



LIBERTY GROVE ROCKS

Featured Business

The Waterfront Restaurant
10961 HWY 42
Sister Bay, WI 54234
920-854-5491
Waterfront-dc.com

Important Dates

Oct. 16th- Town Board Meeting 7pm
Oct 17th- Budget Informational meeting 1pm & 7pm
Oct. 18 - Flu Shots 11am-12pm
(Medicare Covered, all others \$38.00)
Oct. 29th- Budget hearing, Special Town Meeting, and Board meeting 7pm
Nov. 6th- Town Board meeting 7pm

Wisconsin Fun Fact: Land Area: 34.8 million acres. Water Area: 1.13 million acres. State Parks: 60,570 acres. State Forests: 471,329 acres. Length: 320 miles.

From the Town Chairman

At the first board meeting of October the board authorized awarding the contract to remove asbestos at the former Val A property to Advanced Asbestos Removal Inc. of Oshkosh. Structure removal will be done by J.F. Fitzgerald of Ellison Bay. It is hoped to have the project completed by the year end.

The Board agreed to support the Town of Washington on its appeal to the United States Fish and Wildlife Service to address the Cormorant problem on Pilot Island. Since the Cormorants have inhabited the island, most vegetation has been destroyed and the island appears to be a wasteland. The stench from bird droppings, depending on wind direction, reaches Washington Island and the mainland. Much of the perch and bass fishing in the area has also been diminished by the nesting birds. The Town will be sending a letter to the service stating its support for addressing the problem.

A link has been placed on the Town website for the article that was written by Jim Schuessler, Executive Director of the Door County Economic Development Corporation, regarding the need for better internet service in Door County. The Town Technology Committee has been working for several years to get improved and in some cases just access to the internet. Large areas of our community lack what is considered to be adequate broadband. A study done by UW Whitewater concluded that if improved service would be available, second and third homes owners staying three or more days a month would mean an estimated 1 million more dollars spent a year in the local economy. The estimate did not take into consideration how it would affect visitor spending to our area. Several companies do provide internet service to Liberty Grove but it is limited in access and quality. Door County Broadband is currently the only provider willing to do further investing in providing service. Access is gained through wireless streaming which requires towers located within the Town. Obviously, the topography of the Town and forestation present quite an obstacle to overcome. One 190-foot tower has been installed at the Town quarry and another is planned at the North Fire Station. These are large towers, but many small 100-foot towers would help considerably. Please contact the Town Technology Committee if you are interested in a possible tower location on property you own. It is unfortunate that what is considered a needed and required utility in urban areas for modern day life is not readily available to our year-round residents in all areas of Liberty Grove. The internet connectivity of everyday life is, and will become, ever more important in the coming years. Please help if you can.

From your Town Board

Shredding event(s) – Bell reported on the number of citizens that brought items to the events in 2018 and 2019. Lowry moved, Covotsos second to have a shredding/ and appliance recycling day twice a year, in June and September, in 2020. Passed 5-0.

Klenke Garage records – Nancy Kurtz, LGHS, stated that the records are not currently protected or stored properly. Lowry moved, Covotsos second to authorize LGHS to temporarily remove and store the documents from the Gus Klenke garage. Passed 5-0.

Information Budget meeting October 17th 1pm & 7pm. At the Town Hall. This will be your opportunity to come and learn how the Board and Finance committee members arrived at the proposed 2020 budget. You are encouraged to ask questions.



REMEMBER

A delicious and nutritious lunch is provided by

The Senior Resource Center

At the

Liberty Grove Town Hall

Monday, Wednesday and Friday

Every week, except on Holidays.

Come and have lunch with us, enjoy conversation, meet new friends and socialize!

Call **920-746-2523**

24 hours before the first time you come for lunch.

It's flu season

**Don't forget your flu shot Oct. 18th
11am-12pm, at the Town Hall
(Medicare Covered, all others \$38.00)**

Getting ready for hunting season

Mid October begins the time when hunters are getting ready for deer season. Deer are also on the move. Please watch the sides of the roads for deer running out onto the roads. With earlier darkness it becomes difficult to see them. At the same time, we would like to remind you of the importance of seat belts. Please buckle up. It is the law.

Ellison Bay Fall Art Crawl

October 21st and 22nd 10-5pm

Maps for the crawl are available at the Ellison Bay Information Booth or with participating artists.

Liberty Grove Historical Society

Saturday, October 12 from 10-2pm, The Liberty Grove Historical Society Museum is happy to provide the backdrop and Grand View for your fall photo opportunities at the Fall Color Day. Come wander the grounds, bring your camera, you will want to capture this favorite seasonal view overlooking Ellison Bay. The museum will be open as well.

Door County Private Well Monitoring Program

The University of WI-Oshkosh Environmental Research & Innovation Center is conducting a groundwater study in Door County. The goal of the study is to provide education about the importance of testing your well water as well as build a database of groundwater quality data in Door County. If your well is chosen for the study: the well owner cost is \$20.00.

RSVP by October 18th. Fill out a paper form at the Door County Public Health OR RSVP online at <https://uwosh.edu/eric/> Forum date and location

November 4th- 6-8pm at the Town of Gibraltar Fire Dept (3496 County F, Fish Creek, Wi 54212)

For more information, Contact Carmen Thiel at thielc@uwosh.edu or (920) 424-0182.

News Worthy Tidbits



NWTC Community Education Classes upcoming

Android Basics- 9am-noon, Wednesday, October 23.

Learn to make Belgian Pie- 10-3pm, Saturday, October 26.

Informational meeting: Starting a Food-Related Business 4-5pm Monday, October 28. Aspiring food entrepreneurs are invited to learn more about operating a food business.

Excel for Business- 1-3pm, Monday November 4, \$20.

To see all the classes/credit classes offered in Sister Bay go to www.nwtc.edu and click on "Find a Class" by location and choose "Learning Innovation Center" in the drop down box. You can also register by calling 1-888-385-NWTC, or you can call 920-746-4970 for assistance.

Is your shoreline eroding due to high water and wave action?

This is a reminder that if your shoreline is eroding due to high water and wave action, you need to make sure to take time and learn what you can (and can't) do about it. Proceeding without proper authorization from all permitting agencies might result in significant costs due to fines or after the fact permit fees, and/or having to re-do your project to meet applicable regulations.

Here are the contacts:

Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) call center (608)267-3125. For waterfront property located in any area of the county, please call the DNR for information about shoreline protection options, state permit requirements, and process.

Door County Land Use Services Department. If your waterfront property is located, in a town, please call the appropriate Land Use Services Department staff person (listed below) for shoreland and floodplain zoning information related to shoreline protection projects (e.g., "rip rap" placement or replacement). In addition to a DNR permit, the installation of these projects may also require county zoning permits related to Land disturbances, Installation of stairs or a walkway to access the shoreline; and/or vegetation trimming or removal.

For the Town of Liberty Grove, call Rick Brauer at (920) 746-2217.

Liberty Grove Senior Resources



Senior Guidance, an organization dedicated to providing helpful senior living resources for the elderly. There is a dedicated section that provides extremely detailed information on Wisconsin assisted living, a listing of services available for seniors living in Wisconsin: www.seniorguidance.org

Aging & Disability Resource Center of Door County

916 N. 14th Avenue, Sturgeon Bay, Wi. 855-828-2372

www.ADRCDoorCounty.org

Caring.com is a leading senior care resource for family caregivers seeking information and support as they care for aging parents, spouses and loved ones.

www.caring.com

FALL COLORS ALWAYS ATTRACT

Again, we will ask people to be careful driving in Northern Door County. The stretch of road shown below, at this time of year, can be a challenge. PLEASE watch for people trying to get that perfect picture.



HAPPY HALLOWEEN! PLEASE CELEBRATE RESPONSIBILITY!

