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NEWSLETTER



VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR'S CORNER

AT THE CORNER of Roxbury Road and Sherman Avenue there is an empty lot next to the building formerly occupied by the Maple Bluff Antique Mall and Lois' Hair Salon. The owner of the empty lot and building, EMI Development, is looking to redevelop the area. This does not include the Kirch Appliance store building or the apartment building right next door to the store.

You may be aware that numerous months ago a development proposal contemplated a three-story apartment building with underground parking on that site. That proposal had several public hearings but was not pursued. The owner has been making changes to the proposal and is intending to bring those changes back to the Village for consideration. I anticipate receiving that proposal some time in late January. By the time this article reaches you, that proposal may already have been submitted to the Village. Please stay alert for notices regarding public meetings for this proposal.

The street and infrastructure plans for 2014 have been finalized and are being distributed to contractors so they can provide the Village with their best bid/proposal. These proposals will be due to the Village the first week in March.

As a reminder, the Village does not have any elections for February. Your next opportunity to vote will be on April 1st.

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Dear Residents,

Although I've shared with you that February is my least favorite month of the year, (sorry, St. Valentine!) every four years there is a saving grace to winter's hum-drum: the winter Olympics! The Olympics are as American as apple pie – unless you are like me and get sucked into the special interest stories on the athletes and end up cheering for whoever has the biggest sob story, regardless of what county they hail! Although



I'm not personally an athletic person, I love to watch people achieve their goals, follow their dreams and share their triumphs and defeats on national television. The Olympics are kind of a big deal in my home. We've made Olympic-themed cakes for the opening ceremonies in the past, and this year I'm thinking a parade of countries is in order for my young children. It's not often we see television broadcasts of nations of differing peoples coming together for something positive.

What about you? Are you into the Olympics? Do you have a tie to an Olympic athlete, present or past? Or, are you more of an invested spectator? Share your Olympic moments with me and I'll share them here in the magazine.

And since life goes on in February—even when I do stay up all hours of the night watching sporting events I've never heard of—what about those dreams, life triumphs and even Valentine's Day plans? Shoot me an email and share with me what's getting you through the longest, shortest month of the year!

Go Team USA!

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Recreation Programs and Community Events from the Department of Recreation



Village Gym Policies

Over the past several weeks, I have received several questions/concerns regarding the Village's gym and its availability.

The Village gym is intended for Village residents and their guests. The Village does not post "Open Gym" hours, but if there is no recreation program, community meeting/event or rental in the gym it is available for "open use."

Reminders regarding open use:

1. All users must sign in and pay at the Fire Department window in legible handwriting.
2. Each resident is allowed up to three non-residents with them during "open gym" hours. If residents have more than three non-residents they are required to reserve the gym.
3. The hoops are to remain at 10' in height and there is absolutely no dunking or hanging from the rim.
4. Respect others using the gym or waiting to use the gym
5. If people are waiting, no full court games are allowed.
6. When you are finished, put all equipment back where you found it and pick up your trash.

Upcoming Programs

EFK: Engineering Aerospace – Up, Up and Away

Dates: 2/21-3/28
Days: Fridays
Times: 4:15-5:45pm
Ages 6-14
Fee: \$115

During the Aerospace Engineering classes, students use the engineering design process to design, create, test and refine a variety of flying machines. They construct a shock absorbing system designed to protect two marshmallow astronauts in a lunar vehicle, create their own air-powered rockets and assemble a hot air balloon model that actually takes flight.

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Fee: \$38

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- Enhance their communication skills
- Kindergarten readiness
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- Draw action, movement and sounds
- Draw expressions to convey moods
- Develop a series of drawings that tell a joke

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SEASONAL JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Head Beach Lifeguard

The Village is currently accepting applications for the head beach lifeguard position. The head beach lifeguard must be available to work from Memorial Day to Labor Day and will need to be available for 40 hours per week and the availability to work up to 7 days per week. Applications are due Friday, February 28, 2014.

Minimum qualifications include: thorough knowledge of beach policies and procedures, knowledge of safe water conditions, current Red Cross Lifeguard Training Certificate or equivalent, current First Aid/CPR/AED Training Certificate, more than two years of experience in a public recreational setting and at least one year of supervisory experience.

For a complete job description, please contact Curt Erickson.

Camp-Ya-Gotta-Wanna Director

The Village is currently accepting applications for the CYGW director position for this summer. The CYGW director must be available from June 16 through August 15 Monday, Wednesday & Friday between the hours of 12:30pm-4:30pm. A limited number of hours are required prior and post these dates. Interested applicants must provide an application, resume and two letters of recommendation. Applications are due Friday, February 28, 2014.

Minimum qualifications include: knowledge of program planning, leadership and budgeting, ability to communicate effectively orally and in writing, ability to plan, organize and implement activities and events, previous experience in a responsible leadership position, ability to maintain accurate and detailed records of timesheets, expense reports and camp participation and First Aid/CPR/AED certification is required prior to the program start date. For a complete job description, please contact Curt Erickson.

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Chicken Pad Thai

INGREDIENTS:

2 TBS cornstarch	10-11 cloves garlic, minced
6 TBS soy sauce	4 fresh red chilis, minced (or 8 dehydrated chilis)
3 medium chicken breasts, sliced	1-2 TBS cooking oil
2 ¼ TBS tamarind paste (or 1 large TBS seedless tamarind softened in ¼ C hot water and strained through a colander/sieve)	¼ C chicken stock
¾ C warm water	16 oz. medium width rice noodles
7 tsp. thai chili sauce	3 C fresh bean sprouts
6 TBS brown sugar	3 green onions, sliced
½ tsp. ground pepper	½-1 C fresh cilantro, chopped
	1 C peanuts, roughly chopped salt, to taste
	lime wedges, or lime juice, to taste

DIRECTIONS:

1. Dissolve cornstarch into soy sauce and marinate chopped chicken; set aside. Mix tamarind paste, water, chili sauce, brown sugar and pepper to make thai sauce; set aside.
2. Warm a large wok or frying pan; sauté garlic and chilis in oil for about 30 seconds. Add chicken and marinade to the pan and cook, stirring regularly. Add chicken stock, 2 TBS at a time, to keep chicken moist as it cooks.
3. Meanwhile, set water to boil. Cook noodles for approximately 4-5 minutes, or until slightly soft yet slightly chewy (they will cook more later with the chicken). Drain noodles and rinse with cold water.
4. When chicken is fully cooked, add the noodles to the pan and pour the thai sauce over it all. Cook together for about 2 minutes. (If pan starts to get too dry, push aside the noodles and add a bit more oil.)
5. Add the bean sprouts to the pan and cook for 1 minute, or until noodles are cooked to taste. Remove from heat and add the onions, cilantro and peanuts, tossing well to combine. Add salt and lime to taste; serve.



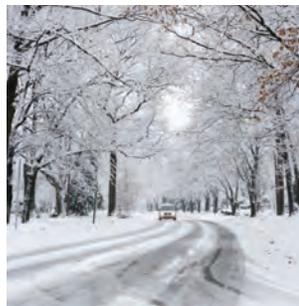


Police Department Updates

AS I AM writing this, the outside temperatures are nearly 40 degrees and the sun is shining - quite a difference from a week ago when the wind chills gave us 40 degrees below zero. With the dangerous temperatures, I think that we are very fortunate that Wisconsin communities are very pro-active in taking steps to protect citizens from dangerous conditions. We are fortunate to have everything from media outreach to opening warming shelters for those people who are in need of assistance.

It is always important to remember to limit how much time pets may be spending outside with the sudden and drastic temperature changes. Dogs and cats can easily suffer frostbitten pads on their paws, and their ears are also more susceptible to cold related injury.

The freeze/thaw cycle poses quite a challenge for municipalities, including water mains, icy streets and walks. It always helps to have observant citizens informing municipalities when they see something occurring that needs further attention - anything from running water to smoke coming from a building. It is always



encouraging when people show that they haven't lost their sense of community.

Once again there has been vandalism to the Maple Bluff Beach Park. This time it was the storage rack for the paddleboards. Anyone with information is encouraged to contact the Police Department.

If you have an emergency please call 9-1-1. If you observe suspicious activity, or need a police response and it is not an emergency, please call 608-255-2345, an officer will be dispatched to make contact with you in person or by telephone if you prefer.

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Notes from the Department of Public Works

AS OF THIS writing we are nearing the midpoint of winter with a brief January thaw that was much appreciated after the string of sub-zero days everyone experienced earlier this January. Winter will likely continue its ebb and flow of temperature and precipitation swings. I for one prefer dealing with snow rather than the other forms of freezing precipitation that can and did hit the area on Jan 10th. Hopefully everyone fared well while the weather provided rain that fell on extremely cold surfaces turning into ice. Hopefully some moderate weather can usher us toward spring.

The 2014 CIP is heading our direction! The construction plans are nearly finished and will be sent out to bid in February as to allow for the Village Board to make a contractor selection at their March meeting. We are still anticipating an April groundbreaking to kick off what will be a year full of road construction and all that comes with it. I would anticipate that the selected contractor will begin mobilizing equipment into the village towards the end of March.

Residents of the 1-2-300 block of Lakewood Blvd as well as the 10 block of Cambridge Rd. were requested to make an appointment for a DNR mandated cross-connection survey as well as an opportunity to discuss groundwater concerns prior to the start of this year's project. Thank you to those of you who have responded already! For those who have yet to arrange this in-home meeting, please call and make an appointment that is convenient for you, it should only take 20 minutes or so.



As winter continues please be aware of snow placement from your sidewalks and driveways. This snow should remain on your property and not be placed in the street or pushed across the street onto your neighbor's yard or village right of way. Please discuss this with your service providers, Thank you.

Also, be sure to provide enough space for your recycle cart to ensure the contractor is able to approach and empty the cart with their vehicle. Placement should be spaced away from utility poles, sign poles, hydrants, trash cans and vehicles. Also keep an eye on the weather when placing items for collection that could be hidden by or covered with snow!

As always, call with your questions and concerns! And think spring!

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	801 Butternut Rd	4	2940	\$529,000	\$179.93	
	713 Lakewood Blvd	4	5000	\$600,000	\$120.00	
	705 Lakewood Blvd	4	3056	\$650,000	\$212.70	
	829 Lakewood Blvd	3	2472	\$679,900	\$275.04	
	45 Cambridge Rd (Lake)	5	4200	\$1,249,900	\$297.60	
	500 Farwell Dr	6	6075	\$1,499,000	\$166.56	
711 Farwell Dr (Lake)	3	2448	\$1,600,000	\$653.59		
57 Cambridge Rd (Lake)	4	6431	\$3,450,000	\$536.46		
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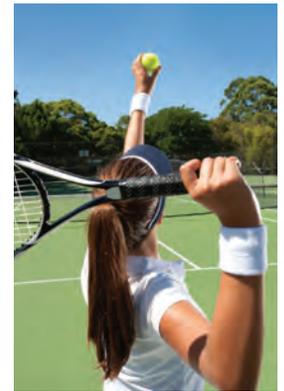
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SAT., FEB. 8
St. Olaf Band Winter Tour Concert
 @ Verona Area High School
 Performing Arts Theater
 The St. Olaf Band, conducted by Dr. Timothy Mahr and dubbed "one of America's preeminent bands" by *The New Yorker*, will be presenting a concert as part of its Winter Tour. They will be featuring David Maslanka's *A Child's Garden of Dreams*, as well as a work

by the conductor himself entitled *Scenes from a Life Danced*, the second movement from Persichetti's *Symphony No. 6*, and Dan Welcher's *Zion*.
Time: 7:30-9:30pm
Cost: Adults: \$10, Students: FREE
www.stolaf.edu/stolaf-band

FRI.-SUN., FEB. 14-16
Zor Shrine Circus
 @Veterans Memorial Coliseum
 Come watch the 2014 edition of the Zor Shrine Circus. Clowns, aerialists, acrobats, and animals will all be part of the spectacular show!
Time: Fri.: 7pm, Sat.: 10am, 2:30 & 7pm, Sun.: 1 & 5pm
Cost: \$17 (age 1 and above)
Reserved Seat Tickets: \$21 (age 1 and above)
www.shrinecircusinfo.com

SAT., FEB. 15
UCP's 27th Annual Celebrity Banquet & Auction
 @Blackhawk Country Club
 Join local celebrity servers as they support United Cerebral Palsy of Greater Dane County (UCP) at UCP's 27th Annual Celebrity Banquet & Auction. The evening will kickoff with

a cocktail reception, followed by a silent auction, dinner and celebrity games. As the signature fundraising event for UCP, the Celebrity Banquet is fundamental to the programs and services they provide to over 1,400 children and adults with disabilities throughout southern Wisconsin. Reservations required.
Time: 5:30-10pm Cost: \$95
www.ucpdane.org

SAT., FEB. 22
"Raise the Roof" Gala for American Family Children's Hospital
 @Monona Terrace
 The "Raise the Roof" Gala for American Family Children's Hospital will feature an exclusive performance by 2012 American Idol Winner Phillip Phillips. There will be a silent auction with mobile bidding, a live auction, dinner and a live program.
Time: 5:30-11pm Cost: \$175 per person
www.friendsofuwhc.org

FRI, SAT. & SUN., FEB. 21, 22 & 23
Madison Fishing Expo
 @Alliant Energy Center
 Expected to draw over 20,000 visitors, the Madison Fishing Expo features a diverse lineup of fishing tackle, equipment and boats from the industries' leading manufacturers and dealers. This event will also provide youth activities, including The Kids Pond and Minnow Races. The Madison Fishing Expo is an all-volunteer, non-profit organization that donates all of its show proceeds to fund fishing-related projects throughout south central Wisconsin.
Time: Fri.: 4-9pm, Sat.: 9am-7pm, Sun.: 9am-5pm
Cost: Adults: \$10 Kids (14 and under): FREE
www.madfishexpo.com

SAT., MARCH 1
Terrace Town Going Green
 @Monona Terrace
 Free architectural fun and learning for the whole family! Come celebrate architecture and design at this unique family program. Enjoy 10,000 square feet of "green" scale-model neighborhoods which were designed by some 1,500 local elementary students using recycled materials! In addition, the young and young at heart are invited to try their hand at box-building design and placement in our very own Terrace Town city created at this event. Other free family activities include a cookie building activity, a big block building area, and special activities by local architecture, planning and construction associations.
Time: 10am-4pm Cost: FREE
www.mononaterrace.com

FRI., FEB. 7
Madison Parks Groove & Glide Ice Skating Party
 @ Vilas Henry Park
 Don't be a couch potato in the winter - get outside, lace up your skates and enjoy the winter! Come glide on the rink and groove to the beat while skating under the night lights. Bring your own skates or rent them in our warming shelter. Standard skate rental rates apply. Event may be cancelled due to inclement weather.
Time: 6-8pm Cost: FREE
www.cityofmadison.com/parks

SAT., FEB. 15
Daddy/Daughter Dance
 @ Warner Park Community Recreation Center
 Come enjoy a night full of fun, excitement, and dancing complete with refreshments and music provided by a live DJ. Make sure to get a daddy/daughter photograph taken as a keepsake of a wonderful night spent together. Fathers (or other adult loved ones), don't miss out on a chance to spend some quality time with your daughter. This event is great for daughters 6-12 years old.
Time: 6-8pm
Cost: \$15 per daddy/daughter couple and \$5 for each additional daughter
www.cityofmadison.com

SAT.&SUN., FEB. 15&16
Madison Winter Festival
 @Capitol Square
 Celebrate the season! Come participate in the family-oriented activities such as snow and ice sculpting, sled hill rides, snowshoeing, winter-themed museum tours, adaptive sit ski programming, and many other events!
www.winter-fest.com

TUES., FEB 25
Madison Symphony Orchestra Rhapsodie Quartet Recital
 @Overture Center for the Arts
 The Rhapsodie Quartet will perform a public recital in the Promenade Hall at Overture. The Rhapsodie Quartet brings together some of the brightest stars of the Madison Symphony Orchestra. More than just a string quartet, the ensemble is the resident ensemble of the MSO's award-winning HeartStrings Community Engagement Program. United in their mission, the members of the quartet create a fusion of talent, passion and heart in their performances. The recital is free, and a goodwill donation of \$5 is suggested at the door.
Time: 7pm
Cost: FREE (with donation of \$5 suggested at the door)
www.madisonsymphony.org

Valentine's Day cards have been a longstanding tradition. It is said that cards, notes or other tokens of affection began to be passed and shared in the 1700s. It was in the 1800s that they became mass-produced. The story begins with a young girl named Esther Howland who received a beautiful Valentine's Day card from England. At the time, most Valentine related items were homemade.



She liked it so much that she decided to make some cards herself and sell them. Esther shared the idea with her father, who happened to be the owner of a book and stationary store in Massachusetts. Her brother also participated in the business by showing samples of the cards that Esther had made in the hopes of soliciting orders.

The cards were a hit! The business grew and Esther became a famous and wealthy entrepreneur. This is why Esther Howland is called "the Mother of the Valentine." For more information or to see pictures of historical Valentine's Day cards go to www.wisconsinhistory.org/whi/feature/valentines.



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– Callie P, age 11

Dental Hygiene student and resident of Maple Bluff is looking for employment as an adult caregiver or housekeeping assistant. I have excellent references from residents of Maple Bluff. Availability is negotiable. Please call Kate 608-345-7877.

FOUND: Public Works crew found an earring in the garbage truck. The earring is gold colored and has a small hoop, with several small gems opposite of the clip on clasp. Contact Tim Krueger at the Village Center to claim ownership.

Holy Cross Lutheran School Open House

Sunday, March 9th
10am-2pm

Holy Cross Lutheran School (2670 Milwaukee Street) is hosting an open house for families with children aged preschool through 8th grade. Meet the principal and staff and find out if Holy Cross is a good fit for you. You can also schedule a free educational success consultation or attend a Walk-In Wednesday offered weekly from 11:30am-4pm. For more information, visit www.holycrossmadison.org or call 608-249-3101.



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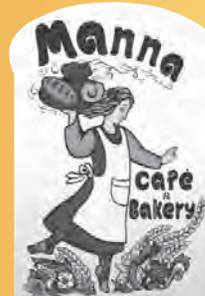
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