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# The Hales Corners VILLAGE NEWS

Winter 2016



[www.madacc.com](http://www.madacc.com) or by mail: 3839 W Burnham Street, West Milwaukee, WI 53215. You will receive your license through the mail. Pet licenses and renewals are due by April 1, 2017. Remember to provide updated rabies vaccination information, as needed, for your pet's renewal. Rabies and spaying/neutering records must be provided for new pet licenses. A late fee of \$6.00 is applied beginning April 1 for pets that are not new to Hales Corners or your household, over five months of age.



## PET LICENSES

Dog and cat licenses will be mailed out in December once again by the Milwaukee Area Domestic Animal Control Commission (MADACC). All dogs and cats five months of age or older must be licensed. If your dog or cat was licensed in 2016, you will receive a pre-printed reminder in the mail from the MADACC, if your pet was licensed prior to November 1, 2016. We strongly encourage you to license directly with MADACC online at:



**Annual Tree  
Lighting Ceremony  
Saturday,  
December 3, at 6 pm**

### Village Hall Hours

Starting November 28, 2016 the Village Hall will remain open through the lunch hour.



We will be open from 8 am - 5 pm, Monday - Friday.

### Important Tax Information

Hales Corners residents have two payment schedule options for real estate tax bills.

- 1) **Full payment on or before January 31, 2017 OR**
- 2) **Three installment payment plan** - See the tax bill for each installment amount and date. **NO REMINDERS** are sent. Delinquent payments are subject to interest and penalties.
  - First Installment** - Due on or before January 31, 2017: Approximately 50% of net general tax and 100% of special charges and special assessments.
  - Second Installment** - Due on or before April 30, 2017: 25% of net general tax.
  - Third Installment** - Due on or before July 31, 2017: 25% of net general tax.

**REMINDER:** Treasurer Staff will be here to collect **TAX PAYMENTS ONLY**, on **Friday, December 30 from 8 am - 5 pm. NO INSTALLMENT REMINDERS ARE SENT OUT.** Mark all payment dates on your calendar. Installment amounts due are located in the lower right corner of your tax bill.

Payments can be made at the Village Hall **Monday - Friday (8 am- 5 pm).** **We do not accept credit card payments.** Checks can be made out to the Village of Hales Corners and tax payments should be mailed to the Village Hall (5635 S New Berlin Rd, Hales Corners, WI 53130) and are processed on the date of receipt. Please include your statement with payment; we will then receipt the statement and return it to you via mail.

***Note: A NEW DROP BOX WILL BE AVAILABLE AFTER HOURS AT THE ADMIN WINDOW!***

### Village Hall Holiday Hours

All Village Administrative Offices will be **CLOSED** on:

**Friday, December 23**                      **Monday, December 26** **Monday, January 2**

ALL OTHER Village Administrative Offices will be **CLOSED** on:

Friday, December 30



## PUBLIC WORKS NEWS

### Christmas Tree Collection

The Department of Public Works (DPW), as time and weather permit, will collect Christmas trees along the roadside. The trees are chipped and composted as part of recycling efforts. The service is available for Hales Corners residents with municipal trash collection only. Apartment and commercial occupants must dispose of Christmas trees through their own provider. Please call the DPW department at 529-6167 with any questions.

### Helpful Winter Tips

To help battle “old man winter”, here are some winter ice and snow removal tips from your DPW:

- When a homeowner cleans snow from the driveway, place all the snow near the edge of the road to the right side of the drive as you face the street. This will lessen the amount of snow that refills your drive approach when the plow passes by.
- The almost 35 miles of Village streets and 23 cul-de-sacs are divided into 4 plow routes that are as equal in size as possible. During snow and ice control operations, main roads and intersections come first, then the remaining streets.
- When traveling behind a plow truck, maintain a safe following distance of at least 200 feet.
- Municipal ordinance prohibits the plowing or blowing of snow onto or across a public street. Frequently, this snow results in unex-

pected bumps or ice spots. Snow pushed across streets and dumped into roadside swales and ditches may obstruct the natural drainage flow causing street flooding.

- During the winter, shorten your sump pump discharge hose to 10 to 15 feet from your foundation. A sump pump that discharges near the roadway may create a dangerous icy condition.
- Place your garbage cans and recycle bin a few feet farther back from the edge of the road during plowing events. This will help keep them from being damaged by the plow or buried by the snow.
- Milwaukee County is responsible for the plowing of 108th Street (STH 100/USH 45), Janesville Road (STH 24), and Forest Home Avenue (STH 24/CTH OO). If you have any questions regarding snow and ice removal from these streets please contact Milwaukee County DPW at 257-6566.

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

### Street Lights

The majority of street lights illuminating intersections, alleys, parking lots, etc. are owned and maintained by We Energies. The easiest and quickest method to report an outage is to use We Energies website [http://www.we-energies.com/night\\_aura/contact/rptoutage.htm](http://www.we-energies.com/night_aura/contact/rptoutage.htm). By entering an approximate address or the pole

number ANYONE can quickly report an outage. I encourage all residents to use this since it is so easy. We Energies will typically respond within 72 hours. Their response time is driven by the amount of emergency work they have and NOT by who reports the outage. Just because the outage report came from “The Village” does not mean preferential or priority response.

**EXCEPTIONS** – *Hales Corners owns and maintains median and decorative pedestrian lighting in certain areas of the Village. When these are knocked down or reported as out, Hales Corners DPW must be contacted. Median lighting includes all median lights in South 108th Street (WI 100\USH 45), West Janesville Road (WI 24), and West Forest Home Avenue (WI 24, CTH OO). Decorative pedestrian lights (black poles, shepherds rod style) are located at the northwest corner of Janesville & 108<sup>th</sup> (Bosch Tavern corner) and at the southeast corner of 108<sup>th</sup> & Forest Home (McDonald’s corner).*

### Power Outages

If you experience a power outage, please **DO NOT** call Village Hall.

CALL WE ENERGIES AT 1-800-662-4797.

**See 2017 Disposal Informational and Calendar insert. Replacement Calendars can be found on our website under the Newsletter tab.**



**If your garbage has not been picked up or to schedule a special pickup, call ADVANCED DISPOSAL SERVICES at 262-679-0860 as soon as possible.**



## POLICE NEWS

### OWI Task Force

The Hales Corners Police Department is a member of the Southeast WI Multi-jurisdictional Impaired Driving Task Force which consists of 35 law enforcement agencies. Our goal is to reduce impaired driving by enforcement, create safer roadways, and to raise awareness towards the dangers of impaired driving.

Our law enforcement efforts continue to make a difference on the roads in southeastern WI as our statistics show impressive results; since October 2015, over 1338 law enforcement officers were involved in saturation deployments, approximately 281 impaired driving arrests were made, and approximately 6,283 citizen contacts were made through traffic contacts. Additionally, 268 arrests were made for warrants or new crimes during the deployments. The message within our mission statement is clear, **“We will stop, test, arrest, and lockup as many impaired drivers as necessary to prevent needless injuries and deaths on our roadway”**.

The task force will be out in full force during the *Driver Sober Winter Campaign* which starts December 16, 2016.

### Vehicle Safety

During the cold months of Wisconsin vehicles that are left outside overnight may have frost or snow-covered windows. Please make sure to clean off your windows before beginning to drive it may lead to



an accident or you may be issued a citation under State Statute 346.88 (4) and fined \$98.80.

### Snow Removal

Village ordinance 12.07 Snow and Removal Village residents must keep their sidewalks clean by 12 pm each day. Also any person will not plow, shovel, or dump snow into the roadway. Violations of these Village Ordinances may result in a municipal citation.



### Road Construction

The Hales Corners Police Department would like to thank all of the citizens that cooperated with the rules of the road during the construction projects throughout this year.



We understand it was an inconvenience but your patience and safe driving habits prevented the occurrence of accidents.

### Reminders

The Hales Corners Police Department is proud to announce they will be in the local schools in the spring of 2017 and providing education on behalf of the D.A. R. E. program to the fifth grade.

The MOST important thing YOU can do is CALL THE POLICE to report a CRIME or any SUSPICIOUS activity. You have to be the eyes of your neighborhood. And remember you can always remain a pair of anonymous eyes! Remember the three L's of Crime Prevention: **LIGHTS, LOCKS & the LAW!**

- **Light** up your residence
- **Lock** your doors at all times, and call the
- **Law** when you see something suspicious.

### Preventing Burglaries

A distraction burglary is when offenders work together; one offender will cause a “distraction”, while another enters the home and takes money and/or possessions. Fortunately, this type of burglary is relatively low in numbers compared to other methods of entry. However, in the majority of cases it is committed against elderly or vulnerable people and the impact on



quality of life can be extremely significant, which is why it is vital that we do all we can to prevent it. Distraction bur-

glars will fabricate a story to try to trick their way into properties. They may “need” to use a phone because their vehicle has broken down, they may “need” to get a glass of water because one of them feels ill or they may “need” to have a look in your garden because they’ve lost something over your fence. The fact of the matter is that they don’t “need” anything. It is imperative that we ensure that any neighbors, friends or family members that may be more susceptible to this type of burglary are alert to the intentions of callers at their homes. Distraction burglars may be male or female, any age, look very presentable and use a variety of stories to try to trick their way into homes.

### Important Information

As we enter snowplow season it is important to remember that **PARKING IS PROHIBITED OVERNIGHT ON VILLAGE STREETS. PLEASE CONTACT THE POLICE AT 529-6140 IF YOU NEED TO PARK ON THE STREET.**



## HEALTH NEWS

**Immunization Clinics** have undergone changes due to new federal health care policies. Now, individuals with insurance that covers vaccines will need to obtain immunizations from their private provider, even if the insurance includes a deductible or copay. Please contact the Health Department at 529-6155 with any questions about this policy or for more information on scheduling an appointment.

**Blood Pressure Screenings** are offered free-of-charge at the Health Department. Please call 529-6155 for an appointment.

**Sharps Disposal** is available for residents, free-of-charge, through the Health Department. Used sharps that are in sturdy containers (a plastic laundry bottle with a screw cap is preferable) may be dropped off at the Health Department for safe disposal. When your container is full, please call the Health Department at 529-6155 to arrange a drop-off time.

**Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Clinics** for Hales Corners residents are held at area Health Departments through a cooperative agreement with the West Allis Health Department. If you are interested in applying for WIC or have questions, please call 302-8642.

**Radon Kits Still Available**  
Winter is a good time to test your home for radon. It's really easy to test! The test can be conducted in just 48 hours. Residents may purchase a kit for \$5. Call the Health

Department at 529-6155 to schedule an appointment to pick up your kit. Families with young children are encouraged to call!

### Traveling During Pregnancy?

#### Take Precautions!

Zika virus disease (Zika) spreads to people mainly through the bite by two species of infected mosquitoes. Based on current knowledge, the greatest risk for complications from Zika is to a pregnant woman's fetus. If a pregnant woman is infected with Zika, she can pass the virus to her fetus. Zika infection during pregnancy can cause a serious birth defect called microcephaly, a condition where an infant's head is smaller than expected and brain development may be affected. Researchers are working to understand more about how Zika affects pregnant women and their unborn babies.

#### Guidance for pregnant women:

- Check CDC travel guidance; pregnant women should avoid travel to any area with Zika. [www.cdc.gov/travel/page/zika-travel-information](http://www.cdc.gov/travel/page/zika-travel-information).
- If travel to an area with Zika cannot be avoided, talk to your doctor or healthcare provider first.
- Prevent mosquito bites—wear long sleeves and pants and use an EPA-registered insect repellent; always follow label direction and safety precautions.
- Use latex condoms every time, or choose not to have any type of sex, if the male partner has been in an area with Zika during the pregnancy.

### Prepare for Emergencies Now!

It's important for everyone to plan for emergencies both at your home and workplace. Things to consider when planning for your home:

- Have an emergency kit for your home and your car.
- Create a family communications plan.
- Make sure your family knows the evacuation plan in case you have to leave your home quickly.
- Make a plan to care for pets.

If you or any family members have a disability or functional need, be sure to include ways to deal with those specific needs during an emergency. For more information on Personal Preparedness Planning, go to:

<https://www.ready.gov/>

Things to consider when planning for your work place:

- Business owners—Be sure you have a written business preparedness plan in place. According to the Insurance Information Institute, up to 40 % of businesses affected by a natural or human-caused disaster never reopen. Having a plan can ensure that you're back in business quickly and able to provide products and services to your community.
- Know where the business preparedness plan for your place of employment is kept and become familiar with it.
- Participate in exercises and drills at your place of employment, so you know what to do when an emergency occurs.

For more information on Business Preparedness Planning, go to <https://www.ready.gov/business>.



**If you are age 65 or older, get both pneumonia shots!**

It is recommended that all people 65 years and older get vaccinated against Pneumococcal Disease. Each year, about 18,000 adults die of Pneumococcal Disease in the United States. Pneumovax is the vaccine that people aged 65 and older have received for many years. Now, it is recommended that they also receive a dose of Prevnar 13 one year after receiving a dose of Pneumovax. The vaccines protect against different Pneumococcal bacteria, so together they give significantly more protection against this deadly disease. Prevnar 13 is not a new vaccine. It has been given to babies for many years and has proven to be effective.

Consult with your doctor now to determine if you need these vaccines. Most Medicare plans cover the cost of both vaccines, but check to make sure your plan covers them.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT**

**Adopt—A—Hydrant**

In the event of a fire emergency, could firefighters find the hydrant near your home? Does it get buried under a snow pile during the winter? Or obscured by overgrown bushes during the summer? The Village of Hales Corners and the Hales Corners Fire Department is encouraging residents to "adopt a fire hydrant" near their home and keep snow shoveled away in winter and vegetation trimmed back in the spring, summer and fall. This will ensure hydrants are visible and will great-



ly speed the response time in case of an emergency.

\*\*There is no need to notify the village about a hydrant you have adopted. This is an informal volunteer program. Your help is greatly appreciated!\*\*

**Christmas Tree Safety**

A few quick tips will have you on



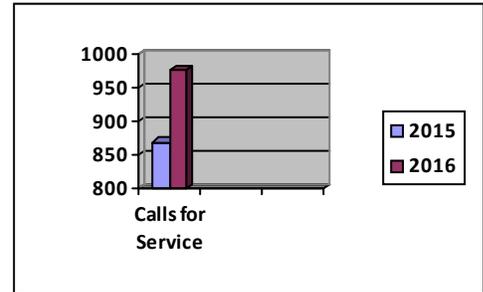
your way to enjoying a safe and beautiful Christmas tree!

1. Consider an artificial tree (they are much safer and cleaner.)
2. If you must use a real tree, it should not lose green needles when you tap it on the ground.
3. Make a fresh cut of 1" off the trunk before putting the tree in the stand.
4. Leave the tree in the garage or outside until ready to decorate.
5. The ideal stand should hold at least one (1) gallon of water.
6. Check the water level every day.
7. Keep tree away from floor heaters, fireplaces, or other heat sources especially electric base board.
10. Use only UL-approved lights
11. Turn off the Christmas lights when you sleep, or if you leave your home for very long.
12. NEVER use candles, even on artificial trees. Fires related to candles increase four fold during the Christmas season.
13. Dispose of the tree properly. NEVER BURN IN THE FIRE-PLACE OR A WOODBURNING STOVE.

**Fire Department Emergency Requests**

The HCFD continues to experience an increase in emergency requests for 2016. In the first ten

months, the HCFD requests for service have increased by 12% compared to 2015.



**Carbon Monoxide**

Although the general knowledge of carbon monoxide (CO) has been growing in recent years, it cannot be assumed that everyone is familiar with the hazards of carbon monoxide poisoning in the home. Often called the invisible killer, carbon monoxide is an odorless, colorless gas created when fuels (such as gasoline, wood, coal, natural gas, propane, oil, and methane) burn incompletely. In the home, heating and cooking equipment that burn fuel are potential sources of carbon monoxide. Vehicles or generators running in an attached garage can also produce dangerous levels of carbon monoxide. Keep a carbon monoxide detector in your home. Treat any activation as real. Evacuate the house, leaving the door open for ventilation, and contact 911 from a cell phone or a neighbor's house.

**Stay current with your fire department by visiting our website at [www.halescornersfire.org](http://www.halescornersfire.org) or like us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter. Non-Emergency contact: 529-6168**





## COMMUNITY NEWS



Free recreational winter fun is back again this winter in Hales Corners Park. The Alyson Dudek International Ice Center temporary ice rink will be open this winter (weather permitting) daily from 9 am - 9 pm on top of the volleyball sand court area in Hales Corners Park near the Veterans Memorial and Pool house.

Please park your vehicle in the big parking lot on South New Berlin Road. Any vehicles parked on the pool house driveway and near the rink will be towed at owners expense.

Remember everyone in the Village of Hales Corners can assist and be part of continuing to improve Hales Corners Park & Pool by saving and donating your aluminum cans to the Friends. Please deposit your Aluminum cans (no pet food cans, vegetable cans, etc.) into the large blue recycle containers located in front of the Hales Corners Pool house, Whitnall Middle School cafeteria, Hales Corners Lutheran School outside of the gymnasium, Hales Corners Car Wash, Holz Motors service area, Holz Motors body shop on College Avenue, in front of the Pick n Save, and at Jetz and Culver's entrance area.

If you would like to be on the Friends blind copy email list to keep up to date on our activities please email:

[president@halescornerspark.com](mailto:president@halescornerspark.com).

If you would like you can make a

tax deductible contribution to the Friends of Hales Corners Park & Pool, P.O. Box 7, Hales Corners, WI 53130. Check us out on social media or on website at: [www.halescornerspark.com](http://www.halescornerspark.com)

### Veterans Memorial

If you are interested in purchasing a brick for the Memorial, please mail a check to the Veterans Memorial Committee: PO Box 34, Hales Corners, WI 53130. Also, if any citizens are interested in serving on the Veterans Memorial Committee we would love to have you. You do not have to be a Veteran. Please call with any questions. Howard Hingiss, 425-5276, or Jim Helminski, 425-7745 or Village Liaison Don Schwartz, 418-8299.



### Homemade Holidays Open House at Wehr Nature Center

Homemade Holidays, Wehr Nature Center's annual open house, will give families the opportunity to make gifts from natural, recycled, and repurposed objects, Saturday, December 3, from 11 am - 3 pm; Wehr is located at 9701 W. College Ave in Whitnall Park.

To slow the hectic pace of the holidays, to avoid the crowded malls and to make unique gifts for the special people in their lives, families can stop in any time during the event hours.

Making three different projects is included in the admission fee for crafters. Projects include pencil holders, stone sculptures, jewelry, a variety of holiday ornaments,

homemade cards, and pinecone holiday trees. The program is recommended for children age 5 and up.

Non-crafters will be admitted for free. Admission for crafters is \$6 per child or adult; \$5 for Friends of Wehr members. Additional projects made by children or adults will be available for \$1 each.

Visitors may also decorate homemade sugar cookies for \$1. Proceeds from the cookie sale will go to support Wehr's accessibility renovations.

Families and individuals may pay at the door. Scout and other youth groups must register by November 30.

For more information, contact Wehr Nature Center at 425-8550.

## LIONS CLUB NEWS

The Hales Corners Lions Club is a service organization that takes an active interest in the Civic, Cultural, Social and Moral Welfare of our Community. We are chartered to help meet the humanitarian needs of our Community, especially for those visually or hearing impaired. The Hales Corners Lions Club is always looking for men and women in joining our efforts. We meet the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm at The Bosch. Please contact us for additional information at either our page on Facebook or at:

<http://eclubhouse.org/sites/halescorners/>.

### Lion's Christmas Tree Sale

Visit us at our Annual Christmas Tree Lot located just south of Hwy 100 & Grange Ave in the old Kmart parking lot. There will be a



**INSPECTION/PLANNING NEWS**

great variety of beautiful, fresh-cut Wisconsin Christmas trees available November 25 - December 20, daily from 11 am until dark. All proceeds benefit your community.

**ENVIRONMENTAL NEWS**

**Bird City**

Do you know what the #1 mortality factor is for birds in the U.S.?

- automobile strikes?
- pesticides/poisons?
- collisions with skyscrapers/windows?

Actually it is none of these! The answer is outdoor domestic cats. Multiple studies from organizations such as the Smithsonian Conservation Biology Institute have estimated that domestic cats who are allowed outside kill approximately 2.4 billion birds each year, some of which are becoming endangered. Birds play a critical role in our overall ecosystem by pollinating crops and controlling pests, so scientists are urging the American public to start taking action on this growing problem.



What can you do here in Hales Corners? Keep your pet cat indoors or allow it outside only if on a leash. Besides being better for the birds, it is also safer for your pet who can pick up and transmit diseases, get hit by a car or killed by other animals if left outside. Hales Corners is a proud member of the Bird City program and reminds citizens that it is illegal to let your pet (dog or cat) roam unleashed.

Please visit our website at [www.hcenvironmental.org](http://www.hcenvironmental.org) for more information on creating a bird-friendly environment.

**Landscape Registry**

The Registry allows Wisconsin residents to be notified before lawn care companies apply pesticides to neighboring properties. To sign up visit: <https://datepservices.wisconsin.gov/landreg> by February 1, 2017.

**Accomplishments**

The Committee is proud of its achievements during this past year. The Village maintained its status as a Tree City, Bird City and Bee City. As one of the winners of the Victory Garden Initiative's Fruity Nutty Five Contest, we now have a community orchard on Parnell Ave along with a pollinator garden that was planted in celebration of National Pollinator Week. Village President, Bob Ruesch signed the Mayor's Monarch Pledge and we are focusing on educating citizens about what they can do to help create habitat for the monarch butterfly. We also participated in the Great Wisconsin Birdathon, continued our battery and CD recycling programs, the natural lawn care project at the fire station, our Garden Initiative Awards, and our efforts to create a birding trail in Grange Woods at Schoetz Park. If you would like to help with any of these projects, please visit us on Facebook or our website and let us know. Volunteer help is always welcome!



The Village employs part-time building, plumbing and electrical inspectors. Please visit our website for more details on when permits are needed-[www.halescorners.org](http://www.halescorners.org). Inspection requests can be made by dialing 529-6160, press 1 and leave a message, at least 24 hours in advance.

**Coming Soon**

Many are wondering what is going on in the Village with new construction and development. Here's the scoop:

- Hwy 100 & Edgerton Ave - Sendik's Fresh2Go will be coming in the Spring of 2017.
- Old Kmart Site - Festival Foods is looking to time their construction with the reconstruction of Hwy 100. Date unknown at this time.
- The Bosch was set on its new foundation in November and they are working on reopening, please check follow the updates on their Facebook page.
- Forest Ridge Senior Communities are adding 51 units.
- We have two new construction homes underway.

**Welcome New Businesses**

- Orchid Nails - 5776 S 108th St
- Homeward Bound**

This is a reminder that all recreational vehicles (RVs) must be parked and stored on an improved surface and cannot be parked on public streets. No more than two (2) RVs may be stored outside on a residential property. They must be licensed and in a good state of repair.



**RECREATION NEWS**

**Teen Center**

Teen Center is held on Friday nights at Hales Corners Elementary School from 7 - 9pm. This activity provides students in 6th, 7th and 8th grade an opportunity to be with friends, listen to music, and play a variety of games. Students are also able to purchase snacks. Teen Center costs \$5. The following is a list of tentative dates that Teen Center will be held:

- December 9*
- January 13 & 27*
- February 3, 10 & 24*
- March 3 & 31*
- April 7 & 28*

**Looking for a Job?**

Although summer is a few months away, it is not too early to start thinking about summer employment. The Hales Corners Recreation Department is looking for members to be part of our team. If you work well with children or are planning a future in education, the Recreation Department Summer Program could be the job for you. If interested, call Andy at 840-4513.

**Sponsors**

In order to help offset the cost of the programs and provide t-shirts for each program, the Hales Corners Recreation Department is looking for sponsors for the Soccer and Basketball Programs for 2016. If you are interested in sponsoring or donating to any pro-

gram, please contact Andy Flater at 840-4513.

**Adults and Seniors**

We receive several calls regarding other recreation activity offerings.



If you are looking for recreational opportunities for adults and seniors, whether it be aquatics or exercise classes, please check out the Greenfield Recreation Guide. Since we are part of the Whitnall School District, our residents are eligible to take advantage of the resident rates. They also offer aquatics and gymnastics classes for young children. For a full program guide visit <http://www.ci.greenfield.wi.us/283/Parks-Recreation>. They are also on Facebook and Twitter.

**Basketball**

The Hales Corners Recreation Department is offering a basketball program designed to provide fun for all children while learning the game of basketball. The emphasis will be on teaching fundamentals while playing the game. The first two weeks will focus on group instruction, dribbling, shooting, passing, and positioning. The 3rd - 5th weeks will be half instruction and half scrimmage. The remaining weeks will be game-like scrimmages. **The program will begin on January 14 and run for nine consecutive Saturdays at Hales Corners Elementary.** (January 14, 21, 28, February 4, 11, 18, & 25, March 4 & 11)

**Boys and Girls**

**Boys**

**Girls**

K4	8:00 - 8:30 am	2nd-3rd	9:30 - 10:20 am	2nd-3rd	11:10 am - 2:00 pm
K5	8:30 - 9:00 am	4th-5th	10:20 - 11:10 am	4th-5th	12:00 - 2:50 pm
1st	9:00 - 9:30 am				

**K4, K5 and 1st grade boys and girls: Resident \$35.00 Non-Resident \$40.00**

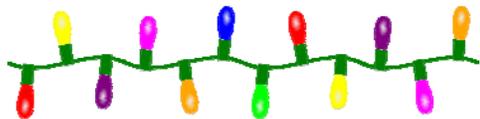
**2nd-5th grade boys and girls: Resident \$70.00 Non-Resident \$75.00**

Cash or checks payable to: **Hales Corners Recreation Department**

**Registration** will be held on **January 7, 9 - 10:30 am** at the Village Hall. Program flyers will be distributed to the local schools, library and Village Hall and online at [www.halescorners.org](http://www.halescorners.org). If you cannot attend registration or have any questions, please call Bryan at 840-0048.



# LIBRARY NEWS



## Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony

Saturday, December 3 starting at 6 pm in the lower level parking lot, outside the Hales Corners Library. Enjoy the Whitnall Middle School Band, lighting of the tree by Village President Bob Ruesch, Santa arriving aboard the Hales Corners Fire Engine, holiday stories with Mr. Patrick and refreshments. The Hunt Cabin will be open. Please call Pat Laughlin at 529-6150 ext. 20 to help with this event or to bake cookies.

## “Behind-the-Scenes” Tour



Join us on Sunday, January 29, 2017, from 1 - 4 pm and learn more about plans to expand the Library and Hunt Center. This event is sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Refreshments.

## Time to Renew (or Join) Your Friends of the Library Membership:

This past year the Friends of the Library provided support for:

- Library Building Consultant, in partnership with the Village of Hales Corners, to help plan for an expanded Library and Hunt Center
- Summer Reading Clubs and Programs
- Book Squad Volunteers
- Annual Village Tree Lighting

- Child’s First Library Card Program
- The Clutter Coach program and “What’s it Worth” antique appraisal program
- Dr. Seuss’s Read Across America birthday story time
- “Book Page” newsletter available for free in the library’s lobby
- Public performance rights for film programs
- Dash, the library turtle, and the Fish Tank

Your membership dues go towards all of this support. Please join using the membership form on page 10.

## “The Tastes of Hales Corners, Wine & Beer Tasting”



Thursday, March 2, 2017. Tickets go on sale at the Library starting the week of December 12, 2016 and online at the library’s web site -

[www.halescornerslibrary.org](http://www.halescornerslibrary.org).

## What’s It Worth?

An Antique Appraisal Event on Saturday, March 4, 2017 from 1:30 - 4:30 pm, featuring author and antiques expert, Mark Moran. This event is free and open to the public. Pre-registration for timed appointments is required if you have an item to be appraised. Registration is not required for spectators. Everyone is welcome! Registration opens at 10 am on Monday, February 20, in-person at the library or by phone (529-6150). This event is sponsored by the Friends of the Hales Corners Library.

## Tax Forms



By the beginning of February, the library will have available free of charge the most common Federal and State tax forms. With your library card, you can also use the public computers to print forms and instructions from government websites for 25¢ a copy.

## Homebound Delivery Service



Winter is coming on fast. If you are a Hales Corners resident who lives at home and is physically unable to come to the library, you may want to sign up for the Homebound Delivery Service offered by the Hales Corners Library. Homebound Delivery Service is free. Individuals may pick up a flyer at the library that explains the service or call the library’s Information Desk at 529-6150 ext. 10 for more information. Homebound Delivery Service is sponsored by the Friends of the Hales Corners Library.

## Stay in Touch & Get Accurate, Up-to-Date Information on Library Programs, Services & Events



Join the library’s mailing list to receive our weekly newsletter and special event announcements. Go to the library’s website ([www.halescornerslibrary.org](http://www.halescornerslibrary.org)) and use the Sign Up Now button to get started.



Find us on Facebook



**Election Recap**

Voting for the November 8 General Election started with absentee voting by mail the third week of September, Special Voting Deputies from the Village administered absentee voting to three residential care facilities in mid-October; and Clerk’s office absentee voting (early office) was administered for full two weeks prior to the election in addition to Election Day voting. Voter Turnout was 78% with 30% of our voters requesting ballots by mail or early voting in office. There were over 600 new voter registrations. More voters statewide are absentee voting and we stress the importance of following the directions that are listed on the top of your ballot, mailed to you as an insert with your ballot, or available while you vote early in office. PLEASE TAKE THE TIME TO READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS! The general in-



struction printed on the ballot states “To vote for a name on the ballot, fill in the oval next to the name like this.” An example is given on the ballot, and is also in each voting booth. We had too many mistakes made by voters this election requiring two election officials to spend hours on election day remaking incorrectly marked ballots so the votes could be counted. The voting equipment will give an error of unreadable marks and will not count that ballot if you use check marks or X’s when you vote for a candidate. Over-voting is another problem. Each race on the ballot will indicate the number of votes that can be cast for that race. If it says “Vote for 1” and you mark two candidates for that race, that ballot will not be read by the voting equipment due to an over-vote. This also requires two elections officials to remake that ballot to get the correct votes on that ballot counted. Voters can also help out

when early voting by printing their names and addresses legibly and completely on the required forms and envelopes. The information gets retyped into the Statewide Voter System, and we do not want errors because we could not read the letters properly. You will be asked to complete a Voter Registration Form for any name or address changes to the poll book. Thank you for helping our election staff serve you more efficiently.

**Help Needed**

The Village is looking for Election Poll workers. If you are interested in working the polls, please complete an employment application on our website under the Election tab on the left hand side. Please mail your application to:

*Village of Hales Corners  
5635 S New Berlin Rd  
Hales Corners, WI 53130*

Please contact Michele Stute for more information at 529-6163 or [mstute@halescorners.org](mailto:mstute@halescorners.org).

**Help Support the Friends of the Hales Corners Library**

**MEMBERSHIP ENROLLMENT FORM**

(Please drop off at the library/make checks payable to : Friends of the Hales Corners Library)

- Renewal
- New Membership
- Individual \$5.00
- Family \$10.00
- Patron \$25.00
- Sponsor \$50.00
- Business \$25.00
- Additional Contribution \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- Total Enclosed** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(Dues/contributions are tax-deductible)

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City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

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- I would like to help with special events and programs, please call me.
- I would like to be a committee chair or on the Friends Board, please call me.



## HISTORIC PRESERVATION/HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWS

### Historic Preservation Commission News

The Historic Preservation Commission works with the Village Board to designate local historic landmarks. If you would like to nominate a home or business for local landmark status, or serve on the Commission, pick up a form at the Village Hall.

### Historical Society Programs for 2017

Although the Society still is selecting four program topics for the 2017 season, the actual dates are already on the calendar: February 1, April 5, August 2, October 4. As usual, the programs will be FREE to the public and will be held in the Ben Hunt Room of the Hales Corners Library at 116th and Janesville Road. Save the dates and watch for future announcements!

#### Ben Hunt Cabin Open During Tree Lighting

The cabin will be open on Saturday, December 3, 2016 from 5:30 - 7 pm to coincide with the Village Christmas tree lighting. Please come visit this landmark property built by Hales Corners' most famous resident in 1924. Brimming with Native American objects, the cabin also displays Ben's skills at woodcrafts, whittling, silversmithing, and painting. Private tours are also available during the year by appointment with two weeks' lead-time; contact the Society at 529-6150, ext. 24 or go to [www.HistoricHalesCorners.org](http://www.HistoricHalesCorners.org).

And, if you're looking for a great holiday gift, consider purchasing the only book about Ben Hunt and his cabin, W. BEN HUNT, FROM WHITTLIN' JIM TO LONE EA-

GLE, available at the cabin for only \$10.00!

#### Christmas Toys From Our Past

During December, the Society will showcase a display of Christmas toys from yesteryear in the main window of the Hales Corners Library. All of the toys are on loan from local residents, and range in vintage from the early 1900s through the 1970s. Come and see how many of these toys you remember from your own childhood!

#### Christmas Tree Sale

Freshly cut balsam and Fraser Christmas trees are available at the Stahl-Conrad Homestead, 9724 W. Forest Home Ave. Hours for the sale are 4 pm - 7 pm Wednesday through Friday, and 12pm - 7 pm on Saturday and Sunday. The lot is closed on Monday and Tuesday. Prices vary according to size and species. Hurry in for the best selection!

#### Stahl Savanna Project Event

Have you noticed the large old oak trees that still grace many yards and roadsides in this area? To learn more about their significance, please join us at the Stahl-Conrad Homestead at 2 pm on Sunday, February 19, 2017 as we introduce the Stahl Savanna Project. The speaker will be Certified Arborist Jim Uhrinak who will present a program titled "Great Savanna Oaks Still Speak in Our Neighborhood." As one of three members of the International Oak Society who reside in Wisconsin, Jim will explain oak savannas and how they fit into original local landscape. He will also cover the ideas behind the Project and how you can get involved. The program is free and open to the public and refreshments will be served.

### STAHL CONRAD NEWS

#### Christmas From The Garden



Stahl Conrad Homestead  
9724 W. Forest Home Avenue  
Village of Hales Corners

This is our annual boutique using garden materials, fresh greenery, flower bulbs and plants, and hand-made arrangements.

#### Hours:

Wednesday, Thursday &  
Saturday: 12 - 7 pm  
Friday: 4 - 7 pm

Coordinated with Christmas tree sale starting after Thanksgiving.





## DECEMBER

- 2 Trash/Yard Waste Pickup
- 3 Tree Lighting Ceremony, 6 pm,  
Hales Corners Library
- 3 Hunt Cabin Open, 5:30 - 7 pm
- 9 Trash/Recycle Pickup
- 9 Teen Center, 7-9 pm, at HCE
- 16 Trash Pickup
- 23 *Village Offices Closed/Library Open*
- 23 Trash /Recycle Pickup
- 24 Christmas Eve**
- 25 Christmas Day**
- 26 *Village Offices Closed/Library Open*
- 30 Trash Pickup
- 30 *Village Offices Open for Tax Payments*  
*Only: 8 am - 5 pm/Library Open*
- 31 New Year's Eve**



## JANUARY

- 1 **New Year's Day**
- 2 *Village Offices Closed/Library Open*
- 6 Trash/Recycle Pickup
- 13 Trash Pickup
- 13 Teen Center, 7-9 pm, at HCE
- 16 Martin Luther King Jr. Day**
- 20 Trash/Recycle Pickup
- 27 Trash Pickup
- 27 Teen Center, 7-9 pm, at HCE
- 31 Full Payment or First Installment of  
Property Taxes Due**



## FEBRUARY

- 1 HC Historical Society Program in Ben  
Hunt Room
- 3 Trash/Recycle Pickup
- 3 Teen Center, 7-9 pm, HCE
- 10 Trash Pickup
- 10 Teen Center, 7-9 pm, HCE
- 14 Valentine's Day**
- 17 Trash/Recycle Pickup
- 20 President's Day**
- 24 Teen Center, 7-9 pm, HCE
- 24 Trash Pickup

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