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WHAT'S HAPPENING IN SPENCER

MAY 2-6 Hydrant Flushing
MAY 3 9 am - Library - Wood County Master Gardener presents Top 10 Tips for Your Garden
MAY 5 7 pm - Spencer Woman's Club Meeting
MAY 6 8 am - 6 pm - Spencer Community Fire/Ambulance Brat & Hamburger Fry
MAY 7 4 - 8 pm - SwampStompers Steak Feed (Only 200 Pre Sold Tickets - Call Lisa at 715-383-4496)
MAY 13-14 4:30 - 7 pm and 8 am - Noon - Electronics Drop-Off Event
MAY 14 10 am-3pm - American Legion Lee F Pickett Post 298 - Brat Fry - Gordy's
MAY 16 5 pm - Spencer Fire/Ambulance Dept. Bike Rodeo - Spencer Community Fire Department
MAY 16 6:30-8 pm - LIBRARY - Book Club - *Into the Free* by Julie Cantrell
MAY 17 7 pm - American Legion Lee F Pickett Post 298 Meeting - Village Meeting Room
MAY 21 2 pm - Spencer High School Graduation
MAY 30 VILLAGE OFFICE CLOSED FOR MEMORIAL DAY
JUNE 4 10 - 12:30 Veterans Memorial Brat Sale - 1:00 Ceremony and Brick Reveal
JUNE 15 9:30 am - Library - Magic of Jim Mitchell
JUNE 17 5 - 10 am Chamber Dairy Breakfast - Lion's Shelter
JUNE 18 Starting at 8 am - Spencer Community Boosters' 1st Annual Co-Ed Kickball Tourny -ARC Park
JUNE 21 10 am - Library - Tom Pease, musician, storyteller and humorist
JUNE 21 7 pm - American Legion Lee F Pickett Post 298 Meeting - Village Meeting Room

CONTACT THE VILLAGE OF SPENCER

Clerk's Office: 715-659-5423
Police Dept: 715-659-5453
Fire Dept: 911
Non emergency: 715-659-4030
Email: clerk@vil.spencer.wi.us
On the Web: www.spencerwi.org

To more efficiently deliver the Village's newsletter, and reduce costs, the next issue will also be available electronically. To receive the link for an electronic copy, please send an email to clerk@vil.spencer.wi.us with "newsletter" in the subject line. Issues will also be available on the Village's webpage - www.spencerwi.org



Friday, May 13th from 4:30 pm to 7:00 pm
Saturday, May 14th from 8:00 am to Noon

ELECTRONICS DROP-OFF EVENT

1st Choice Recycling
504 E Willow Drive
Spencer, WI 54479



The Village of Spencer is partnering with 1st Choice Recycling to provide this drop-off event. Once again, we will be accepting all electronic devices that have a cord.

There will be a \$5 charge for computer monitors, microwaves, and TVs.

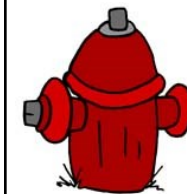
Please contact the Clerk's Office for more information on this event at 715-659-5423. Please do not contact the recycling center.



No early drop-offs. You will be charged the standard fee for early drop-offs.

HYDRANT FLUSHING NOTICE

The Spencer Village Crew will be flushing fire hydrants **May 2nd thru May 6th** in the Village of Spencer. Please refrain from washing clothes between the hours of 7:00 am to 6:00 pm. Residents may see some water discoloration, and there may be a slight change in the chlorine taste.



HELP IS NEEDED

In order to better serve you, the Village Crew needs your cooperation. When you see a tag on your door asking you to call, it is important that you get in touch with the Village by calling the number on the tag. Water meters need to be switched out periodically, there are times when issues arise, such as broken or frozen pipes, that need attention, etc. The issues are usually resolved with no cost to you. Please help us ensure safe drinking water and flowing sewers!

SPENCER COMMUNITY FIRE/AMBULANCE NEWS

Mark your calendars: **BRAT & HAMBURGER FRY-** Friday, May 6th, 8 a.m. - 6 p.m. Dollar General Parking Lot Proceeds to help fund continuing education & training programs.



CELEBRATE NATIONAL EMS WEEK - MAY 15-21!

BIKE RODEO- Monday, May 16th, 5 p.m. Spencer Fire Department, 206 W Willow Dr. FREE helmet distribution for all in need, raffle, FREE beverages and snacks, NEW THIS YEAR - hot dogs \$1.00 or french fries \$1.50 or meal for \$2, cupcakes from Kristi Kustom Kakes, SPIRIT helicopter landing, smokehouse, games and fun for everyone, and more!

REWARDING CAREERS AVAILABLE - EMTs and FIRST RESPONDERS are needed. Pick up your application at the Village Office or contact Jason Foth at 715-659-4030 or Fire.Chief@spencerfire.com

AMERICAN LEGION LEE F PICKETT POST 298, SPENCER WI

Did you know that there is a newly formed American Legion Post in Spencer? It currently consists of approximately 30 members. They meet on the third Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. at the Village Meeting Room. If you want to find out more information or are interested in joining, please call Dan Stoiber at 715-507-0254.

BRAT FRY at Gordy's May 14 from 10-3 to help support the American Legion Post.

CURBSIDE BRUSH & GARDEN WASTE PICKUP/ CHIPPING GUIDELINES

These guidelines have been prepared in order to efficiently and effectively provide brush pickup/chipping services for residents of the Village of Spencer. This program is intended for the disposal of residential amounts of limbs/branches that are removed during normal maintenance and upkeep only. Brush is not accepted from surrounding areas.

The Village WILL NOT pick up brush from lot clearing activities or from the removal of trees. Contractor-cleared brush or trees will NOT be picked up. It is the contractor's or resident's responsibility to dispose of this. It can be transported to the Village compost facility, or you may check the Yellow Pages under "tree service."

Garden waste must be in CLEAR BAGS only. Colored bags WILL NOT be picked up.

The village crew will answer any questions you have while they are at your residence. If you are unable to speak with the crew, please call the Clerk's Office at 715-659-5423 or the Public Works Department at 715-659-5443 with questions.

SCHEDULE:

- Brush pickup/chipping will occur on the FIRST and THIRD Monday of the month weather permitting. All brush must be curbside by 7 am on the day of the scheduled chipping or brush pickup. The village crew will not pick up brush in alleys. The crew will not cross or enter private property to pick up brush. Brush that is not curbside by 7 am will not be picked up until the next scheduled pickup date. In order to maintain the schedule, crews WILL NOT return for special pickups.

PILING BRUSH:

These guidelines must be followed. If brush piles do not meet these guidelines, the brush/limbs will not be collected until they meet the guidelines.

- Brush must be SECURELY bundled – bundles not more than 6 feet long & 6 inches in diameter and no more than 65 pounds. Pile brush/branches with the cut end toward the road, all in the same direction, and pile as loosely as possible so that brush is easy to handle and pick up. Keep brush away from mailboxes, telephone poles, etc.
- Stumps, root balls, roots, rocks, rubbish, construction material, dimensional lumber, or metal WILL NOT be collected.



If there is major storm damage, the village crew will chip brush from storm-damaged trees. The Village Board will determine and announce emergency storm-related brush collections.

Attention to these guidelines is greatly appreciated by both residents, neighbors, and the village crew. These guidelines will keep the Village looking great.

SPENCER COMPOST FACILITY

COMPOST! The Village Compost Facility is open daily to all residents from 8 am to dusk. You may deposit brush, grass clippings and compost related material. Wood chips and black dirt are available to take for your residence. Fill may be available upon request. The facility is located in the southwest part of the Village on W. Willow Drive, off of S. LaSalle Street.

- Please be aware that this is not a dump. Items such as building materials and 2x4's, appliances, shingles, bricks and other garbage are prohibited.
- If you did not get your blue compost site pass, please stop in the Clerk's Office.

SPENCER KIDS GROUP NEWS

The 5th Annual Spring Fever Dance was a HUGE success! Thank you to all who made it happen. May 12th will be the last day for SHIP at SKG for 2015-16. Students will go bowling for their academic accomplishments. SKG attendance has increased 400%. More volunteers and donations are welcome. A meal is served each night so food donations are greatly appreciated.

Events: June - Wisconsin Dells Trip

July - Brewer Game Trip
Summer Rec Starts
Culpepper & Merriweather Circus



VETERANS MEMORIAL

With the help of many donors, the Veterans Memorial has been realized. The next project is to erect a Fallen Soldier Statue at the Memorial. Donations will be appreciated to make this addition possible. The goal for this project is to raise \$10,000. With a donation of \$250 or more, your name will be placed on a donor plaque.

All donations are accepted and can be made for specific items, such as the Fallen Soldier Statue, or for general memorial funding. You can purchase a memorial brick at any time. Approximately two times per year, bricks will be placed in the pathway.



There will be a brat/burger sale on SATURDAY, JUNE 4th from 10 to 12:30 followed by a brief ceremony and brick reveal starting at 1:00. Remember those who served and currently serve!

ORDINANCES

For the complete ordinance book go to www.spencerwi.org!



Notice to Control Noxious Weeds (SEC. 8-1-4) Notice is hereby given to each person who owns, occupies or controls land in the Village of Spencer, to destroy all noxious weeds on such property before the plants bloom. The noxious weeds shall include but not be limited to the following: Canada Thistle, Leafy Spurge and Field Bindweed. Noxious weeds shall be controlled at such time and in such a manner as will effectively prevent such plants from maturing to the bloom or flower stage.

Regulation of Length of Lawn and Grasses (SEC. 8-1-6) The Village Board finds that lawns, grasses and noxious weeds on non-agricultural lots or parcels of land, as classified under the Village Zoning Code, within the Village of Spencer, which exceed eight (8) inches in length adversely affect the public health and safety of the public in that they tend to emit pollen and other discomforting bits of plants, constitute a fire hazard and a safety hazard in that debris can be hidden in the grass, interferes with the public convenience and adversely affects property values of other land within the Village. For that reason, any non-agricultural lawn, grass or weed on a lot or other parcel of land which exceeds eight (8) inches in length is hereby declared to be a public nuisance.



Please do not blow grass clippings onto Village streets. Grass clippings will accumulate in storm drains and will cause flash flooding during heavy rainfalls.

Open Burning SEC. 5-2-9 Open Burning Prohibited. No person, firm or corporation shall build any outdoor fire within the corporate limits of the Village of Spencer excepting as set forth below in this Section. This prohibition on burning includes burning of construction waste and debris at construction sites.

Exceptions include campfires that are contained and smaller than 3 ft. ONLY FIREWOOD is allowed and you MUST have a permit which is only valid for 30 days. You can get a permit in the Village Office at no cost.

SEC. 7-1-18 LIMITATION ON NUMBER OF DOGS AND CATS (a) Purpose. The keeping of a large number of dogs and cats within the Village of Spencer for a considerable period of time detracts from and, in many instances, is detrimental to, healthful and comfortable life in such areas. The keeping of a large number of dogs and cats is, therefore, declared a public nuisance.

- (c) **Number Limited.** (1) No family shall own, harbor or keep in its possession more than two (2) dogs and two (2) cats in any residential unit without the prior approval of the Village Board except that a litter of pups or kittens or a portion of a litter may be kept for not more than eight (8) weeks from birth.

SEC. 7-1-9 ANIMAL FECES The owner or person in charge of any dog or other animal shall not permit solid fecal matter of such animal to deposit on any street, alley or other public or private property, unless such matter is immediately removed therefrom by said owner or person in charge. This Section shall not apply to a person who is visually or physically handicapped.