

# VILLAGE NEWS

Village of Benton Newsletter

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**Benton 1st Responders**  
P.O. Box 137  
Benton, WI 53803

*We Need YOU!!!*

Our number of volunteers is critically low.

Interested in becoming a First Responder or doing a ride along?  
email [benton1st@gmail.com](mailto:benton1st@gmail.com)



## PARK SHELTER HOUSE RENTAL

The shelter houses at Village Park on Main Street and Swift Park near the football field are available for rent during regular park hours, 6 AM to 10 PM. Both facilities have restrooms, along with other amenities. Please feel free to come by the Village Office or call (608) 759-3721 to inquire about availability for your next gathering!

## THAT'S GOOD TO KNOW!

### Parking Update: Main Street, between N Van Buren and Bean Streets

Effective immediately, parking on Main Street between N Van Buren and Bean Streets is prohibited from 3 AM to 6 AM. This is on both sides of the street, enforced year round, and violators are subject to a fine and/or towing (at their own expense). This allows our public works crew to clean and maintain the street more effectively.

### Village Garage Parking Lot

There is absolutely no unauthorized parking allowed in the Village Garage parking lot. This also applies to hours after the regular work day. In the event of a weather or public works emergency, the crew needs access to pull the trucks out and back into the garage. Violators are subject to a fine and/or towing (at their own expense).

### Dog Licenses

Any dog older than 5 months old that is being kept within the Village of Benton must be licensed. The fee for this license is \$10.00 for a spayed or neutered dog and \$15.00 for an unaltered dog. This fee includes a \$5.00 late fee that is assessed for any dogs licensed after April 1<sup>st</sup>. Please refer to Wisconsin Statutes § 174.05(1) through 174.07, which outlines the requirements and fees for owning a dog in the state of Wisconsin.

### Garbage and Recycling Pick-up: Memorial Day

Memorial Day garbage and recycling pick-up will be on Tuesday, May 31<sup>st</sup>.

# Sign up for Direct Payment for your utility bill today!

No late charges! Save on time and postage! Easy to sign up!

To take advantage of this convenient service, you can find the *Direct Payment Authorization* form online at [www.bentonwi.us/forms-permits/](http://www.bentonwi.us/forms-permits/), or stop by the Village Office today!

## IMPORTANT DATES

### 2022 Spring Election — Tuesday, April 5<sup>th</sup>

On the Ballot >>>>

Court of Appeals Judge, District 4 >> Brian Blanchard

County Supervisor, District 16 >> Rita Buchholz

Benton Village Trustee (3 positions) >> Chuck Wartner; Scott Cruse; David Ralph; John Perkins; Joe Slater

Benton School Board Member (3 positions) >> Jordan Kieler; Ryan Kern; Paul Klang

Benton School Referendum >> Regarding revenue limits for 2022-2023 through 2025-2026 school years

### Supervised Burn Days — April 3<sup>rd</sup> through 17<sup>th</sup>

Fires should not be started before 7 AM Sunday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, and must be completely extinguished by 5 PM Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup>. Burning of materials other than brush, leaves, and garden waster, or burning outside of these specified times may result in a fine of up to \$100.

### Brush Pick-up — April 11<sup>th</sup> through April 15<sup>th</sup>

Place brush to the curb no later than 7 AM Monday, April 11<sup>th</sup>. No branches greater than 4" in diameter or longer than 8'. Place larger end of branches toward the street. Bundle or box small twigs. Do not pile leaves and brush together, this can make pick-up difficult. No whole trees; pick-up is for seasonal pruning and yard clean up.

### Leaf & Garden Pick-up — April 11<sup>th</sup> through April 15<sup>th</sup>

**PLEASE BAG YOUR LEAVES!**

Place to the curb no later than 7 AM Monday, April 11<sup>th</sup>. Separate leaves and garden waste. **BAG YOUR LEAVES.** Place in area between the sidewalk and curb. Do not rake leaves into the street.

### Hydrant Flushing — May 2<sup>nd</sup> through May 6<sup>th</sup>

Flushing of the water distribution system helps remove the accumulation of mineral deposits (usually iron and manganese) from water mains. This may cause discolored water, which may be drawn into homes and business if water is used during or immediately following flushing operations in the neighborhood. If customers experience discolored water during this time, it can be cleared by opening the cold, hard water taps nearest to the water meter to full flow until the water runs clear. If discoloration persists, contact the Village Office. Washing clothes in discolored water may cause laundry stains. Customers should not use discolored water for drinking or cooking.

**PLEASE REFRAIN FROM DOING LAUNDRY DURING THESE TIMES DUE TO RISK OF RUST.**

**Please feel free to take brush, leaves, & garden waste to the Village compost site. The compost site is located on Dump Road. The compost will remain open and there will not be a gate. However, if we start seeing items other than brush, leaves and garden waste, the gate will be reinstalled.**





# Benton Community Fund

*a charitable endowment for the Benton area*

We are so fortunate to live in a community where volunteer responders answer the call when emergency services are required. The Benton First Responders and Hazel Green Area Rescue Squad each recently received grants from the Benton Community Fund to assist the organizations in having the right equipment (updated AED, LifePak) to provide exceptional care to those in need. Thank you to our wonderful emergency response personnel for their service and to our generous donors who make these grants possible.



Thanks to the following donors since our last update:

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Your Name \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

This donation is made (circle one) in honor or memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make your check payable to Benton Community Fund. Donations can also be made securely online via the Community Foundation of Southern Wisconsin website at cfsw.org.

**MAILING ADDRESS:**

Benton Community Fund Processing  
 PO Box 8125  
 Janesville, WI 53547

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