

# VILLAGE VIEWS

A WINDOW TO GREENDALE  
FALL 2017

## Congratulations Greendale!

The Village of Greendale has been officially accepted as Wisconsin's 2<sup>nd</sup> member of the AARP Network of Age-Friendly Communities. The Network includes 170 communities across the country and 20 nations around the world. The Network is an affiliate of the World Health Organization's Age-Friendly Cities and Communities Program, an international effort launched in 2006 to help cities prepare for increasing proportions of older adults and urbanization. It helps participating communities become great places for all ages by adopting such features as safe, walkable streets; better housing and transportation options; access to key services; and opportunities for residents to participate in civic and community activities. Greendale has taken the initial steps to enter the Network, which demonstrates its commitment to actively engage in an inclusive cycle of continuous improvement in the "8 Domains of Livability" that the World Health Organization has identified as influencing the health and quality of life of older adults. Successful Aging in Greendale for Everyone (SAGE), a community workgroup, will be spearheading the effort in Greendale and is excited to work with the Village, civic organizations, and residents to create a vibrant community where people of *all* ages can live, work and play across a lifetime. Please join AARP Wisconsin, SAGE and Village Leadership representatives in this celebration on October 21<sup>st</sup> from 10:00 am-11:30 am at the Greendale Safety Center (5911 W. Grange Ave., Greendale), to learn more about the Network of Age-Friendly Communities and how YOU can be involved in this exciting process. Please RSVP by calling the Greendale Health Department (423-2110) or email [trypel@greendale.org](mailto:trypel@greendale.org). To learn more please visit: [www.aarp.org/livable](http://www.aarp.org/livable).

## 2018 Budget Work Sessions

The public is invited to attend the Committee of the Whole Budget Work Sessions scheduled for Monday, October 23, Wednesday, October 25 and Wednesday, November 8 (if necessary) at 6:00 pm in the Village Hall Board Room. Meeting notices will be posted on the Village website and at the Library, Safety Center and Village Hall. The public is encouraged to attend these meetings to provide input to the Board. This input will help the Board evaluate and balance the need for maintaining services against increasing taxes and fees. Copies of the 2018 Village Manager's Recommended Budget will be available for public viewing in the Village Hall and at the Library during normal business hours and on the Village website beginning October 18th.

## Upcoming Fall Events

October 7: Last **Open Market** of the Season! 8am—noon



**SAVE THE DATE!**

**Sunday October 22<sup>nd</sup> 2017**  
**The Greendale Step Up To Better Health**  
**Fun Run and Walk!**  
**Start the fun at 10:30 AM**

**Run 5K or walk 2 miles to keep fit and support Greendale schools and school organizations!**

Registration forms available at [www.greendale.org](http://www.greendale.org). Also available at the Greendale Health Department and all Greendale schools. Contact the Greendale Health Department for additional information at (414)423-2110.

The **FUN Run/Walk** will begin and end on the football field at Greendale High School. Entry fees are \$15/individual and \$35/family.



October 22: **Step up to Better Health Fun Run and Walk**, 10:30am, visit the website or contact the Health Department for information on signing up!

October 29: **Trick or Treat**, The Village will hold trick or treating from 4pm to 7pm, **Halloween Parade** begins at 3pm (line up at 2:30pm by Brinkman Field)

November 11: **Veterans' Day Parade & Program**, The Greendale American Legion and VFW are offering a Veteran's Day Parade & Program on November 11th. Parade will start at the Municipal parking lot at 9am (Parking Street) and end at the Veteran's Memorial site (corner of Broad Street and Southway)

November 24: **Tree Lighting Ceremony**, 6:30pm Come to the Village to see the twinkling lights be turned on for the first time this holiday season and stop by to visit with Santa after!

November 25: **Small Business Saturday**  
 December 1: **Dickens Holiday Event**, Check back on the Village website for more information on this event!

**2017 Trick-or-Treat Hours**  
**Sunday October 29**  
**4pm—7pm**  
**Halloween Parade**  
**3 pm (line up at 2:30pm)**  
**Begins at Brinkman Field**



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## VILLAGE BOARD CORNER

### Marcus Theatres

Marcus Theaters opened on June 30th! This 8 screen Bistro-plex brings a new concept to Marcus Theatres. All theaters feature dream loungers and in seat dining.

### Greenbelt Apartments

The General Capital Group and Robert Joseph Properties are working to complete the first phase of the Greenbelt Apartments east of Southridge Mall. Greenbelt will open in late 2017 or early 2018. Greenbelt boasts impressive features and finishes. The residential complex includes three buildings with a total of 160 apartments including underground parking.

### Southridge Mall

Earlier this year we learned that Sears was closing hundreds of stores across the nation. We later learned that the Sears store at Southridge was closing. Since hearing this news the Village Board has met to discuss plans to redevelop the north anchor site. Over the past couple of months the Village has met with representatives from the owners of the north anchor site, Seritage Growth Properties. We have also met with representatives from the City of Greenfield since part of the site is located in Greenfield. Discussions with Seritage have gone very well. Seritage, Greenfield and the Village are working on a redevelopment plan for the north anchor site.

### Gazebo Park Pavilion

The Lions Club approached the Village Board with an idea to add a pavilion and bathroom facilities at Gazebo Park. They offered to pay half of the cost, which they estimated the pavilion may cost \$500,000 to construct. At the May 16th Board meeting the Board discussed this idea and approved for staff to work

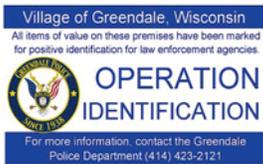
with the County to see if they would permit the construction of a pavilion. The Village currently leases that land from Milwaukee County. If the County is agreeable to allowing the Village to build a pavilion the Village would hold a listening session to get public input and the Board authorized spending up to \$25,000 to plan for a pavilion. Stay tuned for future updates. If a listening session is scheduled on this issue you will find information on the Village's website, our biweekly e-mail update (sign up for the e-mail updates on our website), and posted at the Village Hall, Safety Center and Community Learning Center.

### The Rock Sports Complex and Ballpark Commons

Milwaukee County is considering selling a portion of the site commonly referred to as The Rock Sports Complex to BPC County Land LLC, a private entity. This entity would own the site and proceed with development of a minor league baseball stadium and a comprehensive commercial and residential development in and around the current Rock Sports Complex. The City of Franklin would then have jurisdiction over what development occurs. Ballpark Commons will be discussed by the City of Franklin and Milwaukee County at future meetings. At this time we do not know when all these meetings will occur. Future meetings on the Ballpark Commons proposal are posted on the City of Franklin's web site [www.franklinwi.gov](http://www.franklinwi.gov) and at their City Hall at 9229 W. Loomis Road. The Village of Greendale does not have jurisdiction over the activities that occur in the City of Franklin. Milwaukee County and the City of Franklin have jurisdiction over the development proposed.

## FROM THE GREENDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT

### Operation Identification/Home Security



Last year Greendale Police Department brought back a crime prevention program that was popular in the 80's called **Operation Identification program.**

In this program, the Police Department loans out engravers so residents can engrave their valuables for identification if stolen.

We also provide Operation Identification stickers that residents can post on their house which is intended to deter thieves if they know the resident has marked their valuables making them harder to pawn or resell. The stickers and engravers can be obtained at the Greendale Police Department during business hours.

Along with Operation Identification, we created a **Home Security Handbook.** The handbook describes methods to make your home more secure and safe from burglars.

Even though burglary is one of the most frequently committed crimes, it is preventable. Most home burglaries are done by opportunists who spot an open window, a faulty lock, or a house that looks like no one's around or will be gone for a while. Most burglaries are "no forced entries" because burglars walk through an unlocked door or climb in an open window. You can reduce the chance of this happening to you. The Home Security Handbook provides information on how to safeguard your property. Many of the suggestions will cost you very little but will contribute immensely to your piece of mind. They will also They will also safeguard your property. Remem-

ber: lock your doors and windows when you leave your home. If you have an alarm, USE IT. Don't become a crime statistic.

The Home Security Handbook begins with a home security survey to assess your home's safety. You simply follow a checklist which surveys your home and identifies weak areas which may allow a burglar into your house. The booklet then provides tips on how to correct them and improve your protection. The handbook and Operation Identification information are available on our website.

Home security surveys can be requested by residents. Officer Voit has been trained to help residents conduct home surveys and improve their home security. He can be reached by contacting the Greendale Police Department at 423-2121.

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### China Lights: The Magic Returns!

Chinese Lantern Festival to return to Milwaukee County Parks' Boerner Botanical Gardens, September 22-October 22

- Open Tues.-Sun. from 5:30-10 pm (closed Mondays)
- 50 handmade, brilliantly lighted, giant-sized lantern displays
- Two stages for Chinese folk-culture performances
- Two dining areas
- Six food vendors with Asian and Western menu options

Boerner Botanical Gardens, in Whitnall Park, 9400 W. Boerner Drive, Hales Corners, WI.

For more information or to purchase tickets, call at (414) 525-5601 or visit [chinalights.org](http://chinalights.org)



### Safe Driving

- **School Buses**—It's that time of year again when your morning and afternoon commute for work will be slowed by bus traffic taking children to/from school. As of August 2017, school buses in Wisconsin must have amber lights to alert drivers that the bus is about to activate its flashing red lights while coming to a stop. Drivers are allowed to pass (WITH CAUTION) a school bus with flashing amber lights only. If a school bus activates its flashing red lights, drivers MUST stop at least 20 feet from the bus. The law does not apply to vehicles traveling in the opposite direction of a school bus on a divided highway separated by a median or other physical barrier. The law does apply if there is no median or barrier on a multiple-lane road.
- A reminder that when a school bus stops and activates the flashing red lights and extends the stop sign, traffic from both directions are required to stop and stay back 20 feet. All traffic must remain stopped until the buses turn off the red flashing lights and retract the stop sign. Bus drivers are trained to write down license plates of vehicles who disregard the flashing lights and stop sign so that police can take enforcement action. The safety of our children is the responsibility of all!

### Scam

Residents are reminded to always be on the look-out for scams intending to defraud them out of their hard earned money. We've said it before and we will say it again...If it looks too good to be true, it probably is. Not all scams are "get rich quick" scams. Recently, a resident received a call from someone reporting to be from the IRS. This caller claimed the resident owed the IRS money from a tax discrepancy and if the citizen didn't pay the money then the resident would face substantial financial penalties and possible arrest. The scammer persuaded the resident to go to Walmart and purchase gift cards to pay the money. The scammer even offered to stay on the phone with the resident and walk them through the process of purchasing the gift cards. THIS IS A SCAM. The IRS does not take gift cards and will never threaten you.

Similarly, scammers are identifying themselves as Police, Fire or Military in an attempt to scam donation money. Before sending money, do your research to ensure you are sending money to a legitimate organization. The Greendale Police Department will NEVER solicit funds over the phone!

### Thefts

Over the past few months, Milwaukee County suburbs have experienced an increase in entries to homes and vehicle thefts. Greendale is not immune to these crimes and has also experienced auto thefts. In most cases, the car keys are being left in an unlocked car. In other cases, unlocked homes were entered, car keys were removed and the cars were stolen. Unlocked cars have also been entered and the garage door opener in the car was used to enter the house.

It is important that you lock your car and remove your keys. Don't leave personal property visible out in your car. Our mission at the Police Department is to partner with our community. We are increasing patrols in neighborhoods but we need your help in LOCKING YOUR HOUSES and LOCKING YOUR CARS. Call the Police Department (423-2121) if you see suspicious activity, no matter the time.

**FROM THE GREENDALE HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

**Influenza (flu) is a contagious disease that can be**

**very serious.**

**1. Get yourself and your family vaccinated!**

A yearly flu vaccine is the first and most important step in protecting against flu viruses. Everyone 6 months or older should get an annual flu vaccine by the end of October, if possible, or as soon as possible after October.



Flu vaccines are offered in many locations, including doctor's offices, clinics, health departments, pharmacies and college health centers, as well as by many employers, and even in some schools.

**2. Take everyday precautions to help stop the spread of flu germs!**

Avoid close contact with sick people, avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth, cover your coughs and sneezes, wash your hands often (with soap and water), and clean and disinfect surfaces and objects that may be contaminated with flu viruses. If you become sick, limit contact with others as much as possible. Remember to cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze, and throw tissues in the trash after you use them.

**3. Take Antiviral Drugs if your Doctor Prescribes them!**

If you get the flu, antiviral drugs can be used to treat flu illness. Antiviral drugs can make illness milder and shorten the time you are sick. They also can prevent serious flu complications, like pneumonia.

**The Greendale Health Department is holding their annual community flu clinic on Tuesday, October 24, 2017, 3:30 pm to 7:00 pm, at the Greendale High School. The flu shot is free for children, 18 years and younger and \$30 for adults. Call the Health Department at 414-423-2110 with any questions.**

**Attention parents:**

**Is your teen getting their driver's permit?**

October 15th through the 21st is **National Teen Driver Safety Week**. Join us on October 25th to learn how to be the most effective supervisor of your teens driving practice and receive FREE parent resources. **Attendees will receive a \$10 Speedway Gas Card! (Limit 1 per family).**

Greendale Health Department is hosting a 1-hour parent session about the Teen Driving Plan, a proven program aimed to enhance driving practice during the learning-to-drive process. **This session is geared towards parents of teens who will be obtaining a drivers permit within the next 6 months or teens who currently hold a drivers permit.**

Parents can use the Teen Driving Plan Practice Guide to:

- Supervise practice in a variety of places, conditions, and at night
- Focus on teaching skills that matter for safety
- Track skill development and practice hours

Date: Wednesday, October 25th

Time: 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Place: Greendale High School. Room 103/105

Register: Please call the Health Department at 414-423-2110 or email [meisen@greendale.org](mailto:meisen@greendale.org) to register for this event.

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### Prevention of Burns

#### General steps to protect from burns

1. Cook carefully! Cooking is the primary cause of residential fires.
  - Never leave food unattended on a stove.
  - Keep pot handles turned inward.
  - Keep cooking areas free of towels and other flammable objects.
  - When cooking, wear clothes that fit properly and do not have long, loose-fitting sleeves.
2. Quit smoking! Smoking is the leading cause of fire-related deaths!
  - Never smoke in bed or leave burning cigarettes unattended.
  - Do not empty smoldering ashes into a trashcan.
  - Keep ashtrays away from upholstered furniture and curtains.
3. Use smoke detectors! Smoke alarms lower the chance of dying in a house fire by 40-50%.
  - Install smoke alarms on all levels in the home, including basements and attics, and near rooms where people sleep.
  - Use long-life smoke alarms with lithium-powered batteries and hush buttons so you can quiet them without removing the batteries.
  - If long-life alarms are not available, use regular alarms and replace the batteries annually.
  - Test all smoke alarms monthly to be sure they function.
4. Special tips for households with young children:
  - Don't leave containers of hot liquids/food on or near the edge of furniture.
  - Don't carry or eat hot liquids or food while holding a child.
  - Don't leave burning candles within reach of young children.
  - Always test food temperatures before serving.
  - Keep matches and lighters out of children's reach.
  - Keep water heater set at 120-125 degrees Fahrenheit to prevent scalding; test water before placing child in bathtub.
  - Cover unused electrical outlets with safety caps.

For more information: <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/injury-prevention/burns.htm>

### Emergency Preparedness

An emergency can happen at any moment's notice as we have witnessed around our country and the world! Would you be prepared to evacuate or be sheltered in your home? What if we have a public health emergency and medications or vaccinations were needed to be given? Are you familiar with where to go in our community?

Greendale High School is our community's emergency response location. Our annual Flu Clinic will be located in the Multi-Purpose Room (MPR) of the Greendale High School from 3:30-7pm. Flu vaccines are free for children and \$30 for adults.

Preparedness is the responsibility of the entire community and we would like to extend the invitation to join us as a volunteer. The work of our volunteers help to keep our community safe, strong, and better prepared to respond to emergencies of all kinds! If you are interested in volunteering, please call the health department at (414)423-2110 or email [trypel@greendale.org](mailto:trypel@greendale.org).

**Join Your Neighbors in Continuing the Conversation about Substance Abuse Prevention!**

We are off to a great start bolstering our community's strengths around substance abuse prevention. Please join us in continuing the conversation to inform the creation of a community-run coalition which will work to prevent substance use and reduce stigma surrounding substance use and recovery.

Be a part of the change! Let's talk! All Greendale and Hales Corners residents and professionals of all ages and backgrounds are encouraged and welcome to participate.

Fall 2017 meeting information:

Meetings are held the first Wednesday of the month: October 4<sup>th</sup>, November 1<sup>st</sup> & December 6<sup>th</sup>

Location: 6:00pm-7:30pm at the Greendale Historic Hose Tower (5699 Parking St.)

To sign up or for more information about our efforts, contact the Greendale Health Department at 414-423-2110.

If you cannot attend the meetings, but would like to be kept updated via email please email Madeline Eisen at [mweisen@greendale.org](mailto:mweisen@greendale.org) for meeting agendas and minutes.



### FROM THE CLERK TREASURER

## \*NEW MAILING ADDRESS\*

The Village of Greendale is  
**NO LONGER USING A P.O. BOX**

Please use this address when mailing anything to the Village:

**Greendale Village Hall  
6500 Northway  
Greendale, WI 53129**

### Do you pay your Water bill through you bank's online bill pay?

Many people think the bank transfers the money but in fact, they mail us a check. If you use this service please update mailing address with your financial institution or we may not receive your payment.

### Reminder !

All past due water amounts will be assessed a 10% penalty if not paid by October 31st. Any outstanding delinquent balances, plus penalties, not paid by November 15th will be placed on your tax bill.

Landlords, please follow up with your tenants.



## FROM THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

### Textile Recycling

To do our part in keeping landfill waste to a minimum the Greendale DPW is accepting certain forms of used clothing/textiles. Through our partnership with **Better Earth Textile Recycling, Inc.** we will be accepting the items shown below.

- Acceptable items: clothes, ties, scarves, shoes, undergarments
- Unacceptable items: bedding, table clothes, pet beds, fabric remnants, decorative pillows, curtains, costumes

### 2017 Refuse and Recycling Center Hours

From April 1st - November 25th, 2017, the Greendale Recycling Center will be open on Saturdays from 8 am-4 pm and December 2nd, 2017-March 31st, 2018 from 9 am-1 pm. The Centers weekly hours are Monday-Friday, 7 am-3 pm.

*\*When using the facility, you MUST HAVE a VALID driver's license to show as proof of residency.*

***\*Please be reminded that all refuse and recycling items must be placed at your curb by 7 am of your collection day. Refuse and Recycling crews do not operate by appointed times of the day and can collect at any time during the day.***

Please remember the Recycling Center cannot accept tires, medical waste/prescription drugs, hazardous waste, many types of paints and solvents, explosives, propane tanks and items too large to be safely processed.

### Yard Waste, grass clippings, brush/branches

- Disposal of grass clippings or yard waste in the garbage is illegal. We strongly encourage leaving the clippings on your lawn, use a mulching lawn mower or put clippings around your garden plants to help retain moisture. For disposal – grass clippings, yard waste, brush/branches can be brought to the Public Works Yard all year round and be put with the yard waste pile.
- The DPW also offers residents a Yard Waste Pickup Service. For a fee starting at \$40.00 residents can schedule a pick-up of up to 2½ cubic yards of material. The service is all year round. Yard Waste to be picked up must be prepared in one of two ways:
  - \* Bundles - Branches cut to 4 foot lengths and securely tied. Bundles may weigh up to 50lbs each.
  - \* Bags—Any yard waste materials may be placed in paper biodegradable bags that weigh no more than 50lbs each. You may place a combination of up to 10 bags or bundles at the curb for collection. For more details and to schedule a pick up, call the Public Works Dept. at 423-2133.
- In an effort to not recycle invasive weeds and trees (examples: Buckthorn, Garlic Mustard) back in to the environment; it should not be discarded in the yard waste pile at the Recycling Center. Invasive weeds/trees should be discarded as 'trash' in the yard refuse compactor.

The DPW Refuse/Recycling Center does accept batteries (vehicle and recreational batteries), microwaves, appliances containing freon (freezers, dehumidifiers, refrigerators, air conditioners) and E-waste (all electronics and computer components) Please see the Yard Attendant on duty for proper disposal.

If you have prescription drugs to be discarded they can be disposed of safely in a drop box located at the Greendale Safety Center, 5911 W. Grange Ave. If you have medical waste to be discarded please call the Greendale Health Dept. at 423-2110 for details and direction.

Household Hazardous Waste can be disposed of at a separate waste site. For information, please call MMSD at 414-225-2066

or see [www.mmsd.com](http://www.mmsd.com) for a complete list of qualifying items that are accepted and site locations.

Trash Carts are available! Trash carts are available for purchase. The 95 gal. cart is \$50 and the 65 gal. cart is \$45. Payment for a trash cart can be made at the Greendale Village Hall and the cart will be delivered to you the following Friday.

Furniture/Large Item Pickup. The DPW will provide the service of Large Item pickups. The fee is \$25 for the first item and \$15 each for additional items at the same stop. Pickups can be scheduled for curbside pickup only Monday-Friday from 7 am-2:30 pm. Please have all items child safe. See the Village website for list of acceptable items.

### Save the Date! Curbside Leaf Collection

#### **Conducted October 16—November 10, 2017!**

The DPW will pick up leaves at the curbside (not dead ends!) on your regularly scheduled recycling day. We suggest that you rake your leaves into piles between the sidewalk and the curb and move them into the street (2 feet from the curb) the day before your scheduled collection. DPW will pick up leaves and grass clippings only (NO plant materials, vines, branches, fire wood and logs, gravel, stones, landscaping rocks, plastic pots, trash bags, etc.). Per Village Ordinance Section 11.09, leaves may not be placed in the street after a resident's last scheduled collection day.



\*While we strongly suggest that children do not play in the leaf piles that are put in to the curb line; we remind all motorists to be alert of children nearby.

Helpful Tips/Options would be:

- Do not pile leaves over or within 10 feet of a storm sewer catch basin.
- Water-down your leaves after raking to prevent them from blowing back into your yard.
- For easier leaf disposal, cut them up with your mower.
- Bag your leaves and bring them to the Public Works Yard for disposal.
- Do not park your vehicle over a leaf pile—heat from the exhaust system can cause a fire.

#### **Problem or Concern to Report for:**

- \* **Street Light Cycling or Out?** Call 414-423-2100 or email [ckasprzak@greendale.org](mailto:ckasprzak@greendale.org)
- \* **Sanitary Sewer Backed Up? Flooded Street?** Call 414-423-2100. After normal business hours, please call the Police Department at 414-423-2121.
- \* **Downed Village tree, hanging limbs, general street maintenance?** Call 414-423-2100 or email [rdamask@greendale.org](mailto:rdamask@greendale.org)
- \* **Potholes, curbing, sidewalk issues?** Call 414-423-2100.
- \* **Missed Garbage or Recycling?** Call 414-423-2100 or email [ckasprzak@greendale.org](mailto:ckasprzak@greendale.org)

## FROM THE GREENDALE PUBLIC LIBRARY

### Youth Programs

**Bouncing Babies! Storytime for Babies and One Year Olds Every Thursday from 9-9:30 a.m.**

You and your baby will get a kick out of traditional rhymes, songs, and movement "games!" Calm playtime between baby and caregiver is included also.

**Terrific Tots! Storytime for Two and Three Year Olds Every Thursday from 9:30-10 a.m.**

Have a ball at this lively story session with wonderful picture books, action songs, rhymes, and lots of movement activities.

**Baby and Toddler Playgroup**

**Every Thursday from 10-11:30 a.m.**

This is a time for babies and toddlers up to 3 years old and their grown-ups to gather and play. We have a variety of toys and a big space for kids to enjoy!

**After School Family Fun**

**Every Monday, starting September 11th from 3-4:30 p.m.**

After a long day at school, come to the library to calm down, have a snack while doing a fun activity. Activities vary each week but will be one of the following: Lego/building blocks, arts and crafts, or science stations.

### Teen Programs

**Teen Anime and Manga Club—4th Monday of the month September 25-Death Note; October 23-My Hero Academia November 27-One Punch Man**

Come meet up and talk about your favorite Anime and Manga series. Meet in the Greendale Public Library Community Room to discuss the first two volumes of a manga series and watch its anime adaptation. This is a free club for teens grades 6-12.

**Calligraphy 101**

**Thursday, October 26 at 3:30 p.m.; Registration Required**

Explore the art of decorative handwriting at the library to create elegant script and lettering. This is a free teen program for grades 6-12. Registration is required.

**Teen Japanese Culture Day**

**November 3 from 3:30-5 p.m.**

Celebrate Culture Day, Japan's national holiday on November 3 with a teen program of events essential to Japanese culture.

### Adult Programs

**Tech Series: Back to Basics! Registration Required**

**Emails Basics—Computer Area**

**Wednesday, October 11th from 8-9 a.m.**

Learn the common email features, function and basics of popular accounts like Gmail, Yahoo Mail and Hotmail.

**Internet Searching Basics—Computer Area**

**Wednesday, October 25th from 6:30-7:30 p.m.**

If you are new to the web or are looking to improve your internet skills, this Internet Basics class has you covered!

**Fox Valley Ghost Hunters—Community Meeting Room**

**Wednesday, October 18th from 6-7:30 p.m.**

Join us for an evening with the Fox Valley Ghost Hunters as they share their paranormal encounters.

**Mahjongg—Community Meeting Room**

**Thursday, October 19th from 6-7:30 p.m.**

Research has shown that this fascinating game stimulates the mind and helps keep your brain sharp! **Registration Required**

**Wine Cork Craft—Community Meeting Room**

**Wednesday, November 1st from 6:30-7:30 p.m.**

Make crafts from recycled wine corks that will look great on

your Thanksgiving table or to bring as gifts! **Registration Required**

**Digital Resource Series**

Come and learn how to use some of the great digital resources offered to you through the library. **Registration Required**

- **County Cat Catalog, Wed., Nov. 8th-12:30-1:30 p.m. Large Print Area**

We can show you how to navigate through the digital catalog and learn how to access your account right from home.

- **Hoopla, Wed., Nov. 15th-12:30-1:30 p.m. Large Print Area**

New to the digital collection world? Let us show you how you can access e-books, movies and TV shows from your smartphone, tablet, or computer with no waiting!

- **Libby (from the creators of Overdrive), Wed., Nov. 29th-12:30-1:30 p.m.-Large Print Area**

Meet Libby! The new and easy app from Overdrive that lets you download books and audiobooks on your smartphone or tablet.

**Holiday Cookie Swap—Community Meeting Room**

**Tues., December 12th from 6:30 –7:30 p.m.**

Come to our Cookie Swap and trade new and old cookie recipes. Make 2 dozen of your choice of cookie, one to taste and share the other to swap! **Registration Required**

**Brown Bag Book Club—Greendale Community Room**

**October 12, November 9, December 14 from 12-1 p.m.**

Bring your lunch and talk books! The Book Club meets the 2nd Thursday of the month. No registration, just drop in!

**Monday Matinee—Community Room**

This series offers free showing of popular films each month at 2 p.m. October 16: The Circle; November 13: Guardians of the Galaxy 2; and December 11: White Christmas

**Color Me Calm—1st Monday of the Month**

**October 2, November 6, December 4 from 6-7:30 p.m.**

Enjoy a stress free evening of coloring fun and intricate coloring pages designed just for adults. The library will provide the materials but feel free to bring in your own supplies. Free program for ages 18 & up. Registration not required, just drop in!

**Resume 101—First Steps to Building your Resume.**

**Presented by the Goodwill Workforce Connection Center/ Greendale**

**Monday, Nov. 13th from 6-7 p.m. Registration Required.**

In this workshop you will be prepared to create your personal resume tailored for specific job postings.

**Sharpie Art—November 18th from 10 a.m.-12 p.m.**

We will provide the sharpies and other materials all you need to bring is your creativity! Make fun and colorful decorative tiles using sharpies and alcohol and other creations. This is a free program for ages 18 & up. Registration is required.

## FROM THE BUILDING INSPECTION DEPARTMENT

Be sure to check our website for information to you help you through your projects. As a homeowner there are certain projects you can do and some that must be done by a licensed contractor. Please check with the Inspection Services Department or our website for continued updates on permit requirements, licensing rules, permit applications and general code compliance information.

### Fall Home Maintenance Tips

- **Check for Peeling Paint:** Inspect exterior walls to see if paint is peeling or blistering on the house or garage. Left uncorrected, it can lead to deterioration of the wood siding and more expensive repairs in the future.
- **Clean the Gutters:** After the leaves have fallen, check to see that the gutters and downspouts are free of obstructions, inspect joints, and tighten brackets if necessary and replace those that may be damaged.
- **Caulking on Windows & Doors:** Re-caulk any locations around windows and doors where caulk joints have failed.
- **Inspect the Roof:** Have a professional roofing contractor inspect the roof for any missing or loose shingles and to assess the general condition of the roof.

- **Furnace maintenance:** Have your heating system serviced by a licensed contractor. Heating systems will use fuel more efficiently, last longer and have fewer problems if regularly serviced. Also remember to clean or replace the humidifier filter if you have a humidifier.
- **Seal the Driveway:** Prolong the life of your asphalt by inspecting it for cracks. Clear any debris or vegetation from the cracks and fill the voids with an approved driveway crack filler and seal the driveway.
- **Air Conditioners:** Vacuum any debris off the exterior condensing unit and remove any debris that may be trapped on the inside of the unit.
- **Wood Deck:** Check your deck for fastener corrosion or missing nails, proper ledger board attachment, rotted support posts, joists or decking, sway bracing, stair stability or loose handrails and guardrails. Repair or replace these very important components as necessary.

Reminder: When getting quotes for your home remodeling or repair projects, we recommend that you obtain at least three (3) quotes from reputable contractors before you enter into an agreement.

## FROM THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

### Bedroom Fire Safety

#### **Helps You Sleep Soundly at Night**

Each year, fire claims the lives of 3,500 Americans and injures approximately 18,300. Bedrooms are a common area of fire origin.

Nearly 600 lives are lost to fires that start in bedrooms. Many of these fires are caused by misuse or poor maintenance of electrical devices, such as overloading extension cords or using portable space heaters too close to combustibles. Many other bedroom fires are caused by children, who play with matches and lighters, careless smoking among adults, and arson.

The United States Fire Administration and the Sleep Products Safety Council would like you to know that there are simple steps you can take to prevent the loss of life and property resulting from bedroom fires.

#### **Kids and Fire: A Bad Match**

Children are one of the highest risk groups for deaths in residential fires. At home, children usually play with fire - lighters, matches and other ignitables - in bedrooms, in closets, and under beds. These are "secret" places where there are a lot of things that catch fire easily.

- Children of all ages set over 35,000 fires annually.
- Every year over 400 children nine years and younger die in home fires.
- Keep matches and lighters locked up and away from children. Check under beds and in closets for burnt matches, evidence your child may be playing with matches.
- Teach your child that fire is a tool, not a toy.

#### **Appliances Need Special Attention**

Bedrooms are the most common room in the home where electrical fires start. Electrical fires are a special concern during winter months which call for more indoor activities and increases in lighting, heating, and appliance use.

- Do not trap electric cords against walls where heat can build up.
- Take extra care when using portable heaters. Keep bedding, clothes, curtains and other combustible items at least



three feet away from space heaters.

- Only use lab-approved electric blankets and warmers. Check to make sure the cords are not frayed.

#### **Tuck Yourself In For A Safe Sleep**

- Never smoke in bed.
- Replace mattresses made before the 2007 Federal Mattress Flammability Standard. Mattresses made since then are required by law to be safer.

Finally, having working smoke alarms dramatically increases your chances of surviving a fire. Place at least one smoke alarm on each level of your home and in halls outside bedrooms. And remember to practice a home escape plan frequently with your family.

#### **ADOPT YOUR FIRE HYDRANT**

The Fire Department-Village of Greendale needs your help. Each winter when our thoughts turn to "Walking in a Winter Wonderland", please take a moment to think about winter fire safety for a minute. Do you have a fire hydrant in your front yard or close to your home? If so, do you take time to clear snow and debris around it? The hydrant in your neighbor's front yard is also protecting your home, so make sure you do your part and make sure it's clear if your neighbor can't do it because they are out of town or physically not able.

It normally takes a firefighter about 45 seconds to connect the hose to a fire hydrant. Hydrants buried in the snow are harder to find and the firefighter must spend precious moments clearing away the snow just to hook up the hose. That extra time might be needed to save a home, or more importantly, to save a life.

So whenever you are braving the cold to shovel your sidewalk or driveway, please take the extra time to clean around and ADOPT YOUR HYDRANT. It may just turn out to be time well spent.

Another safety tip, while you are clearing the snow from the big storm, take a moment to make sure your dryer vent is clear of snow.

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