



VILLAGE OF MAPLE BLUFF

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

June 2020



Veterans Memorial/
Johnson Park

Photo taken by: Tom Schroeder

Calendar of Events

June

9 Village/Building Board Meeting
21 Father's Day

July

4 4th of July
14 Village/Building Board Meeting

August

11 Village/Building Board Meeting

September

7 Labor Day
8 Village/Building Board Meeting

Trash/Recycling

Trash pick up is shaded, recycling dates are circled

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Village Board

President Timothy O'Brien.....246-0321
Trustee Kevin O'Driscoll.....298-7102
Trustee Patrick Grant.....217-1815
Trustee Kristine Jaeger.....217-1919
Trustee Eric McLeod.....244-1371
Trustee Jim Schuler.....249-1696
Trustee Carl Vieth.....249-4647

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Administrator/Police Chief Tanner Nystrom.....244-3048
Clerk/Treasurer Sarah Danz.....244-3048
Deputy Clerk/Clerk of Court Rene Dopkins.....244-3069
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Looking Back and Looking Forward! By: Tanner A. Nystrom

I want to start by thanking all of you for your continued patience during these times of constant change. As you are all aware, in May we transitioned from Safer at Home to [Forward Dane](#) which outlined Public Health's guidance for reopening our county. Transitions from Safer at Home, to [Emergency Order #2](#), and then to [Emergency Order #3](#) required us to be flexible and adaptive. As a community, I am proud to say that we have shown significant resilience - we adjusted to change with minimal disruption.

Although we fared well in our community's initial response to COVID-19, it is natural to feel anxious and ready to return to normalcy. The Village will use [Forward Dane](#) to structure our ongoing planning - it is important that everyone understands that the approach is steady, deliberate, and designed to achieve optimal outcomes. We seek reopening opportunities while remaining vigilant and focused on our community's safety. We are ready to enjoy summer to its fullest, but also know that many of our favorite activities may not yet be appropriate. Over the past two months we made personal sacrifices, forewent important events, endured unfamiliar stressors, and limited our contact with loved ones. While we are grateful to start the reopening pro-

cess, we equally understand the need to do so with due regard for the health and safety of our community.

As you are aware, our staff consistently takes great care to improve the experience and value of our community. I want to thank our Recreation Committee and Director Curt Erickson for their flexibility, effort, and patience throughout the transition to reopen. Our recreation team continues to work diligently, considering various plans, and ensuring we have safe summer programming. Additionally, I can't help but be impressed by how beautiful our village is every day. Our team continues to do an exceptional job maintaining the high standards of our community in every way - office support, public works, police, and fire all work together as a family, dedicated to our village. They tirelessly service our distinguished community despite constant change. I am honored to work with all of them.

Thank you all for your support as we enter the next stages of reopening! Throughout the transition we remain flexible and ready to deliver exemplary public services and responsible governance.

Sincerely,

Tanner A. Nystrom

Police

Police Statistics! By: Sergeant Jay Sugden



I am happy to report that our 2020 statistics of police pursuits of stolen vehicles in our village are on pace to be half of what was reported in 2019. The daily reports of stolen vehicles in Dane County have remained consistent however we as a community have successfully decreased the presence of these vehicles in our village. I

contribute these reduced numbers to two factors. First, the majority of our residents are locking their vehicles, garages and homes at night. Simply put, if these thieves do not see an opportunity to commit a crime, they move on and eventually stop coming into our community. Secondly, our police department has remained proactive over the past five months amid the COVID-19

crisis. We are consistently conducting traffic stops and make general contacts with the public to visually show our presence. I thank all of you for contributing to make our village less vulnerable to criminal activity.

Lastly, every May our department participates in the State's "Click It or Ticket" grant. Due to Covid-19, this grant has been delayed to June 22nd through July 5th. Our officers will be out during this period enforcing seat-belt violations, so please remind your family members to buckle up and continue to be safe while operating/riding in motor vehicles.

-Sergeant Jay Sugden

Fire Rescue Dept

From Maple Bluff Fire Rescue Dept:

By: Kristopher Loy, Fire Chief

Response Information:

Total Responses (YTD): 23

Average Response Time (dispatch to on scene): 4.12 minutes

Passing of Former Fire Chief

Former Maple Bluff Fire Chief Richard W. Reiter passed away in his home on April 26, 2020 (non-COVID related). Chief Reiter was an inspirational leader, mentor, icon, and ambassador of the fire service whose dedication to helping others was unsurpassed. His legacy will live on in his family and the knowledge he bestowed upon generations of firefighters and EMT's. He served as our chief from 1970-1995 and was instrumental in the implementation of our internship program and the formation of the Blooming Grove, Burke, Maple Bluff Ambulance District. He also served as a volunteer with the McFarland Fire Rescue Department for 65 years. A service will be held once social distancing restrictions are lifted.

Internship:

Congratulations to FF/EMT Intern Jack Hubbard for completing his Associates Degree in Fire Science at Madison College. I would like to thank him for his dedicated service to the Village and am happy to announce that he will be volunteering with our department upon the conclusion of his internship. I wish him nothing but success in his future endeavors in emergency services.





From The Department of Public Works: By: Tom Schroeder

I would like to give a shout out for the Public Works crew members and the terrific job they have been doing the last 3 months with the onset of the Covid-19 virus. It was asked of all departments to minimize staffing... Police...Fire?...no wiggle room there. Administration? They found a way to get leaner and still answer the bell every time it rang. Public Works? We were asked if we could work with 2 on at a time? No. Three? Not for very long...we would fall behind quickly once the weather warmed. We settled on 4 full time workers with one at home, no part time workers were to be used until the stay at home order was loosened. We are now back to full capacity with the occasional part time worker as our workload has been above average for yard waste and residential waste. Everyone has been healthy as we have practiced social distancing at work and away from work. So far so good for this group of blue-collar workers. You know them as Paul, Andrew, Noah and Nicolas. They are fine workers and equally fine people. Like it or not it may well be some time before we enjoy the normal, we once enjoyed. The new normal is just beginning to take shape. Be patient and good health and good luck to us all.

As mentioned, the materials collected each week have been considerable as many in our village have found much to do in and around the house. Yard work and cleaning garages as well as basements have been high on many agendas. While doing so please keep in mind that the street is not where you are to dump any of the waste generated; please keep it on the terrace. Also please keep unlike materials separated from others. Co-mingled items may not be collected in a timely manner as well as materials that are covered by parked cars or equipment. I understand Clean Sweep is now open again so please use that service for materials and chemicals as well as paints and stains. I would call before you go to see if they have special instructions. Dane County Clean Sweep 243-0368.

A special request for those who use service providers. Ask them to park in line with one another on the same side of the street. All too often there are trucks/trailers/equipment (not the mention dumping of materials that require a permit) on both sides of the road making it very challenging for our department to navigate with our equipment used to make the collections. Thank You in advance.

We will continue to remove ash trees that are displaying symptoms of the borer insect. When we have done enough to warrant the rental of a stump grinder, we will initiate that step of restoration. We are at a point the we will be performing the final restoration for several stumps recently ground. This is a task that requires the cooperation of the weather. We should be in good shape in a couple weeks.

This may be the first year of my being here with the village that I will not plant a tree. Time will tell. The best time to plant has passed. Opportunity may still arrive.

We do have a couple of storm water sump connection projects that will be first on our project list.

See you in the streets and stay well. Call with your concerns and questions. Thank You!



Bike Month COVID-19 Challenge

Throughout the month of May, recognized as National Bike Month, 22 friends, neighbors and family members competed to be named the top cyclist in Maple Bluff. As of writing this article (May 26th), the group has submitted just under 3,000 miles cumulatively. Through the first three weeks of the challenge: Bill Jollie 467 miles, Blaine Renfert 462.63 and Mike McGuire 265.4 miles are the top 3.

Rec Programming

Since mid-March, Rec programming has adapted into the Virtual World. We are currently offering 2 fitness programs through the use of Zoom. The ability to continue offer programming has been important for those participants physical and mental health. It's greatly been appreciated to those that are continuing to stay involved in our programs.

As we continue to move from spring to summer, there are not a lot of answers about when face-to-face Rec programming will begin. An email was distributed to the Village's email list asking for flexibility and adaptability as it pertains to these programs. I realize this may affect your decision to enroll for summer programming. Please continue to be on the look out for information regarding summer programming. Registration is being accepted on a waitlist basis. As we begin to open up and make decisions regarding face-to-face programming, those on the waitlist will receive priority registration.

Summer Concerts in the Park

Unfortunately, the COVID-19 pandemic has thrown a wrench into a lot of the fun community events that we've all come to love. I was successful in rescheduling the June Summer Concerts with food vendors to dates in August. These Concerts will be tentative as we gather more information regarding restrictions on gatherings placed by the State and/or Local levels. I would like to thank the generous organizations/individuals that have followed through with their continued support in partnering in our events: Kwik Trip, Monona Bank, JP Cullen & Sons and Sprinkman Real Estate team.

The new dates for the tentative Concerts:
Monday, August 3rd: Beth Kille Band
Monday, August 10th: Johnny Chimes Band
Monday, August 17th: The Ryan McGrath Band

Modifications to Parks

Public Health Madison Dane County (PHMDC) provided framework for reopening post-COVID19. As of writing this newsletter article the Village's playgrounds need to be closed for the foreseeable future in Dane County. Please continue to educate your children to stay off the equipment. I know this will be incredibly hard as the weather continues to improve.

Paddleboard Program

The Village's paddleboard program will have slight modifications this summer. The paddleboards will be moved to the Beach when the Village lifeguard staff begins to work this summer. The lifeguards will be administering the program. Reservations will not be accepted and use will be available on a first come, first serve basis while staff is present at the Beach. The Village will provide paddles for use but users must provide their own life jackets. This will help minimize any potential droplets being exposed to other users. Village staff will properly disinfect the paddles and paddleboards after each use. There may be occasions where the boards are not available based on previous rentals and staff's ability to disinfect.

Beach House Opening

The Maple Bluff Beach House will officially open for the season on Monday, [June 8th](#). The lifeguard staff has been patiently waiting, yet eager to start work this summer. The Beach House will be staffed from 9am - 7pm [Monday - Saturday](#) and 11am - 7pm on Sundays. Staff will make every effort to properly clean and disinfect the beach house throughout each shift. Until further notice, the beach furniture will not be put out to limit frequently touched surfaces. This year's Lifeguard staff consists of returning employees: Izzy Parenteau, Kyle Harkin, Davis Nelson, Truely Wallhaus, Erin Price, Sam Loetscher and newcomers Carleigh Drill and Janelle Schulz. This year's staff has a lot of experience not only at our beach but several area pools. We look forward to seeing you soon.



Firemen's Park

The Parks, Recreation and Board of Harbor Commissioners has been developing a plan to revise Firemen's Park since the end of 2019. The Committee selected Ayres' Associates to complete a Concept plan with community feedback. The proposed plan will be completed in multiple phases; phase 1 of the plan will include the highlighted areas.

At the May Parks & Rec Committee meeting and Village Board meeting a contract to begin construction documents was awarded to Parkitecture. Over the course of the next few weeks you may see individuals in the park completing field work (approximately 2 days on site). A construction timeline is not currently available for Phase 1 to be completed. Look for future updates regarding the process.

Summer 2020! By: Patrick Grant

As we look forward to the coming summer, most of us are coping with the difference between what we hoped our summer would look like and what it will actually be.

In our current reality and the path the Badger Bounce Back Plan has plotted for us, the Parks & Recreation Committee sees no alternative but to reschedule many of the village's favorite summer events. I am simply bummed, but at the same time I recognize the importance of why we are doing this. Keeping our residents/friends/neighbors safe is one of the most important things we can collectively do.

The first event to be rescheduled will be the Bocce Beach Bash. The committee has picked early September as our target date. It will be a celebration of winding down the summer, and hopefully, a return to normal activities. The fundraising from this event contributes heavily to improving our village parks. Even though Bocce will have a new date, we look forward to your continued support at this event, and of our neighborhood parks.

For the summer Beech Park concert series we have asked June bands to move to August and have rescheduled July bands to summer 2021.

The Camp Ya Gotta Wanna parent committee has been coordinating with Curt and are working on creative ways to engage over the summer. Arts/Athletics and other summer programs are also seeking creative ways to deliver the sense of community we've been accustomed to. Flexibility and adaptability will be themes for this summer's village programs.

I would like to thank Curt, my fellow committee members, the village staff and you, our neighbors, for all the creative suggestions we have received to keep engaged as a village through recreation programming. Keep the ideas coming!

Looking forward to a safe and fun "in a different way" summer.

Patrick



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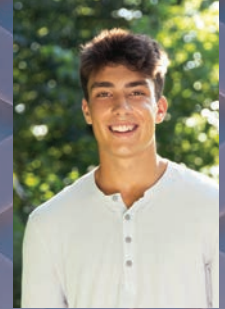
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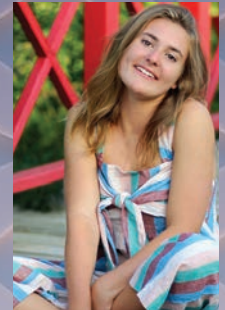
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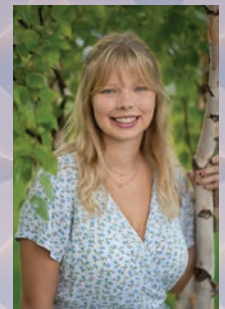
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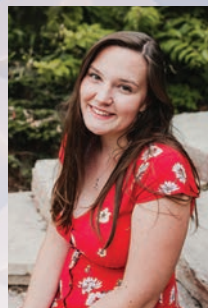
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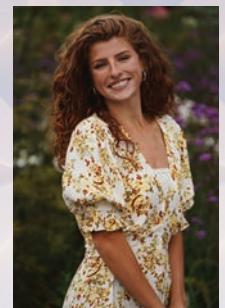
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