



# VILLAGE OF Stratford WISCONSIN

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Newsletter



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## Connected Device Kit Program

Through our partnership with Focus on Energy, you can take advantage of the latest energy saving technology.

For a limited time, get access to FREE and discounted smart devices, including:



Philips Hue White Starter Kit & TrickleStar 7-Outlet Multi Sensing Advanced Power Strip (FREE)

Retail Value:  
\$149



Emerson Sensi Wi-Fi Programmable Thermostat (FREE)

Retail Value:  
\$129



Nest Thermostat E (FREE)

Retail Value:  
\$169



Nest Learning Thermostat (\$120 Copay)

Retail Value:  
\$249



ecobee4 Smart Thermostat (\$120 Copay)

Retail Value:  
\$249

Visit [www.focusonenergy.com/access](http://www.focusonenergy.com/access) to order today and be sure to have your Stratford Water & Electric account number handy. Your device will ship for free!

Hurry – kits are available as supplies last. There is a limit of 1 pack per eligible household. Please allow 4-6 weeks for your pack to arrive.

See our display in the Municipal Building for more information on this and other valuable Focus on Energy programs!

**QUESTIONS** Call Focus on Energy at 1-800-762-7077

## April Showers...

...can turn into severe weather. These events are nothing new to Central Wisconsin. It's time to start preparing for the spring and summer storm seasons.

**Our Public Safety team will be conducting an official Emergency Siren Testing on Thursday, April 12th starting at 1:45 p.m.** The testing may last several hours and will include short and long bursts from the sirens. **Please be aware there will be additional testing prior to this date.** Check the Stratford Police Department Facebook page for updates.

In the event of severe weather, do you have a plan? Where will you take shelter? Where will you meet family members if you're separated? Do you have a disaster kit? What if the power goes out?

### Look for the following danger signs:

- ◆ Dark, greenish sky
- ◆ Large hail
- ◆ A large, dark, low-lying cloud (particularly if rotating)
- ◆ A loud roar, similar to a freight train

### Have a disaster supply kit ready:

- ◆ First Aid Kit including whistle
- ◆ Medications
- ◆ Battery powered/crank radio and flashlights with extra batteries
- ◆ 3-7 day supply of nonperishable food and water per person
- ◆ Food & medication for your pets

## Know the Difference

### TORNADO WATCH

Conditions are right for tornadoes

**Remain alert**



### TORNADO WARNING

A tornado has been spotted or is imminent

**Take shelter immediately**

Arbor Day will be held on May 2nd, in conjunction with the Stratford School District's celebration of Earth Day. The Village will be working with students and school staff on various projects around town, including tree plantings, litter pick up, and sprucing up the Heritage Trail.

Looking for ways to celebrate? Consider identifying the trees in your own yard - do they need pruning, are they healthy, or should they be removed for safety reasons? Stop by a nursery or garden store to get tips and ideas about where and how to plant your next tree. Remember, if you see buckthorn on your property - GET RID OF IT!

*"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it's the only thing that ever has."* - Margaret Mead

*"To exist as a nation, to prosper as a state, and to live as a people, we must have trees."* - Theodore Roosevelt



## Rental Facilities

The Village of Stratford is pleased to offer a rich and varied system of parks and facilities for public enjoyment and for private rentals.

Plan your next gathering -- family or class reunion, wedding, church or school event -- at one of the parks or at the Community Hall. Indoors, outdoors, play grounds, picnic tables, performance stage - we have it all!

Check for available dates by calling 715-687-4166 or stop in the office before planning your event.

## Special Pick-Up Days

Get your spring cleaning started!

**Curbside Yard Waste Collection:** Prepare your leaves, grass clippings & garden materials in CLEAR plastic bags only. All tree brush & branches must be bundled, not larger than 2' x 8', and not heavier than 50 lbs.

**Spring Clean Up:** Collection of discarded household items such as mattresses, carpet, appliances, furniture, excess garbage, etc... NO tires, waste oil or filters, electronics or construction materials.

Village residents only!

See the calendar below for dates!

## Rummaging Around Stratford

May 3rd - 4th - 5th

Deadline for signing up is April 6th.

Maps will be available at the village office, online, and gas stations later in April.

**Questions?** Contact Diedra @ 715-687-9213 or Maria @ 715-389-8362



Planting season is right around the corner. Make plans now for your garden plot before they are all gone. 4' x 8' garden

plots are located at Klemme Reserve. The **Plot Registration Form** and **Gardener's Agreement** are located on the village's website, click on the 'Forms' tab, or pick them up at the Municipal Building. Plots are free of charge and offered on a first come, first served basis.

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Department	Phone	* Email
Clerk / Treasurer	715-687-4166	stratfordclerk
Police Dept. (non-emergency)	715-687-3131	stratfordpolice
(in emergencies)	Dial 911	
Water & Electric Dept. (billing)	715-687-4166	stratfordutility
Shop (public works & utilities)	715-687-4118	stratfordpubworks

\*Email addresses end in: @stratfordwi.com

Village Ordinances online: <http://www.ecode360.com/ST2150>

For after hours utility emergencies, please call 715-687-4118.

Listen to the message for the staff's "on call" phone number.

## Community Calendar

Apr 16-17 Curbside Yard Waste Collection

Apr 23-24 Curbside Yard Waste Collection

Apr 30 - May 1 Curbside Yard Waste Collection

May 2 ARBOR DAY

May 3-5 Rummaging Around Stratford

May 10 Spring Clean Up Day