

## SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Plan Commission meets on the 1st Monday of each month at 7 p.m.
- Public Safety Committee meets on the 2nd Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m.
- Parks & Recreation Committee meets on the 2nd Monday of each month at 6 p.m. at the Library.
- Village Board meets on the 4th Monday of each month at 7 p.m.

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## A message from the Administrator



Greetings Cross Plains!

My name is Caitlin Stene, the Village's newly appointed Administrator / Clerk.

I would like to briefly introduce myself to all of you. I was born and raised in Saint Paul, Minnesota and have called Wisconsin home for over four years. I graduated with an undergraduate degree in both public administration and marketing from Winona State University in Minnesota. After undergrad, I attended the University of Kansas and received my Masters of Public Administration with a focus on local government management.

For the past three years I served as the Assistant Village Administrator / Human Resources Manager for the Village of Waunakee. Prior to Waunakee, I worked for the City of River Falls, Wisconsin as a Management Analyst in the City Administrator's department. When not at work I enjoy spending time with my partner Tim and our dog, Ditto. We enjoy traveling to and exploring new places, spending time outdoors, and relaxing with a book and a good cup of coffee.

I am eager to join the Village team and contribute to the great work that is currently happening around Cross Plains. It is my desire to help the community accomplish its goals, help residents enjoy their quality of life, work with the business community to ensure they can be successful, and carry out the policies and priorities established by the Village Board.

One of the most enjoyable parts of working in local government is being able to make direct personal connections with members of the community. I look forward to making connections with many of you over the next several months.

Should you have questions or comments regarding Village issues, please do not hesitate to contact me directly by phone (608-798-3241) or email ([cstene@cross-plains.wi.us](mailto:cstene@cross-plains.wi.us)). Again, I am excited to be your Village Administrator and look forward to becoming an integral part of the community.

Caitlin Stene  
Administrator / Clerk

# Cross Plains Police Department



I can't believe where the time has gone. It seems like just a few years ago that my family moved to Cross Plains and yet I now find myself starting my 12<sup>th</sup> year as your police Chief. I would like to say thank you to all of the citizens of Cross Plains.

I believe that our Community is the best in Dane County.

You may have noticed a few new faces driving around in our squad cars. Ben Miller started last December and is primarily assigned to the night shift and more recently we welcomed Kim Ready. Kim started in July and is assigned as our Lieutenant/Detective primarily working the 3pm to 11pm shift. I hope you will join me in welcoming them both to our community.

With the recent hail storm we experienced in the Village I couldn't help but notice the dozens of construction trucks that converged on the Village. Many of our local companies have been out making contact with residents who experienced damage to their homes however there are also companies from out of town and out of state. I would just caution you to make sure you are working closely with your insurance company and make sure you are dealing with a reputable company. I am sure that there are some that would try to take advantage of you during your time of need.

I can't help but notice the leaves changing color and the fall weather is upon us. I would like to remind everyone, as we clean up our yards and gardens, that burning leaves or yard waste is a violation of Village ordinance. Branches can be placed curbside and picked up by our Public Facilities workers twice a month. All you have to do is call the Village office, 798-3241, and get placed on the list. Leaves, grass, and garden waste can be brought to the Village shop on Bourbon Rd. and dropped off anytime (on the west side of the building). All of the Village Ordinances are available for viewing on the Villages website.

I am not trying to jinx us but I am going to say the S word. That's right Snow. Remember when we start getting the fluffy white stuff that no vehicles may be parked on the road if we receive 2 inches of snow or more until the road has been plowed from curb to curb. Keeping the vehicles off the road when we receive an accumulation of snow assists our Public Facilities workers greatly in their plowing efforts. Also, when cleaning up our driveways the snow cannot be thrown into the roadway. Your cooperation in these two areas is much appreciated.

Halloween falls on a Monday this year. Trick or Treat will be held on Monday October 31<sup>st</sup> from 5pm to 7pm. The police department will again have additional Officers on duty during that time to make sure all are safe and yes we will have candy to hand out again.

I hope everyone enjoys the Fall season.

Chief Tom

## Middleton - Cross Plains Area School District

All three resolutions related to the 2016-17 district budget were approved unanimously at the Annual Meeting and Budget Hearing at the District Services Center on Sept. 19.

The three resolutions that were voted upon were:

- Resolution A: Resolution to Levy a Tax for Adding to Capital Fund. The fund, which is used for maintenance, will increase \$25,000 to \$950,000 this fiscal year.
  - Resolution B: Adoption of Tax Levy of \$66,000,321 for the 2016-17 fiscal year. That is more than \$1 million less than a year ago.
- Resolution C: Adoption of School Board Salaries for 2016-17. President Bob Green will receive \$4,200 and the other eight Board members will receive \$3,600.

The tax levy will likely decrease by 2.34 percent and the mill rate will likely decrease by 4.3 percent, Board of Education treasurer Linda Yu said. That assumes a 2 percent increase in property value for homeowners in all eight municipalities that make up the District, Business Services Director Lori Ames said.

That works out to a 50-cent decrease for every \$1,000 of residential property value. It means a homeowner with property assessed at \$300,000 in 2016 will see a decrease of \$150 in the school district portion of their tax bill in 2017. Official numbers won't be available until the final budget is adopted before Oct. 31. Ames also said that numbers will vary by municipality.

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Mavroulis said more than 80 residents expressed interest in serving on the committee and 60-plus filled out an application. The committee is scheduled to meet monthly until at least May. The Board of Education has asked that the committee present possible options for dealing with increasing enrollment by late spring in 2017.

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For the fifth straight year, District students had a composite score on the ACT college admissions exam at least three points above the state average, according to a report released on Aug. 24.

The MCPASD Class of 2016 had a composite average of 23.8 on the ACT compared with the state average of 20.5. The state's participation in ACT testing jumped to 100 percent for the Class of 2016 as the state joined 18 others that administer the college admissions exam to all public school graduates.

"These are very good results," Communications Director Perry Hibner said. "Our graduates should be very proud of their performance and our teachers and families should be complimented on the important roles they play in the success of all of our students."

MCPASD students at Middleton High School, Clark Street Community School and 21st Century eSchool took the ACT. In all, 493 Class of 2016 students took the exam.

The MCPASD Class of 2015 had a composite score of 25.2 on the ACT compared with the state average of 22.2, but District Secondary Director of Teaching and Learning Laura Love noted about 76 percent of students in that class took the exam.

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The District increased by 234 full-time students, according to the official Third Friday Enrollment count that was shared with the Board of Education at its meeting on Oct. 10.

The count is done annually by all districts on the third Friday in September. The preliminary budget was based on a 140-student increase. The District has 6,725 students in grades K-12, not counting online students, which is 176 more than a year ago. Park has 283 students, which is 11 below projections, while Glacier Creek has 996 students, which is 39 below projections.

## Conservancy/Trails

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Would you like to see mountain biking added to our local Conservancies? Yes or No

### Mixed Use Mountain Biking and Hiking

Over the last few months, an unofficial group of local mountain biking enthusiasts and trail building volunteers have been attending monthly Parks and Recreation Committee meetings, to discuss the viable option of allowing mountain biking in Village owned conservation areas. Local residents have teamed up with the Capital Off Road Pathfinders and the International Mountain Bicycling Association, to develop a proposal for a “Mixed-Use Mountain Biking and Hiking Trail” for the southern-most conservation hillsides, including Glacial Valley, Cedar Glen, and Cedar Hill. The current proposal would phase the trails into the 3 conservancy hillsides, starting with Glacial Valley Conservancy. The current proposal would not allow for bike access through residential easements, but only commercial and/or parks and open space. For the complete proposal go to [www.cross-plains.wi.us](http://www.cross-plains.wi.us). (Click on Special Projects) Please submit any feedback to the Parks and Recreation Director at [maxon@cross-plains.wi.us](mailto:maxon@cross-plains.wi.us) or by phone 608.798.3241 ext. 107. We appreciate all feedback as we explore the best option for our community.

## Recreation- New Program Information

The Parks and Recreation Department will be offering a variety of fall programs this year! Check our website at [www.cross-plains.wi.us](http://www.cross-plains.wi.us) for more information.

# Adult Programs

### Drop In Programs

**Basketball:**

**Who:** Men and Women (separate play)

**When:** Wednesdays 7:00pm-9:00pm

**Location:** Glacier Creek Middle School (new gym)

**Fee:** \$5 per drop in

**Dates:** September 7th-May 24th

Welcoming all beginners, intermediate and advanced players!

**Co-ed Volleyball**

**When:** Fridays 7:00-9:00pm

**Fee:** \$5 drop in

**Location:** Glacier Creek Middle School (new gym)

**Dates:** November 4th-April 28th

Welcoming all beginners, intermediate and advanced players!

### Yoga

This program will give you the opportunity to reconnect with yourself as you stretch and strengthen your muscles, rediscover your breath, and relax into a new and improved you. Offering you a solid foundation in the fundamentals and philosophy of yoga, each class will lead you to discover your unique body type and needs in a non-competitive and supportive environment. All levels welcome.

**When: Mondays**  
**Time: 9:00-10:15 am**

**When: Tuesdays**  
**Time: 6:00 pm-7:00 pm**

**When: Wednesdays NEW!**  
**Time: 7:00 pm-8:00 pm**

**When: Thursdays**  
**Time: 9:00-10:15 am**

**Dates: Ongoing Sessions via Punch Pass\***

**Where: Cross Plains-Berry Fire Station (Upstairs)**

\*Punch Passes can be purchased through the instructor or at the Village Offices.

*Check our website for up-to-date classes and offerings!*

# Early Childhood

## Tot Rock & "Roll"

Class activities are designed to increase gross motor development and socialization skills. Enjoy ball play, tunnel time, parachute games, dancing, action songs, and movement activities. Please bring a small snack for circle time!

Day: Wednesdays

Time: 9:30-11:00 am

Ages: 1-4

Fee: \$30

**Fall Session: Oct. 19—Dec. 14 (no class 11/23)**

**Registration Deadline: Oct 12th**

Fee: \$40 (8 Classes)

**Winter Session 1: Jan 11—Feb 15**

**Registration Deadline: Jan 6th**

Fee: \$30

**Winter Session 2: March 1—April 5**

**Registration Deadline: Feb 24th**

Fee: \$30

Location: Cross Plains-Berry Fire Station

Min: 5 Max: 20

## Toddler Time

Get your toddler comfortable with being away from you and introduced to the classroom setting as they are quickly approaching that preschool age. Our trained and Child CPR and First Aid certified staff will introduce a semi structured curriculum with fun crafts, games, story time, and free play.

Day: Fridays

Time: 9:00-10:30 am

Ages: 2-4

**Fall Session 1: Sept 30—Oct 21**

**Registration Deadline: Sept 22nd**

**Fall Session 2: Oct 28—Nov 18**

**Registration Deadline: Oct 20th**

**Winter Session 1: Jan 13—Feb 3**

**Registration Deadline: Jan 9th**

**Winter Session 2: Feb 17—March 10**

**Registration Deadline: Feb 13th**

Fee: \$35

Location: Cross Plains-Berry Fire Station

Min: 4 Max: 8

## Little Crafters

Here is a chance for your child to get messy and discover the world of art. Each week we explore different forms of art while making new and exciting creations using a variety of art materials.

Day: Thursdays

Time: 9:00-9:45 am

Ages: 2-5

**Fall Session 1: Sept 29—Oct 20**

**Registration Deadline: Sept 24th**

**Fall Session 2: Oct 27—Nov 17**

**Registration Deadline: Oct 22nd**

**Winter Session 1: Jan 12—Feb 2**

**Registration Deadline: Jan 9th**

**Winter Session 2: Feb 16—March 9**

**Registration Deadline: Feb 13th**

Session Fee: \$35

Location: Cross Plains-Berry Fire Station

Min: 4 Max: 8



**These are only a few of our awesome Fall/Winter Activities that we offer! Check out our website and our Facebook page for more fun activities and stay up-to-date with all the new programs we add regularly!**

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# Rosemary Garfoot Public Library Children's Programs

## Fall Storytimes, "Delicious Stories: Get an Appetite for Reading"

### Wigglers and Giggles, Tuesdays @ 10

### Big Kids Booktime, Thursdays @ 10

Come get an appetite for reading as we explore all kinds of tasty stories, songs and activities. Wigglers and Giggles (baby/toddler) storytimes are offered on Tuesday mornings at 10, and Big Kids Booktime (preschoolers) happens on Thursdays at 10 AM. If you would like to be included on our email list for storytime news, please send a message to Catherine at [cabaer@rgpl.org](mailto:cabaer@rgpl.org) or call 798-3881. Find more information on our website at [www.rgpl.org/children/](http://www.rgpl.org/children/).

### Tween Book Club

Join us on the second Monday of each month at 4 PM for a relaxed and fun conversation about a different book each time. We always have some delicious snacks and fun times. For current book selections, check the website teen page at [www.rgpl.org/teens](http://www.rgpl.org/teens).

### Harry Potter Halloween Party Friday, October 28, 1:00 – 4:00 PM

SCHOOL'S OUT – so join us for a great afternoon of costumes, contests, treats, a movie and prizes as we celebrate the recent release of the new Harry Potter play, *Harry Potter and the Cursed Child*. A fantastic team of student volunteers are working together to plan this great party for you, so join us and find out what sort of magic they have up their sleeves! Keep an eye on the website for more information.

### 2016 Friends AMAZING (PREVIOUSLY OWNED) ART AUCTION

Do you have art you love but no longer want? Please consider donating it to the Friends of the Library Silent Art Auction. The Friends are accepting ready-to-display fine art and crafts, such as paintings, prints, drawings, sculpture, jewelry, watercolors, ceramics, framed posters, etc. Donations are being accepted at the library now through October 21st. Bidding begins on October 24th and continues through November 17<sup>th</sup> during library hours. Following a 6:00 PM reception on the 17th, bidding closes at 7:00 PM, and winners will then be announced. All proceeds benefit expanded programming for children, teens and adults.

### Check it out!

The Rosemary Garfoot Public Library has a new *Cool Stuff Collection!* This pilot collection contains interesting equipment, gadgets and games. For more information, go to the *Cool Stuff Collection* link under the *Catalog & Resources* tab on our website ([www.rgpl.org](http://www.rgpl.org)) or stop by the library.

### Morning Movie

Our morning film series features contemporary adult films from comedy to high drama and meets at 9:30 AM on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month. The coffee is ready at 9:00 AM so come early for a little social time before the movie! The program is free and open to the public.

### Open Music Jam

Do you play the guitar or pick the banjo? Are you a harmonica player without a band? Don't play an instrument, but like to sing or simply listen? Stop by the library on **Thursday nights, 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM**, and join other area musicians in a weekly music jam! From beginner to way good, all abilities welcome!

### Gently Used Books, DVDs, CDs and Puzzles Welcome

The Friends of the Rosemary Garfoot Public Library are asking for donations of gently used books (No text books or encyclopedia sets, please.), DVDs, CDs, and puzzles to be sold at the Friends used book sales. Please drop your items off at the library during open library hours, and let us know if you want a tax receipt. Proceeds from the sales are used to support programming and special projects.

### Computer Assistance

The library staff is happy to help patrons using library computers with questions. People can also get one-on-one basic instruction by calling 798-3881 for an appointment.

### Wisconsin's Digital Library

Download audiobooks, eBooks, music and videos directly to your computer or for use with a variety of devices, including iPhones, iPads, Android devices, Nooks, Kindles, and more. Just click on the *OverDrive* button located on our library homepage.

**Databases**

Did you know you can access the *Consumer Reports* website, the online *Chilton Automotive Repair Library*, and *Ancestry.com* with your library card? And by using our *Flipster* database, you can browse many popular magazines, even the latest issues. The library provides access to these and a large number of other terrific databases. Check it out by going into LINKcat and clicking on the *Databases* button located on the home page or call library at 798-3881.

**Additional Services Available at the Library**

Study rooms for small groups  
Free meeting space for non-profit groups  
Color Laser Printing  
Black & White Photocopying  
Document Scanner  
Fax Service  
Exam Proctoring

\*Community rooms and kitchen can be rented for private events. Please call 798-3881 for details.

**Find Out About Becoming a Member of the Friends of the Library!**

The *Friends of the Rosemary Garfoot Public Library* is a non-profit volunteer organization that provides support for library programming and special projects. Membership forms can be found at the circulation desk.

**The Cross Plains-Berry Historical Society Research Center**

Located in the library, the historical society research center is open by appointment. Contact Joan Schneeberger at 608-437-1357 or Pauline Brunner at 798-2217.

**Get Your Cap Times Here!**

The library now carries the weekly *Cap Times*. Stop by each week, and get your free copy!

**Library is Local Drop-off Site for the Mazomanie Food Pantry**

When you return your library materials, don't forget to bring in a non-perishable item for the food pantry. Your donations are much needed and greatly appreciated! ***No expired or opened goods. Please do not leave donations outside the building.***

***Don't forget to visit our website ([www.rgpl.org](http://www.rgpl.org)) and our Facebook page to stay up to date on what's happening at the Rosemary Garfoot Public Library!***

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## Ice Age Trail Alliance

Established in 1958, the Ice Age Trail Alliance (IATA) is a nonprofit volunteer- and member-based organization whose mission is to create, support and protect a thousand-mile footpath tracing Ice Age formations across Wisconsin. The IATA supports the hundreds of volunteers who build and maintain the Ice Age Trail, works to acquire a permanently protected corridor for the Trail and promotes the Trail through publications such as the *Ice Age Trail Atlas* and *Ice Age Trail Companion Guide*. More than 620 miles (and counting) of the Ice Age Trail are now open to public enjoyment thanks to the efforts of the IATA and its many partners, including the National Park Service and Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources.

As the colossal glacier retreated from Wisconsin, it left behind a variety of unique landscape features. These Ice Age remnants are now considered among the world's finest examples of how continental glaciation sculpts our planet. The thousand-mile Ice Age Trail, one of only eleven National Scenic Trails, highlights these features while providing access to some of the state's most beautiful natural areas. The Ice Age Trail is suitable for walking, hiking, backpacking and snowshoeing over a wide range of distances and landscapes. Much of the Trail offers solitude, but occasionally it takes you right down the main streets of charming Wisconsin communities such as Cross Plains, Sturgeon Bay, Hartland, Janesville, Lodi and St. Croix Falls. Whether you are seeking a short stroll over gentle terrain or a multiday deep-woods adventure, there is a segment of the Ice Age Trail for you.

Cross Plains is home to some of the finest Ice Age National Scenic Trail in the state. Walkers can enjoy the Trail on either the Cross Plains or Table Bluff Segments. Segment descriptions for each are below:

### **Cross Plains Segment**

The Village of Cross Plains is situated between bluffs and along Black Earth Creek. It sits at the boundary of the most recent glaciation to the east and Driftless Area to the west. Meltwater from the receding glacier eroded and carried downstream the terminal moraine from the site of the village.

Beginning from the intersection of CTH-P and Bourbon Rd. go west 0.1 miles on Bourbon Rd. to the H.M. Zander Community Nature Park of Cross Plains paved trail. Follow the paved path 0.1 miles and cross Black Earth Creek, a class I trout stream, on the first wooden bridge. Jog right and continue through the IATA headquarters' rain garden. Erratics from IATA chapters, the WI DNR, NPS and IATA are scattered throughout the grounds. Make sure to stop in the IATA office to get the latest trail updates and visit the staff. Facilities available for long distance hikers upon request. From the Headquarters turn left on Main St. (USH-14) and go west 0.1 miles. At Caesar St. turn right, using the orange flags in a small bucket attached to the post, cross busy Main St. (USH-14). Follow Caesar St. north 0.1 miles. At Julius St. intersection follow IAT signage and cross to the opposite side of Caesar St. to continue north on sidewalks 0.1 miles. Pass the Rosemary Garfoot Public Library and Village of Cross Plains Municipal Park Center with a public swimming pool, restrooms and water, (open seasonally). At Lewis St. turn left and go west 0.2 miles to where the Ice Age Trail goes off-road on the northeast side of the road on an easement between addresses 1997 and 2001 Lewis St.

From the curb, walk northeast between houses up a steep dolomite ridge via winding switchbacks. Ascend 150 vertical feet to the top, where views to the south and east offer what conservationist Increase Lapham described as the “Great Dividing Ridge”. On the distant ridge is a lone majestic tree that the Trail route will one day take hikers near as part of the Cross Plains National Scientific Reserve. Blue Mounds is also clearly visible to the west. The Trail levels out as it heads north then west atop the ridge. Cross a gravel access road and continue west. Marvel at the large oaks as the route dissects an oak savanna in midst of restoration. Skirt agricultural fields and meander through woods before exiting on an access road that leads south downhill to Hickory Hill Conservation Park trail access.

### **Table Bluff Segment**

Located in the Driftless Area of SW Wisconsin, the Trail route traverses restored prairie as well as steep, rocky slopes (to 50%). There is approximately 200 feet of total vertical relief and several vistas from the heads of two valleys and two prominent goat prairies that offer great views of the driftless area. Meltwater from the Laurentide ice sheet poured through a pre-glacial valley depositing sand and gravel and partially filling the lower valley floors. The lower valley floors are filled with extensive wetlands and a tributary stream of Black Earth Creek. Southern plant communities include various types of wetland, prairie oak opening and forest. Forest cover includes white, burr and red oak, maple, shagbark hickory, basswood, hackberry and more. The use of fire as a management tool has been employed, along with mowing, pulling and herbicide spraying.

From Sheele Rd. the Trail climbs in mixed forest and oak savanna, offering views of the valley below. Wetlands, springs and streams flow through the valley, feeding nearby Black Earth Creek, a Class I trout stream. The wetlands are home to many waterfowl and other birds. The route crosses the valley and ascends to a large prairie restored to its natural state. A thriving population of the rare pale purple coneflower can be found here. Other plants include shooting star, rattlesnake-master, stiff gentian, hoary vervain, pasque flower, needle grass, prairie smoke, sideoats and prairie dropseed. Check off on your wildflower list also lead-plant, bird’s foot violet, compass plant, stiff gentian, harebell, cream gentian, cream baptisia, and many more. A white blazed side trail offers a loop, and adds to the prairie and woodland experience.

This segment crosses the privately owned Swamplovers property for the southern first 1.5 miles and a 73-acre IATA property for its northern half. Note that the Swamplovers property and Trail segment across it are closed during the ten-day gun deer hunting season in late November.



The **Cross Plains Area Chamber of Commerce** members and our community benefit directly from your involvement!

**OUR MISSION:** To promote a strong economy and high quality of life for our Chamber members and the Cross Plains area communities.

The Chamber needs volunteers to help build awareness of our community, promote business members, and hold events in our community. Please consider being a part of this great organization in whatever capacity you are able. If you are interested in a particular area we welcome your involvement.

Are you looking for a way to build awareness of your business? Are you doing all you want to support our community? Talk to us about membership! For as little as \$225/year we are your marketing partner! Don't work in town but want to be involved? Individual members are available for \$75/year or just let us know, attend events, volunteer your time...

**Are you looking for ways to promote your business?** The Chamber has many sponsorship opportunities including our After Hours Networking and Lunch and Learn events.

### **Upcoming events:**

#### **Cross Plains Chamber Business Fair**

**Date:** November 10, 2016 **Time:** 4:00 PM - 6:30 PM CST

**Website:** <http://crossplainschamber.net>

The annual Business Fair will showcase area businesses and allow them to promote their local products and services.

- \* Get to know neighbor businesses and people
- \* Shop local-buy gift cards & local goods, learn about area services
- \* Food, Giveaways, and most importantly Networking
- \* Make your booths Informative and Fun

#### **Why Participate?**

Support Local Business - Invest in your Community  
 Showcase your products & services - Create brand awareness  
 Generate Sales & Leads  
 Meet new potential clients with Face to Face interactions  
 Specials and discounts  
 Announce new products and services  
 Build Valuable Relationships  
 Win fabulous door prizes!  
 FREE to the public, ensuring lots of foot traffic

Sponsorships and Booth space available

This event is promoted throughout the region, in local papers, on our website, Facebook, and more.

**FIRST COME FIRST SERVE ~ LIMITED SPACE AVAILABLE**

**SAVE THE DATE! Shop small Saturday, November 26th!** Join us for an adventurous day of shopping at local area businesses. Scavenger Hunt details to follow.

#### **December After Hours Networking and Holiday Celebration at the Hilltop!**

Join us to celebrate the holidays, network, enjoy some treats and check out the new HILLTOP Restaurant. Watch for more information!

Go to [www.crossplainschamber.net](http://www.crossplainschamber.net) for more information and to see the full calendar.

### **BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT UPDATE**

The Business Development Committee was re-formed this year to pick back up where the last committee left-off. The mission is, as it was, to promote new business to chamber area and assist existing businesses in their growth. So far we have been very active in doing so. Here is what we have accomplished thus far this year:

The committee applied and has been accepted to be a part of the WEDC's Connect Communities Program.

This program has given us valuable resources in working with 50+ other communities to grow our downtown. We can reach out, learn, and collaborate with these other communities in our common goal for economic prosperity. Here is the link to the website: <http://inwisconsin.com/community/assistance/connect-communities-program/>

In collaboration with the Village, the Chamber has just been approved to conduct a Market Analysis of Cross Plains. The BDC will be heading up the work on this project. The Analysis will be through UW-Extension, and include quantitative market research, a case study with other similar communities, retail opportunities, but most important will be the surveys. The surveys will go out to residents, business owners, and shoppers. We wanted to emphasize this part of the analysis because we believe the key to the Village's prosperity is its' members. This will be a great time to learn what our residents want and what types of business will best fit the community's needs.

The Business Development Committee looks forward to working with all community members throughout this process!

**Volunteers needed for Chamber Ambassador Program**

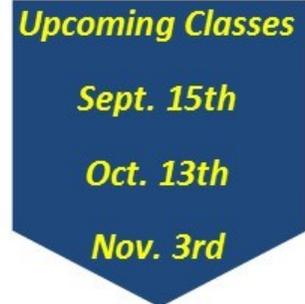
Mission: Significantly increase membership retention by improving communications with our membership and increasing membership involvement and support of all Chamber events and activities.

**Support Local Businesses – Utilize Chamber Bucks!**

A Chamber Buck is a gift certificate, created by the Cross Plains Area Chamber of Commerce to encourage local shopping which, in turn, strengthens our economy and supports business growth. Chamber Bucks can be redeemed at most Chamber member businesses. You can use them at local restaurants, auto part stores, and service centers, retail stores, local chiropractic offices, and more! Unlike traditional gift certificates, Chamber Bucks can be redeemed at over 60 local businesses, for whatever the recipient of this great gift desires. Chamber Bucks can be purchased from Executive Director Amy Hansen and are available at State Bank of Cross Plains. Chamber bucks work similar to ordinary checks. Businesses just deposit them as they would personal checks and they are paid by the CPACC Bucks account.

**Get Involved Today!** Community Involvement ~ Business Development ~ Communication ~ Networking

For more information like us on Facebook, check out our website [www.crossplainschamber.net](http://www.crossplainschamber.net) or contact Executive Director Amy Hansen at [amy.cpchamber@yahoo.com](mailto:amy.cpchamber@yahoo.com).



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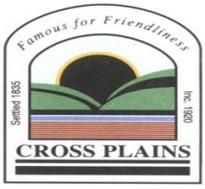


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*Class size limited. Register Today. Workbook Included.*



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## VOTER ELIGIBILITY

Information provided by the State of Wisconsin Government Accountability Board. Find more information on the Photo ID law at [www.BringIt.wi.gov](http://www.BringIt.wi.gov). Register to vote or check your registration status at: [www.MyVote.wi.gov](http://www.MyVote.wi.gov)  
Contact the Government Accountability Board at 1-866-Vote-Wis or at [GAB@wi.gov](mailto:GAB@wi.gov).

### WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO VOTE IN WISCONSIN?

**You must be 18 years of age to vote.** All voters in Wisconsin must be at least 18 years of age on the day of the election to be eligible to vote. Persons who are otherwise eligible to vote may register to vote at 17 years of age if they will be 18 by the next election.

**You must be a U.S. citizen in order to vote.** Citizenship is documented through a U.S. birth certificate or a Certificate of Naturalization, but proof of citizenship is not required to vote. Green card or visa status does not qualify a person to vote in Wisconsin elections.

**You must reside at your current address for at least 10 days prior to the election.** (You may register to vote as long as you will meet the 10-day requirement by the day of the election.) If you have moved to a new address within Wisconsin within 10 days of an election, you may be qualified to vote from your former address until you meet the 10-day requirement at your new address. If you have moved to Wisconsin from another state less than 10 days before an election, you are only eligible to vote for President and Vice-President in Wisconsin until you achieve the 10 days.

### WHO IS NOT ELIGIBLE TO VOTE IN WISCONSIN?

**You cannot vote if you are serving a felony sentence.** If you are currently serving any portion of a felony sentence, including probation or supervision, you are not eligible to vote in Wisconsin. Once your felony sentence is complete and your rights have been restored your right to vote is also reinstated, but you will need to re-register.

**You cannot vote if you've been adjudicated incompetent.** If a judge has specifically determined you to be incompetent to vote, you are not eligible to vote in Wisconsin. If you have been adjudicated incompetent, but not specifically incompetent to vote, then you are still eligible to vote.

**You are not eligible to vote if you have placed a bet or a wager on the outcome of the election.**

**You can only vote once.** Each voter is eligible to vote only once in any given election. You are not eligible to vote if you have already cast a ballot (regular or absentee) in that election.

**With the high volume turn out expected for the November 8<sup>th</sup> election, it is recommended that if you are a new Village resident or have not voted in the last four years that you register at the Village Office before election day to avoid long waiting periods. If you are unsure if you are an active registered voter, please call Renee at the Village Office at 798-3241 Ext. 102.**