



# MAGIC

Mishicot Area Growth & Improvement Committee

## NEWSLETTER

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### **MAGIC Annual Banquet Scheduled for March 18**

The 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Banquet will be held at Fox Hills Resort on March 18, 2012. The evening will begin with a social hour at 5 PM and dinner to follow at 6 PM. Tickets cost \$13.50 and are on sale at the following locations— Bank First National, Fox Hills front desk, Shipbuilders Credit Union, and the Mishicot Village Hall. Tickets must be purchased in advance by March 12<sup>th</sup>. Door prizes and a raffle will be held. A slideshow of events in 2011 will be presented and Larry Hlinak will provide music.

A brief meeting will be held after the dinner and then members of the community—volunteers, organizations, and businesses—will be recognized for their 2011 contributions to the village.

These awards will be presented:

- GENIE: for an Outstanding Volunteer
- RED CARPET: for an organization providing outstanding service to our village
- ABRACADABRA: for a business providing outstanding leadership and service to our community
- DESIGN: for Business providing outstanding property improvement to its premises
- Special Lifetime: for an individual who has volunteered and served the community over a number of years
- Outstanding Community Contribution by a Contractor (new to the awards categories)

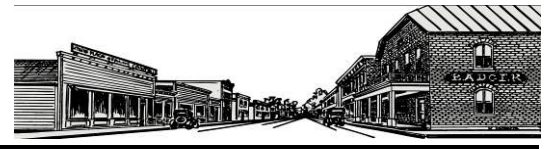
Please come and enjoy a fun evening to celebrate community events and achievements.

### **MAGIC Board Holds Elections**

MAGIC officers for 2012 are Melvin Kliment and Allen Beranek as Co-Presidents; Rod Scheuer as Vice President; Kim Rahmlow as Secretary; and Jeanne Brey as Treasurer. Also joining Gale Kronforst and John Franz this term are Pam Kronforst and Judy Wanish.

### **Mishicot Village Clerk/Treasurer to Retire**

Mishicot village clerk, Jim Bydalek, will be retiring this spring after more than 30 years of serving the community. Jim administered the village elections, handled all the financial matters for the village and water and sewer utility, issued licenses and permits, was secretary and voting member of the village board of review, and all the other tasks required to keep a community running smoothly. If you lived in the village, chances are you had contact with Jim in one way or another. He is guiding Connie Tesarik as she assumes the village clerk/treasurer position. Thank you, Jim, for all the years of dedication and extraordinary service you provided for our community! Best wishes in your retirement!



## Pumpkinfest

Pumpkinfest 2011 was met with lots of wind and sunshine. The weather was challenging, but the fun was worth the challenge. There were winners in every category of contest offered. The “1<sup>st</sup> Annual Passport for Summer” shopping guide and contest in Mishicot featured a fun way to save money while shopping locally. The winner of this event was Kelly Dirkman who chose a sewing machine from Lisa’s Photo Quilting as her prize. Local businesses sponsored winning opportunities during Pumpkinfest 2011, including, Andercraft Woods’ door prize winner Linda Lemberger and DFC Computers’ Tony Smith—winner of a netbook, and Henry Pahlow—winner of a printer.

Winners in MAGIC contests are:



### Pumpkin Baking

- Pies
  - 🍌 1<sup>st</sup> place: Virginia Menchl
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- Breads/Muffins
  - 1<sup>st</sup> place: Sara Petska & Andrea Duca
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> place: Sara Petska & Andrea Duca
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> place: Michele Koeppel
- Bars/Cookies
  - 1<sup>st</sup> place: Rhonda Hassemer
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> place: Colleen Mleziva
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> place: Renee Lamberger
- Decorated Cakes
  - 1<sup>st</sup> place: Stacie Irving & Mary Petska
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> place: Krissy Hallwachs
- Decorated Cookies
  - 1<sup>st</sup> place: Greg Steeber
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> place: Janelle Cherney
- Other Pumpkin Bakery
  - 1<sup>st</sup> place: Janine Nehring
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Ed Trost
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> place: Amber Meyer
- Best of Show: Stacie Irving & Mary Petska



### Pumpkin Carving

- Division 1: 1<sup>st</sup>—Hallie Stroess  
2<sup>nd</sup>—Aubrey Weber
- Division 2: 1<sup>st</sup>—Robert Steeber  
2<sup>nd</sup>—Logan Pekarek
- Division 3: 1<sup>st</sup>—Aubrey Hassemer  
2<sup>nd</sup>—Max Hrubecy  
3<sup>rd</sup>—Anderson Kopidlansky
- Division 4: 1<sup>st</sup> – Wade Brooks
- Division 5: 1<sup>st</sup> – Jordan Sisel
- Division 6: 1<sup>st</sup>—JoAnn Kleckner  
2<sup>nd</sup>—Carol Voelker  
3<sup>rd</sup>—Krissy Hallwachs



### Pumpkin Decorating

- Division 1: 1<sup>st</sup>—Trevor Miller  
2<sup>nd</sup>—Emma Fictum
- Division 2: 1<sup>st</sup>—Zeno Wilson  
2<sup>nd</sup>—Maddie Kliment
- Division 3: 1<sup>st</sup>—Kate Kliment
- Division 4: 1<sup>st</sup> – No Entries
- Division 5: 1<sup>st</sup> – No Entries
- Division 6: 1<sup>st</sup>—Kelly Krause





Home Gardeners' Pumpkin Weigh-in

1 <sup>st</sup> place: Ed Trost	290 pounds
2 <sup>nd</sup> place: Paxton Leurquin	199.5 pounds
3 <sup>rd</sup> place: Madison Polsin	198.5 pounds



Giant Pumpkin Growers Weigh-In

1 <sup>st</sup>	Glen & Margaret Martin	Little Chute, WI	1345.5 lbs
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Tracy Carter	DePere, WI	1154 lbs
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Rachel Martin	Little Chute, WI	1006 lbs
4 <sup>th</sup>	Roger Menting	Greenleaf, WI	963 lbs
5 <sup>th</sup>	Candra Carter	DePere, WI	961.5 lbs
6 <sup>th</sup>	Ken Williamson & Matt Westphal	Marion, WI	821 lbs
7 <sup>th</sup>	Rick Johvette	Stoughton, WI	803.5 lbs
8 <sup>th</sup>	Ray Theobald	Black Creek, WI	797 lbs
9 <sup>th</sup>	Alan Kapp	Genoa, WI	539 lbs
10 <sup>th</sup>	Jim Elridge	Milwaukee, WI	381.5 lbs

***Thank you*** to all the businesses and residents who cooperated with the Main Street closure; donated services, electricity, materials, and/or the use of their premises to Pumpkinfest in 2011:

*Wilfert Farms for donating oodles of pumpkins; David Funk for donating cornstalks; Ryan Wiegert for the use of his building & electricity; Mishicot Barbershop for donating electricity; Shear America for the offer of donating electricity; Shipbuilders Credit Union for use of the parking lot & electricity; Brickner's Parkside Auto for the use of parking lot & storefront use for picnic tables; Barry & Michelle Thompson for the use of their lawn for petting zoo and pony rides; Family Market for the use of store grounds; Pathways Photography for use of parking lot space; RiverEdge Galleries for donating the time and talent of the wood carvers and blacksmith; Green Acres for donating chrysanthemums, and Mishicot Country Store for hosting the giant pumpkin weigh-off. We couldn't celebrate Pumpkinfest without you!*

**In 2012, Pumpkinfest will celebrate its 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary on October 20<sup>th</sup>!**

Mishicot residents interested in being a vendor downtown on October 20 should keep the following registration deadline fee schedule in mind:

**Applications received before September 1, 2012:**

- Non-Mishicot residents: \$25
- Mishicot residents: \$5
- Non-profit organizations: no fee required

**Applications received after September 1, 2012:**

- Non-Mishicot residents: \$35
- Mishicot residents: \$10
- Non-profit organizations: no fee required

**Same Day Registration ONLY as Space Allows October 20, 2012:**

- Non-Mishicot residents: \$45
- Mishicot residents: \$15
- Non-profit organizations: no fee required

Registration forms are available by request. Call 920-755-3411 or email magic@tm.net



## Spring is Just Around the Corner

By Pamela Rabas, ND

Spring is the ideal time to get the chemicals out of your home.

We all do some spring cleaning in our homes when spring rolls around. Unfortunately, many common household cleaning products contain toxic chemicals that damage our health and pollute the environment. Since World War II we have developed over 80,000 chemicals that are used in cleaners, pesticides, cosmetics and other regularly used household products. Even though you are not ingesting these products, you are absorbing small amounts through inhalation and contact with your skin, so you want to use products that are as safe as possible. Health problems associated with common household chemicals include neurotoxic effects like depression, lack of mental concentration, headaches, and mental confusion. Respiratory irritation is common which can cause coughing, asthma, allergies, and sneezing; and there can be liver and kidney toxicity. Some products may have corrosive actions that can burn the skin and eyes or they may contain endocrine disruptors which contribute to infertility, PMS, reproductive cancers and other glandular issues. Carcinogenic compounds have also been associated with the chemicals in some of the products that contribute to the development of cancer.

The problem doesn't stop there either. The chemicals we use in our homes are major contributors to environmental pollution. It is estimated that the average American uses 40 pounds of unsafe household cleaners each year. Multiply that 40 times 308 million Americans and that's 12.3 billion pounds of toxic chemicals we are dumping into the environment annually, just from household cleaning supplies!

Avoiding these chemicals is an important part of protecting the health of you, your family and your pets. Check your cleaning products for toxic chemicals like *chlorine, formaldehyde, phosphates, benzene, xenoestrogens, petrochemicals and chemical fragrances*. Replace these toxic products with natural, biodegradable nontoxic products. You may see these products in most grocery stores as more are carrying safe, natural products as consumers become more aware of chemicals and how they affect their health and the health of their family and pets. For additional help and information contact Pamela Rabas ND, Natural Paths @ 920-465-4545.

*Dr. Pamela Rabas' business, Natural Paths, offers consultations and classes. She works in Mishicot and in DePere, WI.*

## Mishicot Earns Best Overnight Rest Stop

Mishicot won the "Best Overnight Rest Stop" for the second straight year in July 2011. Volunteers from the school and community welcomed the SAGBRAW bicyclists to our village. The bikers in Schramm's Annual Great Bike Ride Across Wisconsin appreciated their stay here so much that the village was awarded with a certificate and bike rack. The tour group will stop in Mishicot again this year, but not overnight....they will stop here on their way to the next overnight rest stop on July 29.





Village News

Mishicot Senior Club

The Mishicot Senior Club welcomes new members to their meetings. Dues are \$2 for those 60 years old and older. The club meets at 1 p.m. at the VFW, 314 W. Main Street, twice a month on the second and fourth Wednesdays. A short business meeting is conducted followed by a speaker on topics of interest to the club members. The Club hosts two potluck lunches, two dine-out lunches, and a once a year county senior banquet. Cards are played afterwards. There is an ongoing game of sheephead on Mondays with cash prizes. Blood pressure is checked every six weeks by county health nurse Nancy Cohen—this service is available even if you are not a member of the Senior Club. Club officers are: President—Arlene Vogel, Past President and Advisor--Bob Jones, Secretary--Joan Funk, and Treasurer--Delphine Jones. For more information, contact Arlene at 755-4401.

Mishicot Nutrition Center

Mishicot’s Senior Nutrition Center is located at the VFW, 314 W. Main Street. Meals are served every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at the center or delivered to your residence. The meal program is for all older people regardless of race, sex, national origin, or handicap. Participation not related to income. The suggested donation for those sixty and older is \$3.50. No one is denied meal based on ability to pay. Reservations and cancellations are required 24 hours in advance by calling 920-683-4180 or toll free 1-877-416-7083. The site is closed when school is closed, so listen to radio stations WOMT (1240 AM), WCUB (980 AM, 92.1 FM), WLKN (98.1 FM), WBAY (TV-2), WFRV (TV-5), WLUK (TV-11), and WGBA (TV-26) for information.

Police Department News

From Chief Ryan Gilbert

Just a reminder to obtain your dog license for 2012. Also be mindful when letting your dog outside. I have had many complaints of dogs chasing or bothering people and several dog bites on the sidewalks. Your dog is not under your control if not on a leash. When walking dogs, make sure you pick up after them. Ordinance 10.08(12) prohibits walking a dog on public or private property not owned by you without having an appropriate device to collect excrement. Those, along with barking dogs, are complaints that have been on the rise. Remember if you're at work and you let your dogs out in the yard to have a bark collar to prevent excessive barking.

Also remember to obtain a burning permit when burning branches; leaves, garbage and any other rubbish are not allowed. Be mindful of smoke direction to avoid bothering your neighbors. If you have any questions on ordinances contact the Village Hall or Police Department. Be sure to visit the Mishicot PD Facebook page as I put information on there also.

In 2011 we were handled 100 more incidents than 2010. Listed are some of the incidents:

23 Underage Alcohol Offenses	6 Crashes	7 No Seatbelt child under 4yrs old
23 Burning Permits	4 Runaway Juvenile Reports	23 Adult Seatbelt violations
25 911 calls	6 Public Nuisance Complaints	427 Speed Warnings Issued
22 Truancy violations	3 Hit and Run offenses	296 Speed Citations Issued
13 No valid Driver's license issued	3 Obstructing an officer	228 Citations for other traffic offenses
24 Operate with suspended license	5 Disorderly conducts	233 Warnings for other traffic offenses
42 Animal Complaints	3 Burglary complaints	2 Littering complaints
6 Minor Transporting intoxicants	2 Burn w/out permit	20 Operate While Impaired (alcohol or drug) arrests
1 Juvenile Warrant	3 Sexual Assaults	1 Battery offense
13 Adult Warrant arrests	1 Child Abuse	2 Worthless Check

When MPD has no officer on duty, the Sheriff’s Department Handles Village Calls



Can you help keep the **MAGIC** happening in Mishicot?  
Please consider joining this year's Contributors' Drive.  
To make a contribution, please complete the form below  
and send it along with your donation to:

MAGIC, P.O. Box 237 Mishicot, WI 54228

*All proceeds will be used to further MAGIC's sponsorship of the Mishicot Historical Museum, the Village-Wide Rummage Sale, Annual Run/Walk, Summer Concerts, Farmers' Market, Riverfest, Pumpkinfest, Christmas in the Village, and More!*

Through my/our contribution, I/we would like to support the mission of MAGIC.			
Suggested Contributions:			
Individual	\$25	Business	\$ _____
Family	\$35	Organization	\$ _____
Senior & Student	\$20	Institution	\$ _____
Name: _____			
Address: _____			
City/State/Zip: _____			
My employer matches non-profit contributions--name of company: _____			
<i>MAGIC, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) corporation. Your donation may be tax deductible. Contact a tax professional for advice.</i>			

Mishicot Area Growth & Improvement Committee  
**MISSION STATEMENT:**

MAGIC will provide support and leadership for the growth of the Mishicot area.  
The program will work to promote Mishicot's cultural heritage, improve community pride, and strive to revitalize the downtown area.



2012 Events

*MAGIC Banquet*  
*Middle School Musical*  
*Elementary School Spring Concert*  
*Community Talent Show*  
*Mishicot Ambulance Service Fish Fry*  
*Mishicot Sportsman's Club Spring Archery Tournament*  
*MHS Spring Concert*  
*Mishicot Sportsman's Club Summer Archery League*  
*MMS Spring Concert*  
*Farmer's Market*  
*Outdoor Summer Concert Series*  
*Village-Wide Rummage Sale*  
*3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Run/Walk*  
*Memorial Day Parade*  
*Riverfest*  
*SAGBRAW rest stop*  
*Mishicot Sportsman's Club Fall Archery Tournament*  
*25<sup>th</sup> Annual Pumpkinfest*  
*Christmas in the Village*

*March 18*  
*March 23 & 24*  
*April 17*  
*April 20*  
*April 20*  
*May 6*  
*May 10*  
*May 13-14*  
*May 17*  
*Wednesdays in late May until Oct. 20*  
*Wednesdays in May-August*  
*May 18-19*  
*May 20*  
*May 31*  
*July 26-29*  
*July 29*  
*August 18-19*  
*October 20*  
*December 1*



Check Mishicot calendar online at [www.mishicot.org](http://www.mishicot.org)  
 or on the Mishicot Area Growth and Improvement Committee Facebook page



Mishicot videos online @ YouTube on the MishicotMAGIC page



Featured Volunteer

Marie Steeber deserves our recognition and thanks for all that she does in and around our community. Marie and her family have volunteered at the historical museum since 1989. Marie coordinates all the music for Christmas at the Museum and is on the museum board of directors. She volunteered at Holy Cross School and still volunteers at OH Schultz. She is a member of the MHS Music Boosters. Marie was a 4-H leader for many years and now is a parent volunteer for the Mishicot Marvels. Since 1997, she has been a volunteer Facilitator of the Shattered Dreams Support Group. Marie is a very active member of Holy Cross Parish serving on many committees and is a Lay Presider. She has participated in raising funds for St. Baldrick's for research to find a cure for childhood cancers. Marie recently completed a term on the MAGIC board.

Thank you for all the hours you devote to making Mishicot a better place!





## Mishicot's Yesteryear

Recollection of the 1959 Mishicot Flood and Fire\_\_\_\_\_

by *Dave Brouchoud*

In the morning of December 28, 1959, I decided to take some movies of the Mishicot flood which was in progress. I drove my car to the south end of the bridge, parked, and started filming. My camera was an 8mm and I was using colored film. I panned the camera starting from the SW toward the NE. Water was up against the bottom of the bridge and was over Main Street from Washington near Jackson. Not wanting to risk driving through the water, I drove back south to Church Street and turned north onto State. I filmed more scenes of the high water to include men running pumps to remove water from Holtz's basement under the store.

I heard a siren and realized I might be able to follow the fire trucks and shoot some movies. I realized the fire was in Mishicot and discovered it at Eva Holtz's house. (Eva and George Schmidt were living there at the time.) No flames at first, but plenty of black smoke. As the fire trucks approached, I filmed it all. Soon flames broke out in the rear of the home. I ran out of film and was so excited that when I opened my camera to replace the film with a fresh roll, I dropped it and saw it roll through the muddy water. I grabbed the film and tucked it into my pocket and reloaded the camera with a new roll of 8mm film.

More fire departments were called in as the fire could not be contained. Flames were shooting out the basement windows as though fueled by a flame thrower. We learned later why this was. Boots Dvorak was one of the volunteer fire fighters that day. These are his words:

There was a tank in the ground next to the house with a pipe that ran through the basement wall. The pipe was cut off there. When the flood went over the tank, it forced the gas into the house. When George plugged in the sump pump, the house went "boom." The gas in the tank was like jet fuel. They used this fuel for lights years ago.

George Schmidt lost his life in the explosion.

I continued to take movies as the fire became larger and difficult to control. Eventually, I ran out of film again. This time, I did not have the heart to take more movies. The DVD ends with firemen fighting the fire.

Mr. Brouchoud donated a DVD with his 8mm film footage converted to digital computer format. To reserve a copy for viewing, please sign out the DVD at the village hall during regular business hours. One to two week check-out time is appreciated.

## Mishicot Hall of Fame

Do you know someone who has affected Mishicot's history? The Mishicot Hall of Fame committee is looking for nominations for 2013 in the following categories:

**Community Service** - For a person who demonstrates tireless giving to the local community.

**Professional Development** -For a person who has achieved a high standard in his or her chosen field.

**Exceptional Talent** -For a person who has achieved a high level of recognition for outstanding artistic or athletic ability.

Nomination forms are available at the Mishicot High School or can be downloaded from the school website, [www.mishicot.k12.wi.us](http://www.mishicot.k12.wi.us), under the Hall of Fame link. Submit completed forms to--Attention: Lori Rose-Hall of Fame, 660 Washington St. Mishicot, WI 54228 or email to [lrose@mishicot.k12.wi.us](mailto:lrose@mishicot.k12.wi.us). Nominations will be accepted until April 30th, 2012. Please consider taking a few minutes to nominate someone so we can give honor and recognition for his or her outstanding achievement.





## Free Outdoor Summer Concert Series

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2012 marks our 8th Season! Concerts will again begin at 6:30 PM with a social hour starting at 5:30 PM on the Middle School grounds. Concessions will be available. Bring blankets and lawn chairs for your own seating. Concerts go on rain or shine!

MAGIC has added a new event to our lineup! The Janice Wiegert School of Dance will kick off the season with a dance recital on Saturday, May 12<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM inside the high school. Welcome Janice and Students!

Schedule: Our full concert schedule is not completed at this time; however, the following dates ARE confirmed.

June 27--Sheboygan Pops Concert Band

July 18--Two Rivers Municipal Band

August 15--Newtonburg Brass Band

August 22--The Del Rays

August 29--The Dorf Kapelle.



Our full schedule and list of concerts sponsors will be published in MAGIC's next newsletter. We are pleased to announce that ALL of our faithful concerts sponsors have again committed for 2012. In addition, we have added several new sponsors to our list of supporters. Few communities receive this wonderful backing from their business communities. Thank you Sponsors! Looking forward to a beautiful Summer of Music in the great out of doors!

*2012 Concert Coordinator-----Rod Scheuer*

## MISHICOT RIVERFEST

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Planning is underway for our 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Riverfest: Thursday through Sunday, July 26 – 29.

Riverfest 2011 was our most successful event to date by every standard! THANK YOU, to the hundreds of volunteers and their organizations that have worked so hard to build Riverfest into a superb event! Mishicot Volunteer Fire Dept., Kettle Range SnowRiders, Mishicot Schools Sports Boosters, Mishicot Sportsman's Club, Mishicot Area Ambulance Service, Mishicot Knights of Columbus, and MAGIC. Great job! THANK YOU too, to all that attend and support Riverfest! We try hard to provide a varied schedule of events that are fun and entertaining to all age and interest groups. Some of our 2012 lineup of events is complete. Watch for the return of Carnival rides and games, Fireworks each night, Chainsaw carving, Petting Zoos, and children's entertainment!

Thursday 7/26--We welcome the Wisconsin Farm Team Horse Pullers at our pull track.

Friday 7/27--Will feature our Famous Fish Boil Dinner with music by the hugely popular DORF KAPELLE on Our pavilion stage! Also on Friday, ROAD TRIP, will rock the Big Top! Their first appearance at Riverfest since 2009.

Saturday 7/28--Marks the return of the Mishicot Car Club Car Show along with the music of OIL CAN HARRY under the Big Top! No one packs em in like Oil Can!

Sunday 7/29--Is filled with fun Family events including, our Gigantic Parade downtown, PJ's 2K Walk For Life, our Great Cow Pie Challenge and the exciting Mighty East Twin Duck Race!

One other note of interest: On Sunday July 24 2011, Miss Wisconsin 2011, Laura Kaeppler, appeared at Riverfest and in our parade. A few weeks ago Laura was chosen MISS AMERICA 2012!

Congratulations Laura! Proud to say that you were once right here in our own beloved little town! Mark your calendars for MISHICOT RIVERFEST--July 26-29-2012

Mishicot village Park. We like it here!

*2012 Festival Chairman -----Rod Scheuer*

