COMMUNITY CORNER

FRANCIS CREEK LIONS CLUB

Crick Crossing 5k Walk/Run
The second annual Crick Crossing 5k walk/run will be Saturday, April 29 at 9:00 a.m. in PlaMor Park and will prominently feature the Devil’s River State Recreation Trail. This event is sponsored by the Francis Creek Lions, with assistance from the Francis Creek First Responders to support eyesight and diabetes awareness initiatives. The course is USATF certified and chip timing will be used. Advance registration is $20.00 for adults and $10.00 under 12. Day of event registration is $25.00 for adults and $12.00 under 12. Advance registration is available using the following link: [https://www.raceentry.com/race-reviews/crick-crossing](https://www.raceentry.com/race-reviews/crick-crossing)

Brochures containing the registration forms should also be available at local businesses. We are pleased to have a number of sponsors supporting our efforts. If you have not been contacted to be a sponsor and

EVENT CALENDAR

April 2017

2nd - Scrambled Eggs N Ham Breakfast; St. Anne Parish; 8:00 a.m. to Noon

4th - Village Board Meeting; Village Office; 7:00 p.m.

5th – Spring Election

7th & 8th – Lions Club Rose Delivery

12th – Francis Creek Fellowship Club; Fire Station; 7:00 p.m.

12th – Lions Club Board Meeting; Village Office; 6:00 p.m.

26th - Lions Club Meeting; Sportsman Club; 6:00 p.m.

29th – Creek Crossing 5K Walk/Run; Village Park; 9:00 a.m.

Village Office Hours
Monday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Tuesday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Wednesday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Thursday 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Please understand that at times the village clerk has other work related obligations that require the office to be closed during the above hours.

Village of Francis Creek
200 Norwood Drive, Box 68
Francis Creek, WI 54214
Phone: (920) 682-7410
[ villageoffranciscreek@yahoo.com](mailto:villageoffranciscreek@yahoo.com)
are interested in doing so please call Joe Debilzen at 682-2860.

We look forward to a large number of walkers and runners as well as friends and families to cheer them on that day. We encourage you to register for the race to allow our Lions Club to continue to support our many service initiatives and projects.

Community Rummage Sale
REGISTER TO WIN!! Everyone that registers your sale by the May 24, 2017 deadline, will be entered into a drawing for one of two prizes. First prize is a $25.00 gift card and second is a $10.00 credit toward food and refreshments at our Lions food tent during the event.

The community rummage sale will be Friday and Saturday, June 2 and 3rd and is sponsored by the Francis Creek Lions Club. A listing and map of all registered sales will be delivered prior to the sale dates to those sites and will be available at the food tent in front of the former bank office. We will be promoting the sale in a number of different media to encourage as many shoppers to come to your sales as possible. Complete information relating to registration is on the form accessed by this link: http://www.e-clubhouse.org/sites/francisc/calendarr.php

In addition, a copy of the registration can be found later in this document.

We look forward to this being a great event. If you have any questions please call Joe Debilzen at 682-2860 or via e-mail at joe.janet.debilzen@gmail.com.

FRANCIS CREEK FELLOWSHIP CLUB

The Fellowship Club held their monthly meeting at 7:00 PM on Wednesday, March 8, 2017.

For those who aren’t familiar with this Club, it 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. It was organized on January 8, 1980 by a group of citizens wanting to improve the community. The club members come from all walks of life including sales, marketing, corporate executives, business owners, construction workers, factory workers and truck drivers to name a few. Our members are basically from the Village and the surrounding area with a wide range in ages.

Throughout the years, this club has played an intricate part in the development of Pla-Mor Park in Francis Creek. Projects the club helped sponsor are both
concession stands, bike racks, picnic tables, Christmas decorations, ball diamonds, tennis courts, horseshoe pits, shelter, playground equipment and much more.

The Francis Creek Fellowship Club also organizes the Sponsor-a-Tree program where someone can dedicate a tree to be planted in the park in memory of a loved one.

At Christmas time, the club donates to needy families in the area to help make their Christmas a little more special. We also support other groups in their fund raising efforts.

Basically, the Fellowship Club is a group of caring individuals wanting to improve the community we live in. We conduct fund raisers throughout the year to help finance these projects. The funds raised stay in the community.

Membership is open to anyone 21 years of age or older. We meet once a month at 7:00 pm on the second Wednesday of the month at various locations, including private homes and the Sportsmen Club.

The Fellowship Club will be putting together a survey that will be distributed in the community and surrounding areas. We are hoping to receive feedback from you as to what projects we could possibly support and if there is a fund raiser that we could possibly hold. Your input from these surveys will be helpful with the Club’s future plans and decisions. The Club wants to continue the success in what we have improved, supported and given back to the community.

NOTE: Due to the fact there was not enough people that signed for the bus and ticket reservation for the Green Bay Gamblers game on Sunday, April 2, the Fellowship Club has cancelled the event.

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

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 12th at 7:00 PM. If anyone is interested in hearing about our club and would like to attend this meeting, please contact Doug Gossen, our President at 920-242-0850. It would be great to see you there

Until next time, we hope that you are experiencing good health, warm thoughts!

PRESIDENTS CORNER

Redwood / Norwood Project
The Village Board approved Peters Concrete of Green Bay as the lowest qualified bidder for the Redwood Lane, Redwood Court, and Norwood Drive project. Their bid of $366,853.05 was nearly $30,000 lower than the next highest bid from Vinton Construction.

The project includes the installation of curb and gutter, including storm sewer, and reconstruction of the road surface. In addition, the village will repair the sanitary main on those streets during the project. Although no official start date has been identified, it should begin in late May to early June and be completed by the end of August. This is the first road reconstruction with curb, gutter and storm sewer in the Village since 2003.

Spring Election
Election Day is Tuesday, April 4th. Polls open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 8:00 p.m. Many of you are already thinking about the important choices you are about to make. Other things to remember are:
- If registering to vote, be sure to provide Proof of Residence and Photo ID. Without it, your registration will be returned to you. In addition, when voting in person be sure to provide a current Photo ID.
- Please be patient as there are only two voting booths and one auto-mark machine to vote.
- To check if you are a registered voter please go to: myvote.wi.gov or https://myvote.wi.gov/en-us/UpdateMyNameorAddress and enter your name and date of birth.

2017 Community Wide Rummage Sale

Register to win! Every sale that registers by the deadline will be entered into a drawing for: First prize is a $25.00 gift card; and 2nd prize is a $10.00 credit at the Lions food tent toward food & refreshment.

Sponsored by: Francis Creek Lions Club

Dates: Friday, June 2 and Saturday, June 3

Registration deadline: Wednesday, May 24th

Register via: (1) mail to Joe Deblies, 1515 Kelheimer Street, Manitowoc 54220; (2) Francis Creek Village Office or drop box in front of or (3) joe.jarek.deblies@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 the evening of June 2 or will be available for pickup at the Lions food tent during the event

Registration Cost: None required, but if you wish to make a donation to offset the cost of advertising it will be greatly appreciated. If so, please include a check payable to the Francis Creek Lions Club

2017 Rummage Sale Registration
Francis Creek and Surrounding Community-June 2 & 3

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 24 by calling Joe at 682-2860.

__________________________________________________________________________
DRUG DROP BOX INSTALLED
The Manitowoc County Sheriff's Office has installed a drug drop box in the lobby located at 1025 South 9th Street. This new drug drop box was installed to help make drug disposal more convenient for residents and more efficient for law enforcement. The new drop box is available Monday through Friday between 8am and 4:30pm. When using this drop box or any other drop box or disposal event in Manitowoc County, make sure to follow the directions listed below.

There are two reasons for the collection and proper disposal of medications. First, removing these drugs from your house can reduce the likelihood of family or guests using the prescriptions in a way that leads to addiction, continued use of illicit drugs, and accidental poisoning or overdoses. Second, these drugs should not be placed in the trash or flushed down the toilet since they cannot be removed by landfills, sewage treatment plants, or septic systems and are released into our water supplies.

Since 2006, Manitowoc County has offered annual programs for medication disposal. What started out as a one-day collection event in 2006 has now grown into 3 permanent drug drop boxes and 3 annual take back events. Thanks to the efforts of the program supporters and participating residents, approximately 12,509 pounds of pills, patches, powders, and liquids have been collected since it started (not including the packaging).

When using this drug drop box, or any other drop box or drug collection event, it is very important to follow the guidelines. The guidelines are designed to keep the collections safe and efficient. Please check them before using since they are subject to change. The current guidelines are listed on page 2.

This program is supported through the Manitowoc County Drug Disposal Collaborative which includes: Manitowoc County Sheriff's Office - Metro Drug Unit, Manitowoc County Public Works Department - Recycling Center, Manitowoc County Aging and Disability Resource Center, Manitowoc County Public Health Department, Northeastern Wisconsin Area Health Education Center, Manitowoc City Police Department, Two Rivers Police Department, and Kiel Police Department.

For questions or more info call 683-4333 or visit the Drug Disposal section at www.manitowocrecycles.org.
Earth Day & Healthy Kids Day

APRIL 29, 2017 10am—2pm

At the YMCA

205 Maritime Drive, Manitowoc

The 2017 Earth Day Event will be held in conjunction with Healthy Kids Day at the Manitowoc YMCA. Both events draw on the theme that a healthy lifestyle and healthy environment go hand in hand. The events will feature a drug collection event coordinated by Manitowoc County Recycling Center, Metro Drug Unit and Health Department.

The Earth Day Event is an annual gathering of local and regional businesses, organizations, and individuals that promote sustainable, activities in our communities. The public is invited to attend, FREE of charge, and learn more about a wide range of topics including: local food, organic gardening, nature conservation, composting, recycling and waste reduction, healthy lifestyles and communities, and local businesses offering environmentally friendly products and services. The event has many activities geared toward children and will have food by local vendors.

Some activities at the event will include: educational booths, children’s activities, seedling planting by Roobach Flowers, Educational Animals by Wildlife of Wisconsin, Music performances and song with participation for all ages including song, drumming and movement, Nitrate Testing for well water by League of Women Voters (bring 1/2 Cup sample).

For information on Earth Day or the Drug Disposal Program visit www.manitowocrecycles.org or call 920-683-4333. For information on Healthy Kids Day or the YMCA visit www.mtrymca.org or call 920-682-0341.

DRUG COLLECTION GUIDELINES

Participants should remove pills from the original container and put them in a “ziplock” style bag that is quart size or smaller. Pills can be mixed in one bag. Bring the bag to a law enforcement drug drop box or drug disposal event. Recycle or dispose of the empty pill bottles and boxes at home. Liquids, creams, and powders stay in their original container with the caps tightened.

Guidelines:

- Accepted drugs include prescriptions, over the counter, pet medications, controlled substances, and supplements.
- Place pills in a “ziplock” style bag that is quart size or less. Liquids, cremes, and powders can stay in the original container with caps tightened.
- Pill bottles and boxes are NOT accepted. Cross out your personal information and dispose of them or recycle them at home.
- Needles, sharps, mercury devices, chemical waste, electronic glucose monitors, non-medical inhalers, and personal care products like shampoo and cosmetics will NOT be accepted.
- Do NOT bring medications to drug disposal events before or after the listed times.
- Households only. Businesses should call 683-4333 for disposal information.
- Practice safe storage by keeping medications in a secured location.
- Practice reduction by consulting with your physician about your medication needs.
- Never share your prescriptions with another person.

MERCURY THERMOMETER EXCHANGE

As part of the Earth Day Drug Collection you can bring your mercury fever thermometers and receive a digital thermometer. Only household thermometers are eligible for exchange. There is a limit of one digital thermometer per household while supplies last. Transport mercury devices in a sealed and cushioned container.

Earth Day Beach Cleanup!

9:00 am April 22nd. Help keep our lakeshore clean and healthy! Call 920-242-1993 to sign up for a beach near you.

Door Prizes!

A chance to win great prizes! One ticket per attendee. Get two tickets if you ride a bike, walk, or take public transportation to the event! Prizes announced throughout the day by the music.

Earth Friendly Collections!

- Medications (see below), Mercury Thermometers (see below for details), Cell Phones (donated to Cell Phones for Soldiers), Eye Glasses, and Hearing Aids (donated to Lions Club), and Printer Cartridges.

NEXT DRUG DISPOSAL EVENT:

-Saturday, April 29th: 10am-2pm, Earth Day/Healthy Kids Day, YMCA 205 Maritime Dr Manitowoc
Hazardous Waste Clean Sweep

Bring your hazardous wastes to the 2017 Clean Sweep. Many common items like automotive products, household cleaners, pesticides and home improvement products are hazardous when used, stored or disposed of improperly. Look for items that contain the following warnings on their labels: Danger, Warning, Caution, Poison, Combustible, Flammable, Corrosive, and Toxic. Households and farms may participate for free, businesses receive discounted rates.

**MAY 19 and 20, 2017**
Manitowoc County Highway Shop
3500 HWY 310

**Residents**
Saturday, May 20, 9am - Noon

**Farms and Businesses**
Friday, May 19, 2pm - 4pm
Pre-registration is required by May 11
Call 920-683-4333

The Manitowoc County Hazardous Waste Clean Sweep started in 1985. Since it began, households and farms have turned in approximately 950,585 pounds of material. All of the collected items are properly recycled, neutralized or disposed of at special disposal sites or hazardous waste incinerators that render the materials harmless.

Many cleaners, home improvement products, automotive products and pesticides can be dangerous when stored or disposed of improperly. They can contaminate the soil, water, and air when spilt or illegally dumped. Improperly stored items could be involved in accidental poisonings of children and pets. The Clean Sweep Program provides an opportunity to safely dispose of these materials for free and for eligible businesses to save on their disposal costs.

The Manitowoc County Clean Sweep is part of a regional partnership with Sheboygan and Fond du Lac County. It is possible partly through grant funding from the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection, a donation from the Ridgeview Landfill and volunteer labor. If you are interested in contributing to the Clean Sweep program contact the Recycling Center at 920-683-4333.

**ACCEPTABLE ITEMS**
- Pesticides and poisons
- Oil and lead based paints
- Wood preservatives
- Solvents
- Aerosols
- Cleansers and polishes
- Contaminated oil
- Antifreeze
- Gasoline
- Mercury and mercury containing devices
- Pool chemicals

Disposal or recycling options exist for many unacceptable items. Contact the Manitowoc County Recycling Center at 920-683-4333 or visit www.manitowocrecycles.org

**UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS**
- LATEX PAINT*
- Explosives such as ammunition
- Radioactive materials such as smoke detectors
- Compressed gas tanks such as fire extinguishers and propane tanks
- Unknown chemicals
- Tires
- Infectious and biological waste including sharps
- Light bulbs and batteries
- TVs and electronics
- Appliances
- Freon gases
- Pharmaceuticals

*Residents are encouraged to dispose of latex paint in their trash. Just take the lid off and let it dry or add paint hardener or cat litter. Once hard, latex paint can be disposed of in the trash.

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**REDUCTION IS YOUR FIRST CHOICE!**
Before you buy:
- Read the labels
- Choose safer alternatives
- Buy the smallest amount needed for the job

After you buy:
- Follow directions for safe use
- Store properly in the original container
- Share what you can’t use
- Dispose of leftovers properly

Program Sponsors: Manitowoc County Solid Waste Dept., Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection (DATCP), Waste Management Inc., Holiday House of Manitowoc Inc., and Manitowoc County UW Extension.
COMPOST SITE SPRING UPDATE
Beginning April 1st the Basswood Road and Woodland Drive Compost Sites will have new hours. The Basswood Site yard material drop off area will be open Monday-Friday, 7am to 6pm and Saturday from 8am until 6pm. The Basswood Site is located at 3000 Basswood Road in Manitowoc. The Woodland Site, located at 4191 Woodland Drive in Two Rivers, will be open Monday-Friday, 10am to 6pm and Saturday from 8am until 6pm. The Recycling Center Main Office will be open on Saturdays from 8am to Noon beginning April 1st.

When using the sites please follow the posted guidelines. Remove items from plastic bags. Take your empty plastic bags home with you to dispose of in your garbage or reuse. Acceptable items for the compost pile include leaves, grass, garden waste, fruits, vegetables, weeds, flowers, woodchips, sawdust from untreated wood, and sod that has had the soil removed. Acceptable items for the brush pile include branches and trees cut less than 6 inches in diameter and 5 feet long.

Items that are NOT ACCEPTED include soil, sand, rock, ashes, animal waste and lumber. Leaving these items at either compost site is considered illegal dumping.

Wood Mulch and Screened Compost are available for a small fee at the Basswood Site during the Recycling Center Main Office hours. Deliveries can be arranged at the Main Office or by calling 920-683-4333. Loading is generally available for small loads with trailers or open truck beds Monday-Friday from 7:30am to 3:30pm only. Compost and Wood Mulch are available while supplies last and as weather and site conditions permit.

SCREENED COMPOST PRICES
- 1 bushel: $2.50
- 1 cubic yard: $13.00
- 6 cubic yards including Delivery Charge: $108.50

UNSCREENED COMPOST PRICES
- 1 bushel: $0.50
- 1 cubic yard: $1.50
- 6 cubic yards including Delivery Charge: $39.50

WOOD MULCH PRICES
- 1 bushel: $0.75
- 1 cubic yard: $8.00
- 6 cubic yards including Delivery Charge: $78.50

HOME COMPOSTING
Gardeners and homeowners, turn your household food scraps into rich compost for your garden or plants. Mix kitchen scraps and grass clipping with leaves and turn the pile occasionally until it breaks down. Not only does home composting provide excellent compost, but you can reduce the amount of materials going into your garbage. Large, 13-cubic foot compost bins with locking lids are available at the Recycling Center for only $60.00 (tax included).

Stop by the Recycling Center at any time during normal business hours and take a look at our floor model. Educational resources for home composting are available as well.

CLEANING UP GLASS RECYCLING Recycling one glass bottle can save enough energy to keep a light bulb lit for several hours! Many people know that glass must be recycled in the state of Wisconsin. Glass items that can be recycled are clear, brown and colored bottles and jars. This includes beer and soda bottles, glass food containers, and wine bottles. The types of glass that cannot be recycled are window glass, mirrors, light bulbs, Pyrex, drinking glasses, and dishes. Items that appear to be glass such as ceramics, porcelain, clay pottery, and ovenware cannot be recycled because they are made from, or contain additives, that are different materials than bottle glass. These types of items can contaminate a load of bottle glass and make recycling difficult or impossible. The Manitowoc County Recycling Center has recently had an increase in the amount of these types of contaminates in the drop off sites and urges residents to follow the recycling guidelines for acceptable items.

Recycled glass can be dropped off at the Manitowoc County Recycling Center drop off site, at your local municipal drop-off site or put out for curbside pickup by your local haulers (check with your hauler for guidelines). The proper way to prepare acceptable glass bottles for recycling is to make sure they are empty and rinsed. Rinsing them is important because it makes the process more efficient and sanitary. It is also necessary to remove the container caps, corks, and lids. Items such as corks, lids, and caps are considered contaminates that interfere with glass recycling and lowers the quality of the recycled glass. Removing container labels is not necessary. For questions or more information, call the Recycling Center at 683-4333 or visit www.manitowocrecycles.org.

Acceptable glass:
- Clear Bottles
- Brown Bottles
- Green Bottles
- Blue Bottles

Unacceptable glass:
- Window Glass
- Mirrors
- Light Bulbs
- Ceramics
- Porcelain
- Clay Pottery
- Drinking Glasses
- Ovenware
- Pyrex
- Dishes
The Manitowoc Recycling Center maintains a residential drop off area at the Recycling Center Main office located at 3000 Basswood Road. It is open Monday-Friday from 7am to 4pm, and Saturday from 8am to Noon. This site is intended for use by all county residents. There is no trash or garbage drop off at this location. Contact a local hauler or the Ridgeview Landfill for disposal of trash. Different municipal drop off sites may be more accessible to you depending on the city, township or village you are from.

General Drop Site Guidelines
- Place your recyclables in the bunker or receptacle labeled for that material.
- Do not place nonacceptable items in the bunkers or receptacles.
- Do not place materials outside receptacles on the ground.
- Large loads of cardboard, paper or plastic can be placed on appropriate pile on the tipping floor.
- Use caution driving through the drop site and on the tipping floor.

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<td>Includes newspapers, junk mail, magazines, computer paper, books with metal or plastic binding removed etc.. Paper should be clean and dry. No paper contaminated with food or oil. No paper coated with foil, plastic or heavy glue. No plastic/foil wrapping paper.</td>
<td>Check for a neck. <strong>We only accept #1 and #2 bottles and jars.</strong> Remove the caps, rinse and flatten. No tub shaped containers or bottles that contained oil or pesticide (even if rinsed). No plastic wraps, films, bags, trays, pails, packaging peanuts, Styrofoam, or any other non bottle shaped item. Please do not tie milk jugs together or tie in plastic bags.</td>
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<td>Any color glass bottle or jar can be recycled. Put into designated bunker. Remove lids or caps and rinse. No window glass, mirrors, light bulbs, clay, ceramics, drinking glasses or ovenware.</td>
<td>Cartons include shelf stable and refrigerated containers for wine, milk, juice, cream, soy milk, soup, and egg substitutes. Drop off cartons with the with the plastic bottles. They should be emptied and flattened.</td>
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<td>Should be clean and flattened. No soiled cardboard or cardboard coated with wax, tin, or plastic.</td>
<td>Tin, steel, and aluminum cans. Coated cans, foil, and pie tins are ok. Empty and rinse out food residue.</td>
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**ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER REQUEST**
Are you interested in receiving current updates recycling programs in Manitowoc County? Join our electronic mailing list to receive our quarterly newsletter. Either call us at 920-683-4333 or email jonreisenbuechler@co.manitowoc.wi.us and request to be added to our email distribution list. The recycling center will not give away or sell your information. You will receive our quarterly newsletter detailing news and information about the recycling center and related events.

The Manitowoc County Recycling Center is operated by Holiday House of Manitowoc County Inc. Serving people with disabilities since 1957.

The Manitowoc County Recycling Center is a business unit of the Manitowoc County Department of Public Works and is operated in partnership with the Manitowoc County Expo Center.