

# The Current

Summer 2021

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Falls**

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at Old Falls Village

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**PARKS**

+ other CE & Rec programs

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## VILLAGE HALL

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Monday - Friday  
8:00 am - 4:30 pm

## Offices Closed

Fourth of July (observed 7/5/21)  
Labor Day 9/6/21

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## Enjoy Summer in the Falls

Have we ever been more ready for summer? As pandemic public health protocols have eased, community gatherings are happening again, and many local businesses are operating with a semblance of normalcy. With this year's summertime weather comes a great lineup of community events at Village Park, downtown, and Old Falls Village. The long summer days also offer more time to take a neighborhood walk, explore the Village's park system, or enjoy a bike ride along the Bug Line Trail. Get outside and take it all in!

This edition of *The Current* provides seasonal service reminders, parks information, details about public and private construction projects, and stories/safety reminders from the Police and Fire Departments. We've also included information about the many community events and programs on the summer calendar. From festivals, concerts, markets, and beer gardens to free fitness programs and historic reenactments, there is a lot happening in Menomonee Falls in 2021!

For the last two years, the Village has partnered with several community organizations to create and share content via *The Current* newsletter. Over that time, the number of regular content contributors has grown and our readership has roughly tripled. The Village thanks our partners for sharing timely updates and our readers for your time and interest in this publication.



Rotary Park playground





# Seasonal Reminders & Service Updates

## Park Basics

Menomonee Falls maintains [16 public parks](#) which provide a wide variety of recreation opportunities for residents and visitors. Park users should abide by the following rules:

- Hours 6 am to a half hour after sunset, unless otherwise posted
- Dogs allowed in Menomonee Falls park system on a leash not exceeding 6 feet in length. Owners are responsible for picking up after dogs
- No alcohol consumption without permit
- No alcohol in athletic field areas
- No littering, removal of vegetation, disorderly conduct, or amplified broadcast beyond 20 feet
- Fires permitted in grills only. Grills are provided in Rotary Park and Mill Pond Park only. Charcoal must be properly disposed of
- Tents may be erected only with the prior approval of the Village (and may require a permit)
- No moonwalks, bounce houses, inflatable structures, or slip & slides
- Power strips and extension cords are prohibited within picnic shelters

## Park Shelter Reservations

All park reservations are limited to Menomonee Falls residents and must be made in person at Village Hall. For further information please call 262-532-4200 or visit [menomonee-falls.org/parkreservations](http://menomonee-falls.org/parkreservations)



Picnic shelter at Rotary Park

## Yard Waste Permits

New in 2021, Yard Waste Permits were mailed in February to each Menomonee Falls property owner. The permit allows residents to dispose of yard waste 35 times in a season (April – November) for no fee at the Orchard Ridge Composting Facility (watch for the scale house on the west side of the road). Please note: Village residents must provide identification showing proof of Menomonee Falls residency. Have your ID ready to show the scale house attendant upon arrival. If you do not arrive with a permit, all fees will be charged. All businesses are excluded from this program.

The 2021 Orchard Ridge Composting Facility Program is located at W124N9355 Boundary Road.

- Acceptable forms of payment include credit card or check – cash no longer accepted.
- Residents will be allowed one free visit per day. After the free visit, additional yard waste will be charged at a rate of \$0.015 per pound, minimum of \$3.00.
- Hours of operation: Monday through Friday, 6:30 am – 4 pm & Saturday 7 am – 11:45 am
- No large stumps or logs over 6" will be accepted.

If you did not receive (or misplaced) a Yard Waste Permit, stop by Village Hall with identification/documentation proving that you are a Menomonee Falls resident to receive a replacement.

## Free Mulch!

The Village manages a brush grinding operation which produces shredded wood mulch for residents. The mulch is FREE, clean, and good quality. Menomonee Falls residents can help themselves to mulch at the self-serve location at the end of MacArthur Drive through the end of October. See [menomonee-falls.org/mulch](http://menomonee-falls.org/mulch) for a map of the pick up location.



Summer 2021

# Construction & Development Projects

Milwaukee Tool  
Technology Center  
in May 2021

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## New Places to Eat, Drink, & Gather

Demand has returned in 2021 for gatherings with friends and family at restaurants, taverns, and other public spaces. New businesses and event spaces are being developed across Menomonee Falls to meet the demand. New destinations that are under construction or have announced plans to open in 2021 include the following:

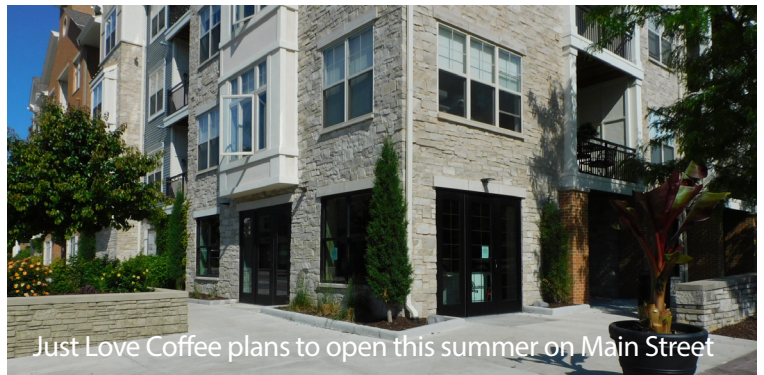
The Hounds & Tap tavern & dog daycare, Silver Spring Drive



Downtown Village Park Beer Garden



Chick-fil-A is under construction along County Line Road



Just Love Coffee plans to open this summer on Main Street

## Public Projects

### Street Reconstruction & Asphalt Paving

In 2021, the Village is reconstructing portions of Sheridan Drive and repaving portions of Menomonee Avenue, St. George Court, Paseo Lane, Claas Road, Fair Oak Parkway, Carol Drive/Court and streets in the Menomonee Manor subdivision.

For more information about ongoing and planned public projects, visit [menomonee-falls.org/ 1144/ Public-Projects](https://menomonee-falls.org/1144/Public-Projects)

### Water Main & Sewer

The Village will be constructing or reconstructing water main and sewer sections in various areas across Menomonee Falls. Areas impacted by these construction projects this summer include:

- Crossroads Shopping Center (County Line Road)
- Blackfoot Drive
- Jacobson Drive
- Stonefield Road



## Private Projects

(selected projects as viewed in spring of 2021)

The Village issued permits for 50 single family and duplex residential units in the first five months of 2021



Single family homes in the Silver Spring Estates subdivision



Ascension Hospital



Highlands at Aero Park

### Business Expansion Update

- Milwaukee Tool is constructing a 121,635 square foot research and development building on Leatherwood Court (east of Flint Drive in the Woodland Prime office park)
- Construction is nearly complete on Glenroy Incorporated's 121,000 square foot addition along Megal Drive.
- Construction is nearly complete on Ascension's 32,000 square foot hospital along Main Street near Interstate 41/US 45.
- Aquinas Academy is constructing a 30,757 square foot addition to their school which is located on the south side of Good Hope Road west of Pilgrim Road.



Tamarack Springs apartments

For more information on these and other development projects, see [menomonee-falls.org/development](https://menomonee-falls.org/development)



# Lead Water Service Lateral Replacement Program

## Leveraging State Resources to Ensure Public Safety

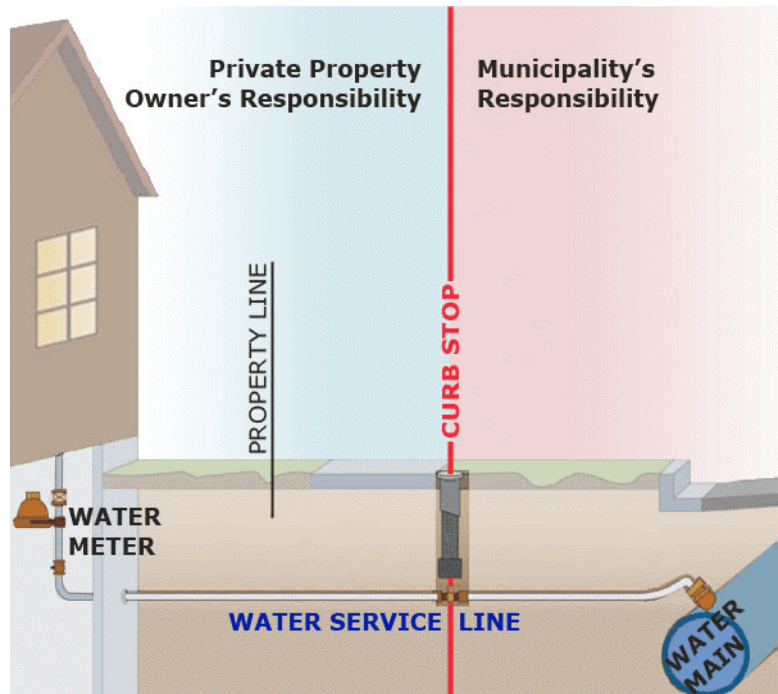


As part of the approved 2021 Village Budget, the Village of Menomonee Falls will be proceeding with a project to replace existing private lead water service laterals with new water service laterals in an effort to reduce the potential health hazards associated with lead water service piping.

This project is being funded with help from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR). The Village of Menomonee Falls applied for and received state assistance through the Safe Drinking Water Loan Program. This program will provide a forgivable loan of about \$1.1 million to the Village for lead piping to be removed from over 200 private laterals in Menomonee Falls.

The water service lateral is the pipe that provides water from the water main in the street to a home or business (see diagram). The program will fund the complete replacement of private lead laterals for all residential (including multi-family and mixed-use properties), Pre-K-12 schools, and licensed daycare center properties. The program will also fund any restoration work associated with the replacement construction at no cost to the property owner.

As a reminder, your water meets all federal guidelines for safety, and the Village of Menomonee Falls will ensure it remains that way. Lead can enter the water as a result of the wearing away of materials containing lead in service lines or internal plumbing. Fewer than 2% of Menomonee Falls Water Utility service lines are made of lead, but as long as lead water service piping is left in place, the potential for lead exposure will remain. This project will greatly reduce the amount of lead piping, and therefore reduce the chances of lead entering the water system.



For more information on this project, please visit <https://www.menomonee-falls.org/1262/Lead-Water-Service-Lateral-Replacement-P>

### WATER QUALITY

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency requires water utilities provide their customers a Consumer Confidence Report annually. This information is designed to educate our customers about the source of the water supply, the water treatment process, and the extensive testing conducted to ensure water quality before the water enters a property in Menomonee Falls. The report can be read at [menomonee-falls.org/consumerconfidence](https://www.menomonee-falls.org/consumerconfidence)



# Menomonee Falls Farmers Market

## a New Experience



The 2020 Farmers Market operated in a parking area on the west side of Village Park



**Every Wednesday 2 pm – 6 pm**  
(June 2 – Oct 13)

**Every Sunday 10 am – 1 pm**  
(July 11 – Sept 12)

**@ Falls Fest Plaza, Village Park**  
(pictured)

[fallsfarmersmarket.org](https://fallsfarmersmarket.org)

After 28 years of setting up in a parking lot, the Menomonee Falls Farmers Market is delighted to settle into their handsome, well-appointed home in the newly renovated Village Park.

The 2021 market season will open **Wednesday, June 2, from 2 pm until 6 pm, through October 13**. Visitors can stroll throughout the gracious walkway of the plaza which will be lined by vendors' booths. Shoppers will find the expected as well as the unexpected: not only locally-grown, fresh produce and flowers, homemade bakery, eggs, microgreens, honey, maple syrup, meats and fish . . . but also, fresh-roasted nuts, gourmet popsicles, fried pork rinds, spice mixes, bath and body products, art, jewelry, kettle corn, homemade pet treats, and unique prepared foods ready to enjoy. A list of vendors and their offerings is available at [fallsfarmersmarket.org](https://fallsfarmersmarket.org)

In addition to the new location, the 2021 season will feature a **Sunday Market, open from 10 am – 1 pm during the peak growing season from July 11 through September 12**.

Dana Newman, market manager, says, "This is a well-designed park with additional points of entry for visitors and space for more vendors. The park is designed to be a centerpiece of social activity, and connects to the vibrancy and charm of the Downtown business district.

Tables, umbrellas and restrooms will be handy for everyone's convenience." To add to the experience, the Downtown Beer Garden ("The Garden" in Village Park) will be open from 5 pm – 9 pm on Wednesdays starting on June 2<sup>nd</sup>.

COVID precautions will be taken and visitors are asked for their support. Vendor highlights, and regular market updates are available on the Facebook page [@GMFF.farmersmarket](https://www.facebook.com/GMFF.farmersmarket) and website at [fallsfarmersmarket.org](https://fallsfarmersmarket.org)





# FIT<sup>in the</sup> PARKS

## Menomonee Falls, Wisconsin

### & Other 2021 Summer Rec Programs

#### Fit in the Parks

On Friday, May 7, over 250 community members enjoyed a self-guided walk around Menomonee County Park to kick off the 2021 Fit in the Parks programming. Fit in the Parks is a health and wellness series brought to you by Village of Menomonee Falls community partners as a part of the Live Well Waukesha County initiative. This summer, there are 40+ programs planned to help you stay active, and explore the wonderful parks within Menomonee Falls. Programs include:

- Baby and Me Fitness
- Barre Fitness Mat
- Boomers on E-Bikes
- Boot Camp
- Dance Fitness
- Family Boot Camp
- Golf Flow
- Happy Feet Walking Club
- Intro to Strong Bodies
- Little Hooper Fitness 101
- Not-So-Easy Yoga
- Pilates in the Park
- Plein Air Painting
- Spartan SGX Obstacle Race Training
- Yoga
- Yoga Without a Mat
- Zumba



Fit in the Parks Walking Club, 2020

Programs are FREE, but registration is required. Walk-ins will be accommodated as space allows. [Register now or click here for more information](#)

#### Register for Summer Programs Today!

Community Education & Recreation (CE & Rec) staff have a great summer of programs and activities planned for youth and adults of all ages. Registration is ongoing and available online at [www.fallsrec.org](http://www.fallsrec.org), or in person at the CE & Rec Office which is located in the Menomonee Falls Community Center.

#### Summer Theater Camps

Do you want to build a snowman? Our Summer 2021 Theater Camp production of "Disney's Frozen" will be a hit with students going into grades 2-5 as they perform on stage this summer! In addition to our elementary age theater camp, we have camps for middle school and high school students as well. The middle school students will be performing "Rock of Ages" while the high school students will present "Check Please". [Register now or click here for more information](#)



Summer Theater Camp, 2019



## July is National Park & Recreation Month

Since 1985, America has celebrated July as the nation's official Park and Recreation Month. It's a time to recognize the importance of parks and recreation in establishing and maintaining quality of life, and in contributing to physical, economic, and environmental well-being of communities. This year's theme for Park and Recreation Month is "Our Park and Recreation Story." Share your park and recreation stories on social media using **#OurParkAndRecStory**. For more information about Park and Recreation Month visit [nrpa.org/events/july](https://nrpa.org/events/july)



Celebrate National Park and Recreation Month with our **FREE Chalk it Up event**. Participants will work individually or in small groups to create their own chalk masterpiece. Participants will receive a free one week swim pass to open swim at the North Middle School. Express your Picasso without spending any Monet!

Monday, July 12

6 pm – 7 pm

North Middle School Sidewalk (Garfield Drive)

[Register Now](#)



## Did You Know Menomonee Falls Provides a Senior Bus Service?

Menomonee Falls Senior Bus Service is available for ages 60+ and adults with developmental disabilities. Rides are available for medical appointments, shopping, County Meal site, recreation activities, etc. The service operates Monday – Friday from 9 am to 2 pm and costs \$2 each way for local trips. To make a reservation, call Johnson Bus at (262) 251-4230. Ride requests must be made at least one day in advance.

## Menomonee Park Dog Exercise Area Set to Open this Summer

Construction is nearly complete on a 32 acre fenced dog exercise area on the west side of Menomonee Park. The project includes three enclosed areas, each with separate entrances to allow for seasonal closure of areas of the facility to ensure turf maintenance.

The dog exercise area will be open to all park users who wish to bring their dogs, and access to the site will be included in the park entrance fee. Hours of operation will be sunrise to 10 pm. Learn more about this project by visiting [Waukesha County's Current Park Projects web page](#)







# Falls Cable Access: Amplifying Local Voices & Looking to the Future

By Sean McGibany

Learn more and view local content on demand at [www.fallscableaccess.com](http://www.fallscableaccess.com)

This image showing a historic photo of the Koehler-Zahn house transitioning to a current view is part of the "Evolve" photo series

Since the 1980's, Falls Cable Access (FCAC) has been a voice for Menomonee Falls. Covering local events of all kinds – from athletics to music to academics and more, the channel strives to find innovative ways to lift up the stories of Menomonee Falls' businesses, individuals, and community organizations by being ever-present in current activities, anchored to the village's past, and unafraid to adapt to the future.

The channel is currently directed by Chris Forston, who stepped into his role after the retirement of longtime director Harry Stoetzel in 2019. Forston has had big shoes to fill during his two years with FCAC but says he has been overwhelmed by the outpouring of support from the community. "I entered [FCAC] supported by a very talented group of historians, producers, and writers, and backed by the best board members [I] could ask for," Forston says.

Forston's previous position with West Bend's cable access channel prepared him well for his current role in Menomonee Falls. "I've learned that the most important thing is to be always present in the community and facilitate everyone's voice." To do this, Forston moved to make FCAC's productions tighter and more mobile. New cameras and miniaturized streaming devices allow Forston and crew to go live on Facebook and YouTube instantly, and FCAC can cover more events with fewer staff.

This downsizing in equipment means that FCAC was also recently able to move out of their offices on St. Francis Dr. and into a new space inside Village Hall, a move that Forston is very excited about. "Everything scheduled in the village comes right out of [Village Hall]," he says, "We'll have our finger on the pulse of everything happening in the Falls."

While the coronavirus pandemic of 2020 upended many of FCAC's plans, Forston says that a silver lining was being able to re-strengthen FCAC's relationship with community voices. Seeking a mouthpiece to Falls residents, organizations ranging from the Optimist Club to Menomonee Falls Downtown Inc. to the school district reached out to FCAC to get their announcements and events broadcast in a virtual way. This led to new shows and programming for FCAC's broadcasts and social media channels. "Focus on the Falls" partners with the school district and highlights opportunities for academics, athletics, and student health; "Business Works Here" spotlights local businesses; "The Village" covers Village of Menomonee Falls departments/services, and "Trips and Tales" is a new children's show in collaboration with the Menomonee Falls Public Library.





## Falls Cable Access Continued...

In addition, FCAC began producing its own social media content, often highlighting Falls history. The “Evolve” photo series combines black & white photos from the village’s past with modern day shots from the same locations, and the “Talk of the Town” monthly show looks back at local headlines from 100 years ago. “If you connect with a place’s history, you can connect more deeply with everything happening in the present day,” Forston says.

Moving forward, Forston hopes to show that Falls Cable Access is more than just a channel, it’s a versatile organization that can connect, educate, and entertain the Falls through a variety of platforms. By building more partnerships with local businesses and organizations, Forston aims to highlight the stories of everyone living in Menomonee Falls. “I’d love to see more coverage, more staff, more up-to-date equipment, and more opportunities for filming,” he says. “Wherever we go, we want to build everyone in the Falls up with us.”

## Village Park Update

The grass is growing in, the beer garden area is taking shape, and tables, benches, bicycle racks, and refuse containers are being installed around the Falls Fest Plaza and great lawn areas at Village Park. Additional elements (including more garbage/recycling containers) will be added as orders arrive in the coming weeks.





# Summer Safety Reminders from MFFD



## Outside Burning

Our recent grass fire wasn't started by embers from outdoor burning but such events can occur.

The Village has put together a guide with burning regulations and safety reminders at [www.menomonee-falls.org/253/Outdoor-Burning](http://www.menomonee-falls.org/253/Outdoor-Burning)

Keep in mind that weather conditions such as high winds or prolonged dry spells will preclude the general permissions.

## Independence Day Fireworks

Nothing says summer like a fireworks display, but MFFD urges you to use caution if using fireworks at home. An adult should always be present and a garden hose or water source handy to saturate any 'duds' to keep everyone safe.

If you didn't buy the fireworks from within the Village, you may not be able to use them legally. Vendors may suggest you can use fireworks legally after obtaining a permit. This is true but the permitting process is very involved (and expensive) to ensure the safety of the residents. Below is the link to the application and the steps necessary to ensure a safe and enjoyable fireworks display.

### [Fireworks Permit Application](#)

A better option is to leave it to the professionals and join us on July 3<sup>rd</sup>. **The fireworks show is on this year!**

Learn more at [menomonee-falls.org/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=1241](http://menomonee-falls.org/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=1241)

## Mowing means Knowing

More than 16,000 children and teens are hurt each year because of lawn mower injuries. Finger tips, hands, arms, legs and feet can be at risk when the person mowing is distracted, even for a split second.

If you can remember one thing to keep your kids safe, it's this:  
**Mowing Means Knowing – where your children are.**

### [Six easy mowing safety tips](#)

- Before starting the lawn mower, know where all children are. Talk to them and be sure they stay out of the yard when someone is mowing. Keeping kids in the house is the ideal safety practice.
- If children are playing outside, designate a supervisor (not the person mowing) of the kids while the lawn mower is in use.
- Never allow a child to ride as a passenger on a riding mower.
- Teach children that lawn mowers are not toys.
- Children should be at least age 12 to operate a walk-behind mower.
- Children should be at least age 16 to operate a riding lawn mower.

[www.uwhealth.org/child-safety-advocacy](http://www.uwhealth.org/child-safety-advocacy)



# Library Corner

## Seasonal Updates & Initiatives of Menomonee Falls Public Library

### Summer Library Program

It's almost time for this year's Summer Library Program. Join us for reading challenges, events, and activities for all ages. The Menomonee Falls Public Library has something for everyone this summer!

We will use Beanstack to run our reading challenges. Beanstack is an online platform that allows you to log your minutes read, complete activities, and write reviews to earn digital badges, prizes, and tickets for prize drawings.

Visit [MenomoneeFallsLibrary.Beanstack.org](https://MenomoneeFallsLibrary.Beanstack.org) or download the Beanstack Tracker app to your mobile device to get started! Pre-registration began on June 1.

The Summer Library Program offers something for everyone.

For children...Monday afternoon shows, Take & Make Activity Kits, scavenger hunts, book, LEGO, and STEAM clubs, storytimes, and so much more! Check out [our website](#) or [Facebook page](#) to see a full listing of all virtual events and in-person activities the Library has planned for kids this summer.

For teens...Dungeons and Dragons, take and make crafts, anime club...oh my! This summer is jam-packed with events for teens. Visit [our website](#) to register for these very fun teen programs.

For adults...Lighthouse tours, Ice Age Trail adventures, book clubs, and more! Explore the world around you with your Library this summer.



### Special Events

#### Pet Show & Tell

Do you have an awesome pet that you'd love to show off? Show off your pet and share a few fun facts at our virtual Pet Show and Tell on Monday, July 12<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm. Registration is required.



#### Pet Show & Tell

MONDAY, JULY 12  
@ 1 PM

#### Sherlock Murder Mystery (for Teens!)

Welcome to the crime-filled streets of Sherlock Holmes' London! Join us on Wednesday, June 30<sup>th</sup> at 3 pm to investigate a murder and test our skills against the famous detective. Discord account required to join. Fill out a Falls Library Discord application to get access to the server.

#### Light of the Lakes

Join renowned photographer Phillip L. Block on Thursday, June 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm via Zoom for Light of the Lakes, a presentation showcasing his stunning photographs of lighthouses on Lake Michigan and Lake Superior. Register by calling the Library at (262) 532-8920 or online at [MenomoneeFallsLibrary.org](https://MenomoneeFallsLibrary.org)



## Library Announcements

Get summertime ready with a library card! Did you know that when your child visits the Library without you, they will need their own library card to borrow materials? Get your kids set up with their own card so if they visit the Library with friends, neighbors, grandparents, or the sitter they can borrow materials. Start the process online and finish up at our Circulation Desk during open hours. Do your kids already have a card? That's great! Add the cards to our new app and always have their card on you to place holds, renew, and browse the catalog.

### Explore, Learn, Grow, and Connect at the Library!

For more information on library programs, services or resources, please call 262-532-8900, stop in or visit the library website - [menomoneefallslibrary.org](http://menomoneefallslibrary.org)



## Summer Chamber Events *in the Parks*

The Menomonee Falls Chamber of Commerce, Inc. is a business membership organization dedicated to providing the services and support to encourage the ongoing economic development in the area. This summer, the Menomonee Falls Chamber of Commerce is holding public events at Village Park and Old Falls Village.

### Thursday June 17, 2021

Food Tasting, Beer Garden, Entertainment, and Raffles—what more could you ask for in a party? In the first year open to the public, the food tasting portion of this event is all **SOLD OUT!** Don't let that stop you from picking up your own dinner and coming down to the beer garden to enjoy entertainment from former Bella Cain front man, Nashville recording artist and Sussex native, Breken Miles. See you at Village Park!

### Thursday August 12, 2021

Join us for a Business After 5 in conjunction with Old Falls Village and the Germantown Chamber of Commerce! Visit the Old Falls Village Depot Beer Garden for a special night to learn about the Chamber and meet the Board of Directors from Menomonee Falls and Germantown!

\*The Beer Garden is Open to the Public 5- 9 pm

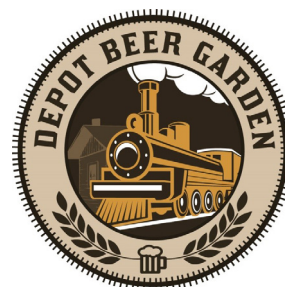


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## PARTY IN THE PARK *A LA CARTE*

Presented by: **TOWN BANK**  
A WELLS FARGO COMMUNITY BANK



Old Falls Village







### Depot Beer Garden

Open every Saturday through October 2 from 3 pm – 9 pm  
Live music, craft beers on tap, soft drinks, root beer floats, hot dogs, hamburgers, brats, pizza, large pretzels with cheese.  
Admission: FREE

### WWII Days

Saturday, June 19 from 10 am – 5 pm  
Sunday, June 20 from 10 am – 4 pm  
Battle Re-enactment at 2 pm both days  
Weapons demonstrations, beer garden, 1940s music, living history displays & more  
Admission: Adults \$6; Vets \$3 with ID; children (ages 5-12) \$2; under 5 free.  
Refreshments available.



### Civil War Encampment

Saturday, July 17 from 10 am – 5 pm  
Sunday, July 18 from 10 am – 5 pm  
Enjoy walking the grounds visiting military camps of the Union and Confederates as well as civilian life during the Civil War.  
Admission: Adults \$6; Vets \$3 with ID; children (ages 5-12) \$2; under 5 free.  
Refreshments available.



### Roaring 20s Day at the Depot Beer Garden

Saturday, August 21 from Noon – 9 pm  
Take a trip back to Prohibition Days. Visit the "Speak Easy" at the Depot Beer Garden with Suffragette marches and gangsters raiding stills. Dance to the Dixielanders from 6 pm – 8 pm. Admission: FREE



For more information visit [www.oldfallsvillage.com](http://www.oldfallsvillage.com)  
or [www.facebook.com/OldFallsVillage](https://www.facebook.com/OldFallsVillage)



# Meet Officer Michael Schroeder and K-9 Partner Tango

## A Year in Review (From the Human Perspective)



Hello everyone,

I thought it was a good idea to re-introduce myself and my four-legged partner to everyone. It has been a little over a year since K-9 Tango and I began working together. I wanted to speak to those who were not aware of the department's canine unit and to give a little bit of an update too. Tango and I have big shoes to fill after the retirement of Tyson (K-9) in 2019 whose handler was Officer Chris Harding.

Tango and I began training together in January 2020, at Jessiffany Canine Service in Iron Ridge, Wisconsin. We were paired together after Tango's trip from the Netherlands. He was born in Hungary in 2018. Tango is a male German Shepherd. We spent five weeks training together and much of that time was spent bonding and building a cohesive working partnership. We learned drug detection, article searches, tracking, building searches, vehicle extractions and apprehension work. It was extremely challenging, but I enjoyed the time learning and creating lasting memories. After the five-week training course, Tango and I were proficient enough to certify with the American Police Canine Association.

Our patrol work started in February 2020 with traffic related drug interdictions and other related work. Tango has been requested to assist other agencies around Waukesha, Milwaukee, and Washington Counties. We have assisted in the arrest of people in possession of guns and illegal drugs.

Tango (pictured below) has been on patrol in Menomonee Falls since February 2020



Tango has been requested for numerous tracks and person searches as well.

Tango and I continue to grow and improve our patrol skills. We train monthly with the Waukesha County Canine Unit. I have seen Tango mature and become more confident during deployments and scenarios. He's an excellent worker and does it all for a tennis ball!

In May, Tango and I competed against 27 other canine teams from around Wisconsin and Iowa. The 12 events included building and open area searches for people, vehicle extraction, handler protection, and drug detection. Tango and I finished eighth overall, and I am very proud of him.



## Officer Schroeder & Tango Continued...

We have been invited to do public demonstrations and public events. Due to the pandemic, we did not get as many opportunities as I would have hoped. As things improve, I hope to have many more opportunities to meet Menomonee Falls residents and visitors. I know K-9 Tango has a lot of fans and

support out there in the community and I thank you for that. My partner and I will always do our best to keep everyone safe.

Officer Michael Schroeder & Tango



Village Park  
performance  
stage



Main Street during Falls Memorial Fest, 2021




## Selected Downtown Events

All summer	Farmer's Market (every Wednesday)
All summer	Beer Garden (every Wednesday)
6.17.2021	Chamber of Commerce Party in the Park
6.24.2021	<b>Sunset Concert Series #1</b>
6.25.2021	Art Walk
6.30.2021	Beer Garden 5k
7.1.2021	Milwaukee Philharmonic Concert
7.2.2021	Falls Patio Players
7.11.2021	Sunday Farmer's Market starts
7.12–17 2021	Lavender Festival
7.15.2021	<b>Sunset Concert Series #2</b>
7.20.2021	FIT in the Parks - Family Boot Camp
7.24.2021	Christmas in July
7.28.2021	Accompany of Kids
8.5.2021	Hit Men Concert
8.19.2021	<b>Sunset Concert Series #3</b>
8.22.2021	Art in the Park
8.28.2021	Ice Cream Social

For more information visit [www.menomoneefallsdowntown.com](http://www.menomoneefallsdowntown.com)  
or [www.facebook.com/fallsdowntown/](https://www.facebook.com/fallsdowntown/)





The Independence Day fireworks  
(held July 3<sup>rd</sup>) are back on for 2021

## Welcome to Menomonee Falls!

Menomonee Falls is a growing community and is now home to over 38,000 people. Whether you own or rent, we would like to help you become familiar with the services, resources, and organizations that new residents most frequently ask about. Follow this link (and share with newcomers in your neighborhood) for information to help you settle in: [menomonee-falls.org/newresident](https://menomonee-falls.org/newresident)

## Points of Pride

[Safewise](#) ranks Menomonee Falls as the 2<sup>nd</sup> safest city in Wisconsin over 30,000 residents in 2021

[AreaVibes.com](#) ranks Menomonee Falls as one of the top 10 best places to live in Wisconsin for 2021

## Weekly Events



Saturdays 3 pm to 9 pm  
through October 3

## Volunteer Opportunity

ERAS Senior Network is looking for volunteers to place calls to local seniors and adults with disabilities on a weekly basis to help combat the feelings of loneliness. Currently, nearly 300 seniors are on our waiting list to receive a weekly friendly phone call. Interested? Contact Marisa Strothenke, Volunteer Coordinator, at (262) 522-2402 or [Marisa.Strothenke@Eras.org](mailto:Marisa.Strothenke@Eras.org)



The Greater Menomonee Falls Foundation is hosting the 2021 Farmers Market at Village Park on Wednesdays, 2 pm to 6 pm through October 13. See [fallsfarmersmarket.org](https://fallsfarmersmarket.org) for details

## Summer Calendar

ONGOING Virtual Fundraiser  
Wheeling and Heeling for Cancer  
Ride, Walk, & Run in support of care for  
patients @ Froedtert Men. Falls Hospital

SAT & SUN June 19 & 20 @ 10 am  
World War II Days  
Reenactments, skits, and presentations  
Old Falls Village

THURSDAY June 24 @ 6 pm  
Sunset Concert Series #1  
Live music, food, and drink  
Village Park

THURSDAY July 1 @ 6:30 pm  
First Thursdays in the Park Concert #1  
Milwaukee Philharmonic  
Village Park

SATURDAY JULY 3 @ 9:30 pm  
Independence Day Fireworks  
Between Menomonee Falls High  
School & Ben Franklin Elementary

SATURDAY JULY 17  
Lavender Fest  
Vendors, food, and specialty items  
Village Park & Centennial Plaza

SUNDAY AUGUST 22 @ 10 am  
Art in the Park  
Celebration of local artists & art  
Village Park

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Falls**

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