

## Municipal Building Update

As you are reading this, the moving trucks should be underway, beginning the task of moving Village departments into the new Municipal Services Center at 531 N. Nash Street. The plan is to move the Library, then the Community Center/Board Room, Administrative offices, Municipal Court, and Police Department. Barring construction delays, the bulk of the moving should be completed by the middle of June. As you might imagine, it is quite an undertaking to coordinate and move departments. While staff has worked hard to minimize downtime, some time will be needed to set up and be ready to go in the new space. Your patience during the move is greatly appreciated. We will do our best to communicate changes on our website and Facebook page.

We look forward to showcasing the new facility by holding a Grand Opening along with an Open House. Details will be forthcoming. We thank you for your support of this project, and can't wait for you to see it.

## Harley Raffle - August 14th and 16th

The 2014 Harley Raffle kicks off Thursday August 14th with bike night from 3-11 p.m. downtown Hortonville. While downtown, enjoy good cheer with fellow patrons and enter for a chance to win a Harley Raffle ticket at 11pm at each of the participating merchants.

Get your raffle tickets early for the main event of the Harley Raffle, which kicks off August 16th at 3pm and is located at the Commercial Club located on N. Olk Street. Tickets purchased are \$100.00 each; each ticket holder has four VIP passes to the park. A VIP pass includes free food, entertainment, and refreshments until 10pm. Tickets are drawn at 7:00 p.m. for prizes that include two Harley Davidson Motorcycles and \$25,000 in cash prizes.

Bring your friends to an event that is always entertaining while giving you the opportunity to win top line prizes. All proceeds are used for Commercial Club Park improvements and donations to the research of juvenile diabetes.

## Groundbreaking

Gilbert's family members and store employees, along with Keller Construction Company representatives and Hortonville Village Staff were on hand to break ground for Gilbert's new Sentry Foods store on Tuesday, May 6th. The expected opening of the new grocery store is by November of this year. The store will be 20,000 square feet with room on the parcel for expansion. This groundbreaking ceremony marks the first phase of development in the new Hortonville Retail Park. We thank the Gilberts for their continuing support of our community and wish them the best in the transition to their new location.

## Urban Forestry

Have you noticed the activity in our boulevards along Main Street? This past fall, the Village applied for and was awarded several grants totaling \$22,000 to rebuild the tree canopy in Hortonville. Grants were received from American Transmission Corp (ATC), WI DNR, WE Energies, and the Community Foundation of the Fox Valley. They include focuses on education of proper trees to plant and tree care, the expertise of an arborist to consult with us and plan for a sustainable future for our trees, inventory of the trees and recommended care, the repair of damaged trees, and the purchase of replacement trees.

Phase 1 of this process is under way and will focus on our parks and Main Street from Miller Park to Alonzo Park. This includes the planting of over 50 trees. Once that phase is complete, we will begin planning for the fall and Phase 2.

In addition, we recently planted 3 large memorial trees in Alonzo Park as part of our Memorial Tree and Bench Program. These large spaded trees are donated by private persons in memorial of a loved one. Our Public Works Department coordinates the planting with a local nursery and invites the family to attend the planting. We have additional space available in our other parks for trees like this if you are interested in honoring a loved one.

The best times for planting are spring and fall since the temperatures are a bit cooler and less dry. If the Village plants a new tree in your front yard or boulevard area, please help the future of that tree by providing it a bit of water during the summer months and using care with lawn mowers, etc. Our Public Works crew will also be around to water the new trees. But, with your help, the trees' success will be better ensured for future generations.

If you have questions about the Hortonville Urban Forestry Program or the Tree Plan, or if you would like more information about donating a larger, spaded specimen tree to our parks, please feel free to contact Carl McCrary, Public Works Director at 779-4086.

## Need a Space for Meetings Or Get-Togethers?

With the completion of the new Municipal Building coming in June, the new Community Center will be available for rent. The center can be rented as 1 large room with kitchen and the capacity of 120 people, as 1 smaller room with the kitchen having a capacity of 50 people, or just the board room area with a capacity of 70 people. Call or stop in at the administration office to make a reservation.

There are 13 rectangular tables and 120 chairs available for use. The kitchen is equipped with a refrigerator, microwave, dishwasher, coffee pots, dinnerware, silverware and serving supplies.

## Donations and Naming Rights for Areas of New Library

Want an opportunity to help out and give back to your community? Have you ever thought that perhaps you would like to memorialize a special person in your family or perhaps you wanted an opportunity to leave your legacy on the Village? This is your chance to do just that.

The Village of Hortonville has an opportunity for you to be specifically involved in the new Municipal Services Center by making a donation to the Capital Campaign Fund. All sponsors will be recognized on a plaque placed in the building. In addition, larger sponsors will have the opportunity to name specific areas of the library like the Children's Area, the Teen Area, the Computer Area, or the Outdoor Learning Areas such as the Pond or Nature Walk.

If you are interested in being involved, please contact Patrick Vaile at the Village office at 779-6011 or Traci Martens at 779-0440. Naming rights to areas are first come first served. If this is something of value to you, please contact Traci as soon as you make that decision. She can also answer additional questions you may have regarding gift giving levels and the process involved in making your donation.

## Community Hall Centennial Celebration and 1<sup>st</sup> Annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July Event

Come join us as we celebrate the 4<sup>th</sup> of July and the Centennial of the Community Hall. The fun begins at noon with a parade starting at the high school heading downtown and ending at Miller Park. Float entries are still being accepted. Contact Terry DuFrane at Mike Murphy Ford to get your place in the parade.

On the stage inside Community Hall from 1:00-4:00 p.m. will be featured Studio M dancers, KidStage Theater performances, slideshow, etc. Outside from 1:00-5:00 p.m. we will have a horseshoe tournament, car and tractor show, brats, burgers, ice cream, kids' face painting, inflatables, and carnival games.

From 6:00-10:00 p.m., The Bill Sargent Big Band takes the stage. Adult beverages will be available for purchase. Tickets for the evening band performance can be purchased at the Wiesner Agency, Mike Murphy Ford, Donaldson's Gourmet or by calling 779-4500. Advance tickets are \$20; at the door \$25. Ticket includes hot hors d'oeuvres. Oh, and there will be a 100 square foot cake. No 100<sup>th</sup> birthday party would be complete without it! For more information, please call 779-4500.

## Update on Village Municipal Buildings

The Village Board has accepted an offer on the Administration Building; however, no details other than proposed office use are available from the new owner as of this time.

As the new owner of the former Hortonville Police Station building, Claire Abitz plans to use the space to run her creative business making sculptures, leather goods, and furniture. She would also like to showcase local and handmade goods and artwork at her new studio. Claire is a talented artist who is moving back to Wisconsin from New York.

The Library building is for sale. The Village will be accepting offers for 60 days which started May 16th. There is a black box by the door to the Library with information sheets. The building is for sale as is and the sale is subject to Village approval of the proposed use. The buyer must also sign a development agreement.

## Senior Center in Hortonville?

Good news for the senior citizens of Hortonville. The Village Board created a Seniors Task Force to look at starting a senior center in Hortonville.

At the first meeting on April 24th there were 10 citizens and two board members present discussing the direction the task force should take. Karen Dickrell from the UW-Extension, Julie Hert from the Visiting Nurses Association, and Vicki Johnson from Kindred Hearts Senior Living Center helped guide the task force. Discussed were several opportunities for the seniors at the center, such as morning coffee get-togethers, parties (cards, dominoes, etc.), exercise programs, watching Packer games, and noon lunches. Julie and Vicki suggested having a Seniors Appreciation Day where groups and organizations would share with attendees all that is available to them in the Fox Valley area. The task force is looking to survey seniors to find out what they would like at a senior center.

The location of the senior center hasn't been decided; the new Community Center and Community Hall are possibilities.

At the meeting on May 29th lunches and new opportunities were discussed. Bonne Planner, ADRC Director for Outagamie County, presented the options available for lunches.