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Have a Safe Labor Day Weekend... Labor Day is Monday, September 4

Village offices, including the Residential Recycling Center, will be closed on Monday, September 4 in honor of Labor Day. Village offices and the Residential Recycling Center will reopen for regular business hours on Tuesday morning, September 5.

There will be no garbage collection on Labor Day, September 4. Garbage and recycling collection will resume on Tuesday, September 5. Scheduled pickups for the week will be delayed by one day. Bulk item collections, normally scheduled for Wednesday pick up, will instead be scheduled for Thursday during Labor Day week. Electronic and white goods collections will be scheduled for Friday pick up.

Lake Andrea Beach Closes for the Season

Lake Andrea Beach will close for the season at the **end of the day on Labor Day, September 4.** The beach will reopen during June of 2018. Thank you for another safe and fun beach season. The RecPlex will be **closed** on Labor Day. ☐



*A great place to
live, work & play!*



Get Involved: Pleasant Prairie Mini Maker Faire

A family-friendly showcase of invention and creativity!

What is a Maker Faire?

A Maker Faire is a community-based learning event that brings tech enthusiasts, crafters, educators, tinkerers, hobbyists, engineers, science clubs, authors, artists, students and entrepreneurs together to *show their projects and talk about what they've learned*. The event is meant to inspire everyone to become a maker and connect people with projects in their local community. It's an exhibition with opportunities for hands on and do-it-yourself interactions.

The goal is to create an environment for the sharing of ideas, the growth of entrepreneurship, and the strengthening of the innovative cultures within area families, businesses and educational institutions.

There are a number of ways that you can *get involved* in the Maker Faire.

Makers | Calling all tinkerers, creators, inventors, and builders...this is your chance to showcase your creativity. It is free to exhibit. If you wish to sell what you make, the commercial maker fee is \$50. Visit the Maker Faire website to complete an application.

Sponsors | Several sponsorship packages are available to appeal to both small and large organizations that want to network and connect with over 1,000 individuals who are inspired by invention and creativity. Introduce your business and develop new leads.

Volunteers | Individuals and groups are welcome to participate by helping with set-up, event activities, and tear down. Middle school and high school youth needing credit for volunteer hours are encouraged to sign-up.

If you have a passion for the maker

movement and would like to be involved in the planning process, you are welcome to participate in the next Mini Maker Faire committee meeting on **Tuesday, August 29 from 5:15 until 6:30 p.m.** The meeting will be held in the Village Hall Auditorium (with parking on the south end of the building) at 9915 39th Avenue.

If you have questions email Pleasantprairiemini-makerfaire@gmail.com.

Learn more by visiting pleasantprairie.makerfaire.com.

The easiest way to *get involved* is to **mark your calendars to attend** the Mini Maker Faire!

Saturday, Nov. 25
10:00 am - 3:00 p.m.
RecPlex, Fieldhouse

Admission is free.



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Amendment Prohibits Loitering on Medians



On July 17, 2017 the Pleasant Prairie Village Board adopted an amendment to Chapter 250 of the Municipal Code as it relates to Peace and Good Order.

The amendment added a statement outlining prohibited activity. It states; ***No person may stand, sit or stay upon any median in a designated roadway or highway due to the safety concerns for both pedestrians and the motoring public. A median is defined as a paved or unpaved area dividing a street or highway that separates lanes of traffic. This provision does not apply to persons using a crosswalk to cross a street or roadway or for law enforcement officers, fire rescue officers, or any public employee acting within the scope of their duties.***

There has been growing concern about people soliciting donations and loitering in the median lanes of roadways while engaged in this type of activity, entering the lanes of traffic to interact with vehicles. Pleasant Prairie Chief of Police David Smetana presented the Village Board with facts and figures related to accidents in the Village of Pleasant Prairie.

This past year there were 349 traffic accidents, 99 were intersection related on Highway 50. With nearly thirty percent of these accidents occurring at or related to intersections, there is concern that groups and individuals soliciting donations in these intersections could be putting themselves at risk of injury. Groups or individuals loitering in the median may also obstruct traffic by creating a distraction for drivers.

The Police Department's role is to secure the safety of all residents and visitors within the community. ☐

Sewer Line Assessments

In an effort to protect the local water supply and prevent sewer backups, the Public Works Department is conducting sewer line assessments. These assessments began during the month of July and will continue throughout the fall. They are taking place in areas of the village where sewer backups have been reported. There are multiple ways that an inspection can be conducted, including; external inspections, video inspections within the sewer lines, and internal inspections in homes. Letters will be sent to homes requiring an internal inspection.

Please help prevent backups and basement flooding by ensuring that your sump pump is not connected to the sanitary sewer. Discharge from only a small number of sump pumps can cause the sanitary sewer to back up into basements of homes. Because sanitary sewage can cause both property damage and serious health and safety concerns, it is illegal to drain your sump pump into the sanitary sewer line.

Illegal Sump Pump Connection Reminder

Please be reminded that Section 28.008 B.5 of the Village Municipal Code states that all residential sump pump discharge shall be directed to the street yard, natural drainage way, or approved storm sewer system so as to not saturate, accumulate, or damage the subject property or adjacent properties. Residents found violating this ordinance are subject to fines. If you have any questions about whether or not your sump pump is discharging properly, please call the Public Works Department at **262.925.6700**. ☐

Through Your Frame...

Photo contest session one ends on August 31 and entries will be judged on September 5. The next session runs September 1- December 8.

No winter or seasonal photos have been submitted. Consider going through your digital files to see if you have a great Village pic and submit it to the photo contest today! ☐



Medication Collection Box Available 24/7

Please Do Not Flush Pills Down the Toilet

Both anti-drug forces and environmental activists are encouraging people to properly dispose of unused pharmaceuticals. Disposing of pharmaceuticals can make them inaccessible to children or addicts, and disposing of them correctly also keeps them from further contaminating our local drinking water supply.

A permanent medication drop box (available 24/7) is located in the lobby of the **Pleasant Prairie Police Department at 8600 Green Bay Road.**

A list of acceptable items is printed on the outside of the drop box. **Do not deposit inhalers, needles or sharps in the box.** Please visit PleasantPrairieOnline.com/services/garbage/quickreference.asp for information about the proper disposal of needles and sharps.

Please keep medication in its original container, and cross off any personal information, leaving the name of the medication visible.

Thank you for your care when disposing of medication. ☐



Disposing of Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Detectors

Smoke detectors are an important and required safety feature in buildings and homes of all types and sizes. However, once these devices have reached the end of their useful life, improper disposal of smoke detectors could pose a threat to health and our environment.

A majority of smoke detectors used today (approximately 80%) contain a small amount of radioactive material (Americium 241). When mounted to a wall or ceiling, these smoke detectors are safe to use; the plastic casing surrounding the detector is sufficient to block this small amount of radiation. However, if a smoke detector containing Americium 241 is broken open in a landfill, the radioactive material inside can pose a threat to our health and the environment.

How to Dispose of Smoke Detectors

Smoke detectors that contain radioactive material must be labeled accordingly. Companies that manufacture detectors accept expired units. Before disposing of an expired detector, remove any batteries. Alkaline batteries may be thrown in your trash, while lithium batteries may be brought to the Village Residential Recycling Center during **Hazardous Waste Collection (the first Saturday of the month).**

Check the manufacturer's user manual or perform an online search for the detector's manufacturer to determine their mailing, delivery, or return instructions. Please be aware that the US Postal Service has strict requirements regarding the mailing of hazardous materials.



How to Dispose of Carbon Monoxide Detectors

While carbon monoxide detectors do not contain radioactive material, they do contain circuit boards and platinum, both of which are worth recycling. **Please recycle carbon monoxide detectors at the Residential Recycling Center.**

To learn more about solid waste disposal options in the Village, visit PleasantPrairieOnline.com, call Public Works at **262.925.6700**, or email pw@plprairie.com. ☐

Trick or Treat

Trick or Treat in the Village of Pleasant Prairie will be held on **Sunday, October 29 between 3:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.**

Trick or Treat dates have routinely been set for the Sunday afternoon prior to Halloween. The board cited safety and order as reasons to continue this practice. This decision gives families the opportunity to trick or treat during daylight hours.

The Village would like to remind all residents to be safety minded during Trick or Treat times. ☐



Road Closure: Phase 1

Hwy H and Bain Station Road



As part of Kenosha County's County H and Bain Station Road Roundabout Reconstruction Project, the intersection of County H and Bain Station Road will be closed to traffic throughout the duration of the project.

Phase one work:

(July 25 through mid-to-late August)

- Pavement removal
- Public and private utility relocations
- Clearing and grubbing (tree removal)

To sign up for periodic email updates, please contact: Public Involvement Lead, Cynthia De Vor at cynthia@devorpr.com or visit PleasantPrairieOnline.com ☐

Residential Street Lights Your Help is Needed

Because repair of street lights is both safer and more efficient before the weather turns cold and daylight hours are limited, Village staff requests your help to report non-working street lights in residential neighborhoods. A street light is considered non-working when it is flickering continually, not lighting in the dark, or if the light is on during daylight hours.

Determining Who To Contact

Because some street lights in the Village are maintained by We Energies and some are maintained by Village staff, the first step is determining who to contact for repair. The Village maintains most street lights in residential neighborhoods. Village street lights should have a numbered sticker affixed to the base of the light pole displaying the words Village of Pleasant Prairie. A We Energies street light should have a numbered metal tag on its pole.

Report a Non-Working Street Light

To notify the Village when a street light needs repair, please contact us at pw@plprairie.com or at [262.925.6700](tel:262.925.6700).

If you're unsure if a non-working light is a Village street light, you can also contact us at the number above. Staff will refer to a street light map and notify the appropriate repair personnel.

When you call, we will need to know the intersection or the address of the home nearest to the light pole. If visible on the sticker, the pole number is useful as well. To notify **We Energies** when a street light needs repair, you can reach them at **800-662-4797** or at www.we-energies.com by clicking "Report a streetlight out" at the bottom of the page. Thank you for your help...it makes a difference. ☐





Friday, Aug. 25 - Monday, Sept. 18



BACK TO SCHOOL

RecPlex Membership Special

Option 1 or 2, you get to choose!

1 BRING IN 3, NO FACILITY FEE!
Facility fee will be waived with the donation of 3 items.
Must bring at least 1 container of wipes/Clorox.

DONATION LIST	
(Donations will benefit Pleasant Prairie elementary schools.)	
Wipes/Clorox	
Post-Its	
Kleenex	
Glue Sticks	
Velcro	
Folders	
Dry Erase Markers	
Head Phones - not earbuds	

- NO Facility Fee
- \$50 Fall Kids Program Voucher
- FREE Group Fitness Classes
- FREE Fitness Orientation
- FREE Fitness Assessment
- FREE Day Passes
- FREE T-Shirt and Hat

2

- 1/2 OFF Facility Fee
- \$50 Fall Kids Program Voucher
- FREE Group Fitness Classes
- FREE Fitness Orientation
- FREE Fitness Assessment
- FREE Day Passes
- FREE T-Shirt and Hat

9900 Terwall Terrace, Pleasant Prairie, WI 53158 | 262-947-0437

www.recplexonline.com

Shred & Recycle Day

Saturday, September 9
9:00 a.m. to noon
Residential Recycling
Center 8000 128th St.



On Saturday, September 9 between 9:00 a.m. and noon, Village residents are invited to bring unwanted personal documents to the Residential Recycling Center, located at 8000 128th Street (Russell Road), for on-site destruction.

Residents may bring as many personal documents as they can carry for on-site destruction by Paper Tiger. Paper Tiger provides trucks with custom-built shredders that can efficiently destroy confidential paper documents and CDs.

This service is free of charge for residents.

Destroying old documents containing personal information can be a simple and important step towards protecting yourself from fraud and identity theft. It prevents your confidential and personal information from falling into the wrong hands after you dispose of it.

After destroying your documents on-site, Paper Tiger will recycle all of the shredding it collects into a variety of paper products.

For more information, please contact the Public Works Department at **262.925.6700** or email pw@plprairie.com.

To learn more about Paper Tiger, visit www.yourpapertiger.com. □

Better Earth Clothing and Textile Recycling Box

Available at the Residential Recycling Center

Residents interested in recycling clothing and household textiles will find a **Better Earth recycling box** at the **Residential Recycling Center (8000 128th Street)**. Used clothing, shoes, belts, purses, towels, blankets, and similar household textiles are accepted.

Items should be placed into closed plastic bags to keep items dry and protected from moisture, mold and mildew so that they can be shared with people in need worldwide. Overly worn or stained clothing/textiles will be re-purposed for other uses, such as polishing cloths, insulation, building material, and more.

Very little remains at the end of the recycling process. By using the box, you can help provide employment and affordable clothing to people in the U.S. and developing countries.

The Residential Recycling Center is open **Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. and Saturday from 7:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.** ☐



The best way to be prepared is to sign up before an emergency occurs.



In order to receive emergency text messages on your smart phone, text "53158" to 888777 or visit ***NIXLE.com***.

Email Newsletter

Signing up to receive the email version of the Village Newsletter is easy. If you're interested in trying the email version of the Village Newsletter, visit PleasantPrairieOnline.com and enter your email address in the box near the bottom of the page.

If you're comfortable reading your newsletter electronically, you can choose to opt off of the paper mailing list by emailing newsletter@plprairie.com. Include your name and postal mailing address along with the words "email only." Once your name has been removed, we'll send you a follow-up email to confirm. ☐



Let's Get Social

Follow the Village of Pleasant Prairie on:

Twitter @PIPrairieWI

Facebook @villageofpleasantprairiewi

The Village regularly posts updates related to roadway projects, weather related events, community development, beach reports, events, recycling, photo contests, and more on social media. ☐



Safety Day in the Prairie

Saturday, September 23



Photo by Sabrina Childers Photography

Please join members of the Pleasant Prairie Fire & Rescue at the second annual Safety Day in the Prairie. The event will take place on **Saturday, September 23 from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.** at Fire Station #1 (3801 Springbrook Road).

This is a **free** event and is open to the public.

Safety Day in the Prairie will feature:

- Fire station tours and safety house exhibit
- Rescue demonstrations
- Tours of the NEW 100ft ladder truck
- Meeting your Pleasant Prairie firefighters
- Flight for Life helicopter landing scheduled to appear early in the event
- Wisconsin State Patrol seatbelt demonstrations
- Presentations from law enforcement
- Complimentary refreshments

Safety Day in the Prairie is sponsored by the Pleasant Prairie Fire Rescue Association, Inc. and made possible through the generous donations of individuals and corporations in the Village. More information is available by calling Pleasant Prairie Fire & Rescue at **262.694.8027**.

Safety Day is being held in advance of Fire Prevention month in October. Pleasant Prairie Fire and Rescue encourages all residents to have a fire safety plan and to discuss fire safety with all members of their households. □

Pleasant Prairie Historical Society

Who's baking in the Prairie?



A **Good Eats and Sweet Treats Dessert Auction** will be held as part of the Dublin School Picnic Fundraiser on **Saturday, September 9 at Halter Wildlife**.

Sweet Treats Dessert Drop-Off: 10:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Dessert Live Auction Starts at 1:00 p.m.

The Society is looking for **25 home bakers** willing to show their homemade baking talents by donating the sweet treats for a good cause! For those of you who don't want to bake a pie, cookies, breads or other treats, join in the fun by bidding on the delicious treats!

Picnic events from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.:

- Food, beer, wine and soft drinks
- Live music provided by GOOROOS and Dem Cider Boys
- Kid's games, wagon rides, gunny sack races, and face painting
- "Hole in One" golfing contest to win a new vehicle
- Bingo, raffle and 50/50 raffles
- Homemade pies and bakery goods live auction
- Police K-9 and Fire Department demonstrations
- Car Cruise featuring Mis-Shifts Car Club
- Information booths

Proceeds from the event support the restoration of the 1927 Dublin School, a local Pleasant Prairie museum.

For more information contact Jean Werbie-Harris at the Pleasant Prairie Historical Society at **262.947.3600** or visit **HistoricalSociety@plprairie.org** □

