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Our Sesquicentennial 1864 - 2014

On August 8, 9 and 10, the Town of Grant will celebrate its 150th birthday! Community residents and local businesses have been planning for this special weekend for some time now...

This newsletter is an invitation to both look back at our history and to look forward to our future, together. Within the next few pages you can learn about all the events, sign up for the parade, bake-off, or the craft and flea market. You can order a history book about the Town of Grant written by former Treasurer Dorothy Raasch, or purchase a raffle ticket for a chance to win the beautiful commemorative quilt designed and made by our current Treasurer Diana Luecht. Did you know that 3,000 copies of the business/organization guide and map developed by resident Kathy Lee will soon be available throughout the Town? Do you want to volunteer to help set up for the parade, be a greeter at some of the events, or assist with parking? If so, contact Dorothy Raasch, Diana Luecht, or me! Would you be willing to create a time capsule, take photographs or video to capture the weekend? It's a time for celebration – please join us by getting involved!

→ **Regular Monthly Board Meetings** ←
2nd Wednesday 6:30 pm

Transfer Station Hours

	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>
Jun – Aug	11am – 7pm	9am – 5pm
Sep - Oct	11am – 5pm	9am – 5pm
Nov - Mar	11am – 4pm	9am – 4pm
Apr - May	11am – 5pm	9am – 5pm

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September 20, 2014

[Newsletter compiled and edited by Sharon Schwab]



Roads, roads, roads...

During the Sesquicentennial weekend you may notice temporary “no parking”, “detour”, or “road closed” signs in and around Kellner and nearby subdivisions. Your cooperation is appreciated as there may be more vehicles and people around that weekend. Please help us stay safe!

This spring the Town learned that it had been selected for a Local Road Improvement – Discretionary (TRID) grant by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for Lake Road (CTH U – 85th Street South). The grant award was up to \$135,994.04 (estimated 50% of the total cost of reconstructing this section of road). On June 11, 2014, the Town Board awarded this reconstruction project to Earth, Inc. for \$253,309.88 (therefore the WisDot will pay up to \$126,654.94. The timeframe on reconstruction in the bid documents was listed as June 23-August 29, 2014.

Quest Civil Engineers, LLC designed the Lake Road reconstruction. Beginning in the fall of 2013, they hosted three public information meetings to gather resident’s ideas for the design. We believe this engineered plan was pivotal in our receipt of the TRID grant [Note: this was the 4th time a TRID grant application for Lake Road was made to the WisDOT]!

Residents on this same section of Lake Road certainly noticed a **MISTAKE** by Fahrner Asphalt sealers during the week of July 6th. They joint and crack sealed this section of road – OOPS! Residents, be reassured that the Town did **NOT** contract them to do this (nor will we pay for their mistake). Fahrner was contracted however to joint and crack-seal the following roads: 100th Street S (Mill – Quarry), 110th Street S (CTH WW – Lake), 85th Street S (CTH WW – South Park), 87th (north of CTH FF), 90th Street S (Quarry – Deer), Mill Road (CTH U – 90th), Oak Street (CTH F - Townline), South Park Road (CTH U – 90th), Tower Road (87th - ~110th), and Washington Street (CTH U – 90th).

A few double-chip seal projects are slated for this summer: 110th Street S (Deer – CTH WW), Deer Road (1,475 linear feet, CTH U – 90th), and Griffith Avenue (520 linear feet, 110th – CTH F). Tree removal has already occurred on Pine Street just east of 90th Street and Grant Street (110th – CTH F). The town crew will rebuild these sections of roads, followed by addition of new road/base material. Other roads that will receive some base course this season may include: Townline Road (south of CTH W), Mill Road (E/W ends 110th – CTH F), and others to be announced. Last year the Town purchased a new John Deere road grader. Dave Feit, a former Wood County Highway heavy equipment operator is doing his best to keep up with the grading of nearly 70 miles of our unpaved roads!

Town employees Marty Rutz and Dave completed two beam guard projects this summer. Check out Oak Street, just east of CTH F @ the curve! This project included pulverizing a section of road, and replacement of two culverts in 2013 (there was an interesting assortment of old materials holding the culverts and road in place), then gravel placed. Beam guards were recently installed, followed by repaving the road and sections of two impacted driveways by American Asphalt Last, employees shouldered and finished the road. Another Oak Street project completed was west of CTH F at the junction of 110th Street South. Here three culverts were replaced in 2013 and beam guards on the south side installed. This spring the north side was completed. Still to finish will be the placement of rock that abut the beam guards themselves. Future beam guard projects may include those stream crossings along 100th and 95th Streets South.

An All American Disk was used on several roads earlier this summer: The Disk took material from the edge of the road and brought it back up on the road. This process is intended to regain material lost along the edges due to flooding, snowplowing, etc. In some cases, using the Disk raised the road bed 3-4 inches. Please be patient though – once the material is taken from the edges and brought it up on the road it takes time for it to pack back down...[Note: This is Phase I on some roads. Phase II will involve restoring the ditch line and bringing the leftover material flush with the edge of the road. Phase III will include top-dressing with granite or gravel depending on the make-up of the road base]

Finally, from Nathan Check, Portage County Highway Commissioner...PHCD will be chip sealing in our Town CTH U from STH 73 to CTH W, and on CTH D from CTH F to I-39. Work is scheduled to begin Monday, August 11th

Type	Conservancy/Residential/Agricultural	Commercial/Industrial
New residence including mobile home (new or old) & commercial/industrial building	\$200.00	\$400.00
Additions: Structural alteration for Primary residence or Commercial/Industrial Building	\$100.00	\$200.00
Establish an address	\$50.00	\$50.00
Moving a previously located residence or commercial/industrial building into the town	\$300.00	\$400.00
Moving residence or commercial/industrial building within the town	\$200.00	\$400.00
Moving accessory building within the town	\$100.00	\$200.00
Moving accessory building into the town	\$200.00	\$400.00
Moving building through the town on town roads	\$30.00	\$30.00
Accessory building or addition under \$1000 or 100 square feet or less	\$0.00	\$0.00
Accessory building or addition above 100 square feet to 200 square feet	\$30.00	\$60.00
Accessory building or addition above 200 square feet to 2500 square feet	\$50.00	\$100.00
Accessory building or addition above 2500 square feet	\$75.00	\$150.00
Utility Accommodation Policy (UAP)	\$20.00	\$20.00
Outdoor wood burner furnace installation	\$25.00	\$25.00
Razing any building	\$15.00	\$15.00
Signs and Billboards	\$25.00	\$50.00
Public Hearing	\$150.00	\$300.00
Certified Survey Map review and processing	\$20.00	\$20.00
Driveway	\$25.00	\$25.00
Quarrying – Permitted Use	\$50.00	N/A
Quarrying – Conditional Use (does not include public hearing fee)	\$250.00 minimum plus \$50.00/acre greater than 1 acre in size with a maximum amount of \$1,250.00 (Example for 3 acres: \$250 + \$150)	
Decks, Porches, Pools	\$15.00	\$30.00
Telecommunication Tower	\$500 – Class 2, \$3000 – Class 1 and new installation	
Penalties – Failure to purchase a permit prior to construction, moving or demolition shall result in twice the cost of such permits		
Fees are charged by current zoning district or proposed zoning district at the time of construction		

Town of Grant Zoning(building) Fees – Effective July 1, 2014

Town of Grant's 150th Birthday Celebration

Friday - Saturday - Sunday - August 8 ☺ 9 ☺ 10, 2014

Friday, August 8

- 3-6pm One Room School Reunion open to former students, teachers & family members of the town's one room schools - cost \$10/person (St. John Lutheran Church)
- 7-11pm Dance - Celebrating all schools in the Town of Grant - past and present. Open to all. Music by Satellite Sounds Productions (The Wild Horse Saloon)

Saturday, August 9

- 8am-12pm Farmer's Market (downtown Kellner)
- All Day Activities for the kids: Blow-up slide, blow-up house, & blow-up obstacle course. Search for coins in the sand. Face painting, and more! (downtown Kellner)
- 9am-3pm Display of historical items and antique farm equipment (corner of WW and 90th Street South)
- 9am-3pm Craft Sale and Flea Market (corner of WW and 90th Street South)
- 1-5pm Baggo Tournament with championship game at 5:30 pm (Baggo courts located at UW-Kellner and Mickey's Tip-Up in downtown Kellner)

More Saturday Events:

- 1-5pm Live music by A.D.D and the Normals - playing classic rock, blues, funk, and oldies (downtown Kellner)
- 1-6pm Bingo sponsored by the Kellner Knights Snowmobile Club (downtown Kellner in tent behind the Chat-R-Box)
- 6-10pm Live music by Rising Phoenix playing 80's metal and hard rock (downtown Kellner)
- All Day Food and drinks available (downtown Kellner)

Sunday, August 10

- All Day Activities for the kids (See Saturday for details)
- Noon **PARADE** - (downtown Kellner) During the parade there will be the opportunity to play "Horse Apple Bingo" - the contest is sponsored by Kellner Community Bank. Contact the bank for details & your chance to win.
- 1:30-2:15 Singspiration - Enjoy an old fashion hymn sing at the Kellner Moravian Church (8016 County Trunk FF)
- 1:30-2:15 Drop off items for the Bake-Off. Ingredients must include cranberries or dried cranberries. Judging begins at 2:15 at the Kellner Moravian Church (8016 County Trunk FF)
- 1:30-5:30 Live music by Southbound playing country music (downtown Kellner)
- All Day Food and drinks available (downtown Kellner)

For more info: www.townofgrantportageco.com



WELCOME TO OUR OPEN HOUSE

Check-out Local Businesses during the Celebration!

FRIDAY, AUGUST 8th

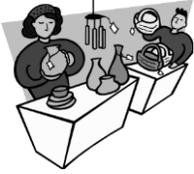
- Chat-R-Box Café (4231 80th St. So., Kellner) 7 am – 8 pm
- Conley's In Kellner (4320 80th St. So., Kellner) 4 -10 pm – **Dinner**
- J's UW Kellner (4111 80th St. So., Kellner) 11 am – 2:30 am
- Kellner Community Bank – Bancroft State Bank (3821 80th St. So., Kellner) 9 am – 4 pm
- Kellner International Bar & Grill (1204 80th St. So., Wisconsin Rapids) 11 am – close - **FISH FRY!**
- Mickey's Tip Up (4231 80th St. So., Kellner) Noon – close
- Witt's Linger Longer (8631 Co. Road W, Wisconsin Rapids) 8 am – 4 pm

SATURDAY, AUGUST 9th

- Chat-R-Box Café (4231 80th St. So., Kellner) 7am - 8 pm
 - **Picnic Tent and Hourly Drawings**
- Conley's In Kellner (4320 80th St. So., Kellner) 4 -10 pm –**Dinner**
- DVZ's Alpaca Hideaway and Victoria's Alpaca Treasures (8831 100th St. So., Wisconsin Rapids) 10 am – 4 pm
 - **Hand feed the alpacas! Raw fiber demonstrations!**
- J's UW Kellner (4111 80th St. So., Kellner) 11 am – 2:30 am
- Kellner International Bar & Grill (1204 80th St. So., Wisconsin Rapids) 11 am - close
- Mickey's Tip Up (4231 80th St. So., Kellner) Noon – close
- Pamela's Studio, doTERRA, Wellness Advocate, and J.R. Watkins, Independent Consultant (9341 Lake Road, Wisconsin Rapids) – 9 am – 3 pm - **Door prizes & refreshments!**
- Reimer Taxidermy (12221 80th St. So., Wisconsin Rapids) 9 am – 5 pm
 - **Snacks and door prizes, as well as, mounts and wood carvings on display**
- St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church (8020 South Park Road, Kellner)
 - 8 – 10 am **Church wide bake sale**
 - 6:30 pm **Church service – All welcome**

SUNDAY, AUGUST 10th

- Chat-R-Box Café (4231 80th St. So., Kellner) 7 am - 4 pm
 - **Picnic Tent and Hourly Drawings**
- Church at Wazeecha (8016 Co Road FF, Wisconsin Rapids) 5:30 – 7:30 pm
- Conley's In Kellner (4320 80th St. So., Kellner) 10 am-2 pm **Brunch** & 4-9 pm – **Dinner**
- J's UW Kellner (4111 80th St. So., Kellner) 11 am – 2:30 am
- Kellner International Bar & Grill (1204 80th St. So., Wisconsin Rapids) 11 am - close
 - **Bloody Mary Bar**
- Kellner Moravian Church (8016 Co. Rd. FF, Wisconsin Rapids) 11 am – 3 pm
 - **Worship service @ 11 and Singspiration/Old Fashion Hymn Sing @ 1:30**
 - **Bake-off judging at 2:15 – enjoy any leftover “goodies”**
- Mickey's Tip Up (4231 80th St. So., Kellner) 10 am – close
- St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church (8020 South Park Road, Kellner) – 9:30 am
 - **Church service – All welcome**



Craft Sale & Flea Market
August 9, 2014
(across from Grant Town Hall)

Pre-Registration Deadline: August 1 (guarantees you a spot)! **Fee: \$20**
At the Door (no guarantee...) **Fee: \$40**
Not-for-Profit Organization or Government Agency **Fee: \$ 0**

Food vendors will be limited to Town of Grant non-profit groups or organizations ONLY
- pre-registration is **REQUIRED**

Spots are 12'x12' Set-up begins 7am Sale time 9am-3pm
The Town of Grant reserves the right to accept or reject any vendor

Vendor or Business Name

Contact Name (leave blank if same as above)

Address

City

State

Zip

Phone

Email

Seller's Permit # (if applicable)

Type of Merchandise:

Return form & fee (if applicable) to: Tammy Kingery, 8340 Grove Avenue, Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54494. For information call Tammy at: 715-424-7250.

Make check or money order payable to: *Grant 150 Fund*

**[IMPORTANT! All participants must sign a HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT.
This is required by the Town – contact Tammy Kingery for a copy]**



Parade Registration Form
August 10, 2014
Downtown Kellner

Deadline: August 1st

Registration Fee: FREE!

Organization Name

Contact Name

Address

City

State

Zip

Phone

Type of Unit

Float Horse Unit Marching/Walking Unit

Band Color Guard Other _____

Staging Information Please fill out this information to the best of your knowledge – it will be used to determine the line-up of units.

Number of parade unit(s) _____

Approximate length of your parade unit(s) _____ feet

Will there be music with your parade unit(s)? Yes No

Unit Description – to be announced during the parade:

[IMPORTANT! All participants must sign a HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT. This is required by the Town – contact Mark Krohn for a copy]



Bake-Off Registration Form August 10, 2014

Kellner Moravian Church
8016 County Road FF
~ 2:15pm following *Singspiration*

Deadline: August 1st Theme: Cranberry/Craisin Registration Fee: FREE!

Contact Name

Address/City

Phone

Categories:

Breakfast/Brunch

Cakes

Cookies

Breakfast/Brunch and Cake items can be in an 8x8 pan (at the largest) or a 4x4 square. Cookies need 3-4 on a plate. All contestants must submit a recipe upon registration.

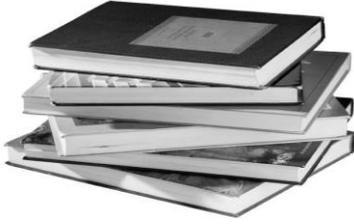
Contact: For additional information phone Marilyn Christensen @ 715-570-4805.
Mail entry form to Marilyn at: 8441 Cedar Lane, Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54494

Contest rules: All entries must be checked in following the parade, between 1:30 pm and 2:15pm, when the judging will begin [Note: if the parade runs longer the entry times and judging will adjust accordingly]. Items will be judged for:

1. Appearance/Presentation
2. Smell-tested
3. Taste

The decisions of the judges are final!

☺ **PRIZES!** ☺



**TOWN OF GRANT SESQUICENTENNIAL
*CELEBRATING 150 YEARS!***

**“From Where They Came To Where We Are” by Dorothy Raasch
Book Order Form**

Name

Address

City

State

Zip

Phone

Price per book: **\$10** (includes tax) + Shipping and Handling **\$6**

[Note: Two books will fit in one envelope at the rate above. For three or more books please contact Dorothy Raasch at 715-423-6589 to arrange handling & shipping charge]

Number of book(s): ___ 1 book (\$16), _____ 2 books (\$26),
_____ 3 or more - please call for total

Total amount enclosed is _____.

Make check payable to **Grant 150 Fund** and mail check or money order to:
Dorothy Raasch, 420 - 100th Street South, Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54494



Dog Licenses

Why buy a dog license? According to Wis. State statute 174.07(1)(a) all dogs over the age of 5 months must be licensed. The cost for a license is \$7.00 if the dog is spayed or neutered; otherwise \$17.00. After March 31st there is a \$10.00 late fee. The license is good for one year and expires on December 31. As of January 1st of every year, a new license is required to be purchased. The fees collected defray the cost of the contract that the town has with the Humane Society of Portage County.

Now that summer is here and our family dogs sometime seem to stray from home having a tag on them helps them find their way back home to you. In the past, I have received calls from residents who were looking for the owners of dogs that had appeared in their yard. They all had tags so it was easy to look up the numbers and find their owners.

Please send your dog(s)' rabies vaccination papers and neutering/spaying papers along with a check payable to: "Town of Grant", and mail to Treasurer, Town of Grant, 9011 County Road WW, Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54494

\$\$\$ Tax Payments

The Portage County Treasurer collects all real estate tax payments for the Town of Grant. This includes both your first and second installment payments.

Make your check payable to: Portage County Treasurer. Then mail or deliver your payment(s) to: Portage County Treasurer, 1516 Church Street, Stevens Point, WI 54481.

Also, if your address on any tax bill is incorrect, please let the Portage County Treasurer's office know the correct address for all future mailings.

Town of Grant First Responders

The Grant First Responders was formed in January, 1998. At that time it consisted of eight members. Over the years the group has gained and lost; the current roster has five members. If you'd like to join, please contact Jim Yetter at 715-213-2000.



QUILT RAFFLE TICKETS AVAILABLE

Raffle tickets are available for the Town of Grant Sesquicentennial Commemorative Quilt. This beautiful quilt was designed and made by Diana Luecht, the town's treasurer. She used 2014 Wisconsin State Shop Hop Fabric. Pictured on the quilt are the state map, flag, flower, and bird. Not only does it include a brief narrative of the history of Wisconsin, but it also has milestones from the town of Grant. This is a "lap quilt" with dimensions of 55x67 inches. It would make a great gift for someone who is no longer living in our township or Wisconsin. Of course, you may wish to keep it for yourself if you become the lucky person whose name is drawn!

You can view the quilt at the Kellner Community Bank – Bancroft State Bank. Raffle tickets cost \$5 a piece with a limit of 500 tickets to be sold. The proceeds will be used to support the cost of the sesquicentennial celebration activities.

Raffle tickets are available at the bank, Chat-R-Box Café, J's UW Kellner, Mickey's Tip Up, Kellner International and Conley's In Kellner. Tickets are also available from: Diana Luecht, Sharon Schwab, Dale Winkler, Kathy Lee, Tammy Kingery, and Jim Yetter. Why not take a chance to win this stunning commemorative quilt?



Sesquicentennial

Town of Grant's 150th Birthday Celebration

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LOOK INSIDE FOR DETAILS!

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