



# Village of West Salem

# Spring 2025 Newsletter

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## Dog Licenses

Dog licenses for 2025 are **due by March 31, 2025**. Make sure to bring a current rabies vaccination certificate.

\*\$12 for altered dogs

\*\$23 for unaltered dogs

Checks can be made payable to the Village of West Salem.

After March 31, licenses can be purchased through the La Crosse County Clerk's office and a penalty will be assessed.

As a friendly reminder: All dogs, cats, and other animals must be under owner restraint within Village limits.



## Reminders for the Spring/Summer Season

- Alternate-side Street Parking requirement ends April 1, 2025. For additional information, please see Village Ordinance 6.05 (D).
- Building Permits are required for construction of fences, decks, porches, etc. Applications can be made online at [www.westsalemwi.gov](http://www.westsalemwi.gov) or at the Village Administration Office.
- The Village does **NOT** pick up construction, demolition, or remodeling waste. It can be hauled to the La Crosse County Landfill for a nominal fee, or rent a dumpster. If a dumpster is rented and parked on the street, a permit will need to be applied for at the Village Administration Office.
- Sign placement for "yard sales, garage sales, etc." is regulated by the Village. Temporary signs do not require a permit, but cannot be placed in any boulevard or street right-of-way. Signs cannot be attached to any utility poles, street signs, or street posts. See Village Ordinance 3.07(D) for more information.
- Trash and recycling carts should be curbside by 5:00 A.M. and placed three (3) feet from fixed objects, avoiding the gutter/street. The cart lid needs to be closed.



## Get ready for June Dairy Days 2025! May 31 – June 1, 2025 Village Park, West Salem

Enjoy games, rides, a parade, fireworks, activities, and more!  
For more information, visit: [www.junedairydays.com](http://www.junedairydays.com)



# West Salem Historical Society Village-Wide Rummage Sale May 15, 16, 17, 2025

If you want your address added to the official list, please reach out to the West Salem Historical Society at (608) 518-8566

## Public Works Department Reminders

### Fallen Tree Leaves or Glass Clippings

Village Ordinance 2.05(B) states, "it shall be unlawful to rake, place, or mow fallen tree leaves or grass clippings on the pavement or into the gutter of any public street." Leaves can easily be mulched into your lawn, or you are able to drop them off at the Public Works Yard. Be sure to remove all bags and place leaves/grass in the leaf and grass bin.

### Weed and Grass Cutting

Village Ordinance 2.05(D)(2) states, "it shall be the duty of every owner... ..[to] cut or cause to be cut all weeds, and grass, or other such growth, as often as may be necessary before growth is to a height of more than eight (8") inches.

### Dog Waste

Village Ordinance 11.08(D)(5) states, "should the animal [dog] defecate on public or private property, other than the owner's, the animal's owner is required to immediately remove[and] dispose of the feces in a sanitary manner."

### "Flushable" Waste Products

Many sanitary products are now sold as "flushable". These items can still clog pumps and create pipe obstructions, risking costly pump repairs as well as sewer back-ups on both private and public laterals. Please use caution when disposing of these products.



The 2025 Spring Election is on April 1, 2025.

Voting for Village Residents is at the Presbyterian Church of West Salem, 625 Franklin Street West.

Please make sure to bring a photo I.D. with you to vote.



## Hydrant Flushing

April 14 - 17, 2025

During this time, you may temporarily notice rusty or discolored water.

It is recommended that you do not launder clothes or other items at this time.



## West Salem Area Community Foundation Presents: It Takes a Village!

February 14th, 2025 – November 21st, 2025  
Save \$1 a Week for \$40 Weeks (or a one time gift of \$40)

ALL of the money collected will be distributed among the Village of West Salem's churches, non-profits, and community groups!

Donations can be dropped off at 1st National Bank, Le Coulee Cheese, and Village Hall

## Police Department Reminders

### Website

The West Salem Police Department website offers many answers to questions you may have regarding hours, parking ticket payment options, and useful forms. You have the ability to file an online police report for any non time-sensitive information, such as suspicious activity, vandalism, minor theft, etc. Please visit our website as [www.westsalemwi.gov](http://www.westsalemwi.gov) for more information.

### Leonard and Hamlin Street Intersection

As you may have noticed, the intersection at Leonard and Hamlin Streets have been changed to a 4-way stop. Please make sure to be diligent and aware of your surroundings as everyone gets familiar with the change.

### Illegally Passing a School Bus – Wisconsin Stat. 346.48

In Wisconsin, it is the driver's responsibility to stop 20 ft. or more from a stopped school bus displaying flashing red warning lights and to remain stopped until the bus resumes motion or the bus driver extinguishes the flashing red warning lights. The act of illegally passing a school bus displaying flashing lights carries a penalty of \$691.00 and 4 demerit points if found guilty.



## Prescription Pill Drop Box

The West Salem Police Department offers a permanent prescription drug drop box located at Village Hall.

The drop box allows residents to get rid of their prescription medications, pills, and patches anonymously during business hours.

Over-the-counter medications, liquids, vitamins, supplements, and needles/syringes should NOT be put in this box.



## Support the Paws!

Donate to the West Salem Police Department Canine Fund through the West Salem Community Foundation.



Donate here!



# West Salem Parks and Recreation Activity Guide

Spring/Summer 2025



Visit [westsalemwi.gov/parks-recreation/activities-registration/](https://westsalemwi.gov/parks-recreation/activities-registration/) to check it out!



## Activities Included:

- Volleyball
- Baseball
- Softball
- Flag Football
- Academy Soccer Training
- Junior Golf
- Junior Gymnastics
- Junior Poms
- Rod and Gun Club Youth
- Tennis Camp
- Bike rodeo
- Day at the Lake
- Dessert Decorating

## Village of West Salem Contact Information

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