

Sweetest Spot in Pleasant Prairie is Getting Sweeter

Pleasant Prairie's latest addition to the skyline is a visually stunning water tower that displays the iconic HARIBO Goldbear gummy treats. The structure, situated west of HARIBO's North American Manufacturing site in Prairie Highlands Corporate Park, charms residents and visitors with its artistic representation of popular candies.



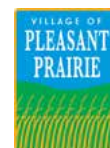
Muralist Eric Henn is pictured rolling a layer of paint on the Goldbear illustration at the base of the tower.

Renowned muralist Eric Henn was selected to paint the water tower. His extraordinary talent and expertise have earned him prestigious accolades worldwide. With over 30 years of experience creating large-scale murals, Henn's remarkable skills bring HARIBO to life on this monumental canvas. HARIBO provided the design, which features the beloved HARIBO Goldbear at the base, with a trail of colorful gummy bears ascending toward the main water tank. The Village has guaranteed a minimum of seven to 10 years of branding on the water tower.

The Village recognizes HARIBO as a great community business partner. The painting of the water tower at 9444 128th Avenue with HARIBO branding is a gesture of appreciation for the 30-year sponsorship HARIBO contributed to RecPlex in 2020 following the significant impact COVID-19 had on recreation and sports operations.

The delightfully painted water tank provides a sense of community connection and brings a new attraction to the area. The water tank design was nominated for the Tnemec 2023 Tank of the Year, an annual competition that recognizes North America's most impressive water tanks. The nomination can benefit from community votes between October 2 and 13. Details on how to vote will be shared in the next edition of the Village newsletter.

Pleasant Prairie Village Administrator Eric Rindfleisch expressed his excitement for the mural, "We are honored to have HARIBO in the business community. The new landmark, which stands tall in all its sugary glory, adds a delightful illustration to the skyline. It is a visual that will become a cherished icon for our residents and a source of joy for visitors." □



Invested in Community!

Celebrating Consecutive Groundbreaking Milestones



Pleasant Prairie proudly announces two groundbreaking ceremonies that took place on May 10, marking the commencement of construction for Fire & Rescue Station No. 3 and the new Police Station. These significant developments will strengthen public safety measures and further enhance emergency response services within the community.



The two events brought together Village representatives, project contributors, and associated commissions, all eager to witness the beginning of these important developments. Even K9 Chase, the adorable police dog, enthusiastically participated in the groundbreaking, lending a digging paw at the Police Station site.



Fire Station No. 3, situated at 10165 Terwall Terrace (corner of 104th Street and Terwall Terrace), will help ensure community safety by enhancing Fire & Rescue response times. Similarly, the new Police Station, located at 10111 39th Avenue (south of Village Hall on the east side of 39th Avenue), will provide a modern facility with additional space for the officers, training, and equipment.

“The groundbreaking ceremonies mark progress towards Village strategic initiatives and vision for a safe and growing community,” stated Village Administrator Eric Rindfleisch. “We look forward to the completion of these projects. The enhanced facilities will enable firefighters and police officers to better serve and protect the residents of Pleasant Prairie and community guests.”



Lake Andrea Beer Garden is Now Open



On Thursday, June 1, a group of excited patrons gathered as the Lake Andrea Beer Garden officially opened for its inaugural season on the shores of Lake Andrea in Prairie Springs Park. The visionary project, undertaken in collaboration with Barrel Boys Hospitality, LLC, and Visit Pleasant Prairie, is located at 10023 Park Drive within Prairie Springs Park.

The beer garden forms a vibrant community space that allows residents to indulge in refreshing beverages, delectable food, and delightful events. Michael Grab, Anthony DeBartolo, and Mike Honold – three veterans of the Kenosha County food and drink industry operate the site. The establishment was highly anticipated and is supported by Visit Pleasant Prairie as a destination development project that promotes tourism by providing compelling experiences, quality infrastructure, and remarkable services to entice repeat visitation to the Village of Pleasant Prairie.

In the weeks since opening, Lake Andrea Beer Garden has attracted visitors to the west side of Lake Andrea, featuring a dynamic array of temporary facilities, including food trucks, storage containers, and restrooms. Guests relax and unwind at picnic tables with umbrella coverage, while the pavilion serves as an engaging stage for local talent to entertain guests within the 1.44-acre site. To accommodate larger gatherings for activities like food truck events, farmers' markets, and other special occasions, an additional 0.8-acre site adjacent festival grounds is utilized.

The Lake Andrea Beer Garden will be open all summer, weather permitting, through early autumn. The venue sells premium craft beers, wine, and other non-alcoholic beverages. The liquor license also allows hard liquor sales during special events. The location plans to host an ongoing lineup of food trucks, live music, events, and more throughout the summer. The hours of operation are 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Thursdays and Fridays and 12:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays.

With a commitment to excellent service, the beer garden plans to employ between six and ten part-time workers, adjusting based on daily usage and special event attendance. The beer garden has implemented measures such as strategically placed cameras and clear signage to ensure a pleasant atmosphere. To further enhance the overall park experience, the Village has announced plans to construct a permanent restroom facility in 2024, benefiting all park guests and beer garden patrons.

"We are thrilled to witness the advancement of the Lake Andrea Beer Garden project, which intends to strengthen community engagement and offer exceptional recreational opportunities," expressed Pleasant Prairie Village Administrator Eric Rindfleisch. "The partnership with Barrel Boys Hospitality, LLC, and Visit Pleasant Prairie aims to develop a family-friendly gathering place within Prairie Springs Park, where residents and visitors can come together to engage and enjoy the beauty of the park." □

New Park Drive Traffic Pattern

Important traffic pattern update in Prairie Springs Park. A portion of Park Drive on the west side of Lake Andrea is now designated one-way to improve traffic safety and parking availability.

Signage and new street markings directs Park Drive vehicular traffic to circulate clockwise west of Terwall Terrace off Highway 165 and then continue to flow clockwise to Highway H. □



Cedar Ridge Receives Conceptual Plan Approval

During the Village Board meeting on May 22, the board unanimously approved the Cedar Ridge Conceptual Plan. The development, proposed by JWC Investments LLC, aims to transform approximately 40 acres of land located west of 47th Avenue at 113th Street. The project will introduce 75 residential lots and open spaces to develop a new subdivision.

The Cedar Ridge Conceptual Plan incorporates 75 single-family lots that range from 13,600 square feet to 22,562 square feet, with an average lot size of 15,438 square feet. Approximately 5.6 acres of the subdivision will be preserved as open space within three Outlots. The development is proposed to be constructed in three phases, with phase one developing 27 lots by 2024, phase two developing 26 lots by 2026, and phase three developing 22 lots by 2028.

Cedar Ridge plans to develop quality homes with established guidelines to prioritize high-quality construction standards. The approval process for homes will prioritize architectural variation, where houses with similar appearances will not be in close proximity. Construction materials, architecture, and color schemes will all be considered to ensure a visually appealing and varied streetscape.

Ranch-style homes will have a minimum size requirement of 1,700 square feet, while multi-story homes will have a minimum size requirement of 2,100 square feet. Exterior walls will consist of brick, stone, wood, cement board, or vinyl siding, with vinyl siding only permitted when combined with other natural materials.



Additionally, sheds may be approved if they are under 150 square feet, architecturally consistent with the home materials, and built on a concrete foundation. Home and lot packages are anticipated to range from \$600,000 to \$900,000, averaging around \$750,000.

Students residing in the Cedar Ridge Subdivision will attend Prairie Lane Elementary School, Lance Middle School, and Tremper High School. Kenosha Unified School District has confirmed that all schools can accommodate the development and school enrollments with the projected capacity.

The Conceptual Plan for Cedar Ridge incorporates pedestrian-friendly features. Sidewalks will be installed on all public roadways within the subdivision to foster safe and convenient travel for residents and pedestrians in the area. A 10-foot wide shared-use path will be constructed within Outlot 1, adjacent to 47th Avenue. The pathway will connect the public sidewalks on the south side of 113th Street to Sorensen Woods, a Village special-use Neighborhood Park. □



Highland Estates Master Conceptual Plan Approved

The Pleasant Prairie Village Board considered and approved a Master Conceptual Plan on May 8 for the Highland Estates Subdivision. The proposed residential development, requested by Sanjay Kuttemperoor of ZL River Development LLC, plans to be located in the central area of Pleasant Prairie, east of Green Bay Road (STH 31) between 93rd Street and 104th Street (STH 165). Village staff is working with the developer to make refinements to the plan. The Master Conceptual Plan for the residential development currently includes 453 single-family lots, 87 two-family lots, and 40 two-condominiums, all of varying lot sizes on 275 acres of land. There is no longer a rental component to the plan.

The Highland Estates Subdivision is proposed to be developed in seven phases over the next five to fifteen years, with construction starting at Cooper Road and 93rd Street and expanding southwest. First phase plans include about 134 single-family lots, 12 two-family lots, and 46 condominium units. Subsequent phases anticipate adding more single-family and two-family lots. The development will offer a range of product styles that are built with quality materials. The developer intends to welcome a variety of builders to incorporate various architectural styles. The various property types will blend into the neighboring communities. Single-family lots will range in size from 6,900 to 31,053 square feet, with the homes ranging from 1,300 to 2,800 square feet, with an anticipated cost ranging from \$400,000 to over \$625,000.

The development plans incorporate public parkland, pedestrian ways, including public sidewalks, shared-use paths, and on-street bicycle routes. Approximately 61 acres, or 22.5% of the Highland Estates Subdivision, will remain open and include public open space for natural trail amenities, wetlands, floodplains, and stormwater retention areas. An approximate 8-acre park is shown in the center of the development. The developer will be required to build all interior roadways within the subdivision, with sidewalks installed on both sides and retention basins to handle the drainage and storage requirements of the development.

“The Highland Estates Subdivision will provide a variety of home options to support the community’s growth and housing needs,” said Village Administrator Eric Rindfleisch. “We look forward to working with the developer to enhance the overall community by attracting more individuals and families to our area.”

The developer and Village staff continue to work with public interest in mind to refine the project and create a suitable final plan. The total investment and build-out value of the development is estimated to be between \$400 and \$500 million. □



There's Still Time to Submit Photos

Join the **2023 Pleasant Prairie Photo Contest!** Your photos could be featured in the Village Calendar, website, or other communications. Find the entry form and rules at PleasantPrairieWi.gov/Photo.

Capture the community's beauty throughout the year. Entries must be submitted by August 11. Open voting will be August 14-18. The Village looks forward to seeing and sharing your best shots. □

All Saints Cemetery Mausoleum Expansion Plans Approved



On June 5 Plan Commission members considered a request from Daniel Gibb of Carrier Mausoleums Construction USA Inc., acting as an agent for the Archdiocese of Milwaukee for a proposed 3,676 square foot addition to the Mausoleum at All Saints Cemetery. Plan Commissioners unanimously approved a Conditional Use Permit with Site and Operational Plans for the project following a public hearing and Village staff presentation. The proposed expansion is planned for the west side of the existing facility.

Construction of the All Saints Cemetery Mausoleum, office, and warehouse began in 1975. Over the years, various Chapel and Mausoleum additions have contributed to the cemetery's growth. The newly proposed Mausoleum addition will feature additional space for burials and added restroom facilities. The architectural design and materials will be consistent with the existing building and structures on the property to maintain a uniform aesthetic within the cemetery.

All Saints Cemetery has served the surrounding communities for several decades, providing in-ground and above-ground burial spaces in a religious setting as part of the Catholic Church's ministry. The property is located at 3300 Springbrook Road, zoned I-1 (Institutional District), with a wooded area in the northeast corner of the property designated C-2 (Upland Resource Conservancy District).

Village staff acknowledged All Saints Cemetery is a vital religious and community asset. Community Development Director Jean Werbie-Harris said, "We are pleased to support the growth and development of All Saints Cemetery. The Mausoleum addition will provide enhanced facilities that meet the needs of the Catholic community by providing a peaceful and respectful environment for the remembrance of loved ones." □

National Public Works Week

The Pleasant Prairie Public Works Department celebrated National Public Works Week on May 23 at the Roger Prange Municipal Building. The department held a competition where Public Works crews and Village staff from other departments could operate heavy machinery and undergo skill training.

"The annual Public Works celebration is always a fun event that brings Village staff together," said Tom Hupp, Director of Public Works. "The event allows staff from different departments to work together, fostering camaraderie between teammates. It enables everyone to experience the various duties within the Public Works Department to help them understand how different skill sets can work together to provide essential community services."

The annual event focuses on collaboration and provides a unique perspective to staff by allowing members with different specialties to work and learn together. Team members that do not typically interact with construction equipment can try operating heavy machinery; the process educates staff on the workload and skills used in the different areas of the Public Works Department. □



HR Manager Alyssa Arzikovic tests her excavator skills as she maneuvers a construction barrel through a guided path during the competitive skills training competition.



Media Specialist Emily Chapman navigates a skid steer loader through a traffic cone obstacle course during the competition.

New RecPlex Strength and Conditioning Rooms



The Village of Pleasant Prairie's Recreation Department is excited to announce the completion of two new strength and conditioning rooms inside Pleasant Prairie RecPlex. The new space is near the racquetball courts and offers an exclusive area for sports performance training programs focusing on strength, power, speed, agility, and injury prevention. The new rooms provide a safe and comprehensive training environment for fitness enthusiasts of all ages and levels.

"We are thrilled to open the new strength and conditioning rooms," said Fitness Supervisor Kyle Whitman. "The newly renovated space brings athletes a more private workout area, away from the main fitness floor, providing a less crowded and more focused training environment."

The space offers new classes. One is geared toward high school students, beginner weightlifters, and those interested in speed and agility training. In the class, athletes focus on establishing proper techniques that include specific movement patterns for Olympic weightlifting and compound lifts. Coach Sam Skott leads the course, teaching warm-up methodologies, including foam rolling, dynamic warm-ups, and activation movements. The group meets on Fridays in the new strength and conditioning area.

Another new course focuses on speed and agility training for ages 8 to 18, where participants learn proper drills and techniques to enhance competition performance. Coach Cameron Bishop leads this class on Mondays and Wednesdays in the new strength and conditioning Turf Room. In addition to the new programming classes, RecPlex provides 1-on-1 and team training sessions suitable for all ages. The private lessons are led by instructor Kyle Whitman and offer a tailored learning experience. For further details on private lessons, contact Kyle directly at kwhitman@pleasantprairiewi.gov. □

Woodlawn Park Unveils New Playground Equipment

Woodlawn (Harrison) Park is a charming neighborhood park at the intersection of Harrison Road and 50th Avenue. The park recently received a makeover, with the installation of brand-new playground equipment that will bring smiles to the faces of children and families in the surrounding neighborhoods. The old swing set and slide reached the end of their useful lives and received replacements.

Woodlawn Park, often referred to as Harrison Park, is the smallest park in the Village. Despite its size, the park is a cherished space for residents, featuring updated playground equipment and a small picnic area. The park is open to the public from sunrise to sunset, year-round. Parking is available on the streets surrounding the park. □



2023 National Police Week Celebration

In 1962, President Kennedy proclaimed May 15 as Peace Officers Memorial Day and the week that surrounds it as National Police Week. This event honors, remembers, and supports those who served and gave their lives in the line of duty. Thousands converge in Washington DC from all over the U.S. to recognize Police Officers who died in the line of duty.

Locally, the Pleasant Prairie Police Appreciation Association (PPPOA) has celebrated National Police Week since the organization's inception in 2016. PPPOA takes the opportunity to recognize the Village's fantastic police department. The PPPOA remembers those who have passed and significantly appreciates and thanks those currently serving.

PPPOA has hosted all-day celebrations for the entire Pleasant Prairie Police Department since 2016, providing food for all three shifts with the assistance of local business partners and community group sponsors. A small group was privileged to attend roll call, allowing them to get to know officers and staff.

Many of PPPOA's sponsors have shown support for years. The 2023 sponsors are Pleasant Prairie Premium Outlets, Culvers (near Premium Outlets), Jockey International, Jimano's Pizzeria, and Costco Wholesale in Pleasant Prairie. Members of PPPOA were thrilled to partner with Pleasant Prairie Premium Outlets in 2023. Christine Weyand, Area Director of Business and Development, said, "We are grateful for all the Pleasant Prairie Police Department does, seen and unseen, to make our community a great place to live, work, and operate a business. While our appreciation is 24/365, National Police Week is a fitting opportunity to shine a light on the Department's tireless efforts."

The Pleasant Prairie Police Appreciation Association is a 501c3 charitable organization that has celebrated the Pleasant Prairie Police Department in a variety of ways through fundraising activities. Some of PPPOA's past initiatives supported by community donations included:

- Placing hundreds of thank you signs throughout the Village.
- Purchasing individual body cameras.
- Funding for lightweight foldable fabric body shields to protect officers against bullets in dangerous situations.
- An innovative emotional well-being support program to help officers deal with the stress of the job.
- Hosting children's programs.
- Providing Officer Trading Cards to interact and engage in a fun way with children.
- Hosting Celebrations at the Police Station with local groups and businesses.

"This community-based organization has shown its support for our officers for several years," explained Pleasant Prairie Police Chief Dave Smetana. "The support and caring that they show by their incredible effort is something the Pleasant Prairie Police Officers speak of often. To have a group like the Pleasant Prairie Police Appreciation Association wrap it's arms around an agency like this is very special to us all."

PPPOA welcomes the opportunity to discuss ways to share with community groups and businesses alike. Please get in touch with Rosalie at PPPOAfriends@gmail.com to donate toward a shared activity and for information on how to get involved. ☐



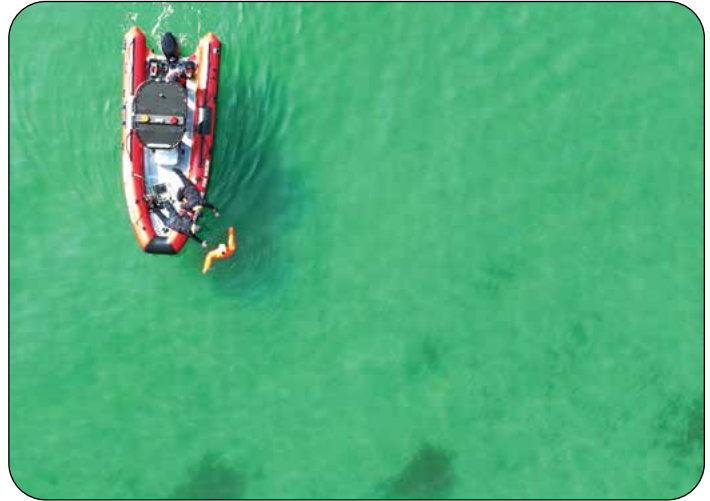
The Pleasant Prairie Police Department's daytime shift poses for a photo alongside members of the Pleasant Prairie Police Appreciation Association and representatives from Pleasant Prairie Premium Outlet during a morning roll call meeting. The two organizations came together to express gratitude and extend thanks to the dedicated Pleasant Prairie Police Officers for their unwavering commitment to maintaining a safe environment for all.

Training Exercise Enhances Water Rescue Capabilities



In May, the Pleasant Prairie Fire & Rescue Department conducted a comprehensive training exercise in collaboration with other agencies to strengthen the department's water rescue capabilities. The joint effort involved the deployment of cutting-edge equipment and the coordination of skilled personnel from various departments.

To maximize the effectiveness of the rescue boat operations, the Pleasant Prairie Police and Village Information Technology Departments joined forces, utilizing a drone equipped with Forward-Looking Infrared (FLIR) capabilities. The collaborative training enhanced staff's skills in targeting victims in the water. It also featured the inaugural launch of the Fire & Rescues Department's new 20-foot inflatable rescue boat into Lake Michigan. The watercraft is specially designed for water rescue and is an invaluable asset that helps ensure the safety of community members on the water.



Recognizing the importance of cross-border cooperation, the Fire & Rescue Department partnered with the Winthrop Harbor Fire Department, deploying their rescue boat. By working with neighboring departments, the Pleasant Prairie Fire & Rescue Department can quickly respond to incidents and increase the chances of achieving a positive outcome for those in need.

Fire & Rescue crews thanked the Prairie Harbor Yacht Club for providing the boat docking facilities for the training. The support and cooperation were instrumental in swapping teams from the boat and ensuring smooth rescue boat operations throughout the exercise. Additionally, safety personnel wants to remind community members and guests that water safety is a shared responsibility. They urge everyone to take appropriate precautions when enjoying the area's waterways. Stay informed, wear life jackets, and be mindful of your surroundings to ensure a safe and enjoyable experience. ☐

Kids Ride Toward Safety: A Fun-filled Bicycle Rodeo



Pleasant Prairie Police held a Bicycle Rodeo at Village Hall on May 13. The event provided an opportunity for young bicyclists to develop safety skills that help them become better riders. The free community event featured bike safety courses, a helmet giveaway, bike inspections, and more. Event volunteers from the Police Department, Kenosha Area Noon Optimist Club, and Southeastern Lakes Scholastic Mountain Biking enjoyed teaching young children about the rules of the road and bicycle safety.

The Village appreciates all the event sponsors who generously supported the Bicycle Rodeo, as well as the enthusiastic children, guests, and volunteers who actively participated and contributed to event's success. Over 100 kids were able to learn, practice, and demonstrate their bicycle handling skills in a fun, non-competitive atmosphere. The Bicycle Rodeo is anticipated to return next year. ☐

Neighborhood Visits



Pleasant Prairie Police Chief Dave Smetana and Fire & Rescue Chief Craig Roepke will continue their neighborhood visits throughout the summer to connect with community members on weekends. If you spot them out walking, don't miss the chance to say hello. They look forward to meeting and engaging in conversations with community residents and guests. Follow both public safety departments on Facebook [@PleasantPrairiePoliceDepartment](#) and [@PleasantPrairieFireWI](#) for dates and locations. ☐

Duckling Rescue

Springtime brings the joy of celebrating motherhood, and what better way to commemorate Mother's Day than with a heartwarming Duck Rescue event?

On May 14, the Fire & Rescue C1 crew went to work in the Village Green subdivision, near 55th Avenue and Main Street, to rescue five adorable little ducklings who found themselves in a predicament after wandering by a storm drain and accidentally falling into it. ☐



Emergency Shelter



Advanced emergency preparation can help keep community members safe when severe weather or disaster strikes.

Through local media and other means, emergency management agencies work to provide advance notification and offer instructions to help protect the public during emergencies. Knowing where to go and having an emergency plan is essential.

At times, severe weather or disaster instructions may require seeking shelter. Not all homes and businesses in the area are equipped with a basement or other safe place to seek refuge. **RecPlex, located inside Prairie Springs Park at 9900 Terwall Terrace, is designated as an Emergency Shelter.** Through inclement weather or other emergencies, community members may come to RecPlex to seek protection in the locker rooms or family changing rooms, that are marked as shelter areas.

During regular operating hours, the doors to the facility remain open for the public to enter. Those seeking shelter should use the main entrance on the south side of the facility. Protection is also available outside of regular business hours, and staff will open the main door on the south side of RecPlex for anyone seeking refuge.

On rare occasions when the facility is not staffed, and shelter is needed at RecPlex during an emergency, contact public safety personnel at **262.694.7353**. They will be able to ensure that the appropriate staff reaches the facility to open it for everyone seeking shelter. ☐

E-Newsletter



If you are interested in receiving an email version of the Village Newsletter please visit the Village website, [PleasantPrairieWi.gov](#), and click on the newsletter sign up icon near the bottom of the page.

You can opt-out of the paper mailing list by emailing [newsletter@plprairie.com](#). Include your name and postal mailing address along with the words "email only." ☐

Who to Call During a Public Works Emergency

During a Public Works Emergency

Pleasant Prairie operates a 24-hour emergency telephone line for Public Works emergencies. Calls are answered by Public Safety Dispatchers. When the situation warrants, dispatchers notify the appropriate personnel, and action is taken to address the emergency.

In order to effectively use the Public Works emergency number, it is important to understand what types of situations constitute a public works emergency. The list below is a guide to help you understand when it is appropriate to call the Public Works emergency number.

What Constitutes a Public Works Emergency?

Call the **Public Works Emergency Number 262.694.1234**

- if you observe flooding in a certain area
- if you experience a sewer backup in your area or home
- if you observe what appears to be a water main break
- if you experience severe wind damage in public areas
- if you observe downed trees in the roadway or right of way
- if you observe major roadway damage that poses a danger
- if you experience a snow related emergency



Because the Public Works emergency number is answered by Public Safety Dispatchers, citizens are asked to use discretion when deciding to use the emergency number. When the emergency number is used for a non-emergency situation, dispatchers are distracted from their primary objective, assisting those with truly urgent emergencies.

By using the emergency number in a non-emergency situation, you could be costing someone valuable time in a life-threatening situation.



For Non-Emergency Public Works Needs

For public works situations that need to be addressed but are not emergencies, residents are asked to contact the weekday telephone number for the Public Works Department. Calls to this number are answered by Public Works staff who can effectively and efficiently handle your call and direct relevant work to the next available crew member.

Call the **Public Works Department at 262.925.6700**

Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

- to inquire about garbage and recycling collection
- to inquire about compost or leaf collection services
- to report potholes or areas in the roadway in need of repair
- if a mailbox has been damaged by snow plowing operations
- to make inquiries regarding snow removal operations

For Municipal Updates During Emergency Events

During a severe weather or emergency event, the Village will post municipal updates as they become available to

- PleasantPrairieWI.gov
- [Twitter @PLPrairieWI](https://twitter.com/PLPrairieWI)
- [Facebook @PLPrairieWI](https://www.facebook.com/PLPrairieWI)
- [Spectrum Cable Channel 25](#)

The Village will also share information with local news media during a severe weather or emergency event.

Updates could include: emergency closures of locations or roadways; locations where public safety and public works operations are being concentrated; special actions residents should take and safety instructions during emergency situations; and a general overview or assessment of the emergency.

Emergency Alerts Via Text/Email Available

During larger, Village-wide emergencies, public safety staff will also issue text and email alerts through **Nixle**. In order to receive these alerts on your smart phone, residents must opt-in to **Nixle.com** through their website or quickly via text. Nixle is a free service for residents, and Nixle will respect your contact information. Learn more about Nixle at Nixle.com. ☐

Sheridan Road Resurfacing From Illinois State Line to 91st Street



The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) has announced the commencement of a resurfacing project in the Village of Pleasant Prairie along State Trunk Highway 32 (Sheridan Road) between the Illinois State Line and 91st Street. The project started June 20 and is expected to continue through fall 2023. Throughout the project, construction crews will ensure access for residents, school bus traffic, emergency vehicles, and local businesses.

The comprehensive resurfacing project will encompass the following key components:

- Resurfacing State Trunk Highway 165 (104th Street) between Green Bay Road and Cooper Road.
- Resurfacing the three-mile project limits.
- Replacing a box culvert at Barnes Creek.
- Installing a new beam guard on Sheridan Road to the north of 111th Street.

Initial road improvements began on June 20, involving flagging operations on 104th Street to facilitate milling and paving operations. The resurfacing of 104th Street is being completed before the closure of Sheridan Road, as it forms part of the designated detour route for the project.

State construction projects utilize other state roads to detour traffic. To minimize disruption and ensure public safety, the established WisDOT detour for the hard closure on Sheridan Road at Barnes Creek redirects traffic along 104th Street, Green Bay Road, and State Trunk Highway 158 (52nd Street). The strategic alternate north and south detour route aims to keep traffic away from the construction zone and minimize truck traffic on local roadways.

The anticipated completion date of the project is contingent upon weather conditions. Motorists traveling in the project area should adhere to construction signage and exercise caution, patience, and attentiveness while the resurfacing project is underway. ❏

Fireworks Reminder



While summertime and patriotic holidays are traditionally celebrated with lighting off fireworks, Pleasant Prairie Fire & Rescue would like to remind the public that fireworks are not allowed in the Village of Pleasant Prairie, and Police Officers can cite those possessing or using fireworks in the Village. If the fireworks cause a fire response, those causing the response will be billed for the responding fire apparatus and personnel.

“This strict policy is set for the safety of the residents of Pleasant Prairie,” explained Chief of Fire & Rescue Craig Roepke. “Fireworks may ignite the spirit of celebration, but they also ignite potential dangers. We hope everyone gets out to enjoy the summer weather and partakes in joyful festivities in a safe manner.”

Pleasant Prairie defines fireworks as follows:

Anything manufactured, possessed or packaged for exploding, emitting sparks or combustion which does not have another common use, including but not limited to any of the following; a device designed to produce an audible sound, whether or not it explodes, sparks, moves or emits an external flame; a device that emits smoke, whether or not it emits an external flame and whether or not it leaves the ground; any cylindrical fountain which emits sparks or smoke; any cone fountain which emits sparks or smoke; toy snakes, whether or not they contain mercury; such other devices which are defined as fireworks under § 167.10, Wis. Stats., as amended from time to time. ❏

Door-to-door Salespeople

With the arrival of warmer weather, door-to-door salespeople begin appearing in Village neighborhoods. In Pleasant Prairie, any peddler, canvasser, solicitor, or traveling merchant must receive a license from the Village Clerk. Also, registered solicitors are required to display their license to a resident after their initial greeting. If a person approaches your home and does not have a license, you are asked to contact the Pleasant Prairie Police Department at [262.694.7353](tel:262.694.7353). ❏

Grocery Giveaway July 15



The Pleasant Prairie Police Department, Journey Disaster Response Team, Kroger, and Meijer have collaborated to create a Grocery Giveaway to provide the community with a great selection of healthy grocery items.

The event will occur on **July 15, 2023**, between **12:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m.** in the south parking lot at Village Hall, 9915 39th Avenue.

All community families are welcome. To facilitate a smooth distribution process, guests should have their vehicle's trunk or back seat cleared for the food box. Additional food boxes may be available, and guests can return to the back of the line for an extra box, while supplies last. ☐

Lake Andrea Beach Open for Season



Ready to soak up the sun, play in the sand, and enjoy the beautiful waterfront with family and friends?

Lake Andrea Beach is open and there is plenty of time to enjoy the beach before the season ends on Labor Day, September 4. The Recreation Department is thrilled to announce that the Wibit, an inflatable water play structure that is a fun experience for all ages, has returned to the beach this year.

The beach is open Monday to Friday from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and on Saturday and Sunday from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Guests can check the status of the beach by calling the RecPlex front desk at **262.947.0437** or the beach line at **262.947.0704**. Additional details regarding hours of operation, beach rules, day/season passes, available rentals, and more can be found at [RecPlexOnline.com](https://www.pleasantprairiewi.gov/RecPlexOnline.com). ☐

Shred Event September 16 9:00 a.m. to noon Residential Recycling Center 8000 128th Street



On **Saturday, September 16 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 [yourpapertiger.com](https://www.yourpapertiger.com). ☐



Visit Pleasant Prairie News and Updates

Pleasant Prairie HarborMarket

Through a collaborative partnership, both Visit Pleasant Prairie and Kenosha Common Markets are thrilled with the results (over 3,000 people attended) of the first-ever Pleasant Prairie HarborMarket that began this summer on June 18. The HarborMarket plans to return for two more Sundays, July 16, and August 20, and will be open from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on the festival grounds adjacent to the Lake Andrea Beer Garden. The market hosts approximately 50 vendors selling homegrown fruits and vegetables, handmade food and gift items, and much more.

Pleasant Prairie HarborMarket Parking



During HarborMarket hours, the Lake Andrea Beer Garden will also be open, allowing patrons to buy beverages and stroll through the market while enjoying their drinks. Food trucks and specialty beverage vendors will also be onsite, making this a fun weekend outing for the whole family.

Sports Tourism Strategic Planning

Visit Pleasant Prairie has teamed up with Huddle Up Group to provide a presentation and Q&A session on a sports tourism strategic plan for the community, to be announced later this summer. Huddle Up Group has worked with destination marketing organizations throughout Wisconsin and the rest of the country to develop strategic sports organization game plans based on research and feedback from key stakeholders in the local community. Visit Pleasant Prairie is excited to work with them to identify areas of growth and potential for sports tourism in Pleasant Prairie.

Visit Pleasant Prairie will host a public meeting where the Huddle Up Group will present findings and recommendations from their research into Pleasant Prairie. All community members are invited to attend this meeting, hear more about potential opportunities within Pleasant Prairie, and provide feedback on the group's recommendations. Visit Pleasant Prairie will share more details in the coming months. Be sure to check the Visit Pleasant Prairie website, visitpleasantprairie.com, and follow [Facebook.com/visitpleasantprairie](https://www.facebook.com/visitpleasantprairie) for the latest information. □

Safety Day in the Prairie **Saturday, September 9**

Mark your calendars to join members of the Pleasant Prairie Fire & Rescue at the annual Safety Day in the Prairie. The event will take place on **Saturday, September 9** at Fire Station 1, located at 3801 Springbrook Road, Pleasant Prairie. The event is **free and open to the public**, featuring activities and educational opportunities that include:

- Fire station tours and a safety house exhibit
- Rescue demonstrations
- Firetruck tours with Pleasant Prairie firefighters
- Flight for Life helicopter landing
- Presentations from law enforcement
- Complimentary refreshments

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

Historical Society Museum Events: Better Than Butter?

How Margarine Bans Made Wisconsin a Global Leader in Vitamin D

Join the Pleasant Prairie Historical Society for the third program in the 2023 four-part History Happy Hour fundraiser series. On **Thursday, September 7, 2023**, Historian Kevin Walters will present "Better Than Butter?" at Iguana Wana Mexican Grill (9080 76th Street, Pleasant Prairie). Tickets are \$30 and include a light dinner and nonalcoholic beverages. Other drinks may be purchased. Doors open at 5:00 p.m. and the program will begin at 6:00 p.m. Seating is limited and RSVP is required. To reserve your ticket, contact Museum Curator Kate Bennett at **262-577-5115** or info@pleasantprairiehistoricalsociety.org.



Vitamin D supplements, Vitamin D milk, and Vitamin D beer all originated in Wisconsin. But why here, and how did they do it? The answers to those questions involve a millennia-old mystery about the connections between diseases and foods, a 19th-century scientific competition for nutritional knowledge, and the 20th-century rise of American consumerism. This fascinating story also encompasses the Wisconsin Idea and the curious history of margarine smuggling.



Mark your calendar for the final 2023 program:

Wednesday, December 13, 2023

Speaker: Joe Kapler, Wisconsin Historical Society Curator

Program: "Ever Gleaming: Wisconsin's Aluminum Christmas Tree"

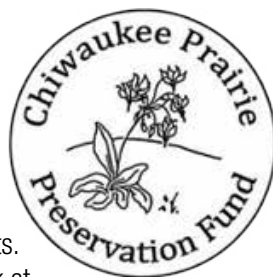
Location: Pleasant Prairie History Museum

The History Museum is located at the historic Dublin School, 3875 116th Street, Pleasant Prairie. The museum features three galleries exhibiting locally important archeological, historical, and cultural materials and stories. The museum is open Wednesday through Friday from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Saturday from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Admission is free. Donations are gratefully accepted.

Chiwaukee Prairie Native Prairie Plant Walks

Naturalist Kay McClelland will lead Chiwaukee Prairie Walks once a month from May to September. Information includes a little history, a little geology, and lots of plant names and facts. Over the months attendees will identify and look at more than 100 different flowering plants, grasses, and sedges. There will likely be a plant list available each time as well as other occasional handouts. **Two upcoming walks are scheduled to take place on Saturday, August 5 and September 2, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.**

Guests should meet at the intersection of 121st Street and 2nd Avenue. Parking is available on 2nd Avenue. Naturalist Kay McClelland wants to remind everyone that plans to attend to wear good walking shoes or boots and long pants. Sunscreen, insect repellent for possible ticks, and a hat are also recommended. The walks will continue in light rain, unless there is lightning. If interested in attending contact Naturalist Kay McClelland by phone at **262-994-1939** or by email at kaymac1939@gmail.com.



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

Village offices, including RecPlex, and the Residential Recycling Center, will be closed on Monday, September 4, in honor of Labor Day. Village offices, RecPlex, 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 during Labor Day week will not change. Call the Sanitation Department by noon on Tuesday to schedule a pick-up for the following day, Wednesday.

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