

MANAGER'S MEMO

Read our weekly e-newsletter for important information, Department updates and goings on in and around Shorewood!



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Message from Village Manager Rebecca Ewald

Spring Election Next Tuesday, April 7

The Spring 2026 Election takes place on Tuesday, April 7. Polling locations will be open beginning at 7:00 am and close at 8:00 pm.

To find out what is on the ballot, see where you vote on Election Day and verify registration status, please visit [MyVote Wisconsin's website](#).

A big 'thank you' to the voters who choose to participate in the process, the Clerk's Office for all they do and Inspectors and volunteers who ensure a smooth voting experience.

Questions regarding Elections & Voting can be directed to the Clerk's Office via email at clerks@shorewoodwi.gov, visiting their [webpage](#) or by calling 414.847.2700.



Village Board Agenda for April 6

The Village Board and its Committees will meet on Monday, April 6 in a hybrid format.



[Please click here](#) to visit the Village's Agenda Center to view the agenda, virtual links and supporting materials in the packet.

Men's Club Easter Egg Hunt this Saturday!

Join us for a festive Easter Tradition on Saturday, April 4 at 9:00 am sharp at Hubbard Park!

The Shorewood Men's Club is excited to host its annual Easter Egg hunt for children Newborn-12 years old. The lawn and hills will be covered with over 10,000 eggs.



- The Easter Bunny arrives at 8:30 am for photos and greetings.
- Event will be held rain or shine.
- The hunt is staged by age: Newborn-3, 4-7, 8-12 and starts promptly at 9 a.m. and lasts about 20 minutes.
- Don't be late – our hunters are quick.
- Bring your own bucket or basket for your eggs.

Parking is limited and fills quickly. No cars allowed past the bridge.

ALL ARE WELCOME – COME JOIN THE FUN! HOP TO IT!

www.shorewoodmensclub.org

CALLING ALL ARTISTS FOR THE INAUGURAL



Shorewood ART WALK

Thursday, May 14, 2026 • 5:00 - 8:00 PM

Presented by



Support from



WHAT IS IT?

Stop in your favorite local businesses as they come alive with creativity, showcasing artwork, hosting local performance artists, and celebrating the talent that enriches our community. Enjoy an evening of culture, conversation, shopping, and connection — everyone is welcome, free to attend!

HOW DO I APPLY TO PARTICIPATE AS AN ARTIST?

Visit shorewoodarts.org/art-walk and complete an application by **April 6, 2026!** We are seeking both visual and performing artists. Chosen artists will **receive a small stipend, thanks to support from the Shorewood Foundation!**

Learn more and apply at SHOREWOODARTS.ORG/ART-WALK

Why are there Black Tarps Covering Drains on Oakland Avenue?

As part of the Oakland Avenue reconstruction project, crews installed inlet protection on storm drains along the corridor. Inlet protection is a temporary measure designed to prevent dirt, debris, and other construction materials from entering the storm sewer system during roadway



work. By capturing these materials before they reach the drains, inlet protection helps protect local waterways and maintains water quality throughout the project.

These protective devices work by slowing the flow of water as it enters the storm drain, allowing sediment to settle or be captured in a bag underneath the drain, rather than being carried into the system. Because of this, water may temporarily back up into the street near inlets, especially during or after rainfall. This is expected and typically short-lived as water gradually filters through the protection.

Inlet protection will stay in place during active construction. The inlet protection is inspected weekly, cleaned after rain events, and adjusted as needed to ensure proper drainage while continuing to protect the environment.

For more information, please visit the project website: www.oaklandavereconstruct.com.

Public Works Seeking Seasonal Applicants

The Village of Shorewood's Department of Public Works is recruiting individuals to be a part of their summer seasonal staff.

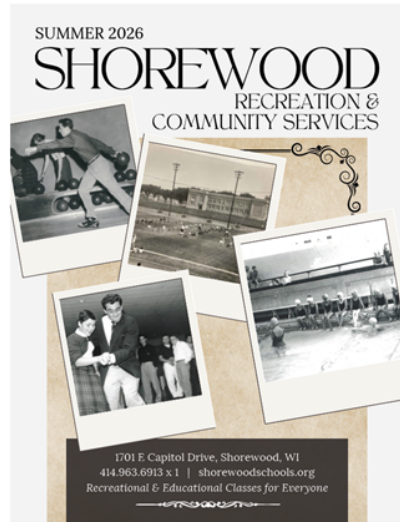
Seasonal positions will assist the Forestry Division with planting, trimming, pruning, watering and maintaining lawns, flowers, trees, and decorative plantings. Other responsibilities include removing litter and other debris from the commercial district or municipal buildings, assisting with garbage and brush collection, and helping with road maintenance tasks. Seasonal staff will operate automotive and seasonal equipment including but not limited to light trucks, golf cart-type service vehicles and other Village equipment. The pay range for a DPW seasonal is \$15.00 to \$17.00 per hour.

The majority of the work will be from May through August and will require 40 hours of work per week over the summer.

To learn more, view the job description and apply online, [please click here](#).



Summer Rec Activity Registration Tuesday



Get ready, Shorewood!

The Summer 2026 Recreation Activity Guide will arrive in mailboxes soon with details on programs, events, and activities for the season ahead.

Mark your calendars: registration for residents open on Tuesday, April 7, 2026.

Don't miss page 2, where we honor John Doherty, our longtime Minors and Majors baseball program director, and recognize his dedication to Shorewood's young athletes.

For more information on how to sign up for programs and to preview the guide, [please click here](#).



Sustainable Shorewood

Village of Shorewood
CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

SHOREWOOD
WATERS PROJECT

Enjoy Spring on a Milwaukee River Kayak Adventure:

In celebration of Earth Day (and month), we've partnered up with *Forward Outdoor* to offer 3 different kayak adventures on the Milwaukee River this spring and fall.

Spring Milwaukee River Kayak Trip | Sunday, May 24 | 1:45 – 4:00 pm

Route: Thiensville Village Center → Brown Deer Badger Meter Park

Enjoy a guided fall kayak adventure on the Milwaukee River with Forward Outdoor. Paddle through a scenic stretch of the river as spring blossoms around you.

- Kayaks, gear, and shuttle service provided
- Minimal experience needed
- Limited to 12 participants – register today!

May 24, 2026
1:45 to 3:45 p.m.
Car Drop: Badger Meter Park

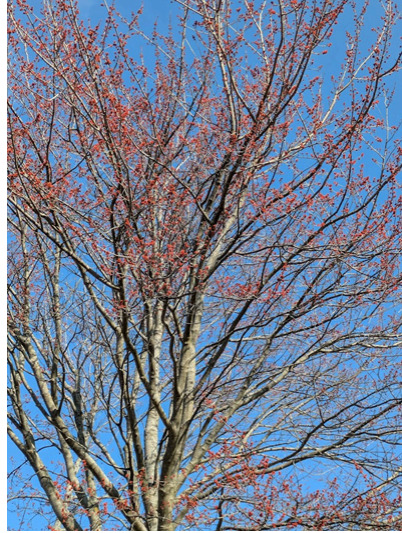
Enjoy a journey down the Milwaukee River as spring comes to life.

Cost: \$10 includes guide, kayak, gear and shuttle to starting point. Shorewood Residents only. Registration required

MILWAUKEE RIVER
KAYAK ADVENTURE

Thiensville to Brown Deer
Take a fall journey with Forward Outdoor on a beautiful stretch of the river.
Weather permitting

Cost: \$10 per person for Shorewood residents only. This event is weather dependent.
Register: [Use this link](#) or call or text Kae at 414.588.0617.



Bee Careful!

We are finally seeing some signs of Spring! The first bumble bee queen in Wisconsin was spotted in Wausau last week. Soon you may start seeing them in your yard.

Do you see anything blooming to feed them? Early blooming plants, like those native Maples in bloom along our streets, are important sources of nutrition for emerging bees. If you aren't seeing blooms where you live, you might want to plant some early flowering trees, shrubs, or plants so your yard isn't a food desert.

While we are waiting for the rest of the overwintering pollinators to emerge, **please don't let the longer days and warming temperatures push you into cleaning your yard.**

Pollinators took shelter in the plant stems you left standing over the winter and they need a good warming spell before they come out. Wait until temperatures are over 50 degrees for 5 days in a row. In the meantime, enjoy the coming of spring without working too much yet!

Photo Credit: Gary Brunk

Updates from Shorewood Police Department

Request for Police: 10
Welfare Checks: 5
Suspicious Activity: 3
Vehicle Crashes: 3
Entry to Vehicle: 0
911 hang ups/error: 3
Traffic Stops: 45
Vehicle Theft: 0
Total Calls: 194

Weekly Update

03/22 - 03/28



Department Welcomes New Officer

The Shorewood Police Department is proud to announce the appointment of our newest member, Police Officer Whitney Gaines, who was officially sworn in on March 30, 2026. Officer Gaines joins us as a graduate of the Fox Valley Technical College Law Enforcement Training Academy and brings a distinguished background of military service, currently serving as an E-5 in the U.S. Navy Reserves.

Her transition into municipal policing is rooted in a deep-seated commitment to public service. Officer Gaines is dedicated to upholding our core values of integrity, teamwork, and accountability, ensuring that her contributions strengthen both the department and the community we serve.

Over the next 16 weeks, Officer Gaines will complete our rigorous Field Training Program, rotating through various shifts to gain a comprehensive understanding of our village's unique needs. This mentorship period is vital to ensuring she is fully prepared to meet the high standards of leadership and professionalism expected of a Shorewood officer.



Please join me in welcoming Officer Gaines as she begins this next chapter of her career with us.

Drug Take Back Day

Safe disposal saves lives.

Dropping off your unused and expired medications is fast and easy.



Option 1

Remove prescription labels or black out personal information on the label.



Option 2

Place loose pills in a zip-top bag and keep liquids in their original containers.

Shorewood Police Department

LOCATION

April 25, 2026, 10:00am - 2:00 pm

DATE / TIME

4057 N. Wilson Drive

ADDRESS

Shorewood Police Department

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Can't make it? You've got free and confidential options!



Permanent drop locations

Wisconsin has many drug disposal locations available year-round. Visit doseofrealitywi.gov to find a convenient location near you.



Scan this QR code to find out what you should and should not bring.



Remember, you should never dispose of your medications in the trash or down a drain.



Prevent opioid harm.
It starts with real talks.



doseofrealitywi.gov

Senior Resource Center Upcoming Events



Personal Transformation

Wednesday, April 8

10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Presented by Dr. Phillip Chard, a nationally recognized psychotherapist, columnist and speaker.

Free.

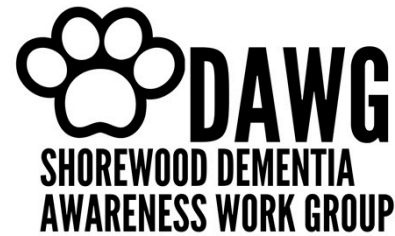
[Preregistration](#) encouraged.

Do You Have Questions About Dementia?

The Village of Shorewood is proud to be part of Dementia Friendly America: a nationwide movement committed to supporting people living with dementia and their caregivers.

This local effort is led by the Dementia Awareness Workgroup (DAWG).

[Join us to meet the group, learn about available resources, and bring your questions](#) on Wednesday, April 15 at 6:00 pm in the Village Center Meeting Room, 3920 N Murray Ave.



SHOREWOOD
BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

Looking to stay up to date on deals and happenings around the Village?



Check out the Shorewood BID monthly e-newsletter with great event information, announcements and monthly promotions from local Shorewood businesses. It's super easy to sign up - [click the link here](#) to make sure you don't miss out.

Also, be sure to connect with the BID on social media and their website. Click here to visit their [Facebook page](#), click here to [follow them on Instagram](#) and here for [their website](#).

Genealogy Webinar on Tuesday, April 7

Ask Us Anything: A Genealogy Q&A with WHS Staff
Tuesday, April 7
7:00 - 8:30 pm

Do you have a question about researching your family history? A brick wall you're trying to scale?

Join Wisconsin Historical Society's very own genealogy experts to get answers for your project and learn about how to use WHS collections and services for your family history research.

[Click here to register](#) to attend the webinar.



METROPOLITAN
MILWAUKEE



FAIR HOUSING:

Do you know the law?

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You're invited to attend a **FREE training seminar**
for owners and managers of rental housing in
Milwaukee County:

April 21, 2026
4:00 - 6:30 p.m.

Shorewood Village Center - 3920 North Murray Ave.
Village Center Community Room

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Seminar topics include:

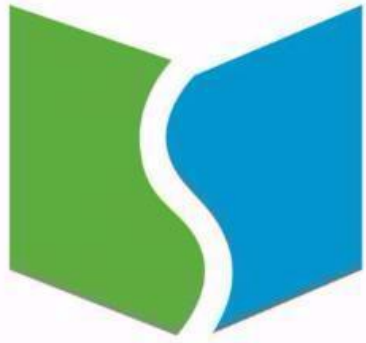
- Local, state and federal fair housing laws
- Advertising units in compliance with fair housing law
- Non-discriminatory negotiation with prospective tenants
- Interacting with current tenants in a fair and legal manner
- Reasonable accommodations and modifications for tenants with disabilities

Visit <https://tinyurl.com/MKECountyFairHousing2026>
or call 414-278-1240 to register.



**This material presented during this seminar is intended for general information purposes only
and does not constitute legal advice. Recording of seminars is not permitted.**

These seminars are supported by Milwaukee County Community Development Block Grant funds.



Shorewood PUBLIC LIBRARY

News and Updates

SHOREWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY WILL BE
CLOSED
ON SUNDAY, APRIL 5
FOR THE EASTER HOLIDAY



Library Closed Easter Sunday

[Sunday, April 5](#)

All Day

The Shorewood Public Library will be closed on Sunday, April 5.

We will reopen for regular business hours on Monday, April 6.

While the Library closed, the online [CountyCat online catalog](#) is available to browse materials and request items.

VOTE for your favorite [PEEPAPALOOZA!](#) dioramas starting Friday, March 27!

PEEPAPALOOZA! voting runs through Sunday, April 12.

The top adult, teen, child, mixed ages, & Shorewood Village Department entry will win marshmallow-y glory (and a prize!).



Intergenerational Book Club at Shorewood High School

[Thursday, April 9](#)

SHOREWOOD READS 2026



7:00 pm

Location: Shorewood High School

Join us as we discuss our Shorewood Reads 2026 selection, Happiness Falls by Angie Kim.

This book discussion will take place at Shorewood High School (1701 E Capitol Dr) and will be moderated by Shorewood student Abigail Cashman and Shorewood English teacher Sheila Mooney.

This book discussion is presented in partnership with Shorewood Connects and Shorewood School District, and is part of [Shorewood Reads](#), a "one book, one community" initiative presented by the Shorewood Public Library in partnership with the [Friends of Shorewood Public Library](#).

Stroll For Smiles

[Friday, April 10](#)

8:00 - 9:00 am

Location: Shorewood Public Library - Meet in the Library Circle Lawn

Join us for a walk with fellow community members as we practice being intentional about the things we see and feel around us. Borrow a disposable camera and capture images that spark joy, and you might even see your photos featured in our Happiness Walls Interactive Art display during Shorewood Reads!

This program is part of [Shorewood Reads](#), a "one book, one community" initiative presented by the Shorewood Public Library in partnership with the [Friends of Shorewood Public Library](#).



Excellence Means More Here

Your Input About the District's Plan for Financial Sustainability is Needed

For more information about our Strategic Plan and long-term planning work, please visit the District website:

www.shorewood.k12.wi.us

Dear Neighbors,

This year's School Perceptions Survey includes some important questions for community members about the District's work to develop a long-term plan for financial sustainability, a strategic plan priority.

Community feedback is critical to this process, and I hope you will take a few minutes to respond to this survey.

You will receive a postcard by mail in the next few days that includes a survey code and instructions. School Perceptions, an independent educational research firm, will administer the survey again this year, and your responses are confidential.

Thank you for your input, and for your support of our schools.

In partnership,

Laurie Burgos, Ph.D.
Superintendent



NSHD Healthy Highlight: Tornado Season in Wisconsin

Tornado season in Wisconsin is from April through September.

Ensure you are prepared for extreme weather.

Preparing for Severe Weather

It is important to have a plan for severe weather for you and/or your family's safety. Create an emergency plan for yourself and/or your family that includes designated shelters, supplies, and communication.



Severe Weather Emergency Kit

- 3-day supply of water (1 gallon/person/day)

- 3-day supply of nonperishable food (+can opener)
- Battery-operated radio and extra batteries
- Cell phone and charger
- Flashlight and batteries
- First aid kit
- Whistle to signal for help
- Dust mask
- Survival blanket
- Cash
- Pocket knife
- Medications
- Local maps
- Change of clothes (including hat, gloves, jacket, etc.)

Signs of a Tornado

- Greenish sky
- Low clouds
- Swirling debris
- Hail without rain
- Loud roaring sounds

Types of Tornado Communication

- **Tornado Watch:** When your area is under a tornado watch, this means that weather conditions could possibly create a tornado and to be alert for any notice of confirmed tornado
- **Tornado Warning:** Confirmed funnel clouds have been sighted in your area and you should take shelter immediately

Tornado Drills

Wisconsin has statewide tornado drills to test the alarms and communication systems. The next statewide tornado drill will be on Thursday, April 16 at 1:45 pm and 6:45 pm.

Stay informed by visiting the [ReadyWisconsin](#) and [National Weather Service](#) websites

Quick Links

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