

April

Francis Creek Community Newsletter

Event Snapshot

April

6th - Village Board Meeting, Village Office Garage, 7 PM

7th - ELECTION DAY, Village Office, polls close at 8 PM

10th - Good Friday

12th - Easter Sunday

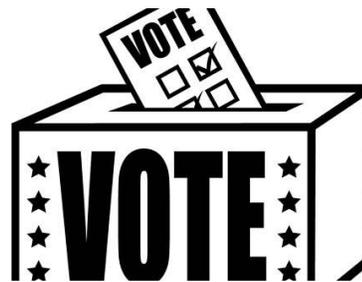
14th - Fellowship Club Meeting

April 1, 2020

April 7th—Election Day!

Election day is Tuesday, April 7th. Because of the current health emergency in the country, election day is going to look a little different in the Village.

Though the polls will be open at the Village Office, voters are encouraged to vote absentee. Last day to



request an absentee ballot is April 2nd unless you are applying as indefinitely confined, then you have until April 3rd.

To apply to vote absentee visit my-vote.wi.gov or call the office at 920-682-7410.

On election day please have patience if you are coming to the polls. We are trying to keep everyone healthy and run a smooth and fair election.

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Curbside Voting

BEFORE election day...

Drive up curbside in-person absentee voting:

Saturday, April 4th 10AM - 1PM
Village Office

Pull up and the clerk will meet you at your car to give you the opportunity to vote. Please bring your photo ID and your own pen. We'll have pens but it would save time if you had your own. Also, please be patient. There is a lot of people and only one clerk. Every-

one who would like to do in-person absentee voting will be given the opportunity.

ON election day...

If you would like to curbside vote on election day rather than coming into the polling place please call the office at 920-682-7410 before you come down or if you don't mind waiting, you can call from your car but you may have a little bit of a wait. We appreciate your patience.

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Community Rummage Sale

Currently, the Francis Creek Lions are still planning on the community rummage sale to be held on May 29 and 30, but our decision will be driven by dictates and common sense revolving around the Covid-19 situation. We will decide by May 1st and will let you know via Facebook, this newsletter and the Village & our Club's websites. In the meantime, there is a rummage sale registration form attached to this newsletter, but please do not submit until after the decision is made to proceed. We hope and pray that life returns to normal soon! Thank you for your patience.

Information about the Lions Club

We encourage any man or woman that wants to learn more about of Club to feel free to attend a meeting to see how much fun we have serving our community. For more information about the Francis Creek Lions Club ask any Lion Club member or contact :

Dan Brice [Membership Chair; 920-901-1020]

Ken Petersen [President – 920-652-9551]

Joe Debilzen [Secretary – 920-682-2860].



Lions Club Roses for Spring Sale—CANCELLED

The Lions Club regrets to inform that community that this year's Roses for Spring sale is being cancelled. This decision was made by our supplier, the Grand Chute Lions Club, considering the Covid-19 situation. We will be contacting everyone that made a purchase to discuss refunding their funds. We are pleased to report that several individuals have generously allowed us to keep the proceeds as a donation and we are most grateful. We, like all organizations, are challenged with these decisions as this is a major fundraiser for us and may restrict our ability to support service projects as in the past. Thank you for your past support and we look forward to continuing this fundraiser in 2021!

Medical Equipment Available

The Francis Creek Lions Club and the Village of Francis Creek maintain an inventory of medical equipment available for use by community members free of charge. Some of the items available are wheelchairs, walkers, and crutches. Access to the equipment can be arranged by calling the Village office at 920-682-7410 in advance. The Lions Club especially wants to thank Margaret Peroutka, Village Clerk, for working with individuals that need assistance and the Village for allowing the storage of the equipment in the office!

2020 Community Wide Rummage Sale

Register to win! Every sale that registers by the deadline will be entered in a drawing for either a \$25.00 gift card (first prize) or a \$10.00 credit at the Lions food tent toward food & refreshment (second prize).

Sponsored by Francis Creek Lions Club

Dates: Friday, May 29 and Saturday, May 30

Registration deadline: Monday, May 18th

Register via: (1) mail to Joe Debilzen, 1515 Kellner Street, Manitowoc 54220;
(2) Francis Creek Village Office or drop box in front; or
(3) joe.janet.debilzen@gmail.com

Sale Participants Receive: (1) Complimentary advertising and promotion funded by the Lions Club; (2) Sale maps will be delivered to your sale site/home prior to the event [if we find you home] or will be available for pickup at the Lions food tent during the event

Registration Cost: None required, but if you wish to donate to help offset the cost of advertising it will be greatly appreciated. If so, please include/forward a check payable to the Francis Creek Lions Club to 1515 Kellner Street, Manitowoc 54220.

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2020 Rummage Sale Registration

Francis Creek and Surrounding Community-May 29 & 30

Name: _____

Sale Address: _____

Mailing Address (if different): _____

E-mail address: _____

Phone Number(s): _____

List below any major items you plan to sell.

This can be updated until May 18 by calling Joe at 682-2860.

Francis Creek Fellowship Club

The Fellowship Club held their monthly meeting at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, March 10, 2020.



The Fellowship Club is a dedicated service organization whose main focus is to give back to the local community, support the local youth, and improve the park and village.

The Mishicot Technical Education Department will be constructing the Gaga Ball Pit in Pla-Mor Park. A decision where the pit should be located still has to be made. The tentative completion of the construction of the Gaga Pit should be before June 5, 2020.

On April 14 at 6:00 PM, the Fellowship Club members will be picking up garbage in the ditches from Stone Road to Highway T for our spring cleanup project. This is part of the Adopt - a - Highway Program.

Just a reminder that the Francis Creek Fire Department will be holding its 100 year anniversary on June 6th and 7th, 2020. There will refreshments, including special food items, bands, competition events between local Fire Departments and a parade on Sunday, the 7th. Be sure to watch for posters in the Village for more details. The Francis Creek Fellowship Club will be donating time and labor during this event. If there is anyone interested in helping out during this celebration, please contact Mike Albers at 920-973-2057.

Please be sure to check out the Fellowship Club's Facebook Page. Information on what the club has done and will be involved in will be posted there. Be sure to "Like" us when you can!

If anyone is interested in hearing about our club and would like to attend next month's meeting on April 14, please contact Paul Wojta, our President, at 920-901-3614 for more details. It would be great to see you there.

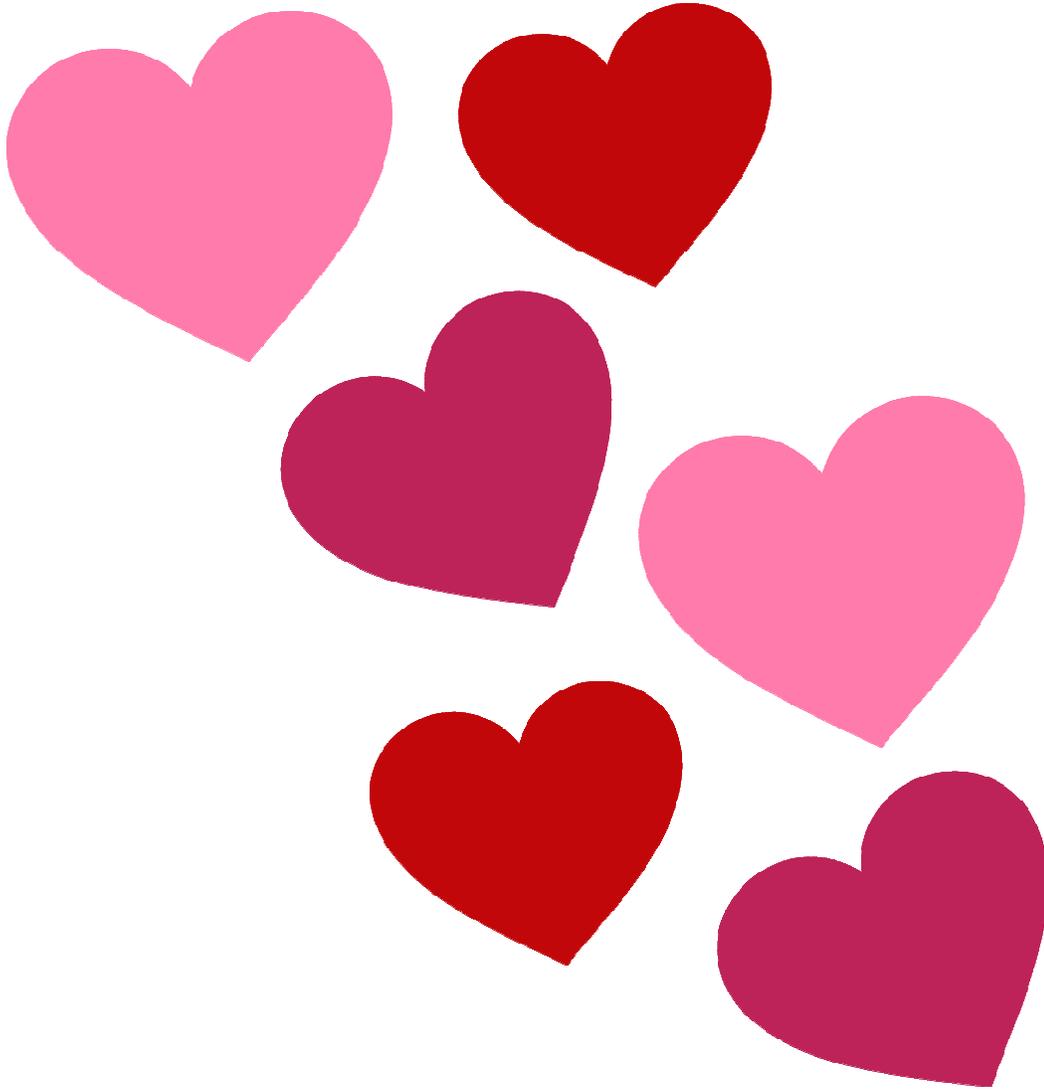
We hope that you are experiencing good health, and that we will see you out and about in the village.

Updates from the Village Clerk

A health emergency was declared by Governor Evers at the beginning of March. Within the orders there are a few things that directly impact the Village and how we do things:

1. **Sewer Bills**—As you may have noticed, you have yet to receive your 2nd quarter sewer bill from me. When I was about to print the bills COVID was starting to amp up and by the time I went to do it things had to be changed to accommodate the Governor's orders. Bills will be printed next week and will be going out next week. On your bill will be a notice referencing the Governor's Emergency Order #11. This order specifically relates to utility billing. How this affects you:
 - Late fees for first quarter will be suspended. If you have yet to pay your first quarter sewer bill, it will appear on the second quarter bill but you will not be charged a late fee.
 - Deferred payment agreements and budget billing arrangements for customers who request them. If you have been impacted financially by the COVID-19 pandemic and are having difficulty paying your sewer bill please call the Village Office at 920-682-7410 and the clerk will work out a plan with you. These will not be applied to all accounts by default. YOU MUST CALL to participate.
2. **Village Office**—After the election on April 7th there will be modifications to the Village Office hours. Any changes in the hours will be posted on the Village Website, Facebook page, in the Village Post Office, and on the Village Office Door.
3. **Pla-Mor Park and the Devil's River State Trail**—Both the Village park and the State Trail remain open. Please make sure you practice social distancing when visiting those places. The playground at Pla-Mor park is also closed. Governor Evers closed all playgrounds when he issued Emergency Order #12—Safer at Home.
4. **Need Help?**—If you or anyone else in the community is struggling to get supplies or essentials, please don't hesitate to reach out. We're all in this together.
5. **Spread the Love Hearts**—As the weather's nicer and you're leaving your house for a walk around the Village or just going for a drive to get out during this pandemic you may notice some of your neighbors have hearts hanging from their windows and doors. It is part of the #spreadthelove campaign during this health emergency. Since the safer at home order has been issued people have been hanging the hearts to share the love they have for friends, family, and loved ones they can't see while the order is in place. I know it's not directly related to the Clerk's Office but I thought we could all use a little love in today's world.

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