



Fall 2021

Quarterly Newsletter  
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1712 Bob-Bea-Jan Road  
De Pere, WI 54115

## A NOTE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

As I write my article for the fall newsletter, it is in the middle 80's, humid, and the mosquitoes are the worst I have ever seen. It's been a hot, wet summer! Hopefully the fall weather will start soon.

All of our road projects are finished this year. As always, I wish we had more money in our budget so we could do more miles every year. School Road was our biggest project and it turned out nice. Thank you to all the residents on that road for putting up with the dust while the road was under construction.

We will be cutting the grass and small vegetation to the backside of the ditch in the coming months. This process trims all vegetation and keeps the ditches clean for water flow. Please do not throw rocks or other debris in the ditches; this is hard on the contractor's equipment!

With fall harvesting approaching for farmers, there will be tractors and trucks using the roads. Please be patient and drive safely around farm equipment.

Enjoy the fall season and the colors that come with it. Get out and go hunting!

Thank you,  
Dennis J. Cashman

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Hello again Rockland neighbors,

It's August already. Summer is flying by. As I write this we are just ending up that rainy stormy spell. I had over 5-1/2 inches of rain in the rain gauge in only 2 days. Some minor road and culverts damage did occur. Midway Road culverts were the worst and are repaired; thanks to Wayne Carter Excavation for a quick response. The Old Martin Road culvert by the Hutjens farm is still giving us headaches, but we will try again. Massive amounts of water came through there and washed out heavy stone work. The newly reworked School Road held up great as did most roads. If you see damage anywhere please call any of the board members.

Rockland remains to be a great place to live and raise a family. We continue to have slow growth adding a few new homes each year and most folks would agree with that approach. The majority of land is being farmed which keeps us at the slow growing rate. We do welcome new folks, however but I ran across this sign somewhere and thought you might agree: "You came here from there because you didn't like it there, but now you want to change here to be like there. We simply like here the way it is and most of you actually came here because it's not there where ever there was. You are welcome here but please stop trying to make here like there, if you want here to be like there you should not have left there to come here." — Rockland might not be perfect but it's very close to it. The entire town board is working hard to keep it that way.

In a closing thought, it's always important to lock your car doors but, especially now. You friends, neighbors and relatives will put free zucchini in your car.

More free advice, alcohol doesn't solve your problems but then again neither does milk. Have a great summer.

Warmest Regards, Alan Lasee



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## Rockland 4-H News!

It's amazing what difference a year makes. The State 4-H program is almost back to "normal" and our club is back to monthly meetings and activities. We started work and touch base meetings for our clothing project - just in time to get the skirts and dresses and bags ready for the July Fashion Review. Keira Hefferman received a state fair award for her clothing item.



At the Brown County Fair a number of members received State and Merit Award ribbons on their entries/projects: Poetry: Keira Hefferman; Ceramics: Leah Kocken, James Anderson, Emily Derenne; Photography: Joshua Hodgdon, Alia Rice; Master Gardener: Lake Van Pay; Woodworking: Lucy Olson; Rabbits: Maria Teske; Chickens: James Anderson, Gabe Teske, Maria Teske; Horse Show: Carlissa Heling.

The 4-H Club also received a Blue Ribbon on the fair advertising sign at the Town Hall, a blue ribbon on the booth at the fair = "Blasts from the Past" and a red ribbon on the large flower pot displayed at the fair. Achievement program is set for October and then on to the new year with enrollments. The on-line re-enrollment and new enrollments forms are now available. All members and leaders must re-enroll each year. This is where you select projects only for the year (not items for the fair).

For those club members that qualify – the 2021-2022 Brown County 4-H Education Experience Scholarship Applications are now available and must be submitted by Monday, October 4 and must include your letters of recommendation. These educational trips include: American Spirit, Citizenship Washington DC, National 4-H Congress, US Space Camp and Wisconsin 4-H Youth Conference. Our club has been very successful in being selected to participate/ travel on these educational programs. Details are in the county news emails. The club is looking to take on new projects – anyone have a pottery wheel to use/buy? Email: [dmsimoens@new.rr.com](mailto:dmsimoens@new.rr.com)

Anyone have craft ideas to share with us ?

## Rockland Dog License for 2021

Thank you to all that have obtained their dog licenses already. The fee is \$5.00 for a neutered or spayed dog. The fee for a dog that is not neutered or spayed is \$10.00. Please fill out the application and send a check to Mary Van Dyck, 2185 Deer Point Lane, De Pere, WI 54115. The application is also on the Rockland website. Remember it is a State law that you license your dog. The license also helps us find the owner when a dog gets away. I know no one wants to lose their dog, but sometimes it happens. If the dog has the tag on, we look up the number and call the owner. Your dog is returned to you safely. The tags on the dog are so important. In the town, about once a month a stray dog is found. If the tags are on, we can find the owner even if the dog belongs to someone in another township.

### Rockland Dog License for 2021

**All dogs must be licensed according to state law and there are no exceptions. Please fill out this application and return to Mary Van Dyck, 2185 Deer Point Lane, De Pere, WI 54115 along with a check made out to the Town of Rockland. Complete this form by 4/1/2021.**

**Name of dog** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone number** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of dog owner** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Breed** \_\_\_\_\_ **Color** \_\_\_\_\_ **Chip No. if available** \_\_\_\_\_

**Male** \_\_\_\_\_ **Female** \_\_\_\_\_ **Neutered** \_\_\_\_\_ **Spayed** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Rabies shot** \_\_\_\_\_ **Expiration Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Amount enclosed:** \_\_\_\_\_

**1 form for each dog please. Please attach rabies proof w/date.**

## FALL NEWS From Treasurer Mary Van Dyck

I have a few recycling and garbage reminders for everyone. First, everyone seems to be doing a great job of getting their containers by the road side each week. If you ever need to look if it is recycling day, you can get that information on the Town of Rockland website. There is a yearly calendar that lists all dates of garbage and which Monday is recycling dates. It also has holiday collection dates.

One thing that has been brought to my attention is some of you are putting recycling items in the bin in a garbage or plastic bag. This is a no-no. All items in the recycling bin need to be loose in the bin. So if you have a garbage bag where you put aluminum cans in and then put them in the recycling bin, they must be put in the bin without the bag. In other words, take the bag to the bin and empty the bag and then put the empty bag in the garbage.

A reminder that no remodeling or household furniture may be put in your garbage. So if you are getting new carpet, the old carpet cannot be put in your garbage bin. You cannot put TV's, computers, flooring, toilets, chairs in the bin. Harter's does offer pick up of these items once a month. But you must call them for pick up of these items.

**Hello Rockland residents,**

**As we leave a warm summer behind us and head into fall, I wanted to bring attention to the trail that runs through town. It is a great resource for all to use and enjoy the great outdoors. I am concerned about the intersections at the town roads. Several times this summer I have seen bicycles run through the stop signs on the trail. The bicyclists have equal rights but that does not mean they are exempt from the rules. I do not bring this up to cause a controversy but to make all aware of the potential for an accident. In a car versus a bike the car always wins; yet no one is a winner.**

**I hope we continue on the road to things getting back to normal and everyone has a great fall.**

**Stay safe, Matt**

## IMPORTANT DATES: UPDATE

Town Board Meetings:

1st and 3rd Mondays ea. month

Planning Commission: (usually 1st Thursday of ea. month) please check the calendar on the website



**Construction Projects: Please be reminded to get your permits before your building or landscaping project. Permit fees double when taken out after the fact.**

**It's always better to call first and ask questions before you start your project. You could save big money by getting in contact with our Building Inspector, Bob Gerbers.**

**You can reach him by email at [bgerbers@townofrockland.org](mailto:bgerbers@townofrockland.org), or by cell phone at 655-8602.**

## Burning yard waste?

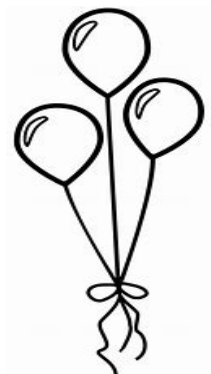
**Chief Mark DeCleene of Greenleaf can be reached at (920) 639-6939 or (920) 864-2200.**

**In Morrison, the Chief is Jeff Pischke. Jeff can be reached at (920) 676-3203.**

**If you are doing any kind of rubbish or ditch burning, please give them a call to verify conditions are safe and to give them a heads up in case they get calls regarding the smoke, etc. If it will be a sizeable fire, please also call Brown County Sheriffs Non emergency number 391-7450.**

Hey Rockland,

Did you know you can rent the Town Hall for \$75/day, with a \$100 security deposit (refundable\*). The Rockland Town Hall is a great venue for get togethers, grad parties and showers and even small weddings. WE can support your gathering with lots of tables and chairs and a full kitchen. We can accommodate parties too large for your home. Our new rental terms and ample parking make the town hall a very appealing venue for any resident hosting a party. Reserve your date today. \*conditions apply



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