



Newsletter

34TH ANNUAL ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

The day began a bit warmer than last year's single-digit start, but unfortunately did not warm up much – afternoon temperatures in the 30s with a strong, cold wind – but thankfully no precipitation. It was a test of devotion to our beloved saint. Some called it invigorating; others had less complimentary evaluations. In spite of the weather, the Parade was well-attended and spectators well entertained by the 20 entries.

Many thanks to many people:

- First and foremost, to Washington County Sheriff Dale Schmidt, Sergeant Ryan Herman and all the deputies who handled the crowds with tremendous professionalism and dispatch.
- Our volunteers who helped with traffic control, parking and clean up:
 - Derek Spieker – our new Parade administrator, volunteer/police coordinator, supervisor of entry alignment, general road and clean-up
 - Mike and Kerri O'Dell, Barb and Greg Leach, Paul Bassler, Marty Lewandowski, Greg West, Ron Henderson, Joe Kohler, Tom Stetter, Terry Miller, Brad Magin, Mike McGrath, and all the many who helped with cleanup
 - Jeff Kraft – Parade committee chairperson
 - Jeff Millikin – Town liaison
 - Dave Lofy of the Town of Erin Road Crew, who handled the barricades, garbage drums and pickup, and all the miscellaneous tasks required to make the Parade happen
- Our generous financial sponsors, whose donations ensure that the Parade goes on without taxpayer expense: County Supervisor Mark McCune; Tally Ho/Erin Inn of the Town of Erin; Ox & Cats of Monches; and O'Tees of Alderly, Dan McNeil of Advanced Disposal (Veolia) for use of their donated dumpster
- This year's Parade Judges: Scott Schiltz, Chery Wolf, Ben Powell
- This year's King and Queen: Nick Malinowski, Jordyn Wolf



Parade prize winners:

- Judges Choice: "Irish Wagon" – Maggie Ann's Pub – Maggie Ann Hunter and Tracie Navin
- Animal: Monches Critters – George Strobl
- Antique: 1959 John Deere 830 Tractor – Frank Wiedmeyer

A special note of thanks to Mark McCune for his ongoing, generous financial support of the Parade.

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NOTE FROM THE TOWN CHAIRMAN

DENNIS KENEALY, TOWN CHAIRMAN

I wanted to share some information regarding the authority of the Electors at the Town's annual meeting. I have explained the limitations of that authority at those meetings but a more general communication of those limitations may be helpful.

The Town Electors have very limited authority at these meetings. Most authority over Town matters stays with the Town Board. Though there are differences due to (1) the size of the Town, (2) whether the Town has assumed Village Powers, (3) the specific type of meeting and (4) the particular issue, for purposes of annual meetings in Erin, state law provides very limited issues for Electors. Without covering all the nuances that exist, I have summarized various statements regarding those limitations from the Town's Association and its legal counsel. I hope this provides some guidance.

"The annual meeting may act with authority **only on those things authorized by statute.** (Most of those items are listed in s. 60.10 Wis. Stat.) The Chair may allow anything to be DISCUSSED at the meeting, and the electors may give advice to the Town Board. **However, if the electors do not have statutory authority to act on an item, any resulting vote or advice is advisory to the Town Board and not binding. The Chair may ultimately decide not to allow an advisory vote or the chair may decide to allow the vote, but if allowed, he or she should again explain to the electors that it is advisory only.**"

"The electors do not vote to 'approve' the budget; that is for the Town Board. The electors generally set the levy and the pay for elected officers. The electors must vote to approve any annual highway expenditures in EXCESS of \$5,000 multiplied by the number of miles of Town highways within the Town. Other than these broad strokes, the electors are not involved with budget specifics other than the few minor things listed under s. 60.10(3) and some kinds of debt."

Further, the annual meeting does NOT approve or vote on Town ordinances, does not approve or vote on employee wages, discipline, retention etc., nor do they approve or vote on public bids or Zoning, mapping etc.

If it seems there are more things an annual meeting cannot do than it can do, you are correct. Due to some confusion at our last annual meeting, I thought it best to bring this to everyone's attention. An annual meeting has very limited authority in a few specific areas and should not be used as an attempt to direct those powers away from the Board. That cannot be done by the annual meeting. The annual meeting is limited in purpose and powers.

CLERK'S CORNER

JULIE KRIEWALDT, TOWN CLERK

ELECTIONS: At our Spring Election held on April 1, 2014, Supervisors Jeff Millikin and Pat Landon were re-elected. We congratulate them and wish them well on their two-year term. Looking forward, the Primary for the General Election will be on August 12, 2014, and the General Election will be held on November 4, 2014. The in-person absentee voting will be July 28 to August 8 for the Primary and October 20 to October 31, 2014, for the General Election.

Recently, some of the laws regarding elections have changed. One item is voter registration. If you are registering to vote in the State of Wisconsin, you now need proof of residency no matter when you register (the exception is military or permanent overseas voters). If you register in person, you will need to bring proof of residency along. If you register through My Vote Wisconsin, which requires you to mail in a registration form, or by printing, completing and mailing a GAB-131 form from the Government Accountability Board, you will need to mail along the proof of residency to be on the poll list for the elections. No one can be registered without the proof of residency.

Lastly, on registration forms, the poll workers are required to write down what you showed for proof of residency and record the last four to six account numbers (depending on the length of the account number) on the registration form. There is a long list of approved proof-of-residency forms to choose from. If you have a question as to what you can use, please call the Clerk.

BRUSH: The brush recycling center is open for the season. You may bring your brush on the second Saturday of each month, April through November, 8:00 AM to 12:00 Noon or Monday through Thursday by appointment only.



VETERANS' MEMORIAL

NOTICE TO VETERANS OF THE TOWN OF ERIN:

If you or anyone you know would like to have a name enrolled on the Erin Veterans' Memorial Monument, please get in touch with Beverly Schroeder or Franklin Tennies.

To be eligible, you must be a resident or former resident of the Town of Erin and also have a copy of DD-214, Honorable Discharge, or deployment orders by the Federal Government documenting your military history.



This Memorial is only one of many areas in the Park that needs regular care and attention. If you have time, materials or any resources to contribute, Jeff Nienhaus, Park Superintendent, is always looking for volunteers. Please contact Jeff at 262-327-0970 to discuss how you can help. We need more volunteers to make the Park what it can and should be.



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COMMITTEE REPORTS

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

I have a busy foreseeable future coming up in Emergency Management. I will be updating our Emergency Operations Plan. Our plan was cutting-edge at the time, thanks to Bill Brown, the former Director, and it is time to update it. With the U.S. Open coming up in 2017, it will be important to have that ready. I will be involved in the planning to make this important event safe for everyone.

I hope to be finishing up the address signs this summer. If you have a sign that has been damaged or needs to be replaced, contact me and the Town will take care of it.

I am happy to report a reduction in the 2014 fire protection budget. Our fee to Hartford is based solely on the equalized value of improvements in the Town. As the value went down last year, so did our fire dues.

With severe weather still a possibility, I wanted to take the opportunity to remind you about severe weather watches and warnings. A *Severe Thunderstorm Watch* means that conditions are favorable for the formation of severe storms, with damaging winds, dangerous lightening, and large hail. A *Severe Thunderstorm Warning* means these conditions are occurring. A *Tornado Watch* means conditions are favorable for the formation of tornados. A *Tornado Warning* means a funnel cloud was sighted or a tornado has touched down: **TAKE SHELTER IMMEDIATELY**, go to the lowest level of your home or building, and stay away from windows. A weather alert radio would be an excellent way to help protect yourself and your family. They can be purchased at many electronics stores. You can also receive weather warnings on your smartphone. There is no need to sign up. As long as your phone is WEA (Wireless Emergency Alerts) capable, you will receive them, and they are free.

Reminder: While the Town has discontinued brush pickup, I encourage you to make use of the brush drop-off at the Town's dump site or to recycle.

If you need to burn, please keep the following advice in mind. Copies of the Town's burning ordinance are available from the Town, but here are the main points:

NO BURNING PERMITS ARE REQUIRED

When fire danger is high, very high or severe, all outdoor burning will be banned (this includes fireworks) by order of the Emergency Management Director or Town Chairman. Outdoor cooking (i.e. grills) is an exemption. For such a ban, I will notify the Sheriff's Department and local radio stations. Notices will also be found on the Town's posting boards and on the website.

AT ANY TIME OF YEAR

- Open fires must be attended
- The jurisdictional fire department or preferably the Sheriff's Office must be notified of any bonfire in excess of 10 feet in diameter or if a large area of grass is burned (i.e. over ¼ acre).
- Fires can't be started on the roadway surface, and only leaves and grass can be burned in the right-of-way.
- The burning of garbage, plastics, rubber, treated wood, petroleum products or anything that emits noxious or toxic odors is **PROHIBITED**. The DNR already bans the burning of these items, as they pose a health hazard to residents if burned.

Have a safe and happy summer.



COMMITTEE REPORTS

PARK BOARD

2014 Summer Update

The trees are budding out and the flowers are blooming. The growing months have made our Park a beautiful place to visit. The soccer and baseball clubs are holding practices and playing games. The disc golf course is as busy as ever. The Park is alive with activity.

The Park Board has made some significant changes this spring. Our goal is to better serve the needs of all the people using the exceptional landscape we have as a Park. Tim Zignego, Town Supervisor, joins the Park Board as our representative on the Town Board. We also have a number of other changes to the Park Board. Tony Balistreri joins our team and has already made significant contributions with the mending of the split rail fences around the Park. We want to send out a special thank you to Sheila Heimermann and Nedra Johnson for their years of assistance on the Park Board and within the Park. Jeff Nienhaus and the Park crew have already started the mowing season and the turf looks fantastic. You may have noticed the large dirt piles in the baseball outfields – the Baseball Club and the Park Board are working together to improve the baseball infields and level out the baseball outfields on the South diamond. These improvements fit



in nicely with the new fencing installed through prior Park projects.

Other Park projects considered for this year include: sealing the parking lot, paths, and sport court areas, providing a facelift for the flower beds around the Park, and other miscellaneous maintenance projects.

As you know, the Park Board is made up of “hands-on” volunteers who work on the board as well as in the Park. We are always looking for new Park project ideas and are willing to help organize a community project around a great idea.

Come on down to our Park and enjoy the walking trails or a baseball game, or bring a picnic lunch up to the Gazebo this summer.

If you have questions, comments or suggestions, please stop by a Park Board meeting on the last Wednesday of the month.

Joel Janz - Erin Park Board Chairman

Tim Zignego - Erin Town Supervisor

PARK BOARD MEMBERS

Tim Zignego—Supervisor

Jeff Nienhaus—
Park Superintendent

Joel Janz—Chairman

Jim Wright—Member

Brian Maresh—Member

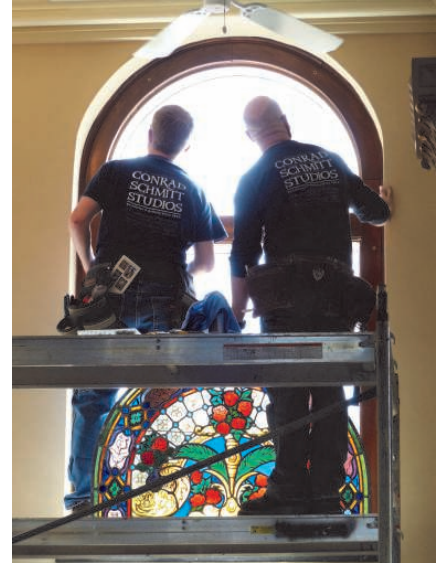
Tony Balistreri—Member

COMMUNITY NEWS

New Stained-Glass Windows at Holy Hill

by Mary Anne Urlakis

The long-awaited installation of the new stained-glass windows in the St. Thérèse Chapel at the Basilica of the National Shrine of Mary at Holy Hill began on a chilly April morning. This effort quietly marked the culmination of over a year of planning, design and craftsmanship. These magnificent stained-glass windows are being created locally at the family-owned Conrad Schmitt Studio, using the same techniques that have been passed down for over a hundred years. Each design is hand-drawn and hand-crafted; only the technology associated with the kilns used to fire each piece of painted glass is new.



These exquisite windows detail the life of St. Thérèse of Lisieux, whom St. Pius X called “the greatest saint of modern times.” St. Thérèse is affectionately known as “The Little Flower,” and these beautiful new windows bring to life the story of this holy Carmelite soul – from her childhood, through her life as a young nun, her influence as patroness of the missions, her death, and finally her perpetual intercession with Our Lady and the Holy Infant Jesus and the “shower of heavenly roses” promised by St. Thérèse on her deathbed. Donations and sponsorship for the windows are still being accepted as this project continues.

COMMUNITY NEWS - ERIN HILLS

Erin Hills: 2017 U.S. Open Update

Even though the first U.S. Open to be played in Wisconsin is three years away, interest for it is quickly building. As Erin Hills receives more and more questions about the 2017 U.S. Open, we wanted to share some information on the two most commonly addressed issues:

Volunteers: The U.S. Open will require more than 4000 (!) volunteers, and Volunteer Registration will open up in 2015.

Rental Homes: At each U.S. Open, there is a certain demand for homes to rent by players, media, companies and others, and we expect 2017 to have a healthy demand as well.

If you are interested in renting your home during the U.S. Open, please send a brief description (e.g., number of bedrooms and bathrooms, size of the property), the address, and your contact information to john@erinhills.com. There is nothing more to be done on this front this year, but next year you would be contacted to start the discussion.



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COMMUNITY NEWS



Double Your Impact at the Schauer Center!

The Schauer Arts & Activities Center is pleased to announce a pledge of \$10,000 in matching funds from an anonymous donor toward our Annual Friends Campaign. The Annual Friends Campaign helps us fulfill our mission of

"developing, supporting, and promoting the arts" by providing experiences that inspire creativity and connect over 45,000 people through our Mainstage, Family, Cabaret, Tikes in Pikes, and Schooltime Matinees series each year. In addition to the entertainment opportunities we provide, the Community School of the Arts and outreach activities train over 3,400 arts enthusiasts in dance, music, theater, and visual arts each year.

"When my family was looking to relocate, the Schauer Center drew us to Hartford," says Greta Swigert, Schauer Center Development Manager. "The Kettle Moraine region is rich in the arts and community spirit, and we are proud to say we're home."

Please consider a donation of any size to ensure that the Schauer Center is a place where people from all walks of life can achieve a sense of belonging, and participate in the arts for years to come."

Through Monday, June 30, 2014, new donors to our Annual Friends Campaign had their donations matched dollar-for-dollar. Any increase in gifts from current *Friends of the Schauer Center* were matched as well. "It's a wonderful opportunity to double the impact of your financial support to the Schauer Center, simply by making a gift at this time," added Swigert.

Friends pledges over \$250 can be paid in installments over the fiscal year (July 1 – June 30). Due to the Schauer Center's non-profit status, all donations are tax-deductible. In addition, *Friends* are given the opportunity to purchase tickets to the upcoming 2014-15 Performing Arts Series before the general public. A complete list of *Friends* benefits is available on SchauerCenter.org.

Individuals interested in becoming a *Friend of the Schauer Center* can do so in person, Monday through Friday from 9:00 AM to 5:30 PM at the Schauer Center business office (147 N. Rural Street, Hartford), over the phone by calling 262-670-0560, ext. 3, or online at SchauerCenter.org.



COMMUNITY NEWS

Highway 164 Expansion Project

by Jeff Gonyo

On January 23, 2014, over 300 residents from Erin, Richfield, Lisbon, Polk, Hartford and other local communities attended a public hearing at the Friess Lake School to speak out against the Wisconsin Department of Transportation's (WisDOT) latest proposal to expand Highway 164 and other nearby roadways through this area.

After this public hearing was held, many more concerned citizens and organizations flooded the WisDOT with written comments strongly opposing this highway expansion project. In addition to the Highway J Citizens Group (HJCG), the list of organizations filing written comments included: Scenic America, Citizens for Responsible Government, Waukesha County Environmental Action League, Sierra Club, and the Wisconsin Metropolitan Audubon Society. Robert Burke, the 2014 Libertarian Candidate for Governor, (and the only gubernatorial candidate to share his views on this issue), also submitted comments opposing the WisDOT's Highway 164 project.

Because of this opposition, as well as several serious legal deficiencies identified by the HJCG's attorneys, the WisDOT recently announced that the Highway 164 expansion project will be further delayed by an additional two years (until at least 2018). This is the HJCG's fourth major victory during the past five years.

To learn more about the HJCG's ongoing efforts to stop unnecessary highway expansion, protect our natural resources, preserve our communities and save tax dollars, please call Jeff Gonyo at 262-644-8334, e-mail him at: jmgonyo164@core.com or visit the HJCG website at: www.hwyjcitizensgroup.org.

St. Paul's United Church of Christ

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Upcoming Events

*Homemade Bread & Soup
Lunch / Bake Sale
Saturday, September 20
11:00 AM to 3:00 PM*

St. Paul's cooks and bakers produce their finest specialties for this annual event.

*Voices of Peace
Sunday, October 19
9:30 AM*

*Sunday service will be the music ministry of Bud and Carolyn McAtee of Potter, Wisconsin
www.voicesofpeace.net*



Scheduled Town Meetings

Executive Committee—As Posted
Usually second Monday of the month

Park Board—As Posted
Usually first Wednesday of the month

Plan Commission—First Monday of each month,
7:00 PM

Road Commission—As Posted
Usually second Tuesday of each month

Town Board—Third Monday of each month,
7:00 PM



COMMUNITY NEWS - ERIN BASEBALL



2014 Baseball Season is Underway!

Summer is here . . . Time for baseball!

We have eight great teams led by awesome volunteer coaches and assistant coaches!

Many hours were put in before the season started on two of our major projects: upgrading the fields and installing new scoreboards. Thanks to all who took part and continue to make this organization run smoothly.

Website: www.erinbaseballclub.com

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ERIN BASEBALL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Sandy Hall—Concessions Manager
Jim Schwalbach—Equipment Manager
Kevin Kerrigan—Volunteer Coordinator

2014 Team Line-Up

7th/8th Grade Boys Team 1

Sponsor: Halloween-Mask.com

Head Coach: Dennis Kenealy

Assistant Coach: Todd Lutz

7th/8th Grade Boys Team 2

Sponsor: Snider Mold

Head Coach: Brian Kiel

Assistant Coaches: Tim Guetzke, Adam Reese

7th/8th Grade Girls Fastpitch Softball

Sponsor: Labradoodle Corral

Head Coach: Shannon Lutz

Assistant Coach: Melissa Marks

5th/6th Grade Boys

Sponsor: Erin Outdoor Power

Head Coach: Mark Hlava

Assistant Coaches: Wes Schumacher, Scott Rupert,
Brian Rhodes, John Klabecek

3rd/4th Grade Player Pitch Team 1

Sponsor: First Bank Financial Centre

Head Coach: Lorenz Bielmeier

Assistant Coach: Darren Stamm

3rd/4th Grade Player Pitch Team 2

Sponsor: JD Laser

Head Coach: Jim Schwalbach

Assistant Coaches: Bruce Peltier, Eric Dahm, Todd
Hargraves

1st/2nd Grade Coach Pitch

Sponsor: ServPro

Head Coach: David DeJesus

Assistant Coaches: Ken Kaiser, Chad Heilert

TBall

Sponsor: Robert's Frozen Custard

Head Coach: Melissa DeJesus

Assistant Coaches: Melissa Kaiser, Traci Zupke

SCHOOL NEWS



Erin School District, Hartford WI 53027

District Secretary/Technology

by Donna Runte

During the summer months, the administrative assistant will be at the school from 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM Monday through Thursday. If you get new neighbors, please let them know when to stop in at school for a visit and register. If you are new to the Town of Erin and have any questions, please give us a call at 262-673-3720. Please check out our website www.erinschool.org, to keep up on things happening here at Erin.

Erin School Technology is engaging students and teachers to become Digital Citizens of the Future. Technology is ever-evolving and we are proud to keep up with it! By creating tools like BYOD (bring your own device), or establishing web-based teaching tools, such as Google Docs or Moodle, we have created an environment that will not only be more productive in engaging students, but also prepare them for responsible digital exploration.

This summer, the District has upgraded most of the technology in the middle school and library along with adding a cart of Google Chrome laptops to the 3-5 classes. We have also added 18 new iPads through a Special Education grant. The staff is also learning how to better utilize this technology in each children's learning style.



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SCHOOL NEWS

District

by Kieth A. Kriewaldt, District Administrator

In late April, Department of Public Instruction (DPI) publicly released the Wisconsin Knowledge and Concepts Exam (WKCE) school level data. DPI has transitioned the data warehouse systems to allow for the public to have more access than ever before to student performance data, which you may find useful as a parent or community member. This information is available online via the Wisconsin Information System for Education (WISEdash) and can be found at the following weblink: <https://apps2.dpi.wi.gov/sdpr/>.

In March, the individual student results were released to schools. Erin School staff carefully examined these results to assist in the determination of individual and group strengths and weaknesses in performance. The WKCE cut scores in reading and math have been revised, which resulted in a dip last year. The new cut scores reflect the scores used on the National Assessment of Education Progress (NAEP). These performance levels were changed to more closely align with national and international expectations of what is required to be college- and career-ready. For now, the performance standards remain the same in language arts, science and social studies.

Erin staff members have diligently worked to review, revise and renew curriculum in reading, language arts and math, with social studies and science to follow soon. DPI has made it clear that all public schools will implement the new standards in reading and math by the 2014-15 school year. Erin School believes we will be ready to meet this challenge for all of our students and be on our way to providing our teachers the foundation to meet the rigorous goals for teaching and learning that are focused on college- and career-readiness.

Bookkeeper

by Cheryl Johrendt

As the school year winds down, it continues to be a busy time of the year in the accounting office. As the current budget is being finalized, we are working to create a balanced budget while providing our students updated technology and facility. As budget concerns continue to hang over the heads of many districts, we are always searching for ways to maximize our revenue resources while remaining diligent with our expenses. Please watch for details on our budget and annual meeting in September.



SCHOOL NEWS

Curriculum

by Joannie Kalina

Erin School District continues its tradition of excellence in all areas of learning. We continue to refine our "Guaranteed, Viable Curriculum," ensuring every student has access to high levels of learning. This year our teachers focused on the refinement of Reader's and Writer's Workshop. With the addition of word study, the workshop provides a true balanced literacy framework from 4K through eighth grade. While we continue to focus our efforts on ensuring our students are well-prepared and successful in all core subject areas, we also are proud of the Enrichment Curriculum at Erin School. Classes in Art, Music, Physical Education, Technology, Spanish and more allow our students a wide variety of learning formats. Our students participate in many wonderful performances throughout the year, as well as other activities to enhance the curriculum. This year, Erin students have developed



characters for a wax museum, jumped back to the 1920s by developing a World's Fair, entered National History Day competitions, designed competitive science fair projects and more. The middle school theme of *Success* has allowed students opportunities to focus on team work, initiative and integrity through assemblies, guest speakers and homeroom activities. We have also had several students win local awards from numerous agencies for their writing, illustration and art. Just recently, Mr. Mueller and a student were asked to be MVPs for the "Fuel Up to Play 60" program this summer in Green Bay. These are just some of the reasons why at Erin School, we can confidently say we educate the whole child.



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Building and Grounds

by Debbie Fenney, Director

Classroom air quality and thermal comfort significantly impact student performance. Effective HVAC operation cannot be realized without a comprehensive facility-maintenance program. At Erin School we have developed a good maintenance program that is built on a foundation of prevention. Preventive maintenance often is best performed when equipment is not being used. For Erin School, such a time is summer break. We use a 13-step program to sustain efficiency, reduce costs and prolong equipment life to keep unnecessary cost at bay. Many of the tasks are routine and can be performed by school staff, while others may require qualified service personnel. This program assists in developing accurate budgets and pinpointing problematic equipment. Following these simple procedures allows Erin School to take greater control of our school building, reduce operating and maintenance costs, avoid unplanned shutdowns, and extend equipment life.

The Building and Grounds Committee is looking for a few more members who have knowledge in the various building trade areas. If you are such a person and would like to be on our committee, please contact Dr. Kriewaldt at 262-673-3720. The committee meets for about one hour, two to four times per year.

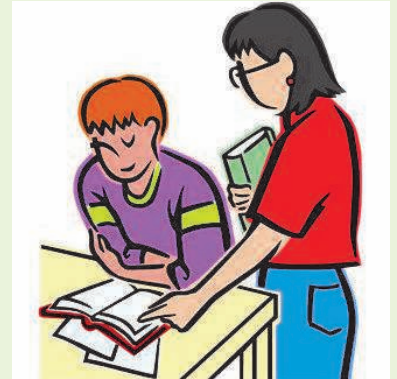


SCHOOL NEWS

Volunteer Coordinator

by Sue Lisko

As the end of the school has come and gone, we would like to thank the many volunteers who helped out this year putting in approximately 1,600 hours! The Volunteer Program is an important part of our school and we encourage the community to volunteer. We have many areas needing help every year. The entire staff feels very fortunate to have parents, grandparents and people from the community enrich our school with their endless energy and positive support. A big thank you to Mrs. Witt, Mrs. Lutz, Mrs. Dahm, Mrs. Pfeifer, and Mrs. Klubertanz for making sure items in the copy room were promptly done. We would also like to thank Mrs. McCune and Mrs. Tatem for their many hours of volunteering in several areas of the school.



If you are interested in helping for the upcoming school year, please let me know – lisko@erinschool.org. Training will be provided if needed. If school is not your thing but you have a talent which we might be able to use, give us a call. We have several people who do one-time projects or projects from home. We look forward to seeing you next school year.

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SCHOOL NEWS

Athletics

by Andrew Andress, Athletic Director

Erin School athletic teams have finished another successful school year. We had 43 girls and 40 boys participate from grades 5 through 8 in basketball this past winter. Erin successfully hosted the 7th grade girls AMSAC basketball tournament in December, with 12 teams participating. The parents and staff who volunteered to make the tournament run smoothly are much-appreciated!

As the volleyball season wrapped up, there were 33 girls and 15 boys in grades 6 through 8 that worked hard to improve their skills. Our volleyball teams participated in their conference tournaments at Arrowhead High School in early May.

Our student-athletes and coaches continue to be terrific representatives of our school and community. Parents have continued to be an integral part of Erin's success by supporting their children and Erin's coaches, working in the concession stand and being positive examples of good sportsmanship in the stands. The value of competition, improvement and sportsmanship are stressed and exhibited by all teams.

Erin is highly blessed to have a nice facility to host athletic events. More important than the quality facility are the high-quality individuals who work so many games as game supervisors and score table workers. We are routinely complimented on the excellent job that these people do by game officials and other school's fans. Cheryl Johrendt, Sue Lisko, Brianna Weiss and Lexi Gramling deserve special mention for the fabulous job they routinely do as our regular workers. Thank you, ladies, for being such class acts!

Information on dates for 2014-2015 are now available. GO ROADRUNNERS!

Erin School PTC

by Nicole Lipske, President

The PTC had a great line-up of events again this spring. On March 29th, we held the 41st annual Erin School Fun Fair. Once again, it was a great day filled with lots of games, fun, food and school spirit.

On May 2nd, Erin School grandparents were treated to a program that focused on a patriotic theme. Kindergarten through second grade students watched a performance by John Kleinmaus of the West Bend VFW, who taught about the flag, talked about the different branches of the armed forces and shared other interesting historical facts. He also did some magical illusions with the flag. The West Bend VFW Color Guard was also in attendance. Members of the students' families who had served in the armed forces were recognized as well. Then the eager

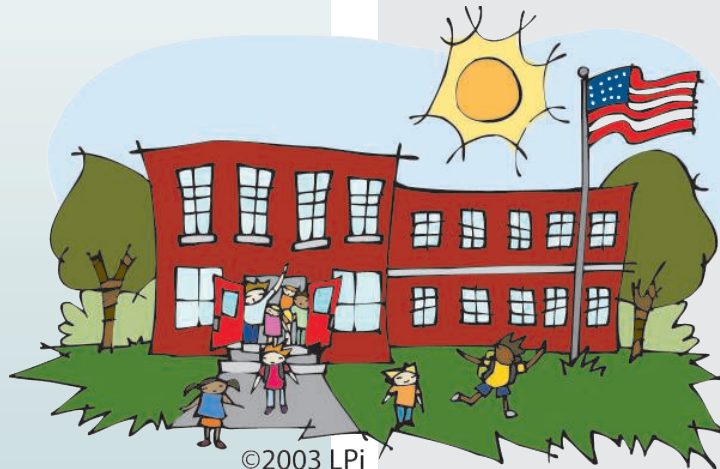
students, clothed in red, white and blue, entertained their families with a program full of patriotic music, marching and fun. The Wall of Honor, located outside the gym, showed pictures of family members who have served in the armed forces. We thank everyone for their service to our country

which can be seen in so many ways!

Staff Appreciation Week was held May 6th through May 10th for the wonderful staff! We spoiled them with massages, lunches, treats and special gifts to show them how much they are appreciated.

Last, but not least, the Book Fair was held May 15th through May 20th. Book Fair Fiesta gave all shoppers a 25% discount on their purchases to help families stock up on some new reading material for the summer.

Thank you for another great year, Erin families and staff!



COMMUNITY NEWS

Girl Scout Silver Award Project Troop 2711, Erin School

The Silver Award project is making permanent changes to the community. Girl Scout Troop 2711 appeared at a recent Erin Park Board meeting with a proposal to replace stones under the Park's swing set with rubberized mulch. They have also proposed to replace the swings alongside the volleyball court. They intend to accomplish this by generating funds for the work and supplies. Car washes and crafts for toddlers at Erin Baseball games were revenue-generating ideas. They are willing to work with the Baseball and Soccer clubs to help fund the bigger project.

A motion was made at the Park Board meeting to allow the Girl Scout troop to begin work generating funds and working with the Park on the improvements.

- ☘ They also will do some work with the new Park employee responsible for flower bed maintenance and possibly work on flower bed design.
- ☘ They plan on attending the next Park Board meeting to give an update on the progress they are making.
- ☘ Way to go, girls!



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St. Patrick Preservation



Our St. Patrick's Day celebration on March 17, 2014, was a little low-key this year. Because of Father David LaPlante's health issues, our annual St. Patrick's Day Mass was cancelled at St. Patrick's Church. We heard from so many of our

attendees from previous years expressing their disappointment at the cancellation – thank you for letting us know. Hopefully with Father LaPlante's continued healing, March 17 of 2015 will be a very special occasion at our 160-year-old historic church.

We were pleased, though, to see the number of folks who braved the elements on a cold Monday morning for the 34th Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade. We cannot thank Jeff Kraft of the Erin Inn enough for convincing Randy Ehrenberg to provide our parade vehicle and Scott Henke (former Hartford mayor and nephew of Ev and Nancy Henke) to be our St. Patrick, complete with flowing, white beard. We heard that "convincing" them took place AFTER drinks at the Erin Inn, but that is just a rumor . . .

Randy and Scott were invaluable in the float-decorating department as well. We warned Scott that he would be called many things other than St. Patrick (the Pope, Archbishop Listecky, Archbishop Dolan,

Mary Hasslinger (daughter of Evarist and Nancy Henke) has finished photographing Old St. Patrick Cemetery. Next step is to merge gravestone information with pictures and linking the information at our website – www.savestpatrick.com.

St. Patrick Preservation elections were held in May. The results: President/Secretary – Maureen Fitzsimmons-Vanden Heuvel, Vice President – Robert Schwengel, and Co-Treasurers – Margaret Van Beckum and Joan Coffey. The Board of Directors also includes Wilhelm and Joyce Weber.

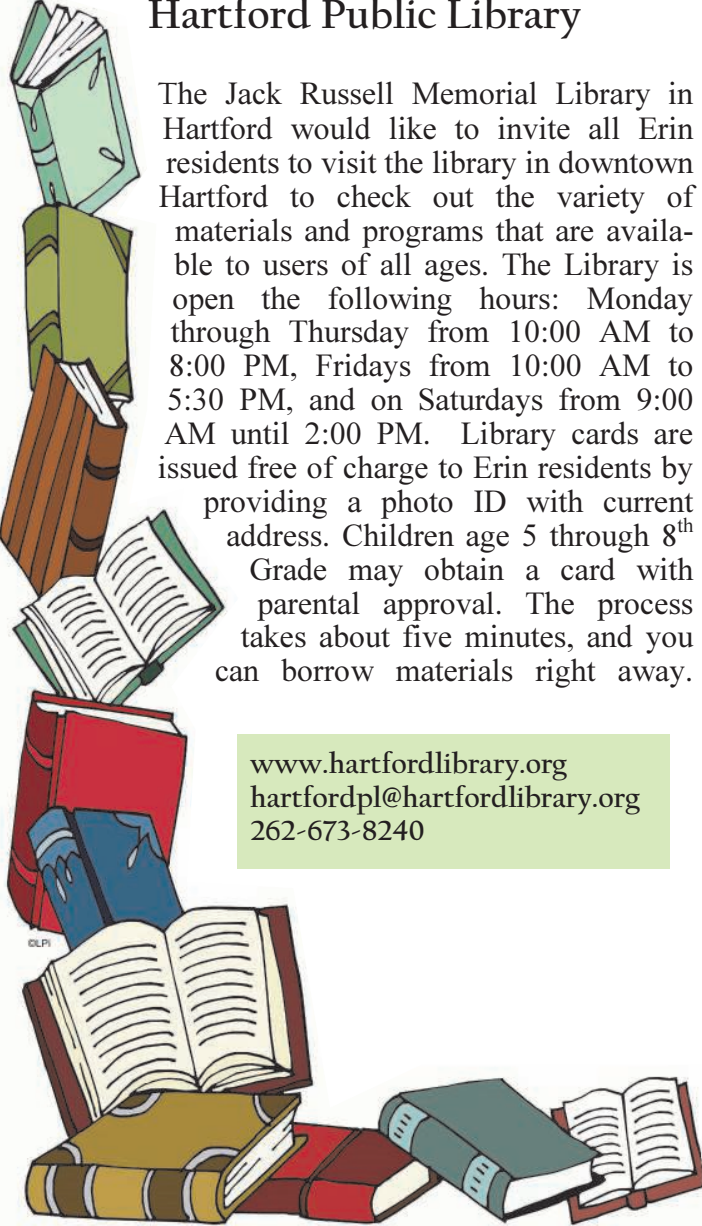
Membership renewals began June 1, so if you would like to renew your membership or become a member of the St. Patrick Preservation Fund, Inc. (reasonably priced at \$5/Single and \$10/Family), please contact Maureen Fitzsimmons-Vanden Heuvel at 262-670-0975 or e-mail her at SaveStPats@aol.com. Remember, all donations to the St. Patrick Preservation Fund are tax-deductible.

To get a copy of the 150th Anniversary History Book of St. Patrick's Church, please contact Nancy Henke at 262-673-5219 or e-mail Mary Hasslinger at mary.weddingday@att.net.

For continued updates, please visit our newly updated website (thank you, Joe Van Beckum) at www.savestpatrick.com (check out the latest pictures) or join us the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM at the Erin Town Hall.



Hartford Public Library



The Jack Russell Memorial Library in Hartford would like to invite all Erin residents to visit the library in downtown Hartford to check out the variety of materials and programs that are available to users of all ages. The Library is open the following hours: Monday through Thursday from 10:00 AM to 8:00 PM, Fridays from 10:00 AM to 5:30 PM, and on Saturdays from 9:00 AM until 2:00 PM. Library cards are issued free of charge to Erin residents by providing a photo ID with current address. Children age 5 through 8th Grade may obtain a card with parental approval. The process takes about five minutes, and you can borrow materials right away.

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Youth Librarian Cary Perzan and her staff are working hard to provide a great variety of programs for the “Fizz, Boom, Read” summer reading club. The Youth staff visited Erin School just before school ended to tell all the children about the special events that will occur at the Library. Here is just a sample of what is coming up: Kohl’s Wild Theater featuring Avian Adventures, Life-Size Dinosaur Fossils, the Science of the Circus, and Remnants of the Rain Forest. The Library will also provide Friday afternoon movies which will include “Frozen” and “The Lego Movie,” weekly preschool and bedtime story hours, the regular “Let’s-Go-Lego” building sessions, and a special program-ending party you won’t want to miss.

There are three specific reading groups that kids can join – Read-To-Me, Independent Readers, and Teens. A full calendar of events was distributed to the children during the school visit, plus all events are posted on the Library’s website as the summer progresses.

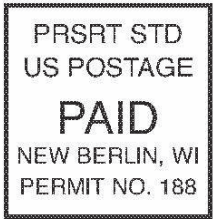
Plan on coming to the Jack Russell Memorial Library this summer for a cool place to have some fun. Learn about different topics, pick out some books and movies to enjoy at home, or just relax on a couch with a magazine or play a Wii game with friends. The staff is looking forward to seeing you!

Hartford History Room

History buffs are invited to visit the Hartford History Room. There are many files and folders of information to help you learn more about the local area. Church records, cemetery records, access to Heritage Quest and Ancestry.Com, family histories and old photographs will help you become more acquainted with both your family’s history and how Hartford and the surrounding townships developed. The History Room is open every Thursday from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM, and until 7:30 PM the first and third Thursdays of the month. Special appointments can also be made by calling 262-673-8249.



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