



Newsletter

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NEWS AND REPORTS

Clerk’s Corner by Carrie Bruha, Town Clerk

Elections

Next year will be a busy election year. It is time to check your voter registration status.

If you have moved, changed your name, turned 18, or have never voted, the easiest way to register is to go to myvote.wi.gov. Registering or checking your status early will help you to avoid any additional lines on election day. To register on this site, the address on your driver’s license must match the address you are registering. If you do this at least 21 days before an election, your name will appear on the poll list on election day. When registering to vote at myvote.wi.gov you are not required to provide proof of residency but, keep in mind, in order to register in person you will need to provide proof of residency.

2024 is a presidential election year, which means you will soon be finding voter registration forms and absentee ballot request forms in your mailbox. These mailings are not from me, even though they may appear to be. They are sent by special interest groups and the prefilled voter information on the forms is often inaccurate. To ensure you are properly registered or to apply for an absentee ballot, please visit myvote.wi.gov, contact me at 262-673-3682 or email clerk@erintownship.com.

Please remember, to get an absentee ballot in the mail for any election, I must have the request in writing and a copy of your photo ID.

- Spring primary, if needed – February 20, 2024
- Spring election and presidential preference – April 2, 2024
- Partisan primary – August 13, 2024
- General election – November 5, 2024

Snow Season

The snow season is coming, whether we like it or not. According to the state statute, the driver of a vehicle that is not a plow but following a plow must remain 75 feet back from the plow if the speed limit on the road is 35 mph or less (§346.915 (2)2). Do not try to pass the plow as the plow drivers cannot always see you. Also, please do not place your garbage cans directly on the road. It is recommended that

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you place your cans at the end of your driveway approximately 3-4 feet from the edge of the pavement to ensure that they do not get pushed too far back or knocked over.

Christmas Trees

Reminder: Christmas trees may be brought to the town hall for recycling from Dec. 26, 2023 through Jan. 17, 2024. There will be a small sign in the back of the parking lot showing where to put the tree. If you have any questions, call 262-673-3682.

Emergency Management / Law Enforcement

by Bradley Bautz, Director

Fire Prevention Week is Oct. 8-14, 2023.

There are many tips available on the internet at

www.NFPA.org/FPW.

Feel free to call your specific fire department, Ashippun, Hartford or Richfield, if you have safety questions. Each of the departments will have in-person events.



I am working on new fire contracts with Ashippun and Richfield, as the current ones expire at year's end.

Also, if you are out cleaning up the yard, please make sure that your driveway has enough clearance for an ambulance or fire truck to get up to your house. Low hanging branches can damage their equipment.

If your address sign gets damaged or needs replacement, contact the town. They are replaced free of charge. This is to ensure they stay up and help emergency responders for years to come.

Please follow the burning ordinance. We have had several complaints last year involving burning. Please be cognizant of conditions before you burn. Your fire **must be attended at all times**. You must be near the fire. You cannot burn during a burning ban. Do not burn if the wind speed is greater than 12 miles per hour. Violations can result in a citation. The rules for burning are set forth below as found in Chapter 168 of

the town code.

No burning permits are required

•When fire danger is high, very high, or severe, all outdoor burning will be banned (this includes fireworks, which are already restricted by county ordinance) 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 office and local radio stations. Notices will also be found on the town posting boards and on the website.

At any time of year:

- Open fires must be attended at all times
- The jurisdictional fire department or preferably the Washington County Sheriff's Office must be notified of any bonfire in excess of 10 ft in diameter or if a large area of grass is burned (i.e., over ¼ acre).
- Fires cannot 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.
- DNR regulations also prohibit businesses from disposing of solid waste by burning.

Have a safe and happy fall.

Erin Park

by Maureen Fitzsimmons-Vanden Heuvel

Our new Erin sign is finally completed and the way it was constructed should last 100+ years! A big thank you to Supervisor Mike Stapleton for his time and equipment in helping our Park Manager, Todd Kozlencer, dispose of



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the old sign and do the rough grade. The finish grade and seeding of the area will be done shortly. We also thank Supervisor Dean Schober and our Road Crew for patching the parking lot where the new electrical conduit for the sign was buried.

We would like to gratefully acknowledge the generous gift of \$260 to Erin Go Bragh Park by the family of Paula Coffey. Paula, age 83, passed away on July 6, 2023 with Gerald, her husband of 64 years, and her family by her side. Paula was a proud Erin resident since the age of 5 and never missed a St. Patrick's Day Parade in the Town of Erin -- Godspeed Paula.

Erin Go Bragh Park's XPAND Disc Golf League had a very successful 18-week season with 20+ participants each week. They are looking forward to league play in 2024. Each disc golf hole now has an identifying rock painted with hole numbers, distance



and next hole —thanks, Todd. We would also like to thank our part-time park employee, Kaden Disterhaft, for all his hard work with Todd this summer and wish him the best in his second year in college.

The major upgrade on the south baseball field is complete and looks incredible. The new Erin Soccer snack facility, pavilion and storage area is nearing completion. Again, thank you to all the volunteers of baseball and soccer for the major upgrades with, hopefully, more to come. We are excited that the recently revised drawing by Architect Gene Eggert, with snack shack and bathrooms located near the baseball fields, has the great potential to become a reality.

Roads Department by Town Supervisor Dean Schober

It has been a busy summer with the Spectrum project going on, together with the State working on Hwy. 83

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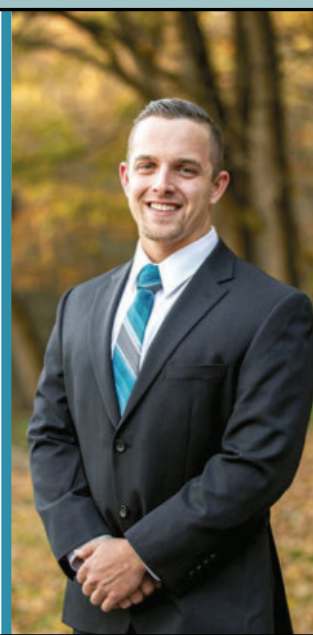
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and our repaving projects all happening simultaneously. I am happy to report the State finished the southern section of Hwy 83 early enough that they will be beginning work on the northern section, specifically the bridge over the Ashippun River, on Sept. 12.

The town's paving projects were completed for approximately \$58,000 less than projected, which allowed for all planned chip seal work to be completed. This was an excellent team effort by our road crew and the road commission members.

Bids were received for the replacement of the failed heating units in the road shop and the installation of a ventilation system, which will bring the HVAC system to the current code. Helm Service out of Waukesha will be completing that work this fall.

Unfortunately, we have had unplanned repairs to the majority of the town's equipment. This has been an unanticipated expense which has exceeded the budgeted amount. However, the work must be done and the equipment is needed to make that happen. Rest assured, I and the road commission will be looking into potential causes for these breakdowns and ways to reduce them in the future.

If you have any questions or issues concerning roads, you can contact me at supervisorschober@erintownship.com.

Washington County Humane Society

by Joe Poczalski, Communication Specialist



At the time of this writing, the small animal ward is home to the usual suspects: Lop-eared rabbits, Abyssinian guinea pigs, and standard rats. It's also home to an out-of-the-



Photo credit: Jen Holt Photography, LLC (these are actually shelter pets that were recently adopted!)

ordinary guest: a Leopard gecko. Raptor, so aptly named, came to WCHS as a surrendered pet. He was likely purchased from a pet store. Unfortunately, WCHS sees many small animals in similar cycles. The small animal ward at WCHS is one of the most bustling and buzzing areas in the shelter. Guinea pigs burrow in their timothy hay, rabbits hop to the water bowl for a quick sip, and Raptor the gecko scurries to his beloved heat lamp for some UV therapy. Squeaks, chirps, and oinks echo off the walls, exuding a chorus of contentment and vitality. WCHS aims to recognize our mighty mammals only millimeters tall, the volunteers who dote on them, and how our community can help them find families of their own.

Families may not realize the amount of care needed when buying and later decide it's too much. That's where our volunteers step in. WCHS has a small team of dedicated cleaning volunteers, and an even smaller team of cleaners who look after small animals and know exactly how to care for them. Armed with experience, our core small animal volunteers know the humidity level Raptor needs to thrive, the correct veggies our guineas need to have a healthy GI tract, and which pets can be paired and which to separate. Washington County Humane Society (WCHS) staff lean heavily on their expertise and take their advice when given.

Small animals tend to have the longest length of stay at WCHS. This trend is not uncommon among shelters and rescues, though it is unfortunate. Education lies at the heart of the solution. Families that are equipped with the knowledge of care and handling, as well as the expectation of hard work, will greatly enjoy having a small animal. Likewise, pets comfortable in their new homes will reciprocate love 10x stronger, and that's a pretty big deal. Washington County Humane Society 3650 State Road 60, Slinger, WI 53086 "All they need is you."

Hartford Union High School



Thank you to the HUHS students and teacher Amanda Schmitz for volunteering for the Druid Lake purple loose strife project last spring!

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Did you know?

Over 1300 students from 225 square miles are enrolled at HUHS.

School Celebrations

During the 2022-2023 school year, we were recognized as a Level III Advanced Placement Pacesetter School. Fifteen of our Auto Tech students passed the ASE Maintenance and Light Repair certification. One HUHS student earned the highest ACT score of 36 and another earned a 36 superscore. Individual student awards include NCWIT-WI award winner, a Regeneration Science Talent Search Scholar, and a Commended Student in the 2023 National Merit Scholarship Program. During the 2021-2022 school year, HUHS students that participated in dual college credit courses through Moraine Park Technical College saved a combined \$26,508!

Student Opportunities

- 1:1 technology initiative
- 19 AP classes
- Block schedule
- Cross-departmental bundled, co-taught courses
- Dual college credit
- Technical College accredited courses
- Youth Apprenticeship
- New course offerings for '23-'24: Aviation and Aerospace and eSports

Academic and Career Planning

We provide rich experiences in a number of career pathways including but not limited to Certified Nursing Assistant, Emergency Medical Technician, Computer Science, Biomedical Sciences, Culinary, Autos, Project Lead The Way, STEM, and the opportunity to build the VISION house. Our unique Graduate Profile/requirements for graduation include experiences in career, college, and life.

Community Partnerships

Thank you to our community and industry partners for enhancing educational experiences for students.

We value your partnership!

- Day of Service
- Youth Apprenticeship
- Armed Services Visitors
- GPS Education Partners Programming
- CESA Programming
- MPTC Programming
- UW-Milwaukee Washington County Programming



Co-Curriculars

We offer over 60 co-curricular opportunities for our students who compete at both State and National levels. Options include Bowling Club, Environmental Club, Equestrian Club, Musical, FFA, Fishing Club, Robotics, Trap Shooting, Snowboarding and much more.



Scan to see all opportunities.

Visit www.huhs.org



SCHOOL NEWS

Erin School News



Spotlight at Erin School: Meet Our New Staff



Miss Lauren Posick



Mrs. Sara Harms



Mrs. Rebecca Placek



Mrs. Jillian Wolters

- Miss Lauren Posick, student teacher last year, was officially hired this year as a special education/interventionist.
- Mrs. Sara Harms joins us as our STEAM/Library teacher.
- Mrs. Rebecca Placek joins us as our new 4th grade teacher.
- Mrs. Jillian Wolters, who helped cover our front office at the end of the 2022-23 school year, officially joined the Erin staff as our front office secretary.

Little things make the ERIN difference!

Incoming Erin Middle School Students had the opportunity to participate in two summer field trips. Over 35 students toured the Wisconsin State Capitol and Camp Randall



football field. They also met State Representative Janel Brandtjen, who represents Erin in the Wisconsin State Assembly. Over 50 students went rock climbing at Adventure Rock and watched a Milwaukee Brewers game at American Family Field. All students enjoyed the opportunity to meet up with friends during the summer months!

In September our 6th graders once again experienced overnight camp at Camp Whitcomb Mason. Mrs. Terry Dittman has planned 6th grade Erin Outdoor Camp for 40 years. Students experience archery, pond study, orienteering, outdoor art and more. When students speak of their memories of Erin School, 6th grade camp is always one of the favorites.



Community Service Shout Out!

Thank you to our school board members for their dedication and leadership.

You've probably noticed the school grounds were very busy this summer. The outside of the building was



Standing: Bil Holtz (Clerk), Bridget Hubing (Treasurer), Frank Alvarez
Seated: Terry Klubertanz (President), Steve Yoder (Vice President)

being painted, the new green really shows our Erin Pride. In addition to the building being painted, the 1972 roof was replaced on the middle school side of the building, a new air handling unit was installed to replace the original roof unit and our well pump was replaced. All these big projects happened alongside the routine summer cleaning and building maintenance

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that happens every year. A special welcome and thank you to Mr. Brian Versh, our new Building and Grounds Director, and Mr. Cory Lambert, our new evening custodian.

News and Announcements

Job hunting?

Are you looking for a job where you can pick the days you work? Do you like working with kids? Erin School is looking for substitute teachers.

A Three-Year Short-Term Substitute license may be issued to an applicant who holds a degree from an accredited college or university and has successfully completed an approved substitute training program, but has not completed a state-approved educator preparation program. Once an educator holds a current Three-Year Short-Term Substitute license, they may short-term substitute at any Wisconsin school district that wishes to hire them. Erin School wants to add you to its sub list.

We are also in need of substitute paraprofessionals, kitchen and maintenance help. These positions do not require a sub license.

If you are interested in learning more about this opportunity, please contact Mrs. Kalina at 262-673-3720 ext. 5000 to schedule a 30-minute meeting to learn about Erin School, the requirements of the job, the training program and how to apply for a license.

Do you like to drive?

We are also looking for substitute bus drivers. If you are interested, please call Riteway at 262-644-5016.

Upcoming Events

Our 8th grade class will perform their *Christmas musical* at the Schauer Center on Wednesday, December 20.

Matinee Performance at 1:00 p.m.

Evening Performance at 6:30 p.m.

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Community members are welcome to join us for this delightful holiday performance. We typically have space available at both shows, however, more seating options may be available at the matinee performance. Tickets will be available by Nov. 15 online at www.schauercenter.org.

Child Find

Erin School District is required to locate, identify, and evaluate all children with disabilities, including children with disabilities attending private schools in the school district, as well as homeless children. If you have concerns regarding your child, please contact the school at 262-673-3720.

Stay in the loop

Please watch our website www.erinschool.org, check us out on Facebook, on Instagram at [erinschool_frnk](https://www.instagram.com/erinschool_frnk), or follow us on Twitter @Erindistrict to keep up on things happening at Erin School.



A Place Where Memories That Never Fade Are Born

presented, we treated it as an opportunity to do something different. It is this “never give up” attitude that we teach our players. Raising \$32,000 in three short months for the purchase of materials was incredibly difficult, but it was worth it. This project couldn't have been possible without Kris Phillip, owner of K&H Construction, for his generous donation of his and his subcontractor's labor. Thank you K&H Construction! We also couldn't have done it without countless volunteer hours from our parents and sponsors.

The Erin Rangers are so much more than baseball alone. We are striving to build future leaders in a fun environment. I've said it many times throughout the season, our ballpark is “a place where memories that never fade are born.” One of my favorite memories this season was a simple act of kindness after a baserunning mistake that ended an inning early. A teammate came up to the upset/embarrassed player, threw his arm around his shoulder, and said “it's okay, we have your back.” The Rangers came back the next inning to re-take the lead and finish with a win. Countless memories like this are common at our ballpark and I am so thankful to witness and be part of them.

SNOW PLOWING BIDS WANTED

Erin School is requesting sealed bids for snow plowing for the 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 winter seasons.

Bid forms are available at the District Office.

Bids must be received by 3 p.m. Friday, October 6, 2023

Erin School District
6901 Hwy O
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262-673-3720
262-673-2659 - Fax

Erin Youth Baseball Club

by Andy Bath



Last year our club set the ambitious goal of building a new baseball field that would not only be a premiere facility but rugged enough to last for many years and we did it! That process pushed us to our limits at times but, whenever an obstacle was

Other noteworthy memories created this season include: an undefeated season and league championship from our 3rd/4th grade team, a league championship from our 5th/6th grade team, and Mak Behm being the first Erin Ranger to hit an over-the-fence home run on the new baseball field. You can't put a price tag on these memories and our club will continue to work hard to provide the best environment for our players to thrive.

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Some players from our end-of-year picnic.

This offseason, we are aiming towards new lofty goals which include the construction of a new concession building with restrooms and garage for field maintenance equipment. Once again K&H Construction is willing to donate their labor and secure material and labor donations from their subcontractors. We will work closely with the town regarding this beautiful structure designed by Gene Eggert, owner of Architec-



Championship night for our 3/4 & 5/6 grade teams.

tural Designs Inc. of Erin. If/when funded, this building will provide another layer of character to your park with its clover leaf designed roof and green accents.

Next year we are forecasting to have over 100 players put on the Ranger uniform. That's more than a 60% increase from two seasons ago. We are also planning to add two tournament teams for those seeking a more dynamic experience. These teams will not be select teams, but they will compete against them. Lastly, we

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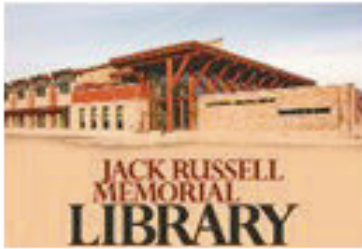
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are in the process of creating a Land O' Lakes Legion fastpitch softball team that would play on Sundays.

Hundreds of families visit our ballpark on a weekly basis during the season. Many of these patrons comment on how nice the new diamond looks. With the potential changes to the park next year, the overall experience for players, parents, and really anyone, will be even more memorable. We hope that every generation of players will remember all the memories they created here when they drive past the park ten or twenty years down the road. We are proud of this ballpark, and we hope that you are too. Please consider helping us achieve our goals - contact us to find out how! Thank you once again for all of your support, and Go Rangers!

Erin Youth Baseball Club Contact Information:
Website: www.erinrangers.com
Email: erinrangersbaseball@gmail.com
Facebook: [erinbaseball](https://www.facebook.com/erinbaseball)

Jack Russell Memorial Library



The Jack Russell Memorial Library (JRML) at 100 Park Avenue in downtown Hartford invites all Erin residents to visit the library to check out the variety of materials and events available to citizens of all ages. Library cards are issued free of charge to Erin residents by providing a photo ID and current address. Children ages 5 through 8th grade may obtain a card with parental approval.

Library Hours

Monday – Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Friday 9:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Sunday CLOSED

For those who need to print or scan documents, please visit the reference desk on the second floor for assistance. JRML is able to scan and email documents at no charge. A self-service photocopier is available on the first floor at a cost of \$.10 for black and white copies

and \$.50 for color. Faxing service is available at the circulation desk during regular hours for a minimal fee.



Fall storytimes for children and their families resumed the week of Sept. 11th. The Youth Services

Department provides story times four (4) days per week now through the first week of December. Sign-up is not required to attend storytime. Please call the youth services desk for parachute play availability as there is limited space – 262-673-8243.

Storytime is available on the following days and times:

Monday – alternating weeks Baby Lap Sit 10:15 a.m. and Parachute Play 10:30 a.m.
Tuesday – Toddler Time 10:30 a.m. and Preschool Storytime 1:00 p.m.
Wednesday – Preschool Storytime 10:30 a.m.
Thursday – Toddler Time 10:30 a.m.

Movies for Grownups returns on the second and fourth Thursdays at 5:30 p.m. and Fridays at 12:30 p.m. Please visit our website for movie titles.

Looking to join a book discussion group? JRML's meets on the second Monday of the month at 6:00 p.m. in the Community Room. Please visit <https://hartfordlibrary.org/adult-book-discussion-group.aspx> for a complete list of titles.

Citizens with a library card, ages 18 and up, can check out an Adventure Pass for free admission to regional

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Tween Time+
Thursday, November 2 at 4 pm
Painting with Nature

FREE!

For ages 9 to 12 years old.
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12 Spots available.
Stop by the youth desk or call 262-673-8247 to register.

Bring an apron or wear clothes you don't mind getting dirty!

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Erin Soccer Club, by Ashley Lisocki, Secretary



The fall soccer season is upon us and we couldn't be more excited! We have about 100 registered kids this season and it is great to see everyone on the fields again. Games are scheduled to take place through the end of October.

Would you or someone you know like to take part in becoming a referee? This opportunity is great for those ages 12 and up and is an easy way to make a little extra money. Please contact us for more information. Most games are held Saturday mornings.

Erin's Annual Leah Fenney Tournament was held on Sunday, September 24. It was a day filled with fun, laughter, and community as we welcomed around 500 U7-U10 players and their families from various teams in the Kettle Moraine Soccer League.

As you may have seen, the facilities at the Erin Soccer

Club have been upgraded! We have been fundraising the past few seasons to build a new equipment shed and snack shack, which is now just about complete! Despite our fundraising efforts, we are still in need of donations from our generous community to add finishing touches, like electricity, to make our snack shack fully operational. The donation revenue we receive from the local community is critical for the development and success of our club. If you, or someone you know, would be willing to donate, please utilize our fundraising site here: <https://givebutter.com/FzNXFZ> or by using the QR Code on page 12. You can also reach out to us by email. The athletes and club appreciate your support.

If you have a child interested in playing soccer in spring, watch our website and follow us on our Facebook Page for updates. Spring registration will be open February through March. We have teams for children ages 4 through 13. Practices are held one to two times a week at the Erin Town Hall and most

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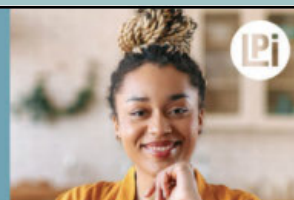
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games are played on Saturday. We are a recreational club and part of the Kettle Moraine Soccer League (KMSL). Come join us for Fun, Fitness and Fair Play!

Erin Soccer Club Contact Information:

Website: erinsoccer.org

Email: erinsoccerclub@gmail.com

Facebook: Erin Soccer Club



Give Butter Donation

Schauer Arts Center

Fall is here and it's time to "Schauer Yourself with the Arts"! Our 2023-2024 Performing Arts Season has a wide variety of genres that will appeal to everyone of all ages. Now is a great time to try something new when the weather limits us to the indoors.



Upcoming fall/winter performances include:

- **Tony Danza Standards & Stories**, on Friday, Oct. 6th at 7:30 p.m.
- **Kommuna Lux Odesa Gangsta Folk** on Monday, Oct. 9th at 7:00 p.m.
- **The Adventures of Tortoise and Hare The Next Gen** on Friday, Oct. 13th at 7:00 p.m.
- **ABBAMANIA The Music of ABBA and Studio 47 Party with a Purpose Fundraiser** on Saturday, Oct. 14th at 7:30 p.m.
- **Bruce in the U.S.A. The Music of Bruce Springsteen** Starring Matt Ryan on Saturday, Oct. 21st at 7:30 p.m.
- **One Night in Memphis Presley, Perkins, Lewis, and Cash** on Friday, Oct. 27th at 2:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.
- **Dead Horses Folk Music Duo** on Friday, Nov. 3rd at 7:30 p.m.
- **Zach Pietrini Indie-Americana Songwriting** on Friday, Nov. 17th at 8:00 p.m.
- **The Church Basement Ladies Away in the Basement** on Friday, Dec. 1st at 2:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.
- **Christmas in Killarney An Irish Christmas Celebration** on Sunday, Dec. 10th at 2:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.
- **A Christmas Carol A New Twist on an Old Classic** on Thursday, Dec. 14th at 3:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.
- **Who Brought the Humbug? A Fun, Funky Holiday**

Celebration on Friday, Dec. 22nd at 7:00 p.m.

• **Jim Witter "Duo Brothers"** Starring Jim Witter & Ian Tanner on Sunday, Jan. 14th at 3:00 p.m.

• **Shrek the Musical JR.** Presented by Schauer Rising Stars Productions on Friday, Jan. 19th at 7:00 p.m. and Saturday, Jan. 20th at 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

• **The Belle Weather Modern Folk Indie-Rock** on Friday, Jan. 26th at 8:00 p.m.

The Schauer School of the Arts (SSA) is now accepting registration for its fall session. Classes are offered for ages 2+ in Music, Theater, Visual Arts and Dance (Irish, Tap/Jazz, Contemporary, Ballet, Pilates). Adult Wine and Art and Adult Happy Dance Hour classes are also offered.

To purchase tickets or register for classes, stop by the Schauer Center Box Office Monday-Friday from 12:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. at 147 N. Rural Street in Hartford. You can also order by phone at 262.670.0560, ext. 3 or online at SchauerCenter.org.

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Erin Hills by John Morrisett

Erin Hills Golf Shop Sale

While the 2023 golf season at Erin Hills will come to a close on October 15th, the general public is invited to come take advantage of an end-of-season Golf Shop sale on Saturday, October 21st from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.



COMMUNITY NEWS

St. Patrick Preservation, by Maureen Fitzsimons-Vanden Heuvel

On August 8, The Tennies family gathered at the Wisconsin State Fair to celebrate their



farmstead turning 100 years old. Three generations of the family were represented as Franklin Tennies received the iconic "Century Farm" sign to display at his farm.

The Tennies name is well-known to the St. Patrick's "family" and the Town of Erin since 1923, when Joseph P., Sr. and Alice E. purchased the farm on October 15,

1923 from the Barnett family. Dick and Lucy Ann Barnett purchased the farm in 1914 from James Connor (aka James O'Connor), who purchased the land from the U.S. Government. The farm is located just west of Erin School and all the previous owners of the farm are buried at Old and New St. Patrick Cemeteries.

Joe and Alice had six children, one of them Franklin. Frank received all his Sacraments at St. Patrick's Church along with his six siblings. On July 14, 1962 he married Crescentia "Grace" Youngbauer, and that year they


purchased the Tennies farm from Frank's mom and con-



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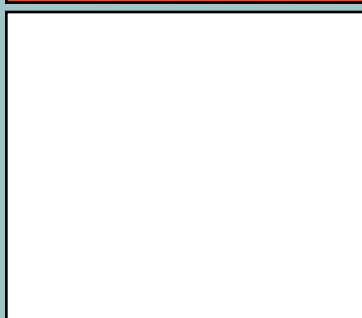


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tinued cash crop farming for about 20 years. Grace was the Secretary at Erin School for over 15 years and retired in 2001. Both Frank and Grace were very involved at St. Patrick's — Grace as President of the Ladies Altar Society and also sang in the choir and Frank as a parish council member, usher, lector and the last President of the Holy Name Society.

We pay tribute to the amazing past family farming generations (Connor, Barnett and Tennies) who first laid down roots in Wisconsin's fertile farmland, and to the present Tennies family, who have kept the dream alive for future generations.

Portions of the above were taken from the St. Patrick's 150th Anniversary Booklet compiled by Nancy (Collins) Henke and Mary (Henke) Hasslinger.

If you are a Century or Sesquicentennial Farm Family or have a loved one buried at one of the St. Patrick Cemeteries and would like to tell their story, we would love to hear from you.

Remember all donations to the St. Patrick Preservation Fund are tax deductible, and memberships are reasonably priced at \$5/Single and \$10/Family. If interested in becoming a member, please contact Maureen Fitzsimmons-Vanden Heuvel at 262.670.0975 or email her at SaveStPats@aol.com or MaureenFVH@aol.com

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attractions: Betty Brinn Children's Museum, Mitchell Park Domes, the Milwaukee County Zoo, and the Milwaukee Art Museum. Passes are available for a 3-day checkout period and available on a first-come, first-serve basis. JRML is unable to place holds and accept advance reservations. Passes must be returned to the circulation desk, inside the library, due to the value of passes. For each attraction, the library has two passes available for checkout with a limit of one pass per household at a time. The library encourages those interested to call ahead to see if passes are available or visit https://www.hartfordlibrary.org/adventure_passes.aspx and click on "check availability" for the pass you want to borrow. The library will continue adding more passes based on cost and area attractions that have transferable pass programs.

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Pastor Bonnie's phone number – 262-416-5094

Office hours – Thursdays from noon to 6 p.m. – Stop by for a visit!

Upcoming Events

Coffee with Pastor Bonnie

October 26 – 10 a.m. at Fiddleheads in Menomonee Falls

November 30 – 10 a.m. at Inclusion Café in Hartland

December 28 – 10 a.m. at Perc Place in Hartford

Pastor Bonnie invites you to join her at these nearby coffee spots. You do not need to be a member. We are a friendly bunch, so come and say hello. No reservation necessary, just show up. Dutch treat! We may or may not talk about faith but share what's happening in our lives and hopefully share a laugh or two.

Bible Study – Second Thursday of the month at 1 p.m. You do not have to be a Bible expert to add your voice, rather, bring your questions!

32nd Annual CHRISTMAS COOKIE WALK - Saturday, December 2 – 9 a.m. until sold out.

Fill your own box from our huge selection of beautiful homemade Christmas cookies. \$9 / lb. Gloves and boxes furnished. Come early—they go quickly! Wait inside in warm comfort and don't miss the silent auction offering many holiday gift ideas.

Blue Christmas Service – December 14 at 7 p.m.

Christmas is not a season of joy for everyone. For many of us who grieve losses or feel the weight of loneliness, sadness and even rage, this time of year can be difficult. This quiet, sacred service of music and readings

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offers reassurance that we are not alone in sorrow.

Children's Christmas Program – December 17 at 9:30 a.m.

Join us for a Christmas story through the eyes of children. You don't want to miss it.

Christmas Eve – Sunday, December 24 -- 9:30 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Christmas Eve falls on Sunday this year. We will celebrate the birth of baby Jesus at 9:30 a.m. and an identical service at 4 p.m.

Notice to Town of Erin Veterans

If you or anyone you know want a name enrolled on the Erin Veterans' Memorial Monument, please contact one of the committee members: Patrick Hansen, 262-966-0837; Jeffrey Millikin, 262-673-3682; Franklin Tennies, 262-673-2723; or Michael Eggleston, 414-651-0875. To be eligible, you must be a resident or former resident of the Town of Erin and have a copy of DD-214, Honorable Discharge, or deployment orders by the federal government documenting your military history.



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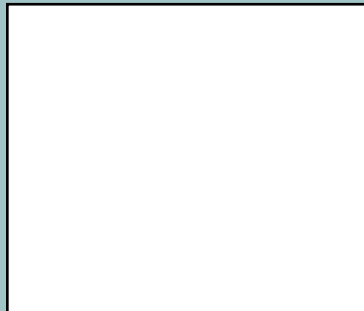
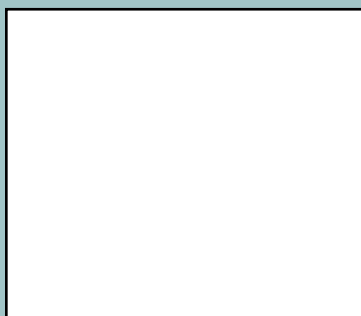
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Town Board-7 p.m. third Monday each month
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