; the second, July 31, 2016. All tax payments made through Jan. 31, 2016, go to the McFarland Village Treasurer; all payments made after that date must go directly to the Dane County Treasurer, PO Box 1299, Madison, WI, 53701-1299.

If you plan to use the tax payment as a deduction against your 2015 income taxes, it must be postmarked no later than Dec. 31, 2015 or paid in person by 4:30 p.m. Dec. 31, 2015. Please note that Village offices will be closed Dec. 24, Dec. 25, Jan. 1 and Jan. 18.



## Shared Table Seeks 2016 Host groups

Community groups, church congregations and neighborhood organizations may now choose a date to serve one or more 2016 Shared Table Free Community Meals. Held every Thursday afternoon at 5 p.m. in McFarland Lutheran Church, 5529 Marsh Road, the meals offer free, nutritious food to those who are food insecure, those who want to share a meal with friends in a friendly atmosphere, and those who would like a hot meal at the end of a busy workday. All are welcome.

To sign up your organization to sponsor a meal(s) in 2016, go to [www.sharedtablecommunitymeals.com](http://www.sharedtablecommunitymeals.com) or contact Meal Coordinator Vicki Holten at 345-3403 or [marvin911@charter.net](mailto:marvin911@charter.net).



**Shared Table**

*All are welcome!*

*Every Thursday at 5 p.m.*

### Shared Table Holiday Breaks

To allow both guests and servers to celebrate the upcoming holidays with their families, Shared Table meals will not be served on Thanksgiving, Christmas or New Years Day. Anyone needing a free Thanksgiving meal is directed to the American Legion Hall on Burma Road where a meal of turkey, mashed potatoes, dressing, and desserts will be served from 11 a.m.–2 p.m. This meal can also be delivered, starting at 11 a.m. To arrange for delivery, please call the American Legion at 838-3249. The meal is free, but donations accepted.



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[www.mcfarland.wi.us](http://www.mcfarland.wi.us)

## Larson House Prepares for Holidays

Festive Victorian swags, Christmas trees with vintage ornaments and Christmas carols around the piano in the morning will usher in the holiday season at the Larson House Museum during an open house Saturday, Dec. 5, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. as part of Christmas in the Village. The historic Queen Anne style house on the corner of Bashford and Exchange will be open to the public free of charge every Sunday in December from 1–4 p.m.



The recently restored house museum welcomed visitors every Sunday afternoon during the summer months. The Larson House committee members hosted an authentic women's tea in July, a steampunk lawn party in August, marched in the Family Festival parade and sold loaded baked potatoes at a booth in the Family Festival tent. Several publications are offered for purchase at the Larson House and at the McFarland Historical Society Museum on Main Street. Proceeds benefit the historical society and the maintenance of the Larson House Museum.

The Larson House is available for small group meetings and activities such as the McFarland Garden Club, a community organization that celebrated its 25th anniversary there this summer. For more information, please contact Jane Licht at 838-8178.

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your ID, you will not need to send copies with future absentee ballot requests unless you change your name or address.

Photo ID is not required for voters in nursing homes and care facilities, as well as those at home who are "indefinitely confined" due to age, physical illness or infirmity, or who are disabled for an indefinite period. Instead of providing a copy of their photo ID, they may have their absentee witness verify their identity.

Visit the Wisconsin Government Accountability Board's Voter ID websites <http://bringit.wi.gov/> or [www.gab.wi.gov/](http://www.gab.wi.gov/) for specific questions on how the new Voter ID law affects you.

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## Annual Dog Park Permit Holders Must Obtain 2016 Dog License and Dog Park Permit

Your current McFarland Dog Exercise Area permit will expire Dec. 31, 2015 and you will need to obtain **both** a 2016 dog license and dog park permit in order to continue use of the park. Daily dog park permits are available only at the Dog Park.

The Dog Park is located at 6201 Elvehjem Road in Urso Park and features a fully fenced exercise area of about 7 acres where dogs can run and play off leash. Amenities include a lighted parking lot, paths, signs, benches, and pet waste bags and disposal stations. The terrain and vegetation of the site varies a good deal which makes it an interesting and enjoyable walk even if you do not own a dog.

### Application mailed with Tax Bill or Available Online

The Village of McFarland Pet License and Dog Park Permit Application includes instructions on how to renew or obtain a new 2016 pet license and dog park permit and will be mailed with tax bills. If you have a dog and do not receive a tax bill, please stop and pick up an application form at the Village Administration office or download it from the Village website homepage at [www.mcfarland.wi.us](http://www.mcfarland.wi.us). This form will be available after Dec. 15.

If you have more than one dog, you will need to make copies of the application as a completed application is required for each pet you need to license or obtain a dog park permit for.

## License your Cat or Dog Now to Avoid Late Fees

Cat and dog licenses for 2015 expire Dec. 31, 2015. 2016 licenses obtained after March 31, 2016 will be assessed a late fee.

Municipal ordinances and state law require all dogs and cats over five months of age to be licensed. If you received a new pet for the holidays, or if a younger pet has or will soon reach licensing age, be sure to obtain your 2016 license by the March 31 deadline.

The *Pet License and Dog Park Permit Application* will be mailed with tax bills. *If you have a dog and do not receive a tax bill*, please stop and pick up the application at the Village Administration office or download it from the home page of the Village website at [www.mcfarland.wi.us](http://www.mcfarland.wi.us).

## Village of McFarland Leash Ordinance

Recently, the Police Department has been receiving increased complaints regarding dogs running loose and not being under the control of their owners. We would like to remind residents of McFarland's ordinance as it pertains to this subject:

### Sec. 5-77. Animals running at large

- (a) No person having possession or ownership of any animal or fowl shall allow the same to run at large within the Village. The owner of any animal, whether licensed or unlicensed, shall keep such animal tied or enclosed in a proper enclosure so as not to allow said animal to interfere with the passing public or neighbors. Any animal running at large unlicensed and required by state law or Village ordinance to be licensed shall be seized and impounded by a humane or law enforcement officer.
- (b) A dog or cat shall not be considered to be running at large if it is on a leash not to exceed 10 feet in length and under control of a person physically able to control it. A dog shall not be considered to be running at large if it is within the fenced enclosure of a designated dog exercise area and under the direct observation and voice control of its owner or other person in lawful custody and control.

## Municipal Calendar

### Oct. 27--31

Brush chipping (Zone 2)

### Nov. 3-7

Brush chipping (Zone 3)

### Nov. 16-20

Yard waste collection (Village wide)

### Nov. 26-27

Holidays – Offices closed

### Dec. 1

Begin winter parking regulations  
Begin circulation of nomination papers  
Yard waste/Brush drop-off-site closes

### Dec. 3

2016 Pet License applications available

### Dec. 5

Christmas in the Village

### Dec. 24-25

Holidays – Offices closed

### Dec. 31

Property tax prepayment deadline  
Expiration of 2015 dog and cat licenses and dog park permits

### Jan. 1

Holiday – Offices closed

### Jan. 5

Deadline for filing nomination papers

### Jan. 18

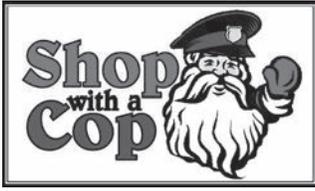
Holiday – Offices closed

### Jan. 31

Deadline for paying first installment of property taxes

### Cable Channel 98 or 982

*Meetings of Village government authorities, boards, committees and commissions are generally televised live on Cable Channel 98/982 and then replayed on a scheduled basis over the next month. Check the Village website at [www.mcfarland.wi.us/cableschedule](http://www.mcfarland.wi.us/cableschedule) for the most up-to-date program schedule for each week. Videos of Village meetings are also available for download at [www.mcfarland.wi.us/onlinevideo](http://www.mcfarland.wi.us/onlinevideo).*



## Police Department Shop With a Cop Program

Each December, members of the Police Department go Christmas shopping with several children from the community. The intent of the program is to provide children whose families are experiencing financial difficulties the opportunity to purchase gifts for their family members.

*Community Donations to Fund Are Welcomed*

The Police Department works with the School District each year to identify children who would fit the criteria for the program. The program is funded through the generous donations of local businesses and residents.

Anyone interested in contributing to the fund, or having questions about the program can contact Officer Jackie Statz at [jacqueline.statz@mcfarland.wi.us](mailto:jacqueline.statz@mcfarland.wi.us).

## Delinquent Utility Accounts go on Tax Roll

Notices of delinquent water, sewer and stormwater accounts were mailed to homeowners, landlords and tenants. Past due amounts will be placed on the property tax roll, with penalties added, if they are not paid in full on or before Nov. 12. Once the charges go on the tax roll, they become a lien against the property until paid.

In the case of rental properties, the property owner is responsible for paying the delinquent utility bill even if the charges were incurred by a tenant or former tenant. Landlords may check the status of a tenant's account at any time of the year by calling 838-7287.

## ATV Route for Ice Fishing Lake Access

In December 2011, the McFarland Village Board approved a resolution establishing a winter only ATV route intended to provide public ATV access for ice fishing on Lake Waubesa through McDaniel Park. The route encompasses Siggelkow Road from the intersection with Terminal Dr. to and through McDaniel Park, and Erling Avenue from the intersection with Bremer Road to and through McDaniel Park. A marked trail will be provided in McDaniel Park with which to operate ATV's through the park and onto the lake.

The route will open for the 2015-2016 season Dec. 1, and close March 31, 2016. Parking for vehicle-trailer combination trailers will not be allowed inside of McDaniel Park due to space limitations, however ATV's and equipment may be unloaded near or in the park. Vehicle-trailer combinations may park anywhere along the established route on Erling Avenue, McDaniel Lane and Siggelkow Road where parking is typically allowed and not prohibited by other ordinances.

All other parking ordinances, including winter parking are still in effect. Additionally, vehicle-trailer combinations will be permitted to park horizontally across the normally marked single vehicle stalls along the Brandt Park parking area on Siggelkow Road

ATV operators are responsible to familiarize themselves with all applicable laws, ordinances, rules and regulations pertaining to the operation of ATV's on a roadway. Per Village ordinance, the posted speed limit for ATV's on established routes is 5 mph. ATV operators will not be allowed to tow any sort of structure or equipment that will damage the roadway and it is strongly advised that such equipment be dropped of at or near the park.

No ATV operation is permitted on any other roadway not established as an official ATV route, or in any other area of McDaniel Park other than the marked trail. Official signs will be erected clearly marking the approved route. Any questions related to this resolution may be directed to the McFarland Police Department at 838-3151.

## Cold Weather Safety

With cold weather here and even more approaching, it is important to stay safe and keep yourself and your family warm. Here are just a few safety tips for you to remember this winter.

- First, make sure you dress warm, even if you are only driving a short distance. Your car could break down on the way to school, work, or wherever you are heading. Winter is usually a very busy time for tow trucks so one may not be readily available for you if your car breaks down, which means you could potentially be out in the cold for a while.
- It's also a good idea to have a spare set of winter clothes (jackets, pants, warm socks) in your car for the same reason. If you start your car to warm it up, do it out of the garage.
- Your car emits Carbon Monoxide, otherwise known as the "Silent Killer," which is very dangerous.
- Lastly, we ask that you shovel and salt your driveways and sidewalks the best that you can, not only for your safety, but ours as well.



## McFarland Emergency Management

The local Emergency Management Director functions within the community to ensure emergency procedures, training and resources are available when needed, effective when utilized, and applied appropriately. The Emergency Management Director further:

- Collaborates with emergency responders and resources within and outside the Village of McFarland.
- Coordinates actions to support emergency preparedness, response and recovery.
- Is responsible for integrating personnel, resources and procedures during an emergency response.

In collaboration with the Wisconsin Emergency Management system and the Ready Wisconsin Program, this is a reminder to McFarland residents of some very important winter tips:

**Safety First, Stay Informed:** The National Weather Service issues winter storm warnings and watches:

### Winter Storm Watch:

Winter storm conditions are possible within the next 36–48 hours, continue to monitor the weather forecast.

### Winter Storm or Ice Warning:

A significant weather event is occurring or will begin with the next 24 hours. The combination of snow, sleet, freezing rain and moderate winds will impact travel and outdoor activities. An Ice Storm Warning is issued when mostly freezing rain is expected with ice accumulations of ¼ inch or more within a 12-hour period. Take necessary precautions — consider canceling travel plans.

### Blizzard Warning:

A dangerous event with winds 35 miles-per-hour or greater in combination with falling and/or blowing snow that reduces visibility to a quarter mile or less for a duration of at least three hours.

### What is Possible?

Residents can expect almost anything, ranging from killer dense fog and flooding rains to widespread heavy snows and blizzards that can isolate a village/city for days.

At times residents must travel even though there is a possibility of inclement weather. Therefore, I wish to offer additional tips:

### Survival Tips:

- Prepare your vehicle: Make sure of keeping the gas tank at least half full.
- Be easy to find: Tell someone where you are going and the route you will be taking.
- If stuck, tie a florescent distress flag on your antenna. At night, keep your dome light on for rescue crews to see you from a distance. To reduce battery drain, utilize emergency flashers only upon hearing or seeing an approaching vehicle. If you're with someone, make certain one person stays awake to watch for help at all times.
- Stay in your vehicle: walking in a winter storm can be very dangerous, your vehicle is the best and safest shelter.
- Avoid overexertion through shoveling or pushing the car. Do not risk a heart attack or injury. Sweating and wet clothes lessens insulation and can cause hypothermia.

- Fresh air: it's better to be cold and awake than warm and sleepy. Run the engine only 10 minutes per hour and make certain that the exhaust pipe is free of snow, and crack a window to prevent deadly carbon monoxide gas from entering your vehicle.

### 911 Tips:

- If possible, call 911 on your cellphone, provide your location, condition of all occupants in the vehicle and the problem you are experiencing with the vehicle.
- Follow instructions: You may be told to remain where you are until help arrives.
- Do not hang up until you know who you have spoken with and what will happen next.
- If you must leave the vehicle, write down your name, address, phone number and destination, leaving the paper inside the front windshield.
- Wishing everyone a safe and happy winter season.

### Making a Vehicle Winter Survival Kit:

Everyone should carry a Winter Survival Kit in the car. In an emergency, it could save your life and the lives of you loved ones and passengers. Here is what you need:

- A shovel
  - Necessary medications
  - Windshield scraper and small broom
  - Blankets or sleeping bag
  - Flashlight with extra batteries
  - Tow chain or rope
  - Battery powered radio
  - Booster cables
  - Emergency flares and reflectors
  - Snack food, energy bars, water
  - Florescent distress flag
  - Matches and small candles
  - Car phone adapter for lighter
  - Extra hats, socks and mittens
  - Road salt, sand, and cat litter for traction
  - First aid kit with pocket knife
- Store the kit inside the car in case the trunk is jammed or frozen shut.

Chuck M. Di Piazza  
McFarland Emergency Management Director



E. D. LOCKE  
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LIBRARY

## McFarland Book Quest

It's pretty hard to miss the rainbow castle when one walks into the children's area at E. D. Locke Public Library. Right at the entrance of the preschool play area, there it sits, welcoming children — and their grown-ups — to come right in and enjoy a book.

The rainbow castle is a very colorful way for all to see how many local preschoolers are working on a heroic quest: reading 1,000 books before entering kindergarten at age five. As children progress toward the 1000-book goal in their McFarland Book Quest, they filled the castle's rainbow stripes with color.

On Saturday, Sept. 26, a Celebration took place at the library to mark the second year of this early literacy program. All families with young children were invited to attend. We recognized the preschoolers who finished their 1000-book quest with a "royal roll-call" and applause. All children got a rainbow crown to wear, and were treated to a lively musical performance by David Landau and dancing and general hilarity ensued.

Since the McFarland Book Quest program launched in September 2013, almost 400 children have signed up, reading thousands of books with parents, grandparents and caregivers. More than 40 have finished their quest, accounting for 40,000-plus books being read in the past two years. Those who posed for a picture in front of the rainbow castle (with their parents' permission) were congratulated on the library's Facebook page.

With generous support from the McFarland Lions and Lionesses Clubs, the 1000 Books Before Kindergarten initiative promotes rich reading experiences for preschoolers and provides a valuable building block for future learning success. Reading two to three stories each day with an adult (about 20 minutes) yields the best results. Families with preschoolers are encouraged to sign up for a free book bag and their first reading log to begin their Quest today.

## Library Calendar

### November to February

#### November

- Nov. 3 Drop-In Preschool Story Times continue, Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. for ages 5 and under.
- Nov. 12 Final Fall Repeat Story Time Thursday at 10 a.m. for ages 5 and under.
- Nov. 14 Family Board Game Day, 10 a.m.–3 p.m., all ages welcome
- Nov. 17 Final Fall Drop-In Preschool Story Time at 10:30 a.m.
- Nov. 19 Third Thursday Evening Family Story Time at 6:30 p.m. – "Thanksgiving Harvest" *Registration is required.*

#### December

- Dec. 5 Fifth Annual "Christmas Craft-Palooza!" – all ages welcome!

#### January

- Jan. 12 Drop-In Preschool Story Times begin, Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. for ages 5 and under.
- Jan. 14 Repeat Preschool Story Times begin, Thursdays at 10 a.m. (please note earlier time), on the second and fourth Thursday of each month, for ages 5 and under.
- Jan. 21 Third Thursday Evening Family Story Time at 6:30 p.m. – "Arctic Snow Safari" *Registration is required.*
- Jan. 27 Baby Lapsit Story Times begin, Wednesdays at 9:45 a.m. for babies 0-18 months. One adult lap per baby. *Registration is required.*

#### February

- Feb. 2 Drop-In Preschool Story Times continue, Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. for ages 5 and under.
- Feb. 11 Repeat Preschool Story Times continue, second and fourth Thursdays at 10 a.m.
- Feb. 13 Family Board Game Day, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., all ages welcome!
- Feb. 18 Third Thursday Evening Family Story Time at 6:30 p.m. – "It's LEAP Year!" *Registration is required.*

Please note: all program registrations begin Monday, Jan. 4, 2016, at the library or by calling the Circulation Desk at 838-9030, extension 0.

## Library Book Club Schedule of Authors

The E. D. Locke Public Library Book Club meets the second Wednesday of the month at 2 p.m.

- Nov. 11 *Shotgun Lovesongs* by Nickolas Butler
- Dec. 9 *The Giver* by Lois Lowry
- Jan. 13 To Be Announced

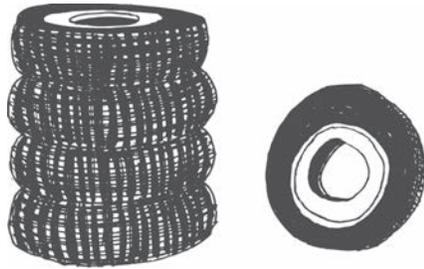


Preschoolers who finished their 1000-book quest were treated to a lively musical performance by David Landau.



## Keep The Sidewalks Clear

Property owners are required to keep the sidewalks that abut their property free of snow and ice. Sidewalks must be cleared of accumulated snow and ice within 24 hours from the time the snow ceases to accumulate. Failure to remove the snow and ice can cause a serious hazard. Residents must also keep sidewalks sprinkled with sand and/or salt to permit safe travel by pedestrians. Warnings will be issued for the first violation and citations for any further violations. If you have any questions or concerns Community Development can be reached at 838-3154.



## Outdoor Storage of Unsightly Items

Vehicles (including, but not limited to, cars, motorcycles, trucks, trailers, recreational vehicles, boats, and vans) are allowed parked outside for the particular categories of residential property.

When parked in the front or side yard areas, the vehicles must be placed on a driveway. Distance from property lines shall be no less than 3 feet.

Outdoor parking or storage of the following items is specifically prohibited:

- Motor vehicle, boat, or aircraft not in operating condition.
- Unlicensed motor vehicle, unlicensed boat, or unlicensed aircraft.
- Junk, salvage, parts, machinery, tanks, barrels, or fencing materials.
- Commercial truck, tractor or trailer, building materials, construction or earth moving equipment not being used on a building project under a valid building permit for the site.

Please refer to your local subdivision restrictions and covenants for requirements specific to your individual neighborhood, you can contact Public Works at 838-7287 for information on proper disposal of unwanted items.

## Snow Covered Fire Hydrants

Snow is a lot of fun, it's fluffy; you can use it to make snowmen, have snowball fights, make forts, go sledding, snowboarding or skiing. But snow also has the potential to impede the Fire Department's efforts in combating fires, unless it is taken care of before fires occur. Every year we ask that if you have a fire hydrant on our near your property. Please shovel out a path to the hydrant along with 3 feet around the hydrant. This allows firefighters to get to the hydrant and make our connections quicker than if we had to shovel it out first. It has been proven in studies that fires double in size every 30 seconds, so every second counts. This winter, please take an extra 10 minutes to shovel out fire hydrants.



## Before Winter, Check Mailbox for Deterioration

Snowplow operators try very hard to avoid mailboxes when plowing streets. With daily exposure to the elements, mailboxes and their posts do deteriorate over time and may not be able to withstand the rigors of Wisconsin's snow, freezing rain, and high winds. Please check the condition of your mailbox and post and, if necessary, repair or replace them prior to winter. The Public Works Department will repair/replace mailboxes and their posts if they are hit directly by Village snow plows but cannot be responsible for mailboxes and/or posts that are so weak that the weight of plowed snow or slush simply pushes them over.

## Ice Skating Rink Winter Flooding Plans

Weather permitting, the open skating and hockey ice rink will be flooded at Lewis Park this winter. The warming shelter is typically open on weekends and some week nights from late December to mid-February when skating conditions are favorable.

## Holiday Tree Collection

The Village no longer does curbside collection of natural holiday trees. For your convenience, the drop-off site will be open from Dec. 28, 2015 through Jan. 10, 2016.

## Firewood Storage

Firewood storage is permissible in side and rear yards, but not more than 15 percent of the side and rear yard may be used for firewood storage at any one time. Firewood shall be neatly stacked but not closer than 2 feet to any lot line and not higher than 6 feet from grade, except adjacent to a fence where firewood can be stacked against the fence as high as the fence. Fences shall not include hedges and other vegetation. Firewood may not be stored in the front yard.

Please contact the Community Development Office at 838-3154 with your questions.



## McFarland Alternate Side Parking Ordinance

As we move into the winter months, the McFarland Police Department reminds you of the Village's Winter Parking Regulations.

### Sec. 35-158

#### Winter parking regulations

(a) Alternate side parking. It shall be unlawful to park any vehicle in the Village on the odd-numbered side of the street on the even-numbered calendar days and on the even-numbered side of the street on the odd-numbered calendar days from Dec. 1 to March 31 each year during the hours between 1 a.m. and 7 a.m. It shall be unlawful to park any vehicle on any cul-de-sac in the Village from Dec. 1 to March 31 each year during the hours between 1 a.m. and 7 a.m. Any vehicle or object parked in violation hereof may be removed from said street by the Village police at the cost of the owner thereof and, in addition thereto, shall be liable for and subject to the penalties provided below. This Subsection shall not apply to streets where parking is limited to one side of the street.

(b) Street Parking Prohibition Regulations  
At times, due to anticipated weather conditions or other environmental factors, the Village of McFarland may issue an order prohibiting parking on all Village streets and roadways pursuant to Village Ordinance Section 35-158(b).

The main purposes of such declarations are twofold; one, to maximize the ability of plowing crews to clear roadways for travel, and secondly to prevent residents from having to dig their vehicles out of large walls of snow created by plow vehicles as they move around vehicles left on the street.

The Village of McFarland takes into

consideration a variety of factors in making these determinations, including anticipated snow amounts, type of snow (wet vs. dry), temperature, wind conditions, and the timing of the storm as it relates to staffing considerations. The decision is made in conjunction with the Public Works Department.

In the event that a storm fails to produce anticipated conditions, the prohibition may be lifted at some point. This updated information would be found on the McFarland Police website, at [www.mcfarland.wi.us](http://www.mcfarland.wi.us).

When a Street Parking Prohibition is declared, related information is provided to local media outlets, and is posted on this site as well as on our Facebook page and Twitter account.

Below is the ordinance pertaining to Street Parking Prohibitions:

- (b) Snow emergency parking by regulations. Upon the declaration of a snow or snow removal emergency by the Chief of Police and/or the Village Board and in conjunction with the Director of Public Works, regulations necessary to make effective the provisions of this Subsection shall be made.
- (1) When it becomes necessary to effectuate the effective movement of vehicles and to plow snow or ice from streets which, because of the accumulation of snow or ice thereon, causes such a hindrance to traffic as constitutes an emergency unless the snow or ice is promptly removed, the Chief of Police or a designated subordinate, after consultation with the Director of Public Works shall, by appropriate public media, declare the beginning of an emergency and the application of emergency snow parking regulations, which regulations shall remain in force and effect until lifted by the Chief of Police or a designated subordinate. For the purpose of this Subsection, the accumulation of snow or ice on any streets or area sufficient for the application of emergency regulations herein shall be such accumulation of snow and ice that hinders the safe movement of traffic hereon or that impedes the ability of emergency vehicles and public transportation vehicles to travel safely and expeditiously over such streets or areas.
  - (2) When necessary for the clearing, repairing, removal and plowing of snow or ice from any street or for other emergency or special conditions as declared, the Chief of Police or designated subordinates are hereby authorized to make and carry out regulations and procedures sufficient to effectively cope with such emergency or special conditions to include:
    - Making temporary regulations directing traffic and regulating parking; Restrictions prohibiting parking on any street during the hours from 1 a.m. to 7 a.m.; and/or
    - Such other and further regulations and restrictions as to traffic and parking as may be designated as necessary.
  - (3) Whenever a snow emergency exists as declared herein and any motor vehicle or object shall remain on the street or public parking lot in violation of this Subsection, it may be removed by or under the direction of the Police or Public Works Department after one of such departments has attempted to notify the owner to remove such vehicle and it has not been removed.
  - (4) This Subsection shall supersede all other parking regulations in force or posted on any street. Enforcement of this Subsection shall not require posting on affected streets but posting shall be placed or erected at or reasonably near the corporate limits on all state and county trunk highways and connecting streets informing motorists that snow emergency regulations are in effect.



## Pet Waste: Be Diligent About Winter Pick Up

It's very important to continue to pick up after your pet all year long, especially during winter. If you don't pick up pet waste right away, it can soon be encased in snow and ice, ready to be carried away with the melting snow when it warms up. Grassy areas that would normally allow water to soak in are frozen during winter, so they're more like a parking lot greatly increasing the surface area from which runoff flows. So, the bacteria and nutrients found in pet waste are much more likely to make their way to the nearest storm drain. And contrary to common belief, rain and melting snow that goes into storm drains does not go to the sewage treatment plant. Rather, it goes to the nearest lake or stream. So, be sure to continue to scoop the poop this winter and do your part to help keep lakes and streams free of pet waste. For more ideas on how you can help lakes and streams near you, go to [www.myfairlakes.com](http://www.myfairlakes.com).

## Don't Blow Snow Into Street

It is a violation of Village ordinances to plow, blow or shovel snow into Village streets. This can cause a serious hazard for pedestrians and motorists, especially when it is done after the street has already been plowed. Warnings will be issued for the first violation and citations for any further violations.

## Adopt a Hydrant

With winter fast approaching, we are encouraging residents to adopt a hydrant. After snow storms we would appreciate residents to help remove the snow from around the hydrant. Due to removing snow from the street, staff is unable to take care of the hydrants immediately.

## Yard Waste and Brush Drop-Off Site

The yard waste and brush drop-off site remains open and accepting yard waste and brush. The operating hours of the yard waste/brush drop-off site are 7 a.m.-7 p.m., seven days a week. The site will close on or about Nov. 30, weather dependent.

There are separate dumping areas for yard waste and brush. Please stack your material as close to the back wall as possible to conserve space.

### Yard Waste and Brush Checklist

#### What is accepted:

- Leaves
- Grass Clippings
- Thatch
- Non-woody Plants
- Brush must be no larger than 3 inches in diameter and 10 feet in length

#### What is not accepted:

- Rocks
- Concrete
- Metal
- Stumps
- Base Root Balls
- Sod
- Dirt
- Lumber

## Garbage and Recycling Schedule Through 2015

Waste and recycling materials will be collected Tuesday and Wednesday, and should be placed curbside by 6 a.m. This schedule will be the same for the rest of 2015.

## Trash and Recycling Containers

Just a reminder that Village ordinances prohibit placing trash and recycling containers in the street. Containers need to be placed in the terrace area or on your driveway approach.



## Oak Tree Pruning

If you have oak trees that need to be trimmed, now is the time of year to prune them. Village ordinances prohibit the pruning of oak trees between March 1 and Nov. 1 in order to prevent the possible spread of oak wilt. There have been several confirmed infestations of this disease in the Village so it is very important to prune only during dormant months.

Oak wilt is caused by a fungus and is spread both through underground root grafting from tree to tree and also through open pruning wounds that attract bugs which convey the fungus. The disease causes the water conducting vessels of the tree to become plugged and, as water movement within the tree is slowed or stopped, the leaves wilt and drop off causing the tree to die. If you have any questions about your oak trees or proper pruning practices, contact the Public Works Department at 838-7287 for assistance.

## 2015 Yard/Garden Waste Pick-Up

The semi-annual curbside collection of leaves, lawn waste, and garden waste has been converted from a no cost service to a fee-based service. Residents who desire to have this material conveniently collected at curbside will now have to buy and place a Village-issued sticker on each bag of material to be collected. The non-expiring stickers will cost \$2.00 per bag (up to the 50 gallon size) and will be sold in multiples of five. Stickers are available for purchase at all municipal facilities as well as at the McFarland True Value.

### Nov. 16 Curbside Collection

Barnes, Inc. will be collecting leaves and yard/garden waste at curbside throughout the whole Village the week of Nov. 16. Please follow the collection guidelines below:

- Place all material curbside in open bags or trash containers by 6 a.m. on the Monday of the collection week.
- All bags must have a Village-issued sticker on bags in order to be collected.
- Include leaves, garden waste, thatch, grass clippings, non-woody plant materials and evergreen clippings (less than six inches in length.)
- Material must be clean of debris or it will be left on-site.
- *Do not* rake leaves to the edge of the curb or into the street.

Other disposal options available to residents are to mulch and recycle the materials yourselves or to transport the material to the free drop-off site located at the Public Works Facility at 5115 Terminal Dr., McFarland.

The above guidelines will help contractors do their jobs more efficiently and safely.

If you have any questions, please contact the Public Works Department at 838-7287.

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## 2015 Brush Chipping and Yard / Garden Waste Collection Schedule

**Zone 1 – Weeks of Oct. 26**

**Zone 2 – Weeks of Nov. 2**

**Zone 3 – Weeks of Nov. 9**

**Zone 1:** East of Highway 51, North of the railroad tracks and Broadhead Street, West of Marsh Road

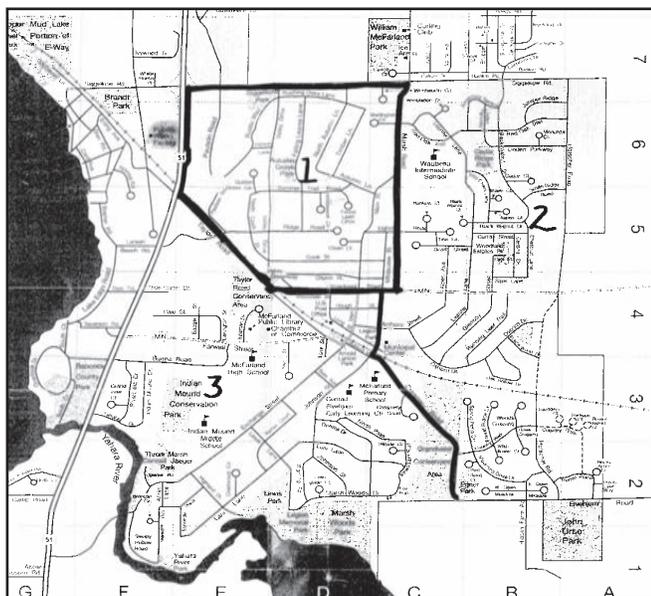
**Zone 2:** East of Marsh Road, Milwaukee Street and Creamery Road

**Zone 3:** All remaining areas

Please follow the brush chipping guidelines below:

- Place all material curbside by 6 a.m. on the Monday of the collection week. The chipping contractor will only make one pass through each section.
- Brush pieces should be no longer than 10 feet and no shorter than 6 inches.
- Brush should not be greater than 3 inches in diameter.
- Place the cut ends of the brush pieces parallel to the curb and stacked in neat piles with the cut ends pointed in the same direction as traffic.
- Material must be free of waste that may clog chipping equipment.

If you set brush out after the chipping has taken place in your area, your brush will not be picked up until the next collection date. If you have any questions contact the Public Works Department at 838-7287.



## Senior Outreach News

### Transportation Services Available For Seniors

Did you know that we have two shopping trips to Madison area and one in McFarland every month?

**First Monday – Nov. 2 and Dec. 7:** On the first Monday of the month we have transportation to Super Wal-Mart in Monona for shopping. The trip is door to door and approximately one-and-a-half hours long. Pickup is around 9:30 a.m. You will arrive back home around noon or 12:30 p.m. No stop is made for lunch, however there is a Subway restaurant inside Wal-Mart. Cost for the bus is \$3.

**Third Tuesday – Nov. 17 Hobby Lobby and Dec. 15 Target:** On the third Tuesday of the month is another destination trip to Madison. It is always a one store stop such as Target, Farm and Fleet, etc. Pickup begins at 9:30 a.m. We have been doing group lunch outings after the shopping so the shopping portion is about 1 hour long with a one hour meal stop at a predetermined restaurant in the area of the store. Cost of the meal is on your own. We will be posting trips in the Senior Newsletter or by calling. Cost is \$3.

Suggestions for destinations are encouraged. Trips to a mall such as West Town or East Town have not occurred for several years. Senior Outreach Services is willing to occasionally offer these types of trips again if requested. Riders must adhere to our policy on punctuality and must be able to navigate a mall on their own.

**Second Thursday – Nov. 12 and Dec. 10:** Our third trip is to the destination of your choice within McFarland. A popular destination is Dollar General but it can be the bank, hair salon, etc. Door-to-door pickup begins at 9:30 a.m. The cost is \$2.

**Second and fourth Tuesday Nov. 10 and 24 – Dec. 8 and 22:** Pick N Save trips are free and are offered two times a month on the second and fourth Tuesday.

Transportation is provided by Transit Solutions through a contract with the Area Agency on Aging and Senior Outreach Services. The type of vehicle used varies depending on the numbers of riders and accessibility needs of riders. Accommodations for wheelchairs and walkers are made by request. We do suggest calling early if that is a need as it can affect the number of riders and the type of vehicle used.

To sign up for these rides reservations are needed the day prior. Please call 838-7117 to reserve your spot.

### Emergency List

The Senior Outreach Department keeps a list of seniors in our community that may need additional help in case of a disaster. This is an internal list which is only available to us and emergency personnel. People on the list must have one of the following: limited ability to walk, rely on a caregiver coming in from an agency, have oxygen, be visually or hearing impaired where normal communication would be difficult, not have other support nearby, or have a cognitive impairment. If you meet these criteria and are interested in being placed on our list please contact us at 838-7117 and speak to one of the case managers. The information that we request would be: full legal name and nicknames, date of birth, address and phone number, emergency contacts and the type and extent of limitations. This list would not supersede any other population group deemed a priority by emergency personnel during an emergency. Certain populations, because of their living situations, are already considered to be at higher risk, such as assisted living residents and those in elderly or disabled housing.

### RSVP Driver and Volunteer Reception

On Nov. 12 from 2-4 p.m., Senior Outreach Services is hosting a reception honoring 40 years of RSVP drivers. Our other dedicated volunteers will also be recognized. Open to the public, the reception will be held in the Municipal Center community room. Please notify us at 838-7117 if you plan to attend. RSVP will give a short presentation explaining the invaluable role drivers play by delivering meals and providing medical rides that enhances the life of seniors in our community.

Other volunteer opportunities include office work, meal site volunteer and the sewing group. If you have a talent you would like to share, please give us a call. RSVP also offers other opportunities outside the Senior Outreach Department.

### Introduction to Medicare Program

The Senior Outreach Services Introduction to Medicare Program is now playing on McFarland Cable station 982 or on the Village of McFarland website under Cable programming until mid-December.

This program was previously recorded Sept. 17 and features Steve Shapiro from the Medigap Helpline (Sponsored by the Board on Aging and Long-term Care) explaining the basics of Medicare for new retirees.

Any further questions on Medicare or Medicare D enrollment can be directed to the Senior Outreach Department at 838-7117. Just a reminder sign up deadline for changing prescription plans is Dec. 7.



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The above officials can also be reached via e-mail using this format: *firstname.lastname@mcfarland.wi.us* with the exception being Trustee Mary Pat Lytle whose email address is *marypat.lytle@mcfarland.wi.us*.



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General Information: 838-3153

**Hours:** Mon.–Fri.: 8:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

#### Public Works Facility

5115 Terminal Drive

**Phone:** 838-7287

**Hours:** Mon.–Fri.: 7:30 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

#### E.D. Locke Public Library

5920 Milwaukee Street

**Phone:** 838-9030

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Mon.–Thurs.: 9:30 a.m.–8:00 p.m.

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