

Village of Theresa Newsletter

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Meet Your Village Board

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Village President:

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Village Board Meetings are held at the Village Hall (202 S. Milwaukee Street) on the first Monday of every month at 7 pm. Everyone is welcome & encouraged to attend. Meeting agendas & minutes are posted on the Village of Theresa Website, Village Hall posting board, at the Theresa Post Office & the Theresa Public Library.

New Recycling Bins – Within the next month or two, the village is going to switch over to wheeled, recycling CARTS with automated recyclable pick-up. Advanced Disposal will provide one (1) ninety-five (95) gallon wheeled CART, per unit for residential recyclables. The CARTS will be provided at NO CHARGE to the Village or the customer.

However, in the event of loss, theft or negligence, Advanced Disposal shall charge sixty-five dollars (\$65) for replacement of the cart. This cost will be handed down to the customer. After the carts are delivered, WASTE & RECYCLING PICK-UP will still take place on Tuesdays, but **RECYCLING PICK-UP ONLY** will change to EVERY OTHER WEEK. A pick-up schedule will be attached to the carts upon delivery Please keep the schedule for future reference. We will provide you with updated information as it becomes available, so please keep an eye on the posting board in front of the Village Hall & on the Village websites.

Chief Mike Simmons Friendly Reminder

The Theresa Police Department encourages all residents to lock all doors to your house, garage, sheds & vehicles!

Visit our New & Improved Village of Theresa Website!

We now have tabs for Election Info & printable application forms for Building Permits, River's Edge Park Reservations, Pet Licensing, Parking Permits, Conditional Use/Re-zoning Permits, & Operator's License Permits.

Look on: www.villageoftheresa.com!



Visit Your Village Parks

Theresa Firemen's Park

River's Edge Park

Highlander Park

Willow Park

Theresa Firemen's Park is available to rent by calling Jason Stein at (414) 510-7354. **River's Edge Park** offers a boat landing, volleyball &, basketball courts, playground equipment, grills, shelters & restrooms. There is NO ELECTRICITY at the park. The shelters at River's Edge Park may be reserved at no charge. Reservation forms are available online on the Village of Theresa Website & at the Village Hall.



Downtown Street Parking



Parking is limited to a maximum total of 3 hours on Milwaukee Street between Henni Street to the South & the Rock River Bridge to the North.

Village of Theresa 2018 Calendar of Events

All-U-Can Eat Pancake Breakfast 🍳(with all the trimmings) Sunday, May 6th 8:00 am - 12:00 pm Theresa Elementary Learning Center (Theresa Public School) Sponsored by: Theresa American Legion

Annual Village-Wide Rummage Sale & Brat Fry Saturday, June 2nd Location of Brat Fry: American Legion Clubhouse - 101 Church St Sponsored by: Theresa American Legion

Community Band Concert Wednesday, June 20th Food & Refreshments available at 6:00 pm 🎵 Music starts at 7:00 pm by: "River City Blaskapelle" Location: West Rock River St, Theresa Sponsored by: Theresa American Legion & Theresa Historical Society ☁️ Rain Date: Wednesday, June 27th

Theresa Fireman's Annual Picnic & Parade June 22nd, 23rd & 24th Sunday, June 24th - Parade at 11:00 am - Downtown Theresa Water-Barrel Fights & Chicken BBQ at Park Location: Theresa Firemen's Park - Hwy 28 West

Theresa Lion's Club Annual Tractor Pull Saturday Afternoon, August 25th 🚗 For more information, please call Shawn Justmann at 920-960-7949 Location: Theresa Firemen's Park - Hwy 28 West

Theresa Historical Society Cake & Ice-Cream Social Sunday, August 26th 1:00 - 4:00 pm 🎵 Musical Entertainment Provided Location: Solomon Juneau House - South Milwaukee Street (Hwy 175) Note: The Historical Museum-Solomon Juneau House is open the last Sunday of the month - May thru September. Hours: 1:00 - 4:00 pm

Theresa American Legion & Auxiliary Pioneer Day 5K Run/Walk, Kids Run, Spanferkel & Concert Sunday, September 9th Run/Walk at 9:00 am Kids Run at 10:00 am 🍖 Pork & Chicken on the spit, cake & ice cream at 11:00 am 🎵 Musical Entertainment provided at 1:00 pm Location: Theresa Firemen's Park - Hwy 28 West

Theresa American Legion Auxiliary Vendor Fair Saturday, October 20th 9:00 am - 3:00 pm Location: Theresa Elementary Learning Center (Theresa Public School)



TERESA AMERICAN LEGION POST 270

Information provided by: Virgil Krueger



The Theresa American Legion Post 270 holds monthly meetings on the first Tuesday of every month at 7:00 pm, at the clubhouse located at 101 Church Street. Any veterans interested in joining the post should call (920) 488-2414. If no one answers, please leave a message and you will be contacted shortly. If any veteran would like to have their name put on the wall, contact American Legion Post 270 @ 488-2414. We are still accepting donations for the Theresa Area Veteran's Memorial ~ located at Firemen's Park. If you are interested in socializing with others and playing cards, there is Sheephead every Wednesday afternoon from 1:00 to 4:00 at the Legion clubhouse – all are welcome!

Village Historical Society

The recently restored Solomon Juneau, John Schiefer, Peter Reklau Homes & Beck Tourist Cabin will be open for tours on the last Sunday of the month, May, thru September from 1pm-4pm. On Sunday, August 26th, the Annual Ice Cream Social will be held with homemade desserts, ice cream & beverages. Musical entertainment will be provided. In the event of rain, indoor seating is available. Handicap parking is available behind the Juneau house. Group tours are given by appointment by calling (920)960-4198 or (920)488-5552. The Theresa Historical Society Park is located in the 200 block of S. Milwaukee Street (Hwy 175). Historical Society meetings are held at 6:30pm on the 3rd Monday of February, May, August & November at the Pioneer Keg. New members are always welcome!



FIREWORKS

July 4th is just around the corner. Per State Law, any item that emits smoke, flies in the air or goes BOOM is illegal and is subject to confiscation and a fine. Voluntary compliance is always best. So please, respect your neighbors and their property and help the community prevent any hazardous situations or fires.

Village of Theresa Regulation of Length of Lawn and Grasses - Village Ordinance Section 127-3

Purpose: This section is adopted due to the unique nature of the problems associated with lawns, grasses & noxious weeds being allowed to grow to excessive length in the Village of Theresa

Public Nuisance: The Village of Theresa finds that lawns, grasses & noxious weeds on nonagricultural lots or parcels of land, which exceed six (6) inches in length, adversely affect the public health & safety of the public. For that reason, any nonagricultural lawn, grass or weed on a lot or other parcel of land, which exceed six (6) inches in length, will hereby be considered a public nuisance.

Inspection: The Weed Commissioner or his designee shall inspect or cause to be inspected all premises & places within the Village to determine whether any public nuisance exists. The Weed Commissioner shall immediately cause a five-day written notice to be served that the Village proposes to have the weeds or lawn cut so as to conform with this section. Only one notice, per year, shall be served upon the owner or occupant.



If you are having trouble (issues) with your water...

(no water, rusty water, smelly water, storm water run-off, etc.), you will get faster service by calling the Department of Public Works directly @ (920) 488-4003, please feel free to leave a message.

Grass Reminder

It is unlawful to blow your grass clippings & leaves into the street. Grass clippings clog up sewer grates & prevent proper drainage during heavy rainstorms. Violators may be fined!

The Theresa Sewer & Water Utility Department would appreciate it if you would write your account number on the memo line of your check when making a utility payment. Thank you for your cooperation!

DEBIT & CREDIT CARD UTILITY PAYMENTS NOW AVAILABLE!

Village of Theresa Sewer & Water Utility customers now have the option to pay their sewer & water utility bill online with a debit or credit card 24/7! Go to the Village website at www.villageoftheresa.com, click Resources, then click Payments, on the Payments page, click the green GovPayNet box to start the process.

Please note that GovPayNet charges a non-refundable service fee!

ATTENTION SNOWBIRDS & SUMMER VACATIONERS!

Change of Mailing Address for Sewer & Water Utility Billing

Please remind us to change your mailing address before you leave for an extended period of time during the winter or summer & when you come back to reside in Theresa. You can notify us by calling (920) 488-5421 (feel free to leave a message), by stopping at the Village Hall (202 S Milwaukee St) during normal business hours, by mail at PO Box #327, Theresa, WI 53091, or by placing a note in the "payment" box located outside the door of the Village Hall. Thank you in advance for your cooperation!



If you're contemplating filling your swimming pool and are interested in receiving a SEWER credit. We need to receive your request in writing. Write down your sewer & water utility meter reading **before** you fill & **after** you fill your pool. Drop off the meter reading numbers, along with your name, address & utility account number at the Village Hall, or place it in the "payment" box located next to the door at the Village Hall.

BULK PICK-UP

- The Village holds two Bulk Pick-ups per year, one on the third Tuesday in April (4/17/2018) & one on the third Tuesday in October (10/16/2018). Bulk items & tires will be collected curbside right along with the regular garbage & recycling pick-up.
- There will be a fee associated with the bulk pick-up of tires & appliances. Bills will be sent after pick-up as required.
- If you have questions on what items will be collected, please contact Advanced Disposal Services @ (920) 387-0987.
- The Village can no longer accept electronics. These items can/should be reused or donated. For more information on e-cycling & where to recycle electronics, visit www.dnr.wi.gov/ecyclewisconsin. Click "Find" for electronics collection sites nearby.
- Building materials are NOT accepted as part of Bulk Pick-Up. Please contact Advanced Disposal Services @ (920) 387-0987 for dumpster rental.
- Garbage bags laying on the ground or near the waste cart will NOT be picked up unless they are placed in the green waste cart.
- Cardboard boxes must be broken down & placed in or near the recycling bin.
- Yard waste will NOT be accepted & should be disposed of at the yard waste/brush site located at River's Edge Park from April through November (weather permitting). Please follow all rules & regulations at drop-off site.
- Please place all items on the curb in an orderly fashion.

DO NOT PUT ITEMS ON THE CURB PRIOR TO THE WEEKEND BEFORE BULK PICK-UP!

YARD WASTE

Leaves, lawn clippings, branches, etc. are not picked up during bulk pick-up or with the regular weekly pick-up. Yard waste disposal site is located behind River's Edge Park. Brush goes on the brush pile. Lawn clippings, leaves, small plants and garden waste go on the yard waste pile. Please take your containers and bags with you. No timbers or landscaping edging allowed. No other items other than yard waste are to be dumped at this site! Dumping of garbage, furniture, carpeting, building material and/or any other non-yard waste items is prohibited!

VIOLATORS WILL BE SUBJECT TO FINES AND FOREITURES!



OPEN BURNING

Per Village Ordinance 5-2-9, no person, firm or corporation shall build any outdoor fire within the Village limits.

This prohibition includes burning of GARBAGE, YARD WASTE & CONSTRUCTION WASTE.

Exceptions to this section include ceremonial campfires, or outdoor cooking in/or over a fire contained in a device or structure approved by

Fire Chief
Warren Stanke
call (920) 488- 5300
BEFORE BURNING!!!!!!

If your waste/recycling was not picked up in a timely manner or if you have any questions, concerns or complaints please call Advanced Disposal directly @ 1-800-387-0987 or (920) 387-0987.

This newsletter was created by Susan Fink - Deputy Clerk



Building Permits

If you're contemplating a remodeling, shed, fence, deck or any other construction project, be sure to check with the Building Inspector to find out what zoning requirements apply and/or to purchase a building permit. The Inspector (Doc) can be reached by calling (262)-364-9597. Zoning & building codes & printable building permit application can be found on the Village website www.villageoftheresa.com. Failure to obtain a building permit in timely manner could result in double fees being assessed!

PET INFORMATION

All dogs & cats 6 months or older must be licensed by April 1st of every year. Proof of spaying/neutering & rabies vaccination is required. The cost of the license is \$15 for males/females & \$10 for spayed or neutered animals. There is now a pet licensing application form on the Forms page of the Village of Theresa website.

Be a polite pet owner by picking up all solid feces from any street, sidewalk, alley or private or public property. Violators will be subject to fines & forfeiture.

No person having ownership or possession of any animal shall allow the animal to run at large in the Village. For more information visit the Village website at

www.villageoftheresa.com.

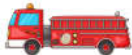


2018 ELECTIONS There are 4 elections scheduled to take place in 2018: February 20th – Spring Primary, April 3rd – Spring Election, August 14th – Partisan Primary & November 6th – General Election. **Elections are held at the Theresa Public Library located at 290 Mayville Street in the village;** polls are open from 7am – 8pm. Prior to each election, the required notices & sample ballots are available for viewing on the posting board in front of the Village Hall. You can also obtain various election & Photo ID information by visiting www.myvote.wi.gov & www.bringit.wisconsin.gov. As a reminder, you must be registered to be eligible to vote & voter Photo ID is required. We urge all voters to plan ahead by making sure they have an acceptable Photo ID. If you're a new village resident & are interested in saving yourself some time on Election Day, stop by the Village Hall to register to vote...proof of residency is required to register.

Theresa Public Library 2018 Summer Reading Program - Libraries Rock!!!!

Information provided by: Mary Alice Bodden

- ◆ **May 5th-9th:** TPL Silent Auction-watch for details at the library, FB page or website. All donations gladly accepted!
- ◆ **May 19th @ 10:30 am:** Congratulate local author, Jackie Zurawski, on her new book, DREAM A DREAM!
- ◆ **June 11th-August 3rd:** Summer Reading Program: **Libraries Rock!** Visit the library, FB page or website for details on fun activities & how to earn prizes & enter raffles for cool stuff! For preschool - 12 years & teens.
- ◆ **June 11th-July 20th:** Community Treasure Hunt Rock Project-For more info, visit the library, FB page or website.
- ◆ **June 12th @ 2:30 pm:** Marsh Haven Birds of Prey Program @ the library.
- ◆ **June 20th from 2-4 pm:** Ice Cream Social at the Library! Sponsored by the Friends of the Theresa Public Library.
- ◆ **June 18th-22nd:** Make a nature collection box, science notebook, geode sock bag & Earth donut balls.
- ◆ **June 18th-29th:** Explore minerals & rocks. Identify 10 rocks, minerals or fossils. Earn a geode to crack open!
- ◆ **June 25th-29th:** Salt dough & amber fossils, trilobite cookies. Explore & share stories of fossils, rocks & minerals.
- ◆ **July 9th-13th:** Create a picture from Sand Art Peel & Stick projects.
- ◆ **July 16th-20th:** Rock Games, tic-tac-toe & pebble games. Bring items in for a time capsule we will bury in the yard.
- ◆ **Saturday, July 21st, from 9 am-1 pm:** Family Fun Day at the Horicon Marsh Education & Visitor Center! Join us for a fun-filled day of indoor & outdoor activities for all ages! Horicon Marsh Explorium admission, wildlife walks, dip netting, crafts for kids, face painting & much more!
- ◆ **July 23rd-27th:** July Music Theme - Make a rattle drum, castanets, & rain stick.
- ◆ **July 31st-August 3rd:** Create a Mando harp.
- ◆ **August 6th-10th:** Build STEM projects using recyclables & other materials in a mystery bag STEM-building challenge!
- ◆ **August 13th-17th:** Coding games, meet Dash & Dot the Computer.
- ◆ We have a lot going on at the library monthly: Please check out the monthly activities on our Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/theresalibrary> or website: <http://www.theresa.lib.wi.us/>
- ◆ You are able to order books, DVDs, CDs, & more 24/7 through our Monarch Catalog on our webpage. All you need is a library card & pin number. <http://www.easycat.net/polaris/>
- ◆ Library hours: Monday-Thursday 12:30-7:30, Friday 12:30-5 & Saturday, until May 19th, 10-Noon.



Theresa Fire Department News-submitted by Ryan Koll & Andy Wolf

The Theresa Fire Department responded to 85 calls in 2017 which is a 50% increase over 2016. The department also logged 5417.8 hours of in-house & outside training & maintenance activities in 2017. Currently, all active firefighters are state certified & many of our members have additional certifications which aren't required by the state. As of 2017, our fire department entered into an automatic mutual-aid agreement with the Lomira Fire Department, Knowles Fire Department & the Kekoskee Fire Department, which means that when those departments get called out, we automatically respond to their calls as well.

The Theresa Fire Department applied in three previous years to get a grant for a new 4,000-gallon water tanker truck. In 2017, the fire department was informed by FEMA that we were successful in procuring a FEMA grant in the amount of \$332,000! The department is responsible to match 5% or \$16,000 as part of the program. The chassis arrived in late March & delivery of the completed unit is expected by late summer 2018. Since 2002, the department has written for & received, three FEMA grants; saving local taxpayers a total of \$610,616.

Your Theresa Fire Department continues to be “Loyal to Our Duty” and has been since 1895!

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FROM THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK - TREASURER



CUSTOMER SERVICE - We, Pam (Clerk-Treasurer) & Susan (Deputy Clerk) strive to make sure that any time a question or concern comes to our attention, it is taken care of in a timely and correct manner. However, in an attempt to expedite your request, we ask that you contact the correct department. Any matter regarding water, sewer, streets, sidewalks, weeds or grass, snow removal, grounds maintenance, or any other public works issue, should be directed to the Department of Public Works by calling (920)488-4003 (feel free to leave a message). If you have a concern or question about the issuance of a citation, parking regulations, animals running at large, barking dogs, open burning, ordinance violations, fireworks, or any other public safety matter, please contact the Theresa Police Department by calling (920) 488-4444 (feel free to leave a message). **IN AN EMERGENCY CALL 911!** We also ask that you contact Advanced Disposal directly by calling customer service at (920) 387-0949 with questions or concerns pertaining to waste and recycling pick up. Once again, I would like to encourage everyone to visit the Village of Theresa website at www.villageoftheresa.com.

SECURE PAYMENT DROP BOX - Normal business hours for the Clerk-Treasurer's Office are: Monday thru Thursday, 8am-4pm & on Friday from 8am-Noon, **these hours are subject to change & will be posted accordingly.** For your convenience, the village has a **SECURE PAYMENT DROP BOX** located outside the door of the Village Hall at 202 S. Milwaukee Street. This box can be for used **ALL** village & utility correspondence including, but not limited to payments.

VILLAGE OR TOWN OF THERESA - DO YOU KNOW WHERE YOU LIVE? - It has come to our attention that it's difficult for some residents to figure out if they live in the **Village of Theresa** or the **Town of Theresa**. Well, here's an easy way for you to figure it out; if your address starts with the letter "N" or "W" & you have a blue fire number/address sign on your property that says TOWN OF THERESA, you reside in the TOWN. If your address is three numbers long, followed by a street name, you reside in the VILLAGE OF THERESA. Example: 202 S. Milwaukee Street is a VILLAGE ADDRESS (the Village has one exception to this rule©). Village residents should handle their municipal business at the VILLAGE HALL at 202 S. Milwaukee Street & VOTE at the Theresa Public Library. Town residents should handle their municipal business & VOTE at the THERESA TOWN HALL located at N8679 County Hwy P or by calling the Town Clerk-Diane Steger at (920) 488-2033.