



Upcoming Events

- February 10 - Library Board
- February 10 - Plan Commission
- February 11 - Beautification Committee
- February 12 - 4th of July Committee

Quote of the Week

"I still find each day too short for all the thoughts I want to think, all the walks I want to take, all the books I want to read, and all the friends I want to see."

- John Burroughs

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Manager's Office

- The Village Manager attended the Foundation meeting to prepare for this year's Deer Run. The Village Manager met with staff to discuss the DOT presentation on the Highway 57 and 100 interchange.
- The Spring Primary Election will be held on February 18th for the position of Village Trustee. Voting locations will be consolidated to one location at Village Hall in the Board Room.
- The Assistant Manager, Community Development Director, and Operations Captain had a meeting to plan an event that will celebrate the completion of the Original Village Streetscaping project. The event will include entertainment and refreshments. At this point, the details still need to be finalized, and will take place over the next several months leading up to the event scheduled for June 7th.



Park and Recreation



- **Residents and Nonresidents can register for Winter/ Spring programs.** A listing of the Winter/Spring programs can also be viewed on the Village's website. Four ways to register for recreation programs; on-line, in-person at the office, by mail or drop box located in the front of Village Hall.
- Park and Recreation Committee met and reviewed the site plan for River Park and the ordinance establishing the park. Committee also was brought up to date on the Pond Platform replacement project.
- Director attended the Finance and Public Works Committee meeting to present the Pond Platform Replacement Project for their approval and forwarding the project to the Village Board for final approval.
- **Sheepshead Tournament, Saturday, March 22nd at the Lois and Tom Dolan Community Center.** Participants must register in advance for the tournament at the Park and Recreation Department. Tournament begins at 9:00 a.m. consisting of three (3) rounds of 15 games. Registration fee is \$8.00 with a registration deadline of March 14th.
- **Village Park Permits are now being sold for the 2014 picnic season that runs from May 1st – September 30th.** The facilities include a shelter area, grill, volleyball court, horseshoe court and children's play area. Park Permit fees must be paid in full at the time the reservation is filled. Pond Admission Fees will be charged in addition to the Permit Fee and will be assessed the day of the event. A Clean Up Deposit Fee will also be charged the day of the event and will be returned if the shelter and park area are left in good condition.

Public Works

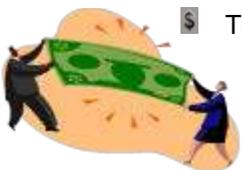


- The Director, Community Services Director, and the Engineering Manager attended a meeting in the City of Mequon with the Village's and City's engineering consultant, GAI, to discuss the County Line Road reconstruction project. The reconstruction limits are from the western Village limits to the railroad tracks just east of 52nd Street. A public information meeting is scheduled at Village Hall on Wednesday, February 12th from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. The public information meeting will give residents a chance to comment on the project and view the selected alternative along with the roadway typical section.

The project funding is generally split 50/50 with the City of Mequon.

- The Director attended the Village Board meeting on Monday where a presentation was given by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation on Green Bay Road and Brown Deer Road interchange reconstruction. WisDOT also presented findings related to the at-grade intersection alternative.
- The Director gave an update to the Village Board on the 60th Street reconstruction project from Fairy Chasm Road to County Line Road. The Board had asked staff to inquire about the possibility of changing the roadway typical section from a rural condition to an urban condition (i.e. ditches to curb & gutter). The Village's funding for the project through WisDOT is capped. Any additional costs would have to be at 100% Village participation. The Village currently does not have funding to make the change from a rural section to an urban section. The Director also updated the Board on WisDOT's concurrence with the TRANS 75 document which requires sidewalks to be added on both sides of the roadway. Since the 60th Street project is federally funded, TRANS 75 must be followed which requires pedestrian and sidewalk improvements along both sides of the roadway.
- The Director attended the Finance & Public Works Committee meeting on Wednesday. At the meeting, the replacement of the light vehicle hoist at the DPW shop was approved along with the purchase of a new street sweeper. The Director also gave an update to the Committee on DPW winter operations and the current salt supply situation.
- The Director drafted plans for the 2014 coordinated project. The coordinated project involves water main replacement, sanitary sewer lateral replacement, ditching improvements, and roadway repaving. This year's project is located on Carolann Drive from 67th Street to Bethanne Drive and Glenbrook Road from 67th Street to 65th Street. Plans and specifications are currently out for contractor bidding. Bids will be opening at the end of February with a projected construction start date in April. A public information meeting and hearing will be scheduled in the near future informing residents of this year's construction activities.
- In the Original Village, KS Electric was directional boring new cables for the remaining street light installation. The cable directional boring occurred at the intersection of W. River Lane and North Deerwood Drive and also at the west end of River Lane and Deerbrook Drive. We-Energies have delayed the installation of the remaining light poles until spring or after the frost is out of the ground. Due to the extreme depth of frost this year (approximately 6-ft) it is not recommended to install the light pole bases because there is a concern of leaning poles after the frost leaves the ground. The remaining black light poles to be installed are in the north half of the neighborhood along Deerwood Drive (north of Larry's Market) and along River Lane. Remaining work includes, but is not limited to, shrub planning, tree planting, mulching, topsoiling, seeding, and sodding.
- The Recycling Center has switched to Winter Hours. **PLEASE TAKE NOTE THAT THE RECYCLING CENTER HOURS HAVE CHANGED FOR 2014.** The Recycling Center is now open only on Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. for the months of January, February and March.
- DPW crews are continuing to fill pot-holes on streets throughout the Village with cold-patch asphalt and also assisting the Water Department with cold-patching asphalt in locations of water main breaks. DPW crews are also repairing damaged street signs and regulatory signs throughout the Village. DPW has placed a temporary crosswalk sign on 60th Street while the damaged flashing crosswalk sign is being repaired by TAPCO. The flashing crosswalk sign on the east side of 60th Street, adjacent to the School Campus, was damaged after a car-accident on New Year's.

Administrative Services



- § The Administrative Services Department continued to take in tax payments for the January 31st due date.
- § Administrative Staff continues to work on the budget compilation, year-end reports, and audit work papers.

Recycling Center on Winter Hours

Saturday
10:00 AM to 5:00 p.m.

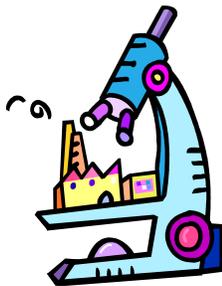
February Employee Anniversaries

Mary Witman - 25
Mark Junk - 24
Steven Rinzel - 19
Jonathan Schmitz - 16
Michael Hall - 1
Scott Schilling - 1
Allen Kraft - 1

Weekly Health Tip

February 7th is National Wear Red Day. Heart disease is the leading cause of death for both men and women, but heart disease is preventable and controllable. Think about what you can do to take action to protect your heart. For more information go to www.heart.org.

Community Services



- The Inspection Department issued the following permits this week: 2 Certificate of Compliance for residential real estate sale; 8 Electrical permits: (6) wiring new furnaces, (1) residential update on electrical outlets, and (1) service panel upgrade; 5 HVAC permit: (3) new residential furnaces, (1) new commercial furnaces, and (1) HVAC for Walmart.
- The Inspection Department also conducted the following inspections: (2) rough Building inspections, (2) final Building inspections, (5) rough Code Compliance inspections for real estate sales, (1) rough Electrical inspection, (5) final Electrical inspections, (4) final HVAC inspections, (1) Occupancy final inspection, (1) final Plumbing inspection, and (13) Enforcement Inspections for junk/abandoned vehicles/trailers, debris/trash, building code violations, zoning violations - running commercial business out of home, and property maintenance.
- The Community Development Director, Engineering Manager and Public Works Superintendent met with the City of Mequon and GAI consultants to discuss design alternatives for a reconstruction of West County Line Road from North 68th Street to approximately North 52nd Street. A preferred alternative was selected and public information meeting will be held at the Village Hall from 4:30 -6:30 p.m. on Wednesday February 12th.
- The end of January marked the first calendar month of code enforcement operations in the Village by the new Zoning & Planning Specialist. At the end of the month, the Specialist had recorded enforcements on 27 code violations. Seven cases are still in the preliminary "investigation" phase. Fourteen have proceeded to a written or verbal notice, and six more have already been resolved (22.2%). The majority (15) of these violations involved nuisance vehicles. Eight more violations related to trash and debris. The remaining four violations related to recreational vehicle parking, exterior lighting, illegal signage, and a violation of the Village's home occupation code. At the current rate, the Village will investigate approximately 320 code violations, and will resolve approximately 70 of them in 2014. The Community Service Department aims to resolve 90% or more of outstanding cases by December 2014.
- The Engineering Manager completed the specifications for the 2014 Watermain Relay Project. As with most public projects that go out for bid, a detailed set of plans and specifications must be tailor-made to fit the project. The specification set is a written document which contains all of the elements of the bid process as well as contract documents. It also serves as the instructions for the contractor to follow once the work begins.
- This is the Water Utility's annual water main relay project, which has been happening for about the last 20 years. The Utility usually replaces between 2,000 and 3,000 feet of old, obsolete water main every year. That is about 0.7% -1.0% of the 54 miles of watermain the Village owns and operates. Of course, not all of the 54 miles are obsolete. We're finding that most of the mains we replace were installed in the 1950's and 1960's, which were boom years for the building of the Village. Today, the Village replaces those mains with polyvinyl chloride (PVC) pipe or high density polyethylene (HDPE) pipe, both of which can withstand underground conditions for hundreds of years.

Library



- On February 4th, the Library Director attended the Village Department Head meeting.
- On February 5th, the Library Director attended the Village Finance and Public Works Committee meeting.
- On February 6th, the Library Director attended the MCFLS LDAC meeting.

Spring Adult Book Club, February 19th, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Register to attend this month's meeting of the Adult Book Club, and pick up your copy of *The VolunTourist* by Ken Budd. Enjoy engaging conversations with other members of your community in a casual and enjoyable setting.

Material Purchase Highlights from January (click on title for link to catalog):

- Original New Fiction

[Mrs. Poe by Lynn Cullen](#) - Struggling to support her family in mid-19th-century New York, writer Frances Osgood makes an unexpected connection with literary master Edgar Allan Poe and finds her survival complicated by her intense attraction to the writer and the scheming manipulations of his wife.

[Golden State by Michelle Richmond](#) - As Californians vote to determine whether California will secede from the United States, Dr. Julie Merrill, after signing her divorce papers, rushes to the side of her estranged sister Heather who has gone into labor, in this unforgettable novel that takes place over the course of a single day.

- Nonfiction

[Remodelista: a manual for the considered home by Julie Carlson](#) - The definitive field guide to creating simple, beautiful interiors from the team behind the inspirational home site Remodelista.com. Learn how to achieve this thoughtful aesthetic with lessons from personality-filled houses, as well as a close look at standout kitchens and baths. You will also find easy ingenious DIY and storage ideas, editors' picks of the 100 most enduring (and attractive) household objects, and a primer on the ins and outs of the remodeling process.

North Shore Health Department



- A student from Carroll University started her field experience with us. Her major is public health and her focus will be on the environmental aspects of public health.
- Staff attended a CHIPP (community health improvement planning process) program. We are writing our own community health improvement plan and hope to have it completed this spring.
- The North Shore Health Department, Columbia/St. Mary's Hospital and other local partners are coordinating an informational session for North Shore residents regarding eligibility and a question/answer session for BadgerCare and the health insurance marketplace. Stay tuned with the date, time, and location!

- Staff continue to work on grant set ups, policy and procedure updates, and collecting data for the upcoming State of Wisconsin review of local health departments.
- Pertussis around the State has decreased over the last three years. So far this year, 26 cases of pertussis have been reported among Wisconsin residents. In comparison for the same time period in 2013, 156 cases were reported and 445 cases were reported during the same time period in 2012. Why the decrease? More people are receiving the Tdap immunization (the adult pertussis booster). Tdap vaccine continues to be recommended to decrease the severity of the disease and to protect newborns. Remember to stay up-to-date on your immunizations!
- Upcoming clinics (please call 371-2980 to schedule an appointment):
 - Immunization clinic: Tuesday, February 11th, 10:00-11:00 a.m., at our Brown Deer office.
 - Immunization clinic: Thursday, February 13th, 3:00-4:30 p.m. at our Shorewood office.

Police

- ❑ On January 27th, department staff met to discuss the upcoming squad car bids for 2014.
- ❑ Chief Rinzel, Captain Graeber and Officer Caddock met with Village staff to discuss the Brown Deer Road and Green Bay Road intersections.



Crime Prevention/ Community Relations

- ❑ Officer Caddock attended a meeting with CC&N to discuss this year's projects to upgrade our network system in the police department.
- ❑ Officer Caddock began the planning of the 2014 Brown Deer's Night Out for Justice which will be held on Tuesday, July 29, 2014 in conjunction with the Community Vibes Event.

Criminal Investigations/ Youth Services

- ❑ During the past week, the Investigative Bureau conducted follow-up investigation on seven cases.
- ❑ The Investigative Bureau took 13 cases to the Milwaukee County District Attorney's Office for charging.
- ❑ The School Liaison Officers spent 11 hours at the Brown Deer Schools and attended the Boys Basketball game on January 29th.

Training

- ❑ On January 28th, the department held in-house training for one-third of the department on the following: Blood Borne Pathogens; Firearms; Camera Usage and Communications.
- ❑ Officers Hansen, Zeise and Santiago attended CVMIC New Supervisor Orientation training on January 30th.

Water



- ◆ We had a quiet week at the water utility. That was a nice break compared to the four weeks prior. However, based on our SCADA (supervisory control and data acquisition) system there is an active leak out on our system. We have been actively looking for the following signs that indicate a leak: steam coming from storm sewer catch basins, water running in the ditches, checking meter readings on foreclosed homes (frozen and burst internal pipes), and listening to hydrants
- ◆ However, we have not found a source of the water loss yet. With 5 – 6 feet of frost in the ground, this may become difficult as the water is not surfacing through this barrier.
- ◆ Hank and Andy went to the Wisconsin Water Association Distribution Conference this week. One of the topics of discussion was the serious issue throughout the state regarding water main and service lateral freeze ups. The frost in the state is deeper than it has been in a long time. On a recent main break in Glendale to our South, the City crew found the frost down 6 feet. This is the depth at which the water infrastructure exists, so that is of great concern. Added to that is the fact that the water leaving the treatment plants is at about 33 degrees. This means that the water in the pipes is not helping to thaw the ground. All these factors are compounding and creating havoc in the industry. If you did not see it, you may want to read through this article in the Milwaukee Journal about the struggles that local Utilities are facing: [Cold has water pipes bursting at record pace.](#)
- ◆ Tom Nennig met with Nate and Jim in engineering regarding the water main relay project that will occur this spring up on Carolann Drive. They discussed construction and restoration issues, looking for ways to reduce the cost of the project for the Village and the Water Utility. We are looking forward to this project being bid out later this month, and eliminating a “problem” water main segment in our system!
- ◆ The Utility is taking the opportunity in this cold weather to work on testing our large meters, and performing cross connection inspection which keeps the guys in doors.