

Newsletter



CITY HOLIDAY HOURS

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Winter Parking Rules

DECEMBER 1-APRIL 1

During the winter months, beginning December 1, there is **“No parking on any street within city limits between the hours of 2:00am and 6:00am”**. This includes the evening of April 1st. (Ch. 400-13).

“SNOW” MUCH FUN!!



THIRD Thursday
Downtown Port Washington

Santa in the Snow Globe
WITH LIVE CHRISTMAS MUSIC
while you shop, eat & drink!

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21ST
5-7 PM
HEART OF THE HARBOR
(EAST END OF MAIN STREET)

PORT WASHINGTON WISCONSIN
DOWNTOWN PORT

Bring the littles to meet Santa in the Snow Globe at the “Heart of the Harbor” on Thursday, December 21st from 5:00 to 7:00pm! This event is a collaboration between the City of Port Washington Parks and Recreation Department, the Friends of Port Washington Parks and Recreation, and Port Washington Main Street.

Warm up by the Heart of the Harbor fire sculpture, enjoy live holiday music and some sweet treats as you stroll through historic Downtown Port Washington. Check off your holiday gift list by supporting our local small businesses.

There are “Third Thursday” food and drink specials along with live music at Singing Salmon Saloon. Come out and celebrate the season in this festive atmosphere!!



Seasons Greetings from the eastern shores of Lake Michigan



2023-2024 SKI AND SNOWBOARD CLUB

Sign up for our Ski and Snowboard club to enjoy the slopes and HUGE savings! This club is open to anyone 5 and up. Club members will be able to attend Sunburst on the selected club dates. Beginner lessons are included and will be at 6:30 PM on club dates. For more information contact our office or visit us online!

Activity #	Dates	Days	Time	Fees
1798	1/12, 1/26, 2/9, 2/23	F	3:30 - 9:30 P	\$149/\$183 w/ rental

SUNBURST RECREATION



Learn to shred the slopes like Santa! Follow the link to register online at [Parks & Recreation Department](#)

HOW TO DISPOSE OF HOLIDAY DECORATIONS & TREE



Natural wreaths & garland are considered trash:

- Place in trash cart.



Natural trees will be collected **curbside** several times **during January**:

- Remove tree from stand
- Remove light strings & ornaments
- Remove tree bags



“Squeeze” in a visit to the W.J. Niederkorn Library and help “Save The Day” by donating blood at the Versiti Blood Center of Wisconsin Blood Drive. Appointments are strongly encouraged and can be made by calling 877-232-4376 or online at: donate.wisconsin.versiti.org.

Wednesday, December 27, 2023



2:00 pm to 6:00 pm

W.J. Niederkorn Library
316 W Grand Ave
Community Room

Meet the 2023 Key to the City recipients!

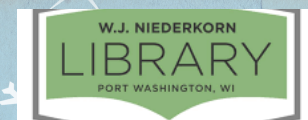
- **Community Leadership**-Port Washington High School Students & Staff
- **Non-Profit Organization**-Port Washington Main Street
- **Philanthropic Organization**-Port Washington State Bank
- **Service to the City**-Fish Day Champions



PLEASE COMPLETE & RETURN THE 2023 RESIDENT, VISITOR, AND BUSINESS INFORMATION SURVEY FORM MAILED TO EACH RESIDENCE. IF YOU NEED A FORM, PLEASE CALL OR VISIT CITY HALL.

Wastewater Award

We are pleased to announce that Port Washington Wastewater Treatment Plant Superintendent Dan Buehler was honored by the Wisconsin Wastewater Operators Association (WWOA) as the 2023 South East Wisconsin Operator of the Year. Dan’s ongoing diligence, innovation, commitment to safety and efficiency for the plant, the staff, and the greater community were recognized with the honor of this distinguished award.



Come on in, we’re a Warming Site

What Is A Warming Site?

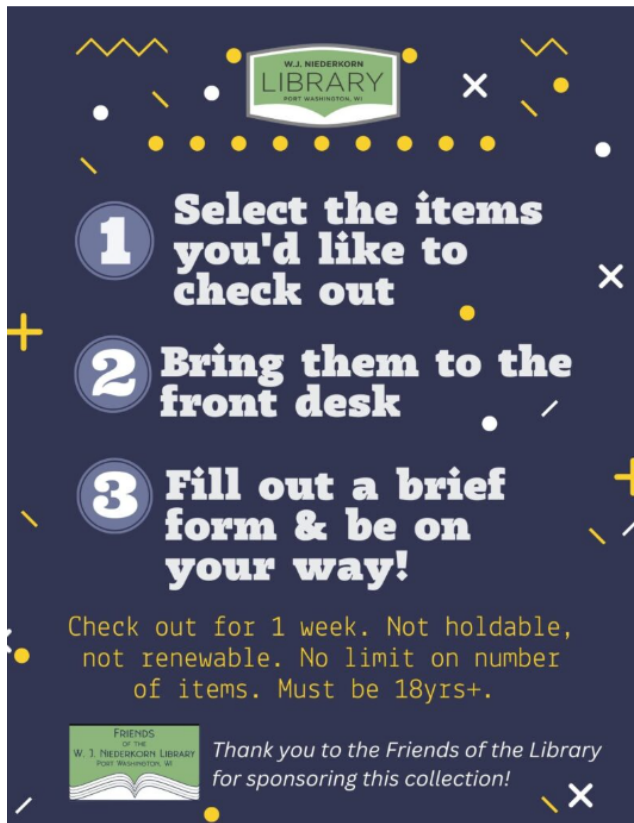
- The W.J. Niederkorn Library is a designated location open to the public for those who need to take shelter from extreme weather
- Available during regular business hours
- This is not a shelter that offers showers, healthcare, food or other services.
- **Questions**, please contact the **Washington/Ozaukee Public Health Department (262-335-4462 or 262-284-8170)**

Create New Traditions

library of things

@THE W.J. NIEDERKORN LIBRARY

Check out a punch bowl or a cake platter, a cupcake stand, a disco ball, a holiday cookbook - and make memories that last a lifetime! Visit the Library to investigate their "Library of things"!



1 Select the items you'd like to check out

2 Bring them to the front desk

3 Fill out a brief form & be on your way!

Check out for 1 week. Not holdable, not renewable. No limit on number of items. Must be 18yrs+.

Thank you to the Friends of the Library for sponsoring this collection!



Sledding Anyone?

Grab your toboggan, sled or snow tube and head to Meadow Park. Located at 1400 West Portview Drive, Meadow Park might become your family's favorite sledding destination!

Piano Lessons are available by appointment at the Senior Center

- Lessons available year-round for Senior Center members
- Tuesdays - 9:00am to 1:00pm
- Cost - \$30 per half hour
- Call 262-284-5821 or visit the Senior Center at 403 W Foster St for info



CORNHOLE

Adult & Senior Leagues

REC DEPARTMENT - AGE 21+



Indoor Winter Cornhole League *NEW*

Grab a buddy and sign up for our NEW indoor Winter cornhole league! We will be partnering with Inventor's Brewpub for this league which will be held in their beer Hall on Tuesday nights.

League runs Jan 9-Mar 12; 6:00-8:00pm; \$70 team fee; Register at the Rec Dept, 201 N Webster St, or via this [link](#)

SENIOR CENTER - AGE 50+

CORNHOLE EVENING INDOOR LEAGUE

League runs Jan-Mar on the 1st, 3rd & 5th Monday night, 6:15-7:45pm. Register at the Senior Center, 403 W Foster St., or call 262-284-5821. A "Group Coordinator is needed!"

Snow



Safety



Tips

Snowpocalypse, SnOMG, Snowmageddon, Thunder Snow - it makes no difference the amount, even run-of-the mill snowfalls come with the risk of death associated with shoveling. Each year, 100 snow shoveling deaths occur nationwide. The [National Safety Council](#) has some [tips](#) for safe snow removal :

Tips for Save Shoveling

- Watch the cold temperatures, which increase heart rate & blood pressure.
- Sedentary folks - use caution to prevent over-exertion.
- Folks with a history of heart disease - consult your doctor before picking up a snow shovel.
- Do not shovel after eating or while smoking.
- Take is slow & stretch before starting to shovel.
- Shovel only fresh, powdery snow.
- If you lift it, use a small shovel or partially fill a large shovel.
- Lift with your legs, not your back.
- Do not work to the point of exhaustion - take breaks.
- If experiencing any of the signs of a heart attack, stop immediately and call 911:
 - Chest discomfort
 - Discomfort in other areas of upper body
 - Shortness of breath
 - Cold sweat
 - Nausea
 - Lightheadedness

Snow Blower Safety

- Pushing a heavy snow blower can cause heart strain.
- If the blower jams, turn it off.
- Keep hands away from moving parts.
- Be aware of carbon monoxide risk when running the blower in an enclosed space.
- Add fuel outdoors, before starting - NEVER add fuel when blower is running.
- NEVER leave the blower unattended when it is running.



HOME HOLIDAY SAFETY



ReadyWisconsin encourages the following home safety tips during the holidays:



Candles -

- NEVER leave unattended.
- Keep away from kids & pets.
- Keep 12 inches away from flammable materials.



Wired electric lights -

- Inspect before decorating trees.
- Replace sets with broken cords & loose bulbs.
- Follow manufacturer instructions for indoor or outdoor usage.
- NEVER link more than 3 light sets together, unless manufacturer instructions allow it.
- If wires feel warm to the touch, unplug & remove them.
- Turn off all lights on trees & other decorations when going to bed or leaving the house.



Holiday trees -

- Water live trees daily.
- Place 3 feet or more away from heat sources.



Other home safety tips -

- Keep decorations away from stove/oven.
- Keep a fire extinguisher nearby.
- Test smoke alarms monthly & replace batteries as needed.
- Create an escape plan with 2 ways to exit & practice it regularly.

Visit ReadyWisconsin.wi.gov for complete info.



Attention Pet Parents!!

↓ TIME TO LICENSE YOUR ANIMALS ↓

Cats, dogs & pot bellied pigs must be licensed every calendar year ([City code Ch.141.1](#)). Purchase the license (\$6 [spayed/neutered]/\$11 [non-spayed/neutered]) in the Finance Office at City Hall. License must be purchased by March 31st to avoid \$5 late fee. Bring a current rabies certificate from the vaccinating veterinarian for each pet.



Mayor Ted Neitzke IV
262-483-3997
tneitzke@portwashingtonwi.gov

While I was driving in our amazing holiday parade last week, I was observing as families and community members were proudly watching the best elements of our city on display, local business, our schools, community groups, supportive partnerships, and of course jolly old Santa. While driving I was thinking about this past year and the upcoming year. I was also hoping one of the thousands of kids wouldn't run in front of my truck.

Now, what do we have to look forward to in 2024? A lot. We have significant infrastructural improvements coming that will ensure basic life services with water and sewer upgraded to a high standard. We will see improvements to our streets, parks, safety, and our downtown. We will see more art, continue with an amazing series of events that we can proudly participate in, and we will continue to love one of the most quaint and beautiful communities in the world.

We will also see our council tackle many of the legacy issues we have inherited. We will be leaning into the community for ideas, input, and support. We must address our facilities for learning, longevity, and our lives. In other words, our library, our senior center, and our police and fire facilities and staffing.

As Port Washington continues to grow and enjoy its resources and events and ignite the desire for others to live here, we must keep a keen eye on the current state of our city-owned and operated facilities and services. This is a good problem for us, and we will be creative in addressing the issues. I will continue to ask that you support us with ideas, input, and service to our city. I will especially need your willingness to volunteer to support events like Fish Day and many of our Boards, Commissions and Committees that are fueled by the wisdom of community members.

2024 is going to be a year to look forward to as a resident of our city. We will continue to move forward with two eyes. One eye focused on preserving all the amazing things that make our city "Port Washington", while the other eye is clearly focused on the future and being strategic so that the next generation inherits a community that they can be proud to call home.

I hope that you have a holiday season filled with joy. I pray that you will be healthy as we go into the new year, and I am grateful that you have allowed me the privilege to be mayor in 2023. It was an amazing year for our city and 2024 will be even better.

Seasons Greetings and Good Wishes for the New Year, Mayor Ted Neitzke



Spring Election - April 2, 2024



Election Details - An election is to be held in the City of Port Washington on Tuesday, April 2, 2024. The following offices are to be elected to succeed the present incumbents listed below:

Office

Mayor
Aldersperson, District 2
Aldersperson, Districts 4 & 8
Aldersperson, District 6

Incumbent

Theodore Neitzke IV (3-year term)
Paul Neumyer (2-year term)
Dan Benning (2-year term)
Patrick Tearney (2-year term)

Office Terms

The term for mayor and aldersperson begins on Tuesday, April 16, 2024. The term for all other offices begins on May 1, 2024. All terms are two years unless otherwise stated.

District Boundaries

Information concerning aldermanic district boundaries may be obtained from Susan L. Westerbeke Port Washington City Clerk, 100 W. Grand Avenue, Port Washington, WI 53074 or the city website at www.portwashingtonwi.gov.

For Candidates

The first day to circulate nomination papers is December 1, 2023, and the final day for filing nomination papers is 5:00 p.m., on Tuesday, January 2, 2024, in the office of the City Clerk.

Primary Election

If a primary is necessary, the primary will be held on Tuesday, February 20, 2024.

Additional Information

Acceptable Photo ID will be required to vote at this election. If you do not have a Photo ID, you may obtain a free ID for voting from the Division of Motor Vehicles.



welcome winter!

As winter weather begins, please be aware of the City Ordinances regarding snow removal. According City Code Chapter 370-9 owners/occupants are responsible to remove and clear away snow and ice from sidewalks within 24 hours of cessation of a snow, sleet, or freezing rain event.

- ❄ If snow/ice hardens - It must be treated with sand or other abrasive to make travel reasonably safe until it can be completely removed.
- ❄ Do not deposit snow/ice in roadway & sidewalks.
- ❄ Shovel out fire hydrants & mailbox areas.
- ❄ Failure to remove snow can result in additional costs to the owner/occupant resulting from the City's cost for removal.
- ❄ Landlord/tenant should clarify in advance which party is managing snow/ice removal.

2024 FACILITY RESERVATIONS REQUESTS

Consider hosting your 2024 event in one of our scenic parks! **2024 reservation requests will be accepted at the Recreation Department Office, 201 N Webster, or online beginning January 2, 2024.** No reservations are accepted by phone. Facilities are available for rental May 1 through October 31. Please note, special events occur throughout the year, and dates of the special events are subject to change. Please have several dates in mind when booking your reservation requests!

Elected Officials

DISTRICT 1
Deborah Postl
414-550-0034

DISTRICT 2
Paul Neumyer
262-689-2668

DISTRICT 3
Michael Gasper
262-235-2824

DISTRICT 4 & 8
Dan Benning
414-207-3487

DISTRICT 5
Jonathan Pleitner
219-793-2260

DISTRICT 6
Patrick Tearney
262-388-6697

DISTRICT 7
John Sigwart
920-946-0215



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100 W. Grand Ave.

P.O. Box 307

Port Washington, WI 53074

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

Ph: 262-284-5585

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