



# OUTLOOK

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## McFarland Candidates in April 7 Spring Election

Village residents will elect three Village Trustees at the Spring Election. All Village Board offices are elected at-large. The candidates are as follows:

### Village President

Brad Czebotar

### Village Trustee

Thomas Mooney

Clair Utter

Vacancy



You can vote absentee in person from March 23–April 3.

The polling place, located in the McFarland Municipal Center, is open from 7 a.m.– 8 p.m.

## Not registered to vote?

If you are not already registered to vote, you will need to complete and submit an Application for Voter Registration prior to voting in any of the elections to be held in 2015. The application and instructions are available on the Village's website at [www.mcfarland.wi.us/AdministrationVillageClerk/Elections/RegistertoVote.aspx](http://www.mcfarland.wi.us/AdministrationVillageClerk/Elections/RegistertoVote.aspx).

If you do not have Internet access you can complete the application in person at the Village Administration Department. The next election is April 7.



## McFarland Fire & Rescue Department Dedicated to Help People in Time of Need

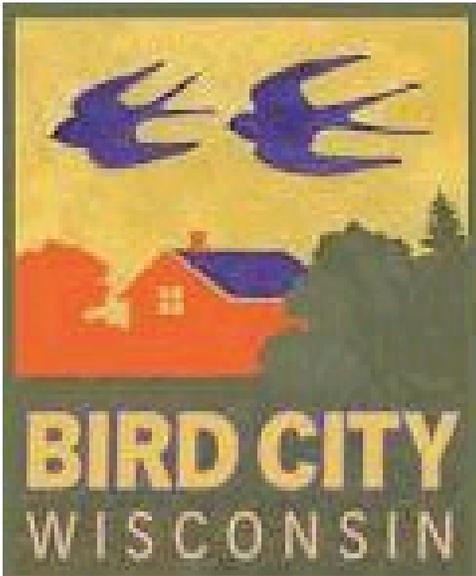
The members of McFarland Fire and Rescue are second to none when it comes to community service. They are a group of 75 men and women who are willing to give up their free time, time at work and their time spent sleeping to help their community. Our members don't serve for money, medals or awards; they do it because they have an urge to help people in a time of need. The Village of McFarland is lucky to have such a large group of dedicated people. Our members train rigorously, with fire trainings every Monday night and EMS trainings on the third Thursday of each month, so that they can be the best not just for themselves but also for the citizens they serve. Prior to 2014, the Fire and EMS departments were separate, but in January of last year they consolidated into one joint Fire and Rescue Department. This change also brought a new logo, new uniforms, and some new or updated policies to help the department run smoothly.



The members of McFarland Fire and Rescue also operate two associations, the McFarland Firefighter's Association and the McFarland EMS Association. These associations assist the department and Village in purchasing state-of-the-



art equipment and technology through donations and fundraising. Some recent purchases include a new Thermal Imaging Camera, or TIC, to assist firefighters in locating hot spots or victims at a fire, and a Stryker Power Load Cot System which is an automated system that loads the stretcher into the ambulance, protecting the members from possible back injuries. The TIC was paid for fully by the Firefighter's Association for approximately \$10,000 and the cot system was paid for fully by the EMS Association for approximately \$17,000. Fundraising events, like the EMS Association's Pancake Breakfast, the Fire Association's Street Dance, the association newsletters, and the annual Open House, allow us the ability to purchase this new equipment. Make sure you save the date for the EMS Association's Pancake Breakfast May 17. The association newsletters go out to everyone in the Village, and are one of our key fundraisers; it gives some information on what is occurring in the department and comes with an envelope for those who are generous enough to donate. Although our members work extremely hard at these fundraising events, it would be for nothing if not for the generosity of the citizens of McFarland.



## McFarland Bird Festival

Hold the date for the McFarland Sixth Annual Bird Festival at Lewis Park from 9 a.m.–noon, Saturday, April 11. This event has successfully drawn residents together to recognize the extraordinary birding opportunities in the Village and the community's efforts to preserve them. Our wetlands, lakes, rivers, and conservancies are critical stopping places for migrating birds and provide important habitat to those birds that overwinter with us. This is a great opportunity for families to learn what they can do to help and get a glimpse of waterfowl that begin their spring journey north as they pass through McFarland.



## Remember WWI Veterans at MHS Annual Meeting

Jennifer Rude Klett, author of “Alamo Doughboy: Marching into the Heart of Kaiser’s Germany During World War I,” will be the featured speaker at the McFarland Historical Society’s Annual Meeting in March. The meeting is free and open to the public will focus on the theme of remembering the sacrifices of WWI veterans. Eagle Scouts who led projects at the Larson House Museum and the crew that kept the grounds neat and clean will also be honored. Check the MHS website for information about the date and time at [www.mcfarlandhistorical.org](http://www.mcfarlandhistorical.org).



Kathy Krusiec (L) stands next to the table she decorated in preparation for a Holiday Tea that she gave for six ladies at the Larson House Museum. Terry Peterson (R) was one of many pianists who provided Christmas music on the piano at the Larson House Museum.

## Larson House Museum Celebrated First Christmas

Over 300 people visited the Larson House Museum in December to soak up a bit of history and view the Victorian style Christmas decorations on display throughout the house. The house museum was open during Christmas in the Village and every Sunday afternoon. McFarland Historical Society member Kathy Krusiec planned and organized the decorating.

Darcy and Pat Kelly donated the live fir tree for the Larson Room (living room). Volunteers decorated the tree with antique, handmade and replica ornaments. Five other rooms sported trees with themed decorations. The Harried Room (parlor) noted a musical theme with musical instrument ornaments and bows covering the tree. In the Olson room (master bedroom), curtains donated by Barbara Sperle inspired a tree decked with blue and silver ornaments and crowned with peacock feathers. The Nelson-Helmke-Lokken room held a “Norwegian” tree adorned with frosty fruit-shaped ornaments. In the Nelson Children’s room a small tree hung with little children’s toys stood encircled by a vintage train and railroad track. This tree contained the famous pickle ornament. According to German tradition, the child that finds the pickle gets an extra present. John Larson’s office, the McFarland Schools/ Archie Buckmiller Room, featured a masculine-styled tree garlanded with strings of artificial chestnuts and cranberries, real pine cones, a bird’s nest and light brown paper ribbon.

Music filled the house thanks to local pianists Nate and Ally Hyland, Peter Johnson, DeAnn Larson, Terry Peterson, Jo Thomley, John Wendling and Hannah Wendorf, who played Christmas songs on the studio grand piano in the living room.

On Dec. 13, Ron and Robin Brown were married in the Larson House. Both had worked on the house as Ron is in construction and Robin assisted with some outdoor projects. A group of friends and family attended the wedding, and after the ceremony and cake cutting, enjoyed touring the house.

Other members gave private tours to out of town friends and family visiting during the holidays. To schedule a Larson House Museum tour, contact Jane Licht at [licht.jane@gmail.com](mailto:licht.jane@gmail.com) or 838-8178. Jane or one of the other docents will be your tour guide. To schedule a tour of the Museum on Main Street, contact Society president Dale Marsden at 838-3992.



## Volunteer Coordinator Needed

The Village is searching for a person to assume the role of Volunteer Coordinator for its Volunteer Program. The Coordinator is a volunteer position. Its essential function is to match requests for volunteers throughout the Village to persons who are interested in performing volunteer activities.

The role and responsibilities of the Volunteer Coordinator will evolve and grow over time, as the program develops. Initially, the priorities are to establish a database of volunteers and volunteer opportunities, and to be the primary contact for potential volunteers, service organizations and Village departments regarding volunteer opportunities. The Coordinator will connect the volunteers to opportunities. The Coordinator will also take the leadership for the annual Community Service Day in April.

The purpose of the Volunteer Program is to promote and support volunteer activities, serve as a clearinghouse for volunteer opportunities, and link the interests and talents of citizens who want to volunteer with the needs of various Village departments and service groups. There is also an opportunity to volunteer for individuals – neighbor to neighbor.

For details about the position, interested parties should contact the Senior Outreach Services Director, Ingrid Thompson, by Feb. 23, 2015 at 838-7117 or [Ingrid.thompson@mcfarland.wi.us](mailto:Ingrid.thompson@mcfarland.wi.us).



## Shared Table Offers Free Meals

Free nutritious meals are served by Shared Table Free Community Meals, Inc. every Thursday from 5–6:15 p.m. at McFarland Lutheran Church on the corner of Marsh Road and CTH MN. Shared Table meals are prepared by a different community group each week and are offered to anyone who is food insecure or who would like to enjoy a meal and conversation in a friendly welcoming atmosphere. All are welcome.

Community groups, congregations, neighborhood groups and businesses are invited and encouraged to sign up now to provide a meal in 2015. To sign up, contact Meal Coordinator Vicki Holten at 345-3403 or by email at [marvin911@charter.net](mailto:marvin911@charter.net). To learn more about the Shared Table, go to [www.sharedtablecommunitymeals.com](http://www.sharedtablecommunitymeals.com).

## McFarland Continues to Share Building Inspection Services with City of Monona

The Village of McFarland and the City of Monona are continuing to share the Building Inspector who services both communities. Building Inspector Marty Pilger will have the following hours in McFarland in 2015.

Mornings:	7:45–11:30 a.m.	Tuesday, Thursday
Afternoons:	12:30–4:15 p.m.	Monday, Wednesday, Friday

The building inspector can be reached at 838-3154 or by email at [marty.pilger@mcfarland.wi.us](mailto:marty.pilger@mcfarland.wi.us).

## Municipal Calendar

### Jan. 31

Deadline for paying first installment of property taxes

### March 16–22

Fix a Leak Week

### March 23–April 3

Absentee Voting for Spring Election

### April 1

Alternate side parking ends

Committee appointment application deadline

Yard waste/brush drop-off site open (weather dependent)

### April 7

Spring Election

### April 11

McFarland Migratory Bird Festival

### April 20–24

Curbside brush chipping (Zone 1)

### April 25

Community Service Day

### April 27–May 1

Curbside brush chipping (Zone 2)

### May 1

Clean Sweep Center opens

May 4-8

Curbside brush chipping (Zone 3)

### May 6–7

Open Book

### May 11–15

Curbside yard waste collection

(\$2.00 sticker per bag)

### May 17

EMS Pancake Breakfast

### May 27

Wednesday Holiday garbage pickup

### May 28

Board of Review

Thursday Holiday garbage pickup

### 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).*

## Preventing Fraud and Identity Theft

The McFarland Police Department offers the following tips to prevent fraud and identity theft:

- Be aware of telemarketing fraud. People will say they are anyone from a police officer to disadvantaged individuals. Always be suspicious of anyone asking for money or offering mysterious prize money.
- Never give out any numbers, Social Security number, credit card numbers, and checking account numbers over the phone to unknown persons.
- Delete any suspicious emails. Do not believe emails asking to wire funds or cash checks over the Internet. Suspicious emails include chain letters involving money, credit repair schemes, prize notifications that ask for money or checking account information, and work-at-home proposals.
- Do not use a debit card to shop online especially if the website does not look 100 percent official. If the site is unreliable, the bank account connected to the debit card can be drained and overdraft charges can be fined. With a credit card, a billing error can be reported, and charges can be dropped.
- Learn about phishing and other Internet schemes used to try to steal money and other personal information online.
- Get informed about social networking security. Many spammers make fake profiles and take advantage of the large amount of personal information that others freely reveal. Be suspicious of people asking for money or more personal information through websites.



School	McFarland	County	MATC	TIF	State
47.6%	28.8%	12.0%	7.1%	3.8%	0.7%

## 2015 Budget and Taxes

The 2015 budget approved by the Village Board maintains all municipal services at previous levels with a tax rate of \$7.01/\$1,000 of assessed valuation. The Village Levy was increased by 1.9 percent over the previous year. The net composite tax rate for all jurisdictions (McFarland School District, Dane County, MATC, State forestry tax, Village) increased from \$21.32 to \$22.16. Increases in the School Tax Credit (2 percent), Lottery Credit (1 percent) and First Dollar Credit (2 percent) reduced the rate increase.

While the Village collects the entire property tax bill, we will retain in 2015 only 29 cents from each dollar collected to fund the range of municipal services provided, including Police, Fire, EMS, Public Works, Solid Waste, Parks, Library, Community Development, Facilities Maintenance, Senior Outreach and Administration. In addition, the annual debt service for long term bonding by the Village is paid out of those property taxes. Of the 29 cents per tax dollar the Village receives:

8 cents fund	Police services
4 cents fund	Fire and EMS services
3 cents fund	Public Works and Solid Waste services
2 cents fund	Library services
1 cent funds	Parks services
6 cents fund	Debt payments
5 cents	(the remaining) goes to run all other services provided by the Village, except the utilities which are self supporting from user fees

## Employee and Volunteer Service Anniversaries

The following employees and volunteers are observing significant service anniversaries in the first quarter of 2015. The Village thanks them for their length of service and commitment to serving the residents of McFarland.

Employee or Volunteer	Department	Years
Geraldine Hanson	Library	15
Scott Westphal	Public Works	15
Dave Gammon	PW – seasonal	5
Randy Justesen	PW – seasonal	5
Paul Peters	PW – seasonal	5
Diane Reinstad	Administration	5

## 2015 Property Assessment Process

The Village sustains full value maintenance process for property valuations. This process maintains 100 percent value each year and ensures that assessed values are kept more in line with current market values. The Village's assessor will also inspect 25 percent of the properties within the Village each year on a four year rotating cycle to better maintain assessment equality across the classes of properties. Unlike in the past, this approach to property valuation will likely mean that the assessed value of your property will change every year to reflect the market. Watch for a mailed notice from Accurate Appraisal, the Village's assessor, indicating the current and former valuation of the property. If you disagree with the valuation, you may want to take advantage of the Open Book and Board of Review processes described below. Remember that an increase or decrease in the value of your property *does not* mean there will be a corresponding change in the amount of property taxes you will pay the following year.

**OPEN BOOK** will be held Wednesday, May 6 from 4–8 p.m. and Thursday, May 7 from 2–7 p.m. in the Community Room of the McFarland Municipal Center, 5915 Milwaukee Street. Open Book is an important first step if you have questions or concerns about your property assessment and offers an informal opportunity for you to meet personally with the assessor to discuss your assessment and find out the basis on which your assessment was determined. At Open Book the Property Assessment Roll for the entire Village will be open for public review and property owners can check the Roll to compare their assessment to that of similar properties.

To schedule an Open Book appointment on-line go to <http://www.accurateassessor.com>. On the Accurate Appraisal, LLC Home Page, go to *Click here to schedule your open book or walk thru appointment*, click on *Open Book Appointment*, and then click on *McFarland Village of* and schedule a date and time to meet with the assessor. If you do not have computer access you can schedule an appointment for Open Book by calling Accurate toll free at 800-770-3927.

**BOARD OF REVIEW** will be held Thursday, May 28 starting at 9 a.m. in Conference Room A of the McFarland Municipal Center. The first formal step in the property assessment appeal process starts at the Board of Review. If you disagree with your property assessment after attending Open Book, you can appeal to the Board of Review. The Board of Review is a quasi-judicial body that can adjust assessments when they have been proven incorrect by sworn oral testimony. Evidence you may present to support your opinion of the property value may include recent sale prices of like properties, appraisals, a competitive market analysis prepared by a Realtor or the location, effective age, and condition of the property, among other things. At the Board of Review both the assessor and property owner present oral testimony under oath. The Board of Review is legally bound to accept the assessor's assessment as correct unless there is factual evidence presented that proves the assessment to be incorrect.

To schedule an appeal before the Board of Review you will need to obtain an "Objection Form for Real Property Assessment" from the Village clerk whose office is located in the Administration Department of the McFarland Municipal Center, 5915 Milwaukee Street. An appointment will be scheduled upon submittal of a completed form to the Village clerk. To assure a hearing, you must complete and deliver an "Objection Form for Real Property Assessment" to the Village clerk at least 48 hours prior to the Board of Review meeting.

You can find more complete and detailed information on the property assessment process by obtaining the "2015 Guide for Property Owners," published by the State of Wisconsin Department of Revenue. This publication will be available around March 1 and can be obtained from the Village Clerk or online at <http://www.revenue.wi.gov/pubs/slf/pb060.pdf>.



### 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. If you have any questions or concerns Public Works can be reached at 838-7287.

### Sidewalk Snow and Ice Removal Reminders

As winter is here residents are reminded that snow and ice must be removed from sidewalks within 24 hours from the time the snow ceases to accumulate. Residents must also keep sidewalks sprinkled with sand and/or salt to permit safe travel by pedestrians. Citations will be issued for violations of this ordinance.

### Garbage and Recycling Schedule for 2015

Your waste and recycling materials are collected Tuesday and Wednesday, and should be placed curbside by 6 a.m. If a holiday falls on a Monday or Tuesday, trash and recycling pickup will be Wednesday and Thursday. If a holiday falls on a Thursday, Friday, Saturday or Sunday, pickup will be on your regular scheduled day of Tuesday or Wednesday.

### 2015 Holiday Schedule

- May 26 pickup will be Wednesday, May 27
- May 27 pickup will be Thursday, May 28
- Sept. 8 pickup will be Wednesday, Sept. 9
- Sept. 9 pickup will be Thursday, Sept. 10



## Sewer Rate Increase Effective in 2015

Sewer service charges increased 7.43 percent effective Jan. 1. The amount of the sewer rate increase matches the higher cost that McFarland must pay the Madison Metropolitan Sewerage District to treat the sewage collected from our utility customers.

Meter Size	Sewer
	Service Rate Jan. 1, 2015
Volume Charge Per 1,000 Gallons	\$2.89
5/8 Inc Meter	\$25.82
3/4 Inch Meter	\$25.82
1 Inch Meter	\$37.47
1.25 Inch Meter	\$45.20
1.5 Inch Meter	\$56.16
2 Inch Meter	\$79.26
3 Inch Meter	\$131.61
4 Inch Meter	\$206.90
6 Inch Meter	\$396.24

## Winter Parking Regulations

### Alternate Side Parking

**Dec. 1–March 31, 1–7 a.m.**

Vehicles must be parked on the odd side of the street on odd-numbered days, and on the even side of the street on even numbered days, between 1–7 a.m.

### Snow Emergency Declaration

In the event of a major snow incident requiring an unusual degree of snow removal, the Chief of Police may declare a snow emergency. This means no vehicles or objects may be parked on any portion of a street or roadway, generally between 1–7 a.m. The Chief reserves the right to alter these time frames depending on the severity of the snowstorm. Residents are encouraged to listen to local radio and/or television broadcasts, check the Village website or view the local cable channel for snow emergency declaration information.

## Join McFarland Fire and Rescue Department

Unfortunately, it is getting harder and harder to retain paid-on-call firefighters and EMT's. However, in the past six months, we were able to bring on 10 new members between Fire and EMS! While this is a good we still need more help in both disciplines. We are always looking for new members and hire on a quarterly basis. If you are interested in becoming a member of McFarland Fire and Rescue and want to help out your community and keep it safe, visit our website for an online application or contact Chief Brad Bowen for information on how to apply. Please consider becoming a hero in your community.



## Construction Market Should Continue to Improve

From a national perspective, construction and the general overall economy had a rocky first quarter in 2014. An unusually severe winter in many parts of the country was thought by many economists to be the main culprit along with an uptick in lending rates. As a result, many forecasters lowered their expectations for 2014 at the national level, particularly for the housing market.

The construction market for McFarland in 2014 was a mixed bag. Duplex and multifamily construction continued into 2014 with resurrecting projects formerly put on hold due to the economy. Single-family construction struggled due to the stall in the economy, coupled with fewer available lots, with seven permits issued. As in the recent past, despite the recession in 2008 remodeling continues to remain healthy with 351 permits issued. The total number of permits issued for the year was 375.7 single-family homes, three duplexes and multifamily, three commercial and 362 alterations and additions.

With Veridian Homes planning a 193 lot residential subdivision and Phase 5 of Park View Estates coming on board, both projects should fuel McFarland's 2015 residential market.

Noteworthy projects in 2014 included:

- Initial construction of the Upper Mud Lake access by Dane County Parks near the north end of Terminal Drive providing 70 parking stalls.
- Purchase of McFarland Centre and relocation of McFarland True Value by Brian Spangler.
- Approval of a 193 lot preliminary plat by Veridian Homes encompassing 76 acres on the east side of Holscher Road, just south of Siggelkow Road.
- Approval of Phase 5 of Park View Estates Subdivision, two phases remain in this 127 lot development by Urso Brothers, LLC.
- Construction of outdoor dining area by Parkside Pub.
- Initial construction of 20,000 sq.ft. tenant space on Voges Road by Spartan Properties, LLC.
- Last duplex constructed in Tom Gannon's Prairie Stone Condominium development.
- Final buildout of mini-warehouse project on Terminal Drive.
- Addition of a new sanctuary at McFarland Lutheran Church.
- Larson House transformation continues with the construction of a pergola and landscaping. All done with the generous support of volunteers.

## Springtime Brings More than Flowers with those Showers

March brings our first taste of spring with warm southern breezes, spring showers and water everywhere. There are buds on the trees and spring flowers beginning to make an appearance. But there are also oily sheens in parking lots running off with the melting snow and washing into the storm drains, and the muddy water is flowing down the ditches and gutters. Spring is a good time to stop and ask, "What happens to all that melting snow and rainwater washing across the ground?" Most of it ends up in our lakes and streams, but along the way it goes through a few changes.



### Stormwater is More Than Just Water

Stormwater begins its journey to our lakes and rivers when it washes across the surface of the land. When snow melts and rain falls, water flows across streets, rooftops, lawns and farmland. The flowing water carries sand, salt, fertilizer, leaves, grass clippings, pesticides, oil, trash and many other pollutants. In developed areas, storm drains and ditches carry the large amounts of runoff water to lakes and streams.

Storm drain inlets located along the curbs and in parking lots collect the runoff, which flows untreated to nearby streams and lakes. A common misconception is that water running off streets goes into a sewage treatment plant. It does not! The polluted water flows directly into our lakes.

### What Can I Do?

The first step toward keeping our lakes and streams clean is to think about what we do at home. Each of us contributes to stormwater pollution and each of us can help stop it. Here are some ways you can help:

- Keep leaves and grass clippings out of the street.
- Direct rainwater away from paved areas to lawns or gardens where it can soak in.
- Get a soil test before applying fertilizer to your lawn. Don't pay for something you don't need. If you do use fertilizer, apply it according to directions and clean up any spills on paved surfaces.
- Clean up pet waste – bury it or flush it down the toilet.
- Compost your leaves and yard debris.
- Keep cars tuned up and repair leaks, and walk or ride a bike whenever you can.
- Wash your car on the lawn or at a car wash that sends its used water to the sewage treatment plant.
- Prevent soil erosion.
- Don't let anything but rain go down the storm drain or ditch.

Go to [www.myfairlakes.com](http://www.myfairlakes.com) for ideas on how you can help our lakes and streams.

*Adapted from Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, University of Wisconsin Cooperative Extension, Dane County Lakes and Watershed Commission and other publications.*

## McFarland Community Garden has New Gardener Openings

*New gardeners can register now for 2015 growing season*

Half plots (10'x20') and full plots (20'x20') are available for new gardeners for the 2015 growing season (May to November). Additionally, we have a limited number of Adaptive Beds, which are raised 4'x8' upright garden boxes, pre-filled with amended soil and organic matter. These wheelchair-accessible garden beds are reserved for gardeners who require adaptive garden spaces.

Plot fees are assessed on a sliding fee scale, based on family size and income, ranging from \$5 to \$65 for the entire growing season. The fee grid can be located on the second page of the Plot Registration Form, which can be downloaded from our website at [www.mcfarlandcommunitygarden.com](http://www.mcfarlandcommunitygarden.com) or at the E.D. Locke Public Library. Plot fees are submitted along with Registration Forms. The fees paid to the McFarland Community Garden cover the following: reserved access to a pre-measured, tilled plot; water for irrigation; access to communal garden tools and supplies; discounts on high quality, organic mulch, compost, and cover crop; and extra freebies, when available, such as organic seeds, plants, and soil amendments.

Space is limited, and plots are assigned on a first come, first served basis. If interested, download a 2015 Plot Registration Form from [www.mcfarlandcommunitygarden.com](http://www.mcfarlandcommunitygarden.com) and follow the directions on the form to mail in. Alternatively, you can pick up forms at the E.D. Locke Public Library or the McFarland Municipal Center.

If you have questions, feel free to contact the Garden Coordinator, Katie Gletty-Syoen at [katiegs@gmail.com](mailto:katiegs@gmail.com) or 225-0103.

# WANTED: People to Serve On Committees

One of the most important elements of McFarland Village government is its extensive committee structure. Most committees, boards and commissions meet once a month and are comprised of a combination of elected Village Board members and appointed citizen representatives who provide a sounding board for community opinion. Committees often deal directly with citizen issues and make advisory policy recommendations to the Village Board.

The Village is always looking for people with a fresh perspective to serve on committees. In early May of each year, volunteer citizen members are appointed to a variety of committees.

A summary of all Village committees, boards, and commissions, and a brief description of the major responsibilities of each follows below. If you would be interested in serving on one of them, please send a brief letter of interest and statement of qualifications by April 1 to: Village President, P.O. Box 110, McFarland, WI 53558-0110.

The **BOARD OF REVIEW** hears objections to assessments of property values from individual property owners and determines whether the assessor's valuation is correct. The Board has the power to raise or lower property valuations if they feel such adjustments are in order. The Board normally meets only one or two days a year in May or June depending upon the number of objections to be heard. *(Meets within 30 days from the second Monday in May each year)*

The **BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS** hears and decides on requests for variances to building, zoning, and sign code ordinances and appeals of administrative decisions on the interpretation and application of building codes. *(Meets as needed)*

The **COMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE** sets policies and oversees the administration, operations, and programming of Village's cable Channel 12. The committee also oversees the operation of Village's website and major purchases of computer hardware and software. *(Meets the 4th Tuesday, 7 p.m., in Municipal Center Conference Room "A")*

The **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY** generally undertakes blight elimination, urban renewal, and housing projects and community development programs. In particular, the CDA promotes and facilitates economic development and redevelopment in TID #3 and TID #4. *(Meets the first Wednesday, 7 p.m., in Municipal Center Conference Room "A")*

The **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE** prepares and maintains a comprehensive plan for emergency government response, coordinates emergency government services, and maintains liaison with other local, regional and state agencies and organizations that provide emergency response services. *(Meets as needed)*

The **ETHICS BOARD** advises the Village Board on maintaining a Code of Ethics setting forth standards of conduct for Village officials and employees, interprets those ethics guidelines, and investigates any verified compliant alleging improper conduct under the Code of Ethics. *(Meets as needed)*

The **FINANCE COMMITTEE** advises Village Board on annual operating and capital budgets, municipal borrowing, financial policies and purchasing procedures. *(Meets the fourth Wednesday, 6:30 p.m., in Municipal Center Conference Room "A")*

The **LANDMARKS COMMISSION** identifies and seeks designation of historic structures or sites on the National Register of Historic Places, educates citizens about the historic heritage of McFarland, and promotes the preservation and restoration of historic structures and sites. *(Meets as needed)*

The **LIBRARY BOARD** establishes policies and oversees the operations of the McFarland Public Library. *(Meets the first Monday, 5:15 p.m., at the E.D. Locke Public Library)*

The **PARKS, RECREATION, AND NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE** advises the Village Board on the planning, acquisition and development of parks and park facilities and the nature and structure of recreation programs. Advises the Village Board on the acquisition, management, enhancement, and public use of natural/conservancy areas and policies and practices directed at maintenance of a healthy and diverse urban forest. *(Meets the third Thursday, 7 p.m., in Municipal Center Conference Room "A")*

The **PERSONNEL COMMITTEE** advises the Village board on personnel policies, changes in organizational structure and classification and compensation plans. *(Meets the first Monday, 6:30 p.m. in the Municipal Center Community Room)*

The **PLAN COMMISSION** considers planning and zoning issues and makes advisory recommendations to the Village Board. Typical issues the Plan Commission considers include maintenance and periodic updating of the Comprehensive Plan, rezoning requests, official mapping actions, annexations, siting of public facilities, platting of land, and reviewing subdivision developments and site plans for commercial and multi-family residential developments. *(Meets the third Monday, 7 p.m., in the Municipal Center Community Room)*

The **POLICE AND FIRE COMMISSION** appoints the Police Chief and Fire Chief, establishes hiring and promotional eligibility lists for Police and Fire Department employees, and hears and decides disciplinary matters involving sworn police officers and paid firefighter positions. *(Meets as needed, the first Monday, 6 p.m., in Municipal Center Conference Room "C")*

The **PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE** advises the Village Board on policy issues relating to the Police, Fire and EMS department operations, matters involving licensing and regulation, ordinances controlling public offenses and nuisances, and matters of public health. *(Meets the second Wednesday, 6:30 p.m., in Municipal Center Conference Room "A")*

The **PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMITTEE** oversees the finances, operations and capital expenditure plans of the municipal water, sewer, and stormwater utilities. *(Meets the third Tuesday, 6 p.m., in Municipal Center Conference Room "A")*

The **PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE** advises the Village Board on policies and programs involving the maintenance and construction of Village facilities, streets and sidewalks, storm water management and erosion control projects, solid waste management and recycling, and the maintenance and acquisition of public works vehicles and equipment. *(Meets the second Tuesday, 6 p.m., in Municipal Center Conference Room "A")*

The **SENIOR OUTREACH SERVICES COMMITTEE** advises the Outreach Department on the services that it provides to residents over the age of 60 and to disabled adults. These services include outreach, case management, congregate and home delivered meal programs, foot care clinics, and educational/entertainment programming. *(Meets the third Thursday EOM, 9:30 a.m., in Municipal Center Conference Room "A")*

The **VILLAGE BOARD** consists of a President and six (6) Trustees who are elected at large to staggered two-year terms. The Village Board exercises executive, legislative, and administrative responsibilities in governing the Village and is vested with all of the powers of Village government that are not specifically assigned to some other officer. These general powers include: to manage and control Village property, finances, highways, streets, navigable waters, and the public service; to act for the government, good order, and commercial benefit of the Village; to protect the health, safety, welfare, and convenience of the public; and to carry out these powers by license, regulation, suppression, borrowing, taxation, special assessment, appropriation, fine, imprisonment, and other necessary means. The majority of committees, boards, and commissions are advisory to the Village Board which retains final decision making authority over most committee actions. *(Meets the second and fourth Monday, 7 p.m., in the Municipal Center Community Room)*

The **VILLAGE / SCHOOL JOINT PLANNING COMMITTEE** meets periodically to discuss issues of mutual concern to the Village and the School District. Topics of discussion include the growth and development plans of the Village and their impact on school enrollments; the siting of future school facilities; sharing of recreational facilities; fiscal planning; and general opportunities to share/consolidate services to make them as cost effective and accessible to the community as possible. *(Meets as needed.)*

The **VOLUNTEER COMMITTEE** advises the Village Board on policies to encourage volunteer participation in activities for the benefit of the Village and its residents and provides general oversight of the administration, operations and programming of the Village's volunteer program. *(Meets the first Thursday, 6 p.m., in Municipal Center Conference Room "A")*

## 2015 Yard/Garden Waste Pick-Up

The semiannual curbside collection of leaves, lawn waste, and garden waste was converted in 2012 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 50 gallon size) and will be sold in multiples of five. Stickers will be available for purchase at all municipal facilities and at several retail outlets in the community.

### All Zones

Week of May 11 (the whole Village)

Week of Nov. 16 (the whole Village)

Please follow the curbside 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.

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 Schedule

**Zone 1 – Weeks of April 20 and Oct. 25**

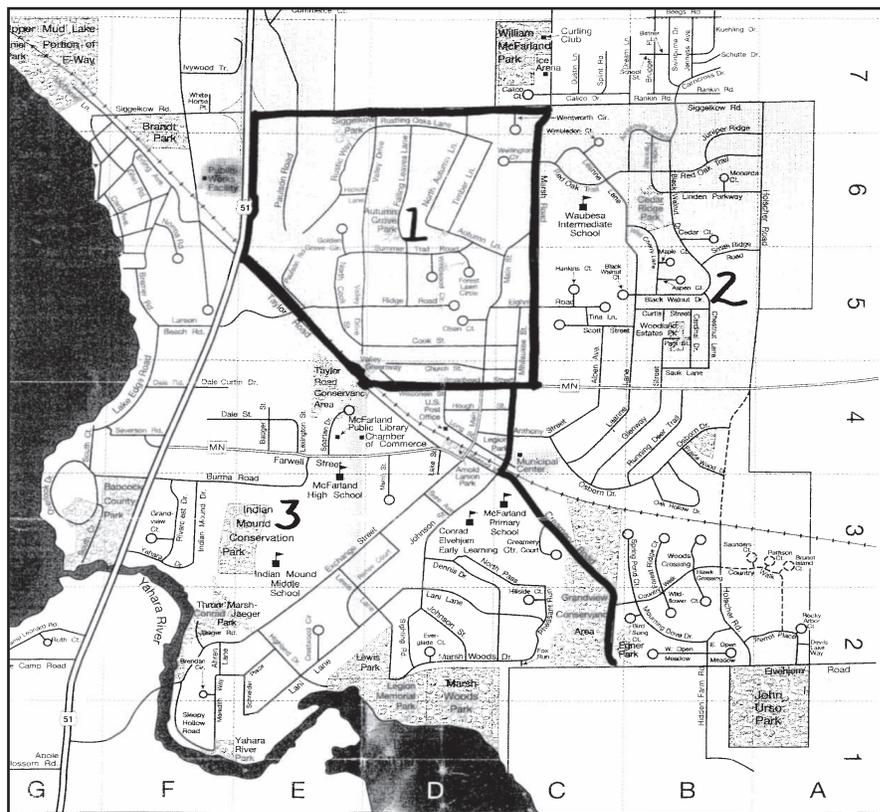
**Zone 2 – Weeks of April 27 and Nov. 2**

**Zone 3 – Weeks of May 4 and Nov. 9**

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.





## Fix a Leak Week March 16–22

Did you know that an American home can waste, on average, more than 10,000 gallons of water every year due to running toilets, dripping faucets, and other household leaks? Nationwide, more than 1 trillion gallons of water leak from U.S. homes each year. That's why WaterSense reminds Americans to check their plumbing fixtures and irrigation systems each year during Fix a Leak Week. Fixing these leaks can add up to significant water savings for the utility and can help customers reduce their water bills without affecting their quality of service.

## Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) Tree Removal

The Natural Resources/Parks and Recreation Committees recently updated the Village's Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) response plan due to the recent quarantines imposed by the DNR on Jefferson, Dodge and Rock counties. The presence of EAB was also confirmed in Dane County in the city of Madison in late November 2013.

The Village is being proactive in its planning for the eventual arrival of the invasive pest with in the Village limits. EAB is a destructive boring insect that feeds on all native ash trees eventually killing the trees within several years of infestation.

The tiny green beetle is very reclusive and hard to detect, so many trees can be infected for several years before it can be discovered and by that time, whole neighborhoods are infected.

There are chemical treatments that can help control the spread of the beetle, but due to expense and the lifetime commitment of treating the trees, the Village has elected to limit widespread chemical treatments on its trees.

Residents are encouraged to consider purchasing a tree to plant in their terrace.

Please contact the Department of Public Works at 838-7287 with any questions about the EAB plan or your ash tree.

## Healthy Yards Make Healthy Lakes and Streams

What we do in our yards can directly affect our lakes and streams. Before using fertilizer on your lawn or gardens, test your soil. A soil test will show if your soil is lacking anything so that you don't waste your money on something you don't even need. Instructions and forms from the UW Soil and Plant Analysis Lab are online at <http://uwlabs.soils.wisc.edu/madison/>. Results will tell you exactly what you need for healthy lawn and gardens.

If your test shows you do indeed need fertilizer, be sure to clean up any that lands on your sidewalk, driveway or other hard surfaces. If left on paved areas, it can easily make its way to the nearest lake or stream with the next rainfall. Keeping leaves, grass clippings and other yard waste, which contain nitrogen and phosphorus, out of the street also help prevent lakes and streams from becoming green and scummy. When these nutrients wash into lakes and streams they can promote nasty algae blooms and excessive weed growth (which can lower oxygen levels in the water) and may release ammonia (toxic to fish).

Healthy yards add to the beauty and value of your home. They can also help our lakes and streams by allowing rainwater to soak into the soil rather than running off to the nearest storm drain. So, do your part and keep your lakes and streams healthy by using fertilizers only if and where they are needed.

## Yard Waste and Brush Drop-Off Site

The yard waste/brush drop-off site located at the Public Works Facility at 5115 Terminal Drive accepts yard waste and brush from McFarland residents only. 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 open approximately April 1, 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.

### 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

## Prevent Oak Wilt

Do not trim oak trees between March 1 to Nov. 1.



## ATV Route for Ice Fishing Access to Lake Waubesa

As in 2014, the ATV 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.

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 have been erected clearly marking the approved route.

The route is open between Dec. 1 and March 31. ATV's are not allowed on the roadway outside of this time frame.

Any questions related to this resolution may be directed to the McFarland Police Department at 608-838-3151.

## Cat and Dog Licensing Reminder

Cat and dog licenses for 2014 expired Dec. 31. Licenses for 2015 may be obtained in person at the Administration Department, located in the McFarland Municipal Center, or by mail at: Village of McFarland, P.O. Box 110, McFarland, WI, 53558-0110. Licenses obtained after March 31 will be assessed a late fee. If you request a license by mail you will also need to include a stamped, self-addressed envelope for return of the tag, license and proof documents. In order to obtain a license, in person or by mail, the following information must be provided:

- Owner name, address and telephone number.
- Pet name, breed, color and sex.
- Proof of current rabies vaccination from a veterinarian.
- Proof of pet being spayed or neutered from a veterinarian.
- A check made payable to the *Village of McFarland* for \$13 for spayed or neutered pets and \$18 for a pet that is not spayed or neutered.



You can download the application on line at [www.mcfarland.wi.us](http://www.mcfarland.wi.us). Click on *Administration / Clerk* which is under *Village Departments / Offices*. Scroll down the page till you see the bullet point for *Licenses*. Click on *Pets*.

Please note that in order to use the McFarland Dog Park, you must obtain a dog park permit and your dog must be properly licensed with the 2014 tag displayed.

## McFarland Dog Exercise Area Permit

McFarland Dog Park permits for 2014 may be obtained at the Administration Department, located in the McFarland Municipal Center, 5915 Milwaukee St. Please make checks payable to "Village of McFarland."

### Fees:

- \$15 (resident)
- \$10 (senior)
- \$25 (non-resident)
- \$ 6 (each additional dog)

Your pet must be currently licensed and display a 2015 dog tag in order to use the Dog Park.

The Dog Park is located at the intersection of Elvehjem Road and Perrot Place, at the eastern edge of Urso Park.



## Residents Urged to Obey Pet Cleanup Ordinances

The Village has been receiving a number of complaints lately about dog and cat feces. The Municipal Code requires the owner or person in charge of the animal to immediately remove any feces deposited on public or private property. An owner who is cited for violating this ordinance will be fined \$98.50. Please be considerate of your neighbors and others and be properly equipped to clean up after your pet when walking it.



# \* \* Senior News \* \*

## Senior Nutrition Site Manager Wanted

The Senior Outreach Department is looking for an individual to oversee the McFarland senior nutrition program. The current hours are 14.5 per week, Mondays through Fridays. The hours vary each day, but are typically between 10 a.m.–1:30 p.m. All meals are catered, so no cooking is necessary. The ideal candidate has excellent interpersonal and communication skills, works well with older adults, is a team player, and completes a Food Safety class after hire. For details, contact Senior Outreach at 838-7117.

## Senior Nutrition Program

The McFarland senior nutrition program gets funding from the Older Americans' Act, which is filtered through Dane County and forwarded to McFarland. Because of that, the county is the major decision-maker when it comes to the location, frequency, caterer and operations of the programs throughout the county. Dane County has been taking an especially close look at McFarland. Over the years, the number of participants has decreased, primarily for those who eat at the meal site. Due to this, the site is now only open three days a week, a reduction from the five day offering McFarland had for over 15 years.

In an effort to entice more participants, Dane County is looking to combine McFarland seniors with Monona's by busing interested participants to Cranberry Creek Restaurant in Monona on Fridays, and closing McFarland's site for dining in. This would be a breakfast meal, instead of McFarland's normal lunch. The bus would pick up interested persons at their homes, starting at 9 a.m. They would then pick up Monona residents and bring them all to the restaurant. The restaurant has collaborated with the Monona-East Madison coalition to provide a senior meal site Friday mornings. People who drive could go directly to the restaurant; they would not need to take the bus.

The advantage of eating at the restaurant is that no one has to pre-order his meal. They can also eat with other members of their family or friends of a younger age group. Non-seniors would have to pay the actual amount of the breakfast order. Seniors would have a separate menu and pay a donation for their meals.

Interested persons should contact Senior Outreach at 838-7117 for more information.

## Data Entry Volunteer Wanted

The Senior Outreach Department is looking for a volunteer who could spend a few hours each month entering data for the nutrition program. McFarland is required by Dane County to enter data in a special program, which includes a variety of information. The ideal volunteer has moderate computer skills and can work independently. Interested persons should ask for the Senior Outreach Director at 838-7117.

## WHEDA Property Tax Deferral Loan Program

The property tax Deferral Loan Program (PTDL) was created by the State Legislature to help Wisconsin home owners, age 65 and over, or a qualified veteran with limited income, convert the equity in their home into cash to pay all or a portion of their property tax.

An applicant may borrow up to \$3,525 each year that they qualify. A borrower must be at least 65 years of age or a qualified veteran on the date of application. Applicant's total household income for 2014 cannot exceed \$20,000.

## Files of Life

Files of Life are available in the McFarland Municipal Center through the Fire Rescue or Senior Outreach departments for interested persons. Files are magnetic pockets with a form listing personal medical information and contacts, which can be adhered to the refrigerator. Forms need to be completed by individuals and placed in the files so that medical emergency personnel have easy access to a person's medical conditions, medications and family contacts in the event of a medical emergency. The information in these files can be especially useful to people who are living alone or with partners who may not be able to articulate valuable medical information to medical personnel.

## Piggy Bank Fundraiser

The annual piggy bank fundraiser for Senior Outreach Endowment has begun. Piggy banks are used to raise money for the Endowment Fund. Bank holders are asked to deposit their loose change in the banks through May, when the banks will be collected. Monies raised help to assist senior and disabled adults with special financial needs that are not met by any other program. People interested in having a bank should stop by the Senior Outreach office to pick one up. Home-bound people may ask Senior Outreach to drop off a bank at their home. It makes "cents" to help our seniors!

If you are a senior who has an unexpected financial hardship, please consult one of the Senior Outreach social workers to see if you may qualify for an Endowment grant.

## Tax Assistance

Tax assistance will be available at no cost for McFarland elderly and low-income citizens. Tax counselors will assist persons with simple tax issues, and excludes those with business tax forms. Assistance will be by appointment only on Fridays from 8:30 a.m.–noon Feb. 6 and 20, and March 6 and 20. Please call the Senior Outreach office for appointments at 838-7117.

To Order Application Booklet	Phone
Property Tax Deferral Loan Program Wisconsin Housing and Economic Development Authority PO Box 1728 Madison, WI 53701-1728	608-266-3528 1-800-755-7835

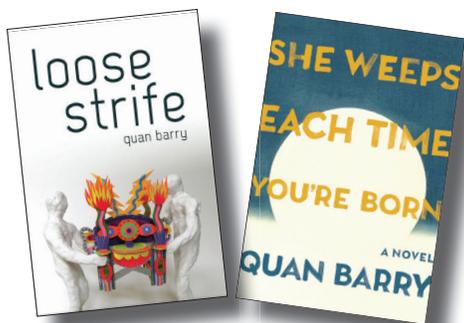


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## Library Calendar February, March, April 2015

### Library E-Newsletter

Find out about everything going on at the library by signing up for our e-newsletter. Just go to the library website [McFarlandLibrary.org](http://McFarlandLibrary.org) and click on the Sign up for our E-Newsletter link.



### February 12 – 6 p.m.

#### Author Visit: Quan Barry

Quan Barry will be at the E.D. Locke Public Library Thursday, Feb. 12 at 6 p.m. to read from her new novel *She Weeps Each Time You're Born* and her book of poetry *Loose Strife*. Reserve your spot by calling the library at 838-9030.



### Flipster

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### February

- Feb. 3 Drop-In Preschool Story Times continue, Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. for ages 5 and under.
- Feb. 11 Adult Book Discussion, 2 p.m., *House on Mango Street*
- Feb. 12 Repeat Preschool Story Times continue, second and fourth Thursdays at 10 a.m.
- Feb. 14 Family Board Game Day, 10 a.m.–3 p.m., all ages welcome.
- Feb. 19 Third Thursday Evening Family Story Time at 6:30 p.m. *Chinese New Year Party!* – Registration is required.

### March

- March 3 Drop-In Preschool Story Times continue, Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. for ages 5 and under.
- March 5 Youth Art Month Reception, 5:30–7 p.m., K-12 student art displays and music performances
- March 11 Adult Book Discussion, 2 p.m., *How It All Began*
- March 12 Repeat Preschool Story Times continue, second Thursday at 10 a.m.
- March 19 Third Thursday Evening Family Story Time at 6:30 p.m. *Bedtime Buddy Sleepover 2.0* – Registration is required.
- March 24 Spring Break LEGO DAYS! 10:30–11:30 a.m. DUPLOs for preschoolers; 2–3 p.m. LEGOs for ages 6–11; Registration is required for each building session.
- March 26 Spring Break LEGO DAYS! 2–3 p.m. LEGOs for ages 6–11; 6:30–7:30 p.m. LEGOs for ages 6–11; DUPLOs are available for younger siblings with accompanying adult supervision; Registration is required for each building session.

### April

- April 7 Drop-In Preschool Story Times continue, Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. for ages 5 and under.
- April 8 Adult Book Discussion, 2 p.m., *Peace Like a River*
- April 9 Repeat Preschool Story Times continue, second and fourth Thursdays at 10 a.m.
- April 11 Family Board Game Day, 10 a.m.–3 p.m., all are ages welcome.
- April 14 Eighth Annual Open Mic Poetry Night, 6:30 p.m. at Indian Mound Middle School

Please note, program registrations began Friday, Jan. 2, at the library or you can call Circulation at 838-9030, extension 0. The exception is registration for Spring Break LEGO DAYS begins Monday, March 2. For all library programs, children age 7 and younger must be supervised by a responsible caregiver age 12 or older.



## Upcoming Special Events at the Library

Several special events for families are being offered at E. D. Locke Public Library in McFarland this winter and spring. Come to the library to play, learn and grow!

### February

On two Saturdays, Feb. 14 and April 11, from 10 a.m.–3 p.m., local board game enthusiasts Tim Kalamarz and Mike Moderski, along with youth librarian Geri Cupery, will be hosting the library’s first Family Board Game Days of 2015. The number of sponsors keeps growing. In addition to the McFarland State Bank, retailer I’M BOARD! Games & Family Fun, and Out-of-the-Box Games, Stoughton toy store Giggles and Madison gaming store Misty Mountain have joined the list. The renewed popularity of board games – or tabletop games, as they are also called — is a growing trend. There’s a huge national convention every year at the end of the summer, GenCon, which got started in Milwaukee but now takes place in Indianapolis. Closer to home, a Madison-based convention (Gamehole Con) takes place in early November and has been getting bigger every year since its launch a few years ago.

However, unlike a gaming con, the library’s Family Board Game Days are completely FREE! Players of all ages are invited to attend all or part of the five-hour drop-in event. You’ll find some old favorites, as well as games that may be completely new to you. Experienced board game players will be on hand to teach all comers. Please note, to maintain the good condition of the games, this is a no-food event, so lunch is on your own. After all, who wants their games to wind up with sticky cards or greasy dice? As our gaming experts generously bring in their own games to supplement the library’s collection, we ask that you abide by this general rule.

Don’t have many board games at home? Those who bring a donation for the McFarland Food Pantry will be entered in a drawing, which might just help you change that! No advance registration is required to attend. So why not stop in to see what’s available, and “Get Your Game On @ the Library!”

### March

Please take note that the annual Youth Art Month Reception takes place at the library Thursday, March 5, from 5:30–7 p.m. Student artwork will be on display throughout the library all monthlong, of course — but this festive evening is also filled with musical performances by our district’s young musicians, refreshments in the lobby, and a high level of excitement. Come join us for a lovely community event at your library.

During the McFarland School District’s spring break later in March, the library will be offering two days of LEGO/DUPLO Build Days, Tuesday and Thursday, March 24 and 26. Registration is required. Tuesday, March 24 features a morning session for preschoolers at 10:30 a.m., and an afternoon session for ages 6–11 at 2 p.m. Thursday features another afternoon LEGO session at 2 p.m., and new this year, an evening session at 6:30 p.m. Each session lasts an hour. A large assortment of LEGO books will also be on display for children to check out, as well as LEGO coloring and activity sheets. Space is limited so that each child can have a reasonable supply of bricks for building, so please register beginning Tuesday, March 2, by calling Circulation at 838-9030, extension 0; or sign up in person at the library Circulation Desk.

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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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