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TOWN OF BUCHANAN



Summer 2010

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- Join us for some free fun in the parks—dates and times available on this page!
- Follow us on Twitter for up-to-date information in and around Town.
- Get to know your Buchanan Town Board members located in this issue.
- Fall election dates are listed on the back cover of this newsletter.

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Summer Fun in the Park

The Town's of Buchanan and Harrison are once again sponsoring free fun family events in the area parks. The schedule of events for this season is:

Community Ice Cream Social

June 10, 6:00-8:00 pm
Darboy Community Park

Touch a Truck

June 17, 6:00-8:00 pm
Darboy Community Park

Critter Crafts

June 29, 2:00-4:00 pm
Hickory Park

Puppets in the Park

July 8, 2:00-4:00 pm
Darboy Community Park

Crazy Days

July 13, 2:00-4:00 pm
Hickory Park

Magic in the Park

July 22, 6:00-8:00 pm
Darboy Community Park

Movie in the Park

August 5, Dusk-Hotel for Dogs (PG)
Darboy Community Park

Tom Pease in the Park

August 12, 6:30-7:30 pm
Darboy Community Park

Community Corn Roast

August 26, 6:00-8:00 pm
Buchanan Town Hall Park

Town Safety Day

October 2, 11:00-3:00
Buchanan Town Hall

Halloween in the Park

October 24, 4:00 pm
Darboy Community Park

For more information contact:

Town of Buchanan 734-8599 or
Town of Harrison 989-1062

Follow us on Twitter

FOLLOW US ON 

The Town of Buchanan has been using Twitter since November of 2009. Go to twitter.com/TownofBuchanan to see what the Town has been tweeting and to sign up to follow our tweets. The Town has been using Twitter to keep residents informed of upcoming special events, Town meetings, election information, garbage and recycling dates, Town projects and other special or emergency notices.



Please restrain your dog and respect your neighbors!

Town Board meetings are held the third Tuesday of each month beginning at 7:00 pm. at the Buchanan Town Hall.



Reminder to Dog Owners

Wisconsin State Statutes read, "If the owner of a dog negligently or otherwise permits the dog to run at large or be untagged, the owner shall forfeit not less than \$25 nor more than \$100 for the first offense and not less than \$50 nor more than \$200 for subsequent offenses. An officer shall attempt to capture and restrain any dog running at large and any untagged dog." Also, please be respectful of your neighbors by not letting the dog continually bark, keeping the dog in your own yard, cleaning up after your dog, including picking up their waste when out walking and keeping your dog away from other people walking their dogs. The same respect is requested for cats as well.

Get to Know Your Buchanan Town Board

The Town of Buchanan is governed by a five member Town Board. All members are elected at-large for two year terms and represent the community as a whole. Town Board meetings are held the third Tuesday of each month and include a public forum on each agenda. Residents are encouraged to review Board agendas and meeting minutes posted on the Town website.

Current members of the Town Board are as follows:

Mark McAndrews, Chairperson

Aaron O'Neill, Supervisor III

Robert Mani, Supervisor I

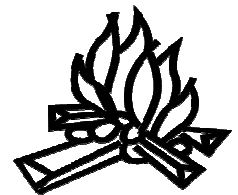
Brian Starszak, Supervisor IV

Brian Lynch, Supervisor II

Biographies of Town Board members are updated periodically on the Town's website. If you have any questions or concerns that you would like to see the Town Board address, please feel free to call the Town Hall at 734-8599 and ask for the Administrator/Clerk or directly contact one of the Town Board members.

Burning Permits Required

Burning permits are required. There is no charge for a permit. Campfires do not require a permit if they comply with the Town ordinance. Copies of the ordinance and permits are available at the Town office and more information is available on the Town website.



Yard Waste Survey

We are currently tabulating the results of the yard waste surveys that many of you completed for us. We plan to have the results available for the next newsletter.

Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey and return it. We had a very good response from our residents and it helps us to better understand your needs for yard waste services.

Noxious Weed Notice to Property Owners



Notice is hereby given to each person who owns, occupies, or controls land in the Town of Buchanan, to destroy all noxious weeds on such property before the plants bloom. The noxious weeds are: Canada Thistle, Leafy Spurge, and Field Bindweed (Creeping Jenny) per Wisconsin Statutes 66.0407. Our town ordinance 34-I (a) also states that you must cut or remove the accumulation of brush, weeds or grass which has grown to a height greater than twelve (12) inches.

Building Permit Reminder

Anyone planning to work on a building or remodeling project, including fences and swimming pools, needs to obtain a building permit from the Town Hall prior to starting the project.



Stickers Needed For Bulky Items and Appliances

Please remember any large over sized items and appliances require a sticker that needs to be purchased at the Town Hall office. The pick up dates for large items and appliances is available on our website at www.townofbuchanan.org.

Single-Stream Recycling Now Available

The beauty of single-stream recycling is that all paper, cardboard, aluminum, tin, plastic and glass may now be mixed together, in container(s) not larger than 33 gallons or heavier than 50 pounds, or you may continue to separate your recyclables as you have in the past and the recycling driver will combine it in the truck. It is still very important to rinse your containers to remove food and liquid. This is especially important with single-stream where paper shares your recycling bin or cart. You can begin to single-stream recycle immediately.

“Single-stream recycling does not mean trash materials are mixed with your recyclables.”

Improvement Option Selected for CE/College Avenue-Van Roy Road-Eisenhower Drive Intersections

At the May Town Board meeting, an improvement option was formally selected for the above named intersections. An engineering study of the area provided four potential improvement options. Meetings were held with business owners in the area and a public informational meeting was also held to gather public input. The option that was selected includes a three lane roundabout at the intersection of CE/College Avenue and Eisenhower Drive and a two lane roundabout at the intersection of Eisenhower Drive and Van Roy Road. This option was shown to be the least expensive, significantly improve safety, accommodate increased traffic projections, provide for minimal operational costs, allow for the greatest chance of receiving grant funding and was the most supported option by surrounding landowners. There is no firm timeline on when construction will commence on the project at this time. Any questions regarding improvements can be directed to Angela Gorall, Town Administrator/Clerk.



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Town Hall Offices Closed: Monday, July 5, 2010 & Monday, September 6, 2010

Upcoming Election Information

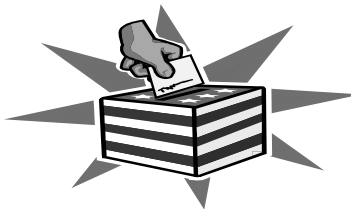
Remember to Vote:

September 14, 2010 and November 2, 2010

All Town of Buchanan residents vote at the Buchanan Town Hall.

Polls are open from 7:00 am to 8:00 pm

Voter registration forms are available on our website or at the Town Hall. Wisconsin voters can look up their polling place and other election related information on the Internet using "Voter Public Access" at <http://vpa.wi.gov/>.



For those of you that do not have internet access please call us at the Town Hall office 734-8599 anytime you need further information.