



"Find something you're passionate about & keep tremendously interested in it." ~ Julia Child

Bike the Barn Quilts Ride
~ Shawano County

Mark your calendars for their 5th Annual Bicycle Ride, which will be held on September 30, 2017. This event has rides/walks/runs for people of all ages and abilities. Registrations go to support programs & services of Shawano Pathways. They have 7 scenic bike routes varying in distance from 5-70 miles to choose from. Beautiful quilt patterns are showcased on the barns along these routes. Maps can be printed off their website showing the different routes with the number & locations of the barn quilts. For information on this event, go to their website at www.shawanopathways.org



Are You Ready for an Emergency? 'September is Preparedness Month'

Are you ready for an emergency? Unfortunately, many people are not ready. September is declared as Preparedness Month to encourage families to get prepared for an emergency. Be a hero to your family, friends and neighbors by preparing for emergencies such as tornadoes, flooding and winter storms. "Getting ready now will protect you and your loved ones later."

"Without warning, a disaster or an emergency could strike your home, your neighborhood or the community. Depending upon the magnitude of the disaster, it could be hours or even days before emergency help arrives. "Individuals and families need to be self-reliant and prepared for days without utilities such as electricity, water and phone service, availability of local businesses such as gas stations and supermarkets, and other needed supplies. That's why now, as a family, is the time to prepare before disaster strikes.

Preparing can start with three important steps:

- Make a plan for what to do in an emergency
- Put together an emergency supply kit for your home and your vehicle.
- Be informed about emergencies that could happen in your community

Identify sources of information in your community that will be helpful before, during and after an emergency. ReadyWisconsin's Facebook and Twitter feeds are a great place to start. You can also learn more about Wireless Emergency Alerts that go straight to your cellphone.

Putting together a home disaster kit is easy. Many items you probably already have at home. Gather non-perishable food and bottled water to last three days. Consider items such as flashlights with extra batteries, special needs items including medications, supplies, extra clothing and pet food. Place all the items in plastic containers to keep them dry and store in the basement or in a location that you can pull out quickly.

Also put together emergency kits for your vehicles with bottled water and food such as granola bars, flashlight, blankets and other warm items, cell phone charger, battery charger and a first aid kit. These items could come in handy if you are ever stranded in your vehicle during a storm. For a complete list of emergency kit ideas, go to: <http://www.readywisconsin.wi.gov/kit/GetKit.asp>. Visit <http://readywisconsin.wi.gov> for more information on preparing you and your family.

For additional preparedness information, contact your local Emergency Management Director, Jane Gervais, at (608) 339-4248.



"The greatest achievement of the human spirit is to live up to one's opportunities and make the most of one's resources." ~ Luc de Clapiers

"Write it on your heart that every day is the best day in the year. He is rich who owns the day, and no one owns the day who allows it to be invaded with fret and anxiety. Finish every day and be done with it. You have done what you could. Some blunders and absurdities, no doubt crept in. Forget them as soon as you can, tomorrow is a new day; begin it well and serenely, with too high a spirit to be cumbered with your old nonsense. This new day is too dear, with its hopes and invitations, to waste a moment on the yesterdays."

~ Ralph Waldo Emerson

County Board Ordinances

When publishing County Board approved/enacted ordinances in the newspaper, it is no longer the full ordinance text that is printed, just a synopsis of the ordinance. If you are interested in viewing the entire text of an ordinance, please contact the Adams County Clerk's office at 608-339-4200 or stop in by our office at 400 N. Main St, Friendship, WI 53934; use entrance door "D" to easily find the office.

**County Board Meetings:
July 18, August 15, September 19**

All regularly scheduled County Board Meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m., unless stated otherwise. The dates/times are always posted on the home page of our website at www.co.adams.wi.us. Agendas for meetings are usually available about 1 week prior to the meeting date, and can be picked up at the County Clerk's office. The meetings are held in the County Board Room A230, on the 2nd floor of the courthouse. For more information regarding the meetings, you can contact the County Clerk's office at 608-339-4200.

Courthouse Closed
~July 4th ~September 4th

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Adams County Clerk Newsletters are available at many locations throughout the county including:

- * Adams Co. Historical Society-Heritage Center
- * Adams Senior Village
- * Moundview Partner's Gift Shop
- * Myrt's Handi-Mart (Grand Marsh)
- * Pritzls (Rome)

For a list of the services provided in the County Clerk's Office, please see our website at www.co.adams.wi.gov.

Disclaimer: While every effort has been made to ensure accuracy of information, events/dates/times etc., are subject to change. Contact information is provided when available.

2017 3rd Quarter

July, August & September



'Welcome' to the newly elected municipal officials!

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Supervisor II: Jeff Horacek

Town of Easton
Chair: Dan Breene

Town of Jackson
Supervisor II: Gordon Addy

Town of Leola
Chair: David Roberts

Supervisor: Brian Rozelle

Town of New Chester
Supervisor: Jim Nelson

Town of Preston
Supervisor II: Steve VanEtten
Treasurer: Sue Theisen

Town of Rome
** (Appointed) Clerk:
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Chair: Wayne Doc Johnson
Supervisor: John Haugen

Supervisor: Bob Radder

Village of Friendship
Trustee: Lee Parlow

City of Adams
Mayor: Bobby Hilson
Alderson Dist. 2:
LeAnn Jungenberg-Klumb
Alderson Dist. 3:
Kenneth Romell
Julie Goodhue

Appointed Clerks are those clerks that are not elected, but are appointed to the position by their Town Board.

** This position was not on the ballot.

About the Clerk's office...

2016 was a full year! The staff faced many challenges with 4 major elections, a Presidential recount, & the implementation of a brand new election software system.

In mid-Dec. 2015, the interactive software test-pilot program, WisVote, was implemented for a learning period of approximately 1 month. On January 11, 2016, WisVote (which replaced SVRS) was officially launched & ready to use. After a few months of encountering bumps in the road, as a result of working in a new system, it all came together to run pretty smoothly by years end.

The Voter Photo ID law was in effect for all of 2016 & going forward; this law requires voters to show their photo id at every election they vote in.

Absentee voter tracking was a new requirement that started in April, 2016. The Clerk's office provided the service to relier municipalities due to the short notice of implementation. All municipalities took over this responsibility in August, 2016.

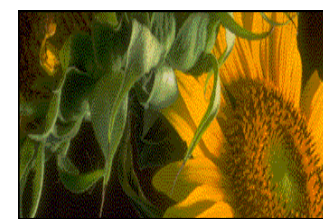
A new law change, that took affect for the November 8, 2016 election was the elimination of counting late-arriving absentee ballots. Beginning with the November 8, 2016 election & going forward, all absentee ballots need to be at the municipal polling place by the close of the election, 8:00 p.m., in order to be counted & they must include the address of the witness.

In the summer of 2016, the Government Accountability Board transitioned into 2 entities; Wisconsin Elections Commission & Wisconsin Ethics Commission. This transition brought some challenges for us, as their staffing changed. With all of the many changes & challenges, we were able to complete the tasks & meet the numerous deadlines.

Our office coordinates a yearly required routine maintenance check on the voting machine equipment for the 9 municipalities that use machines; 2017's maintenance was completed in April, after the Spring Election.

We will soon be gearing up for the 2018 elections!

"Occasionally in life there are those moments of unutterable fulfillment which cannot be completely explained by those symbols called words. Their meanings can only be articulated by the inaudible language of the heart." ~ Martin Luther King, Jr.



Special points of interest:

- 2017 New Municipal Officials
- 2017 County Directories for sale
- Castle Rock fireworks
- Adams County Fair
- 4 Year Voter Maintenance Postcards



Wisconsin Elections ERIC Postcards

What is an ERIC postcard? ERIC stands for Electronic Registration Information Center. The Wisconsin Election Commission will be sending out these postcards this summer. The specific purpose for sending them are:

- 1.) **Registration: Inform eligible, unregistered voters**
- 2.) **List maintenance: Data quality**

1.) Why am I on this list and how did they get my information you ask? The eligible, unregistered voter list was created by comparing the Department of Motor Vehicle (DMV) information with the WisVote (WI election software system) registered voters. These postcards will be sent to individuals:

- Who will be 18 before the next General Election
- Who have a driver license or state ID card on file with the WI DMV
- Who are either not registered to vote or whose registration does not substantially match their DMV record
- Who have not received this postcard in the past

If you receive one of these cards, it is merely for your own informational purpose.

2.) Why am I on this list and how did they get this information? The maintenance data quality list was created based on data received from the National Change of Address, DMV information, and Voter registrations. These postcards will be sent to individuals:

- Who may have moved out-of-state, or within the State of Wisconsin
 - Who have registered to vote, obtained a driver license, or filed a change of address in a different municipality or state
- If you receive one of these cards, and you do nothing, your voter record will be deactivated. If you have moved, you can register at your new address. If you have any questions, you can contact your municipal clerk.

"All the world is searching for joy & happiness, but these cannot be purchased for any price in any market place, because they are virtues that come from within." ~ Lucille R. Taylor



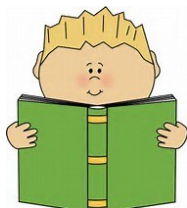
The Stars and Stripes stands forth as a beacon of light of freedom. It is a symbol of the United States of America. It represents high ideals of individual liberty, justice and opportunity for all.

Prohibited Uses of the Flag ~ The flag should NEVER:

- ★ Be tilted to any person or thing
- ★ Be displayed with the union down, except as a signal of dire distress
- ★ Be carried flat or horizontally
- ★ Be displayed on a float, motor car or boat except from a staff
- ★ Be allowed to touch the ground or floor, or brush against objects
- ★ Be used as a carrying receptacle
- ★ Have any drawing placed on it or attached to it
- ★ Have objects placed over it, or used as a covering
- ★ Be embroidered on items such as handkerchiefs or cushions
- ★ Be used for advertising purposes or have advertising signs fastened to its staff or halyard
- ★ Be used as a costume
- ★ Be used as a drapery

2017 Adams County Directories

The County Clerk's office is selling 2017 Adams County Directories at a cost of \$3.00 per book. Among the items contained in the directory are the names, addresses and phone numbers for federal, state, county & municipal elected officials; plus contact information for assessors, fire wardens, and a miscellaneous section listing information for the Historical Society, Airport, Ranger Station, DNR and Animal Control, to name a few!



Castle Rock County Park's fireworks will be held on Saturday, July 1st at dusk.



The Lions Club will be having a pancake breakfast at the park on Sunday, July 2nd.

"The spirit, the will to win, and the will to excel are the things that endure. These qualities are so much more important than the events that occur." ~ Vince Lombardi

"The best thing you have to offer the world is yourself. You don't have to copy anyone else. If you do, you're second best. To achieve success is to be first, and that's being yourself." ~ John Denver

4 Year Maintenance Postcards

The Wisconsin Elections Commission will be sending out 4 year Maintenance Postcards to those voters whose newest registration date is more than 4 years ago, have not voted in more than 4 years, and whose registration is active. If you should receive one of these postcards, you can do the following:

- If you would like to continue having your voter status remain 'active', sign the card & return it to your municipal clerk as soon as you receive the card.
- If your address is not correct & you would like to remain 'active', put the corrected address on the card, sign it & return it to your municipal clerk as soon as you receive the card.
- If you do not send the card back with your signature, your voter status will be changed to 'inactive', and you will then have to reregister to vote before the next election.

They will be sent on or before June 15th. If no response is received, they will be inactivated **July 15th**.

***Note: This excludes military voters.**

If you have any questions, you can contact your municipal clerk.

2016 Proceedings Book

The 2016 Proceedings Book is complete & is available (per request) to look through, or for purchase from our office, at a cost of \$5.00. This book contains the proceedings from County Board, such as resolutions, ordinances, petitions, per diem, mileage, some annual reports, etc. for that year.

Building Bluebird Houses

Are you interested in attracting bluebirds to your yard? Location of the placement of your bluebird house is the key! Bluebirds look for open habitat with well-spaced trees. When considering constructing a nesting box, make sure that it cannot be raided easily, and perches approx. 10 feet above ground.

Bluebirds eat moths & other insects, so this height is ideal. It should be in the sun, at least from sunrise until noon. Natural wood color is preferred to keep the box cool on hot days. Clean the box out each year for new arrivals.



Come on out and enjoy the fun at the Adams County Fair! This year's fair dates are: Thursday, July 20th— Sunday, July 23rd

Need a place to dock your boat for the summer?

Boats can be docked at both Castle Rock Park & Petenwell Park. Boat slip rental fees are as follows:

Seasonal	\$700.00
Monthly	\$175.00
Weekly	\$ 60.00
Daily	\$ 12.00

Electric docks + \$4.00/daily, + \$18.00/weekly (Petenwell only)

For seasonal boat slip reservations, call that park directly. Monthly, weekly & daily boat slips are available on a first-come basis & no reservations are accepted.

Castle Rock Park~ 608-339-7713
Petenwell Park ~ 608-564-7513

NATIONAL S'MORES DAY

The most popular campfire treat is celebrated each year on August 10th ~ National S'mores Day. This delicious, sticky and gooey treat is loved by millions across the United States.

S'mores consists of a roasted marshmallow with a layer of chocolate bar sandwiched between two pieces of graham cracker.

The origin of this tasty snack is credited to the entrepreneur Alec Barnum, however the first recorded version of the recipe can be found in the 1927 publication of *Tramping and Trailing with the Girl Scouts*. Even though the Girl Scouts were not the first ones to make s'mores, Girl Scout groups describe them in their reports as early as 1925. Earlier recipes used the name "Some Mores" and it is unclear when the name was shortened to "S'mores".



The History of Labor Day

Our nation pays tribute on Labor Day, to the creator of so much of the nation's strength, freedom & leadership—the American worker.

Labor Day is a creation of the labor movement & is dedicated to the social/economic achievements of American workers. It constitutes a yearly national tribute to the contributions workers have made to the strength, prosperity & well-being of our country.

The 1st Labor Day holiday was celebrated on Tuesday, Sept. 5, 1882, in New York City, in accordance with the plans of the Central Labor Union. They held their 2nd Labor Day holiday just a year later, on Sept. 5, 1883.

In 1884 the 1st Monday in Sept. was selected as the holiday, as originally proposed, & the Central Labor Union urged similar organizations in other cities to follow the example of New York & celebrate a "workingmen's holiday" on that date. The idea spread with the growth of labor organizations, & in 1885 Labor Day was celebrated in many industrial centers of the country.

The 1st governmental recognition came through municipal ordinances passed during 1885 & 1886. From these, a movement developed to secure state legislation. The 1st state bill was introduced into the New York legislature, but the 1st to become law was passed by Oregon on February 21, 1887. During the year, 4 more states: Colorado, Massachusetts, New Jersey & New York created the Labor Day holiday by legislative enactment. By the end of the decade Connecticut, Nebraska & Pennsylvania had followed suit. By 1894, 23 other states had adopted the holiday & on June 28 of that year, Congress passed an act making the 1st Monday in Sept. of each year, a legal holiday in the District of Columbia & the territories.

An outline of the celebration in the 1st proposal of the holiday, was to have a street parade, followed by a festival for the recreation & amusement of the workers & their families. This is still the common practice of observance/celebration throughout the country today.

*Sited from the United State Department of Labor website