

Cross Plains Newsletter

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Special points of interest:

- ◆ Black Earth Creek Ribbon Cutting - Sept 20th at 1 pm
- ◆ Village Hall Closed — Nov 28th and 29th
- ◆ 2014 Budget Public Hearing - Check website for date and time this Fall.
- ◆ Plan Commission meets on the 1st Monday of each month at 7 pm.
- ◆ Committee of the Whole meets on the 2nd Monday of each month at 7 pm.
- ◆ Village Board meets on the 4th Monday of each month at 7 pm.

A message from the Village President

I hope this letter finds you ready for the Fall season after an enjoyable summer. You have probably noticed that a lot of things have been happening in the Village this past summer. We have finished the Black Earth Creek Improvement Project, which will be the beginning of many capital projects to take place downtown over the next few years. I hope everyone has had a chance to go down and look at the work that has been done on the creek. The Black Earth Creek Project has shown what can be done when everyone works together to accomplish the same goals.

We are starting to work on the acquisition of the properties for the Lagoon Street Project, and we hope to be finished by the end of the year. The acquisition process of the properties for the Highway 14 Project has also begun, and we will hopefully continue to make progress over the next few months.

As we move into fall we hope

everyone will continue to see activity within the Downtown area. Cross Plains Community Bank will open, Kwik Trip has been approved for a conditional use permit, review of the Zander Creamery property will continue, and the Village will continue to work with property owners on the demolition of blighted buildings.

I would like to invite anyone that would be interested in being on a committee to please contact me or any board member. I would also like to invite everyone to our ribbon cutting celebration of the completion of the Black Earth Creek Improvement Project on Friday, September 20 at 1pm at Zander Park. This will be the same week-end as the taste of Cross Plains which will also be held on Saturday, September 21 in Zander Park.

Thank You

Pat Andreoni

Village President

US Highway 14 (Main St) Reconstruction

The US Highway 14 reconstruction project recently completed a public hearing on the Environmental Assessment that was conducted of the project. Several comments were made by residents, businesses, and Staff regarding the planning/design effort to date on the project that will be evaluation by DOT and Federal Highways officials to determine if the project moves on to final design. If the project does move onto the next step, the DOT will begin the final design process in anticipation for the County P bridge replacement in the Summer of 2014 and full reconstruction of Main Street in 2015. There are many details that the Village will need to work out as we move closer to those milestones and it is important to note that **Village Staff is available to answer questions locally as they arise**. Staff has amassed a great deal of knowledge and experience with the project in order to answer many questions very quickly, and if we cannot answer them, Staff can access people at the DOT for those answers. Please do not hesitate to contact either Matt or Jerry with your questions, comments, or concerns as they come up during the process:

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Village Website

Information relative to the Highway 14 project can be found on the Village's website by going to www.cross-plains.wi.us. The home page has a section designated for "Special Projects" and if you click on this link it will take you to the section for the Highway 14 project. The Village webpage has information about the project in the form of Frequently Asked Questions, project agreements, current project site-maps, and a link to the DOT's web page for this project. Information not present on the website can be asked of Village Staff; however, much of the information presented on the website is meant to give the public access to the most frequently requested information.

Streetscape Committee

The Village Board recently reaffirmed the continued use of the Streetscape Committee to work on issues related to the Highway 14 project. Residents and business owners Anne Biebel, Mary DeVitt, Cami Hogan, Lisa Kosteki, and Kurt Schlicht along with two more individuals to be named will continue their work to assist the Village Board with the details of the project. Meetings for this group will be posted and distributed via the Village website and are always open to the public. Look for upcoming meetings to begin these discussions coming in the Fall of 2013.

Cross Plains Police Department

Summer will soon be fading and Fall is just around the corner. I hope everyone enjoyed the summer months. We would like to take this opportunity to remind all Village residents of some of the more frequent animal related complaints that are made on a consistent basis. Chapter 21 of the Village Ordinances deals with Animal Control issues. The following are some of the more common infractions:

- 21.03(a) Any dog or cat more than five months of age on January 1 or any year, or which will attain five months of age during the calendar year, shall be licensed annually.
- 21.06(a) Every dog and cat shall be regularly vaccinated against the disease of rabies. The owner of every dog and cat shall have such dog and cat inoculated against rabies by a licensed practicing veterinarian within 30 days after the dog and cat reaches five months of age and revaccinated within one year after the initial vaccination. Vaccinations shall remain current.
- **21.09(a) No animal, including livestock, shall be permitted by its owner to run at large in any area within the Village except on the private property of the owner of the animal or on other private property with the consent of the property owner or person in charge.**
- 21.09(c) The owner of every animal shall be responsible for the conduct of such animal. It shall be unlawful for any person to keep or harbor any domestic animal, fur-bearing animal, or game animal when that animal:
 - ♦ (4) Habitually by any noise disturbs the peace and quiet of any person in the vicinity of the place where such animal is kept; If a complaint is received by a Village official on three or more separate occasions within a one month period, the animal will be deemed a nuisance.
- **21.09(d)(1) If an animal leaves feces, refuse, dirt, food or other foreign substances upon any public sidewalk, terrace, street or other public lands or upon private property other than that of the animal's owner, then the animal's owner or caretaker shall immediately remove these substances and dispose of them in a proper manner.**
 - ♦ (2) *No person owning or having control of any animal shall suffer or permit such animal to defecate upon any property other than that of the animal's owner or caretaker without immediately causing such defecation to be removed therefrom and properly disposed.*

Fines for violating these sections can range from \$82.50 to \$303.00. These are the more common violations we deal with on a regular basis. If you are interested in reading the full ordinance regarding animals and owner responsibilities you may view them on the Village's web site. As pet owners let's make sure we are mindful of everyone's rights as well as our responsibilities.

Parks and Recreation Department

Adult Programs

Fitness Pass: Who ever thought that working out could be fun? Join the Recreation Department and get in shape this fall on a flexible schedule.

Classes offered include:

- Zumba - Mondays 5:30-6:30 pm
- Yoga - Monday Mornings from 9:00-10:15 am, Tuesday Evenings from 6:00-7:00 pm, and Thursday mornings from 9:00-10:15 am.
- No Limits Interval Training - Monday/Wednesday/Friday mornings 5:30am – 6:15 am.

Instructors:

- Zumba: Jane Busch
- Yoga (Mon & Thu): Heidi Ropa
- Yoga (Tues): Terri Buechner
- No Limits Interval Training: Katy Ripp

Zumba is located at the American Legion Hall while yoga and No Limits Interval Training is located at the Cross Plains-Berry Fire Station. The punch card system runs from September 1 through December 31. (If you're not sure you'd like it, try it free for 1 week!) Cost of the card is \$40.00 for 4 punches, \$64.00 for 8 punches, \$70.00 for 10 punches. Also, to make it more

accessible, participants may sign up and receive a punch card directly from the instructor. Sign up today!

No Limits Interval Training Class for All Levels

Get the benefits of interval cross training in this 45 minute class. A certified Les Mills and TRX instructor will guide you through a workout that is constantly varied, utilizing functional movements. Functional training allows any body type and fitness level to participate in this class. Be prepared for strength and cardiovascular exercise. Make a commitment to your health.

Instructor: Katy Ripp

- Session 1: October 7-November 1
- Session 2: November 4-November 29
- Session 3: December 2-December 30

Days: Monday, Wednesday, Friday

Time: 5:30 am-6:15 am

Cost: \$50.00 per session/ Multiple session sign up available (2 sessions \$90.00, 3 sessions \$125.00)

Where: Cross Plains-Berry Fire Station

Ages: 18 and up

Aquatics

3rd Annual Cross Plains Crawl will be held Saturday, Sept 28th. This years' event will begin at Kurt's on Main at 4 pm. Pre-registration will be accepted @ www.cross-plains.wi.us This years event will help fund shade structures around the facility and restroom upgrades. Cost: \$25.00 If you would like to be a sponsor or have any questions, please contact Jeff Wissink at 608-444-8325.

We would like to thank all of the users of the Cross Plains Pool during the 2013 summer. We would also like to give a special "Thank you" to the 2013 pool staff, as their hard work and enthusiasm to keep the Cross Plains Pool a safe and enjoyable facility didn't go unnoticed.

Parks & Trails

Conservancy and trail work will be constructed on Hickory Hill and Glacial Valley Conservancy this fall. If you or your family would like to become partners with our "Friends of the Conservancy", please email me at maxon@cross-plains.wi.us Work days are scheduled throughout the fall/winter for Saturdays 9 am-12 pm. No experience is necessary for this great new project.

Parks and Recreation Department

2013 Fall Dance

Children's dance is back for the fall! Join the Recreation Department with dance instructors Ms. Michele Dresen and Samantha Dresen as we bring ballet, tap, and jazz for children ages 3 and up. Sign up will begin September 23, 2013. Sign up can be done at: www.cross-plains.wi.us or by stopping into the Village Office (2417 Brewery Road) and filling out a registration form.

Dates: October 29-December 11 (No class November 26-27)

Cost: \$35.00/\$40.00 per class

Days: Tuesday or Wednesdays

Where: Cross Plains Legion Hall

Schedule:

Starting Wednesday, October 29:

<u>Tuesday Time:</u>	<u>Ages</u>	<u>Dance</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u># of Spots</u>
4:00 pm - 4:30 pm	7 - 9	Hip Hop	\$35	15
4:30 pm - 5:15 pm	7 - 9	Jazz	\$40	15
5:15 pm - 5:45 pm	7 - 9	Poms	\$35	15
5:45 pm - 6:30 pm	10 and up	Jazz	\$40	15
6:30 pm - 7:00 pm	10 and up	Hip Hop	\$35	15

<u>Wednesday Time:</u>	<u>Ages</u>	<u>Dance</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u># of Spots</u>
3:00 pm - 4:00 pm	3 - 4	Ballet	\$35	12
4:00 pm - 4:30 pm	5 - 6	Ballet	\$35	15
4:30 pm - 5:00 pm	5 - 6	Fun Jazz	\$35	15
5:00 pm - 5:30 pm	5 - 6	Fun Jazz	\$35	15
5:30 pm - 6:00 pm	7 - 9	Intermediate Ballet	\$35	15
6:00 pm - 6:30 pm	7 - 9	Intermediate Tap	\$35	15

Look for new programs on the village website throughout the year as we explore new program ideas for all ages. www.cross-plains.wi.us

Rosemary Garfoot Public Library

Wisconsin's First Green Library



Carpe Librum Book Discussion Group

Join the Carpe Librum Book Discussion Group on the last Thursday of the month at 6:00 pm for moderated discussion of interesting and unforgettable books. The September selection is the UW Madison's GO BIG READ selection, *A Tale for the Time Being*, by Ruth Ozeki, a powerful story about the ways in which reading and writing connect two people who will never meet. Stop by the library for a copy of the book.

Green Tuesdays Environmental Films and Discussion

Green Tuesdays meets on the first Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm.

- September 3rd - Film *Thrive with Less* follows six students seeking out what it means to live moderately in an excess-driven culture.
- October 1st – Film *The Price of Sand* examines the human and environmental cost of silica (frac) sand mining in Wisconsin, Minnesota, and Iowa.
- November 5th – Film *Detropia* shows the struggle of America's first major post-industrial city with its people forced to imagine a future without manufacturing jobs that created the middle class of the past.
- December 3rd – Film *What Would Jesus Buy?* takes a look at the commercialization of Christmas in America, consumerism, over-consumption, and the fires of eternal debt.

Morning Movie

This film series of contemporary adult films meets on the 2nd Thursday of the month at 9:30 am. Coffee is hot at 9:00 am, so come early for some conversation and a bite to eat before the film! The September film is *Mud*, a coming of age adventure film starring Matthew McConaughey. Please call the library at 798-3881 to sign up.

Adult Summer Reading Program

Thank you to all 279 of you who participated in the 2013 Adult Summer Reading Program! You read and listened to hundreds of books and hopefully enjoyed the adventure! Congratulations to Beth Plovovich who was the lucky winner of the Grand Prize Drawing for a Kindle Fire HD.

Databases at the Library

Need help with a car repair? For those of you who prefer the “book-in-hand” approach, your library owns a collection of Chilton repair manuals that can be checked out. If you're more of a computer person, the library offers two auto repair websites. Auto Repair Reference Center specializes in vehicles from 1945 to the present. The Chilton Library provides automotive repair information for vehicles of the last 30-50 years. Both databases contain repair information, technical bulletins and recalls, wiring diagrams, and much more. Stop by the library or go online to www.rgpl.org to take a look!

Library hours: Mon, Wed, and Thur: 9am-8pm, Tues & Fri: 9am-5pm, Sat: 10am-2pm

Rosemary Garfoot Public Library, 2107 Julius St., Cross Plains, WI. 53528 – 608-798-3881-www.rgpl.org

Rosemary Garfoot Public Library Children's Programs

It was a very busy summer full of fun activities at the library, we had a whopping 296 young readers register for the summer library program! Some of the summer highlights included vegetable printed T-shirts, our first ever worm race, and a book club at which we compared a novel, graphic novel and movie of Jeanne Duprau's *City of Ember*. As always, we needed a lot of volunteers and community support to make the program a success – and for this we owe many thanks to our teen volunteers and several community businesses who donated their resources and time. Thanks to Tanos Pizza, Kalscheur Implement, Saeman Lumber, Cross Plains True Value, the Friends of the Library volunteers and Crossroads Coffeehouse. Our library practicum student Naomi Timmerman did an excellent job of making sure everything ran smoothly. Thanks as well to the capable and flexible library staff for their support and fine service.

Congratulations to our grand prize winners: Everett Peters, baby/toddler category, Kate VanGorden, preschool category, Abby Ensenberger, school-age category, and Zoe Ystenes, teen category. And a big congratulations to our adult grand prize winner, Beth Plovovich. Thanks and congrats to **all** the readers who participated!

Wigglers and Giggles - Tuesdays @ 10 -
For babies and toddlers. We will learn finger

plays, sing songs, read very simple books and socialize. Join the fun and learn how to grow a reader! Mark the following Tuesdays on your calendar: 9/10 through 11/12

Big Kids' Booktime - Wednesdays @ 10 -
Designed for preschoolers (3-6 year olds). At Storytime we sing, read stories and occasionally have a craft project, snack or a special activity based on our theme. These programs are designed for children who are ready to sit and listen to stories. Please bring younger siblings out of the room during the storytelling portion of the program. Join this fall as we explore: Colors, Numbers and Shapes, Oh My!

9/11: Color My World

9/18: Moody Blues

9/25: Colors we Eat

10/2: Fall Colors

10/23: Count on Me

10/30: Counting on Critters

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Must See" Photography Exhibit

This summer, the Cross Plains Recreation Department offered a summer photography program for middle school-aged kids. Tonya Tubbs and Jane Hoffman taught these talented young people how to create beautiful and interesting digital photographs. An exhibit of their favorite work is on show at the library through Friday, October 11th. Please take time to see this wonderful art!

Cross Plains Area EMS

Prior to 1977 residents having a medical emergency due to an illness, injury or accident, were transported to the hospital by the local police, or the Dane County Traffic police in the back of a station wagon. There was no additional medically trained personnel to ride with the patient, provide patient care or even contact the hospital with a report on the patient prior to arrival at the emergency department. A lot has changed in the past 36 years, patient care is now provided by licensed Emergency Medical Technician's (EMT's) that operate under a physician license with a minimum of two (2) attendants to treat and monitor the patient during transport. Volunteer EMT's licenses are only valid for two years in which they are required to have completed over 50 hours of refresher training and certification through our local medical director and Madison College (MATC). Additionally Cross Plains Area EMS provides a higher level of care than the basic EMT level. Cross Plains Area EMS is licensed at the Advanced EMT level which allows the members to start IV's in the field, administer additional medication than the basic level of care.

Currently about 62% of the members of the Cross Plains Area EMS do not live in the Village or even in the graphical area we serve. In addition several members live in the district but are required to stay at the station for appropriate response times. We need to have additional local residents to become trained and help with daytime and weekend coverage.

Training is held through Madison College with the classes running in the spring or fall semesters earning 5 - credits for the course. Additional training can be completed locally as well as CPR and refresher training. This is a great opportunity for High School seniors going into the healthcare field, looking to earn credits for college, build your volunteer resume and give back to your community. Nurses are eligible to operate on the service with little, if any additional training for field operations and response. We are looking for members to drive the ambulance and assist the crews with patient loading and assistance with equipment. A driver training program is offered in Madison or locally for drivers wishing to help. CPR Training and certification is required for driver which can be completed locally. Please consider being part of our team by volunteering and giving back to your community.

For an application and or additional information please email cpemsdirector@charter.net or call 608-798-3456.

Middleton - Cross Plains Area School District

The Middleton-Cross Plains Area School District Board of Education unanimously approved the preliminary budget for 2013-14 at its regular meeting on Monday, July 22. Among the items included in the preliminary budget were additional staff to address student enrollment increases, \$34,000 to add the Gateway to Technology program to the middle school curriculum, and \$55,000 for the Gateway to College program that helps students on the verge of dropping out to earn a high school diploma while also earning college credits.

Fiscal Services manager Lori Ames explained that the preliminary budget includes approximately \$700,000 in contingency funds. Administrators are recommending about \$135,000 to address the district's achievement gap initiative and growing English Language Learners student population. Use of the remaining portion of contingency funding has not been determined as of yet by the Board, but salary adjustments beyond the 1 percent built into the budget are being considered.

The state budget that was signed into law on June 30 allows for a revenue limit increase of \$75 per pupil. In addition, the budget included funding \$75 per pupil in state categorical aid for 2013-14. These amounts have been incorporated into the preliminary budget. The preliminary budget will be presented at the Annual Meeting & Budget Hearing on Sept. 16 and will be utilized by the district to operate the school district until the 2013-14 budget is adopted by the Board in late October.

Meanwhile, work began in mid-July on the building project at Glacier Creek. The project will impact traffic flow at Glacier Creek over the next school year. Parents bringing their children to school should drop them off on the west side of the building. Parents can pick up their children after school in front of the building. Access to Military Road behind Glacier Creek will be limited to residents, deliveries and authorized vehicles only. The project should be completed by August 2014.

Finally, enrollment numbers for the district continue to climb. As of mid-July, the district had 6,218 registered students, more than 100 students above its enrollment from a year ago. Park had 365 students registered and Glacier Creek 633 as of July 17th. The average class size at Park is 21.5, while it is 22.6 at Glacier Creek.

Chamber of Commerce

Taste of Cross Plains

Join us for a “taste” of what Cross Plains has to offer on Saturday September 21 at Lagoon Street, behind Century 21 Affiliated-Roessler located at 2034 Main Street.

The “Taste” of Cross Plains will highlight our downtown, the Black Earth Creek, local food and drinks and our breathtaking views while hiking and biking.



- Fun event for families; adults and kids alike!
- Get to know neighbors, local businesses and information on our natural resources
- Kids Boat Regatta ~ Kids will build a boat and sail it down the Black Earth Creek
- Fly Fishing ~ Join On The Creek Owners for a casting lesson and general Creek Info
- Guided Hike ~ Enjoy a guided hike on the Ice Age Trail Hickory Hill Segment
- Family Bike Ride ~ Get rolling with your family on a fun & safe ride around town
- Restaurant Tastings ~ Come “taste” samples from local food & drink establishments

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! For more information visit <http://www.crossplainschamber.net/>

4th Annual Business Fair

Thursday, November 14th 4-7pm

American Legion, 2217 American Legion Drive

Local businesses will showcase their products and services. Get to know your local businesses and neighbors. Shop local—Buy Gift Cards & Local Goods, Learn about area services. There will be food, giveaways and networking opportunities. Free Admission and the public is welcome. Bring your business cards to network and enter to win prizes! For more information visit <http://www.crossplainschamber.net/>



Fall 2013 Computer, Electronic, and Appliance Recycling Event

Resource Solutions will be in Cross Plains collecting computers, electronics, and appliances for recycling on Saturday October 5th, from 8 am to noon. Residents of Cross Plains and surrounding communities may bring these items to Village Hall Parking Lot, located at 2417 Brewery Road in Cross Plains, during these times.

The following items may be dropped off at no charge:

CRT Monitors, Computer Mice, CPU's, Laptops, Keyboards, Computer Cords, Circuit Boards, Flat Screen Computer Monitors (LCD), UPS, Power Strips, Scanners, Printer Cables, Printers, Copiers, Telephones, Cell Phones, Fax Machines, VCR's, DVD Players, Stereo Equipment, Remote Controls, Calculators, Lead Acid Car Batteries, Rechargeable batteries from laptops, cell phones, and power tools.

The following items have fees attached for disposal:

- Televisions - \$10/\$20 each
- Small to Mid-Size Televisions (29" and under) - \$10 each
- Large Televisions (30" and over) - \$20 each
- Appliances - \$5 each
- Microwaves, Stoves, Washers, Dryers, Water Heaters, Furnaces, Lawn Mowers (oil must be drained and tires must be removed).
- Freon-containing Appliances - \$10 each: Air Conditioners, Dehumidifiers
- Fluorescent Light Bulbs: 4' and 8' - \$1 each



Please call Resource Solutions for a price quote if you don't see your item listed. Resource Solutions is ISO 14001:2004 Certified and is also an E-Cycle Wisconsin registered collector. At Resource Solutions, all computers and electronics accepted for recycling will be recycled for their base metals, glass, and plastics. For more information, please call Resource Solutions at (608) 244-5451 or visit www.recyclethatstuff.com.

Yard Waste and Leaf Disposal Reminders

As summer comes to a close, it is time to start preparing for the changing weather again. Leaf and yard waste can be dropped off at the Public Facilities garage located at 1225 Bourbon Road. Residents can locate the drop off site on the West side.

If residents have branches to be disposed of they can call to be added to the brush pick up list. Brush is picked up on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday's of each month. Please call (608) 798-3241 x 102 to be put on the list for branch pick up.

Village of Cross Plains

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Village Hall Fax	(608) 798-3817
EMERGENCY - Police, Fire, EMS	911
Police Department	(608) 798-4100
Public Library	(608) 798-3881
School District	(608) 829-9000
Email	matt@cross-plains.wi.us

We're on the Web!!!
www.cross-plains.wi.us

Cross Plains Child Passenger Safety Program

The Police Department and Cross Plains-Berry Fire District have come together to support and create the Cross Plains Child Passenger Safety program.

As you may be aware, child passenger restraints have significant misuse rate, typically ranging from 75% to in excess of 90%. This misuse has the potential to significantly and tragically impact the safety of our most precious cargo: our children. Having the child car seats checked by a certified technician will help ensure that it is properly installed. Certified technicians receive an initial 32 hour training course on the proper installation and use of car seats.

In April 2013 Police Officer Gregory Kosharek, Assistant Fire Chief Joseph Pertzborn and Fire Lieutenant Travis Niesen received their national certifications as Child Passenger Safety Technicians. These individuals can assist you through individual appointments or through community car seat check events. A seat check will typically take 30 - 45 minutes, and will cover a variety of topics so you can learn how to properly use and install the car seat.

A FREE Car Seat Check will be offered on Saturday, September 28th from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm at the Fire Station located at 1501 Bourbon Road in Cross Plains. Please call Gregory Kosharek at (608) 798-4100 or send an email to gkosharek@crossplainspolicewi.com to find out more information about this event or to schedule an appointment with one of our technicians.