



# Village of Spencer

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WINTER 2019/20

## UPDATES FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR

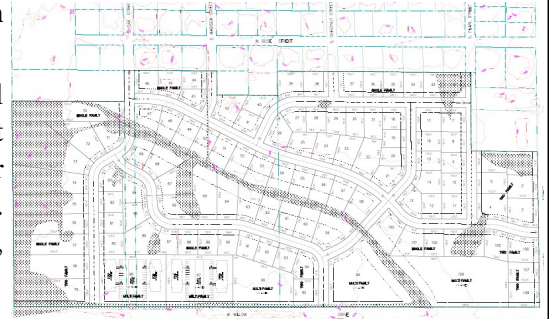
**Trails** - In late 2018, the Village conducted a study to see the viability of walking and bike trails. At the time, the \$5 million price tag made it not a feasible project for the community. The Village Board is looking to scale down the scope of the project and do little sections at a time. We are hoping to get involvement from members of the community on the planning and building of these trails. If you are interested in having trails around the Village and helping to build them, please contact us at 715-659-5423. The Village continues to try to provide quality recreational opportunities for the residents of Spencer.

*Trail*

**Kobs Street Wastewater Project** - In 2020, the Village is beginning a two phase project upgrading our wastewater collection system. The goal of this project is to replace aging sewer lines, increase capacity, and prevent basement back-ups. The first phase will be to install a new line from S. Park Street, underneath Highway 13, to Depot Street. The second phase will take place in 2021. Phase 2 includes replacing the sewer line on S. Park Street from Kobs Street north to the alley between E. Louisa Street and E. Wendell Street and then over to S. LaSalle Street. Once both phases are complete, heavy rainfall events should no longer cause back-ups in this area and other areas that are upstream.

**2020 Streets** - The Village is planning to complete the roadwork in the Aspen Street, Apple Street, and Grant Street area. This year we were able to remove the chip-seal layer and repave on Grant Street and 100 feet up both Aspen and Apple Streets. In 2020 we will be continuing the project and finishing both Aspen Street and Apple Street.

**Land Development** - The Village is continuing to design the new residential development off of S. LaSalle St. The basic layout has been agreed on. The next step is conducting a storm water study which the Village is undertaking. Our goal is to break ground next spring and have developers start building next year. If you know anyone interested in building single family, senior housing rentals, or multifamily rental units, please have them contact the Village Office.



## MESSAGE FROM THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT



Here we are in the last quarter of 2019. Soon it will be 2020 with the significant events the new year will bring. Two of the bigger things are the 2020 Census Count and National and Local Elections. Both are important and require your active participation.

I encourage every household to complete the Census forms when they arrive. Data collected in the census is used to determine voting districts and representation, and funding and grant opportunities. Family size, ages, and incomes help to determine where funding is needed based on demographic information. All of this information is used by organizations and governments to plan programs and budgets.

The right to vote is a most important right for each citizen. It gives every legal registered citizen the right to express their will. It is your opportunity to make a difference. In 2020 there will be local, state and national elections. If you are not a registered voter in the Village, make sure you get into the Village Office to fill out the voter registration form.

## SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL - CODE 418-10

The owner, occupant or person in charge of any parcel or lot which fronts any sidewalk shall keep said sidewalk clear of all snow and ice.

Sidewalks shall be cleared of all accumulated snow and/or ice within 36 hours if your lot is located in a commercial or institutional zoning district and 72 hours if your lot is in a residential district from the time the snow ceases to accumulate on said sidewalk.

Sidewalks are to be kept clear of snow and ice to a minimum of four feet in width. In the event that ice has formed on any sidewalk in such a manner that it cannot be removed, the owner, occupant or person in charge of the parcel or lot shall keep the sidewalk sprinkled with sand and/or salt to permit safe travel by pedestrians.

Failure to comply with the above requirements will cause the Village to clean any walk that is not cleared, without prior notice, and bill the responsible landowner.

See [www.spencerwi.org](http://www.spencerwi.org) - Ordinance Book, for the complete ordinance.

# at the TACK

Hibernation is fine for some, for a while. Keep in mind that the Tack offers a number of solutions for chasing away the doldrums of the snowy season. Check out the following options and remember that tickets make greatly appreciated gifts!

As sometimes happens, performers “en route” from one (usually bigger) venue to the next need another place to play. Such is the case with a special holiday event being held on Sunday, December 15 at 5:00pm. Fans of the Windham Hill recording label will remember the **Winter Solstice** series. On its 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, two of the original performers will join another duo of seasoned musicians to perform Christmas carols and original tunes on acoustic instruments in their signature warm, mellow style. The Tack is their **ONLY** stop in Wisconsin!



Even if you think you hate opera and aren't sure what a “tenor” is, you will not want to miss the **3 Redneck Tenors** coming Sunday, January 26 at 2:00pm. It's been said that if Larry the Cable Guy, Il Divo, and Mrs. Doubtfire had a baby, that child would be the **3 Redneck Tenors**. No doubt at least one of your neighbors has already seen these



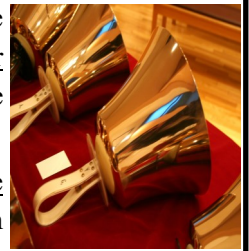
performers as either top finalists on America's Got Talent” or on stage in Branson, MO. Here's the perfect opportunity to see them **LIVE** in Spencer, WI.

And just in time for Valentine's Day, bring your honey to **Heart By Heart** featuring two original members of the 80's rock band, HEART. If you caught David Victor's “Hits of Boston & Styx” in October, OR if you've been kicking yourself for NOT being in that audience, you **MUST** check out **Heart By Heart**. They consider it their duty to create music that is authentic, passionate and true to HEART'S original recordings. Jumpstart your Valentine weekend on Thursday, February 13 at 7:00pm with **Heart By Heart!**

Visit [lucilletackcenter.com](http://lucilletackcenter.com)  
or call 715.659.4499 for more information.

## LIBRARY NEWS

**December 10th @ 9-10am** - The Spencer High School Hand-bell Choir will perform in the meeting room of the Village complex.



**December 12th @ 6-7pm** - “Jingle the Night Away”. Bring your children in for a night of holiday crafts and stories.

**January 7th @ 9-10am** - “What's New in Spencer?” Village Clerk, Paul Hensch, and Spencer Police Chief, Shawn Bauer, will present a review of what has happened in Spencer and upcoming projects.

**Starting January 13, 2020**, all Marathon County Libraries will have new hours. **The Spencer Branch new hours will be:**

Monday	1:00pm - 7:00pm
Tuesday	10:00am - 4:00pm
Wednesday	1:00pm - 7:00pm
Thursday	10:00am - 4:00pm
Friday	10:00am - 4:00pm
Saturday	10:00am 2:00pm



With the new changes in library hours, there will be a few changes to the program times also. Some are minor, while some are significant.

The first Tuesday of every month programs will be at 10:00am instead of 9:00am

The Monday night book club will meet at 5:45pm instead of 6:00pm.

Story Time/Play N Learn will meet on Wednesdays at 2:00 pm instead of 10:00am.

**February 4th @ 10-11am** - “Meet K-9 Ella”. Officer Mindy Stellmach & Police Chief, Shawn Bauer, will show us what Ella is trained to do.

**February 10th @ 5:30-6:30pm** - “Respect, Honor and Gratitude”. Please help us honor our Veterans on the Never Forgotten Honor Flight that will take off in April as we try to hit our goal of over 100 cards and posters that will be handed out on the Honor Flight. All supplies will be provided. Please consider helping us with the huge project and let our Veterans know that Spencer cares.

## KEEP ALLEYS CLEAR

When snowplowing begins, items that are encroaching the alleys are subject to being hit. Make sure you keep your items far enough away from the alley so the plows can clear the snow safely.





# Community Thanksgiving Worship Service

NOVEMBER 27 AT 7PM

at LuCille Tack Center for the Arts  
In Spencer

Everyone is invited!

Come praise and thank the Lord!

Freewill offering—non-perishable food items OR  
cash for King's Food Pantry, Spencer

## LIGHT THE COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS TREE TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26TH - 6:00 PM

On Tuesday, **November 26**, gather at the Municipal Building at **6pm** to light the Community Christmas Tree. Join the Spencer High Choir members in singing some carols and watch as the tree lights are lit. There will be hot cocoa and cookies provided by the Spencer Woman's Club following the tree lighting. We hope you and your family can join us for this special event.



Decorating will take place on **November 25** starting at **1 pm**. Your help would be appreciated. Dress warm and come to the Village Office if you have time to help. Also, if you have Christmas decorations that will work on an outside tree, please bring them to the village office.

## LUNCH WITH SANTA

Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup> 2019  
The Olde Hall (Spencer Kids Group)  
117 E Clark St, Spencer

10:30 AM to 1:00 PM

Lunch \$2: hotdog, chips, cheese,  
milk, coffee & Christmas Cookies  
Children receive a bag of goodies from the  
Spencer Chamber of Commerce

Free wagon rides!

Children's gift table and craft sponsored by the  
Spencer Woman's Club  
Santa sponsored by the Spencer Lions Club  
Girl Scout activities  
Spencer Kids Group Basket Raffles



## THE SPENCER WOMAN'S CLUB PRESENTS:

### *A Joyful Christmas Tour*

Sunday, December 1, 2019 from 1 - 5 PM



1. McNeely Insurance Agency, LLC, 202 W Clark
2. Amie's Cut Loose, 1103 S LaSalle St
3. James & Amie Kelnhofer, 305 S Madison St
4. Roger & Bev Roehl, 505 W Buse St
5. Jeff & Mary Zahn, 705 W Clark St
6. Doug & Jenny Leonhardt, N9291 Fairhaven Ave

The tour is open to anyone ages 10 & older.

Outdoor signs will be at each location to help you identify them.

Refreshments will be served at 202 W Clark St, and 1103 S LaSalle St.

Profits will be for Village Street Christmas Decorations.

Tickets-\$10 per person in advance, at the Village Office & Amie's Cut Loose or  
\$15 per person, at the door of any of the tour locations

One ticket per person for all 6 locations.

We will have the event no matter the weather. No Refunds.

## THE VILLAGE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FOR HOLIDAY OBSERVANCE:

Thursday, November 28

Friday, November 29

Tuesday, December 24

Wednesday, December 25

Wednesday, January 1, 2020

**CLOSED**

## SPENCERAMA DAYS

June 12, 13, & 14, 2020

## WINTER PARKING - CODE 451-23

No person shall park any vehicle on any street in the Village of Spencer between the hours of 2:00 and 6:00am during the period from November 1 through April 1.

### KEEP WATER READ BUTTONS CLEAR

Please remember to keep a clear path to your meter button for the meter reader. Snow should be cleared to allow easy access. If a fence, porch or other item causes access to be a problem, contact the Village Office to discuss options to move your button.



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Spencer, WI 54479

PRESORTED STD  
U.S. POSTAGE  
PERMIT #3  
SPENCER, WI 54479

Besides mail or stopping in the office, you can pay your water bill...

With automatic payments on the 15th with no additional fee (contact the Village Office for a form to fill out or find it on [spencerwi.org](http://spencerwi.org)) OR

Through PSN (credit or check) by going to [spencerwi.org](http://spencerwi.org) and click on the "online payment" tab. OR

You can also drop payments in the Payment Drop Box after hours located next to the door on the police entrance side of the Municipal Building.

### WHAT'S HAPPENING IN SPENCER

2nd Monday, each month - 6:30pm, Village Board Meeting - Board Room

Wednesdays - 10-11am, Story Time/Play N Learn: 11/6, 11/13, 11/20, 12/4, 12/11, 12/18 - Meeting Room

***New Library Hours starting January 13, 2020: Mon. & Wed. 1-7pm, Tues., Thurs., & Fri. 10am-4pm, Sat., 10am-2pm;***

***\*New Library Program Times starting January 13: 1st Tuesday monthly programs -10am; Monday book club -5:45pm; Story Time/Play N Learn -Wednesdays -2pm***

1st Tuesday, monthly - 7pm, Spencer American Legion - Meeting Room

1st & 3rd Tuesday, monthly - Cribbage at the Library - 1-3pm, 2019 Fall dates: 11/19, 12/3, 12/17 (future dates TBA)

2nd Thursday, monthly - 7pm - Shady Lane 4H - Meeting Room

4th Tuesday, monthly - 5pm - C.O.M.E. (Community Outreach Meal for Everyone) - St. Johns Lutheran Church

November 23 until gone - Spencer Lions' Club Christmas Tree Sale, at R&R Flooring

November 25 - 1pm - Decorate the Village Christmas Tree - Municipal Building

November 26 - 6pm - Light the Village Christmas Tree with Carols, Hot Cocoa, and Cookies - Municipal Building

November 27 - 7pm - Community Thanksgiving Worship Service - LuCille Tack Center for the Arts

November 28 & 29 - VILLAGE OFFICE CLOSED - HAPPY THANKSGIVING

November 30 - 9am-3pm - Annual PTA Craft Sale - School

December 1 - 1-5pm - A Joyful Christmas Tour - Spencer Woman's Club - advance tickets on sale at Cut Loose & Village Office

December 7 - 10:30am-1pm - Lunch with Santa - Spencer Kids Group Hall

December 10 - 9-10am - Spencer High School Handbell Choir Holiday Concert - Meeting Room

December 12 - 6-7pm - "Jingle the Night Away", Holiday crafts & stories for children, Library

December 15 - 5pm - Winter Solstice Series - LuCille Tack Center for the Arts

December 16 - 6-8pm, December 19 - 3pm, Book Club - Book changed to "The Christmas Quilt"

December 24 & 25 - VILLAGE OFFICE CLOSED - MERRY CHRISTMAS

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