



M.A.G.I.C.

Mishicot Area Growth & Improvement Committee

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MAGIC Annual Banquet Scheduled for April 3, 2016

The Mishicot Area Growth and Improvement Committee's 31st Annual Banquet will be held at Fox Hills Resort on Sunday April 3, 2016. The evening will begin with a social hour from 4:30-5:30pm, the program will begin at 5:30 and dinner will follow at 6pm. Tickets will be on sale at the following locations— Bank First National, Shipbuilders Credit Union, and the Mishicot Village Hall. Tickets must be purchased in advance by March 20, 2016. A slideshow of events in 2015 will be on display and a raffle will be held. Members of the community—volunteers, organizations, and businesses—will be recognized for their 2015 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 a 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
- Community Appreciation

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

Summer Concerts

The 2015 Summer Concert Series was successful again they year thanks to the many volunteers and musicians. Be sure to watch for the 2016 concert schedule in future newsletters. You can also sign up for a concert schedule by emailing magic@mishicot.org and typing Summer Concert Schedule in the subject line; or send your name and address with a note saying you would like to be added to the concert mailing list to MAGIC, PO Box 237, Mishicot WI 54228.

2016 Events Sponsored by M.A.G.I.C.

February 20	Winterfest
March 19	Easter Egg Hunt
May 20 & 21	Village Wide Rummage Sale
May 30	Memorial Day Program
June – August: Wednesday Evenings	Outdoor Summer Concerts
June – October: Wednesday 8am-12pm	Farmer's Market
June 18	Hannahville Bus trip and Pow-Wow
August 4-7	Riverfest
October 15	Pumpkinfest
December 3	Christmas in the Village

Pumpkinfest

Thank you to everyone who came out and enjoyed the 28th Annual Mishicot Pumpkinfest!

Winners in M.A.G.I.C. Baked goods contests include:

- Decorated Cupcakes and Cookies
1st – Fischer Schaus
2nd – Ashley Kane
3rd – Stacey Erdman
- Pies
1st – Virginia Menchl
2nd – Gregory Moore
3rd – Sarah Petska
- Bread & Muffins
1st – Mary Petska
2nd – Emily Novak
3rd – Renee Lemberger
- Decorated Cakes
1st – Krissy Hallwachs
2nd – Sarah & Mary Petska
3rd – Julie Stroess
- Bars & Cookies
1st – Virginia Menchl
2nd – Janna Vandenhouten
3rd – Emily Novak
- Other
1st – Connie Kunz
2nd – Juanita Zenefski
3rd – Clare Pekarek



GRAND CHAMPION DECORATED GOODS: Krissy Hallwachs
RESERVE CHAMPION DECORATED GOODS: Sarah & Mary Petska

Winners in the M.A.G.I.C. Pumpkin Carving Contest include:

- Division 1: Kindergarten & Below
1st – Carly Stroess
2nd – Gracie Goessel
- Division 2: 1st and 2nd Grades
1st – Landen Pekarek
2nd – Caleb Lukasek
- Division 3: 3rd thru 5th Grades
1st – Trevor Miller
2nd – Ava Oakley
3rd – Aaron Wavrunek
- Division 4: 6th thru 8th Grades
1st – Logan Pekarek
2nd – Jacob Finnel
3rd – Jacob Finnel
- Division 5: 9th thru 12th Grades
1st – Brianna Hearly-Bonde
2nd – Wade Brooks – Nehring
3rd – Ben Koeslin
- Division 6: Adults
1st – Justina Pfefferkorn
2nd – Justina Pfefferkorn
3rd – Michelle Bonde



GRAND CHAMPION CARVING: Michael Steeber

Winners in the M.A.G.I.C. Pumpkin Decorating Contest include:

- Division 1: Kindergarten & Below
1st – Parker Turk
2nd – Dane Moore
3rd – Kenley Christoffel
- Division 2:
1st – Owen Moore
2nd – Emma Fictum
3rd – Regan Marquardt



- Division 3: 3rd thru 5th Grades
1st – Logan Marquardt
2nd – Reese Marquardt
3rd – Noah Lukasek
- Division 4: 6th thru 8th Grades
1st – Valentina Stueck
2nd – Robert Steeber
- Division 5: 9th thru 12th Grade
No entries
- Division 6: Adults
1st – Carol Voelker
2nd – Robert Stroess
3rd – Sharon Otte

Winners in the Giant Growers Contest include:

1 st Place Pumpkin	Tracy Carter	DePere	1630 lbs
2 nd Place Pumpkin	John Sikorski	Suring	1533 lbs
3 rd Place Pumpkin	Todd Ellenbecker	Gleason	1305 lbs
4 th Place Pumpkin	Matt Westphal	Marion	1267 lbs
5 th Place Pumpkin	Howell Solivetle	Stoughton	1201 lbs
6 th Place Pumpkin	Candra Carter	DePere	1188 lbs
7 th Place Pumpkin	Mike Kobriger	Chilton	1102 lbs
8 th Place Pumpkin	Derek Sippel	St Cloud	1102 lbs
9 th Place Pumpkin	Shelia Binder	Plymouth	892 lbs
10 th Place Pumpkin	Blake Williams	Marion	890 lbs

Largest Tomato	Margret Martin	Combined Locks	4.50 lbs
Largest Watermelon	Glen & Margret Martin	Combined Locks	125 lbs
Largest Field Pumpkin	Derek Sippel	St Cloud	90 lbs
Largest Squash	Ken & Jesse Williamson	Marion	1183 lbs STATE RECORD
Longest Gourd	Derek Sippel	St Cloud	18 inches
Prettiest Pumpkin	Ken & Jesse Williamson	Marion	

Thank you

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 2015.

Pumpkinfest 2015 posed some additional challenges with the Highway B bridge closure. The Pumpkinfest Committee and the Mishicot Area Growth & Improvement Committee are thankful for all of the extra help communicating the changes to Pumpkinfest due to the bridge closure. We understand many people missed the annual Pumpkinfest parade, but we look forward to it returning in 2016!

We couldn't celebrate Pumpkinfest without you!



Mishicot Auto Sales – New Staff

Mishicot Auto Sales is a one stop shop for all of your vehicle service needs. Our highly qualified team has a collective 80 plus years of automotive experience. Mishicot Auto Sales was founded in 1988, and we still go the extra mile for our customers. We make it convenient for you by offering loaner vehicles while your car is in the shop, pick-up and drop-off service for scheduled repairs or maintenance, 24 hour towing and more. Follow Mishicot Auto Sales on Facebook for more information!

Mishicot Police & Ambulance News

The Mishicot Police Department and the Village of Mishicot would like to welcome new police officer Jacob Schweigl. Jacob is married to his wife, Brittney Schweigl, who works for Manitowoc County as a sheriff deputy. He has a 6 year old daughter Keyarah, who started first grade this year. Brittney and Jacob had a son at the end of October named Greysen. They recently purchased a house. Jacob says he doesn't have much free time, but with the time that he does have, he enjoys spending it with his family, biking, going to the park or spending time outside playing.



The Kettle Range Snowmobile Club would like to thank Theresa Becker for attending the November snowmobile club meeting. Theresa put on a safety demonstration to all of the students discussing first aid. The snowmobile club said "She did an outstanding job" and they thank you for your time and efforts.

Home Delivered Meals & Dining for Seniors

(Contributed by Alyssa Weber, RDN, CD Nutrition Program Director; Aging & Disability Resource Center of the Lakeshore)

Manitowoc County offers a wonderful service to eligible individuals that many may not be aware of, a delicious, hot home delivered meal. Home Delivered Meals are available anywhere in the County. In Mishicot and its surrounding areas meals can be delivered up to 5 days a week. Eligibility guidelines are as follows:

- A person aged 60 years of age or older who is frail and essentially homebound (does not leave home under normal circumstances, flexibility is allowed for appointments), or a spouse of an eligible person regardless of age or condition.
- A disabled individual who resides at home with an eligible older individual participating in the program.

A dining site is also located at the Mishicot Vets Club where meals are served Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays to anyone 60 years of age or older and their spouse regardless of age.

Meals are available to all qualifying individuals on a donation basis regardless of income.

For more information about eligibility and how to get signed up please feel free to call Alyssa at the **Aging & Disability Resource Center of the Lakeshore at 683-4180.**

Little Libraries

Due to the overwhelming support of the little libraries, the Mishicot Village Hall will no longer be accepting books for the little libraries. Anyone wishing to add books should either check the individual libraries to see if there is room for more and deposit them directly or contact Robert Shimek of the Mishicot Lion's Club at 920-973-4577. The Village of Mishicot appreciates the generosity of all those who have donated books. Thank you!!



Mishicot Dental Hosts Easter Egg Hunt

The Easter Egg Hunt will be Saturday, March 19th at Mishicot High School Varsity gym. Doors will open at 9:00, hunt at 10:00. Weather permitting the hunt will be outside. There will be photo opportunities with the Easter Bunny, Mishicot FFA rabbits, face painting and much more! Please note new location this year!

Mishicot Business News

- Butterfly Effekt Massage will be celebrating their 1 year anniversary on January 17. They are celebrating with new rates and new package deals. You can now book your appointment online by clicking on the "Book Now" button on our Facebook page. Contact information is 920-676-8402 (call or text) or email julbaril24@icloud.com
- Lisa's Photo Quilting will be closing after 15 years in business. Here is a message from Lisa: I started my business working out of my home for 4 years. On May 1, 2005 I opened in The Old School and has since moved twice in Mishicot to present address on Main Street. I would like to thank everyone I have worked with throughout these years. It has been a wonderful business for me and for the village, bringing many people from all over the country to visit our small community. I look forward to many new things in my future. Going out of Business SALE starts in February with all inventory of fabrics, shelving units, books & notions, many homemade crates, completed quilts, hutches, fireplace replica, cash register and more! Thank you, Lisa Heyroth of Lisa's Photo Quilting
- Andercraft Woods will be making a Bunny Craft for Winterfest cost is \$5.00 and runs from 8-4. Also on March 12, 8-4 we will be doing a Purple Martin workshop, guest speaker Robert Shimek. For more information contact Sally at Andercraft Woods, 920-755-4289 or andercraft@frontier.com
- Saturday March 5th, 2016. Sock Hop at The Hills Bar and Grill. DJ will begin playing at 8pm, hula hoop contest, dance contest, and costume Judging. Call Fox Hills Resort for more details 920-755-2376 option 1. Visit our website www.foxhillsresort.com.
- Saturday March 19, 2016. Fox Hills Resort will be hosting our Murder Mystery dinner. The event includes a show and dinner. The theme is the fabulous Forties, Chicago and the mob. If you dress up in costume for this event, you might get picked by the actors to be in the play. For more information call Fox Hills Resort @ 920-755-2376 option 1. Visit our website www.foxhillsresort.com.
- January was National Mentoring Month and the Village of Mishicot supported that with a proclamation for Big Brothers Big Sisters of Manitowoc County. You may not know this, but BBBSMC has facilitated the match of volunteers to several children, both within the schools and community. Big Brothers Big Sisters programs across the nation help children develop supportive relationships with positive role models that have direct and lasting impacts on their lives. Littles (children) matched with Bigs (volunteers) are 46% less likely to use illegal drugs, 52% less likely to skip school and 27% less likely to use alcohol. You can become someone's everyday hero by helping BBBSMC recruit 50 Bigs in 50 Days. For more information on volunteering visit www.bbbsmantlycounty.org or call (920) 684-7445.



Village Thank You

The Village of Mishicot would like to extend a special thank you to Charlie and Ann Wilsmann for their 30 years of service as record keepers at the Mishicot Public Cemetery. Mr. David Stowell is taking over the position. We welcome Mr. Stowell to the village and his new position and thank Charlie and Ann for their years of dedication.

Village Hall Repairs Planned

The village hall has been experiencing problems over the past few years with a sewer lateral beneath the village hall front office floor. The situation has gotten to the point where it must be dealt with. Repairs are expected to take place about the week of February 22 and are expected to last about one week, depending upon the weather and the work schedule of the Village Public Works Department. We ask for patience and cooperation from the village residents who may need assistance from village office staff during this time period. The office will be open during the construction. Office staff will be here to assist you.

Historic Mishicot Homes

Historic Mishicot Homes 6th installment (Contributed by Jim Sustman)
315 Spruce Street

The Peter Rau House, located at 315 Spruce Street, across from our Post Office, is commonly referred to as a commercial style home. It was built c. 1870 by Peter Rau, who was born in Germany in 1833 and came to Mishicot in 1848. Here he married Catherine Scheuer, daughter of Nic Scheuer. Together they had six children, all of whom were raised in this house. Peter ran a successful mill in the village, in addition to the mill started by Daniel Smith.



This house of brick followed a number of other brick buildings in the village built around the same time. The first of record was the Bader Hotel (now Cozy corner) built in 1868. Mishicot's first school house, built in 1849, was located at the base of the cemetery hill. When it became overcrowded, the local school board held many meetings to discuss the building of a second schoolhouse. Because Peter Rau was a member of the school board, many of those meetings were held in the Rau house. Eventually, construction of Mishicot's second schoolhouse, a two room building, was completed in 1873 and that building serves today as our museum and research center.

In 1883, the Rau family moved from their house in Mishicot to Two Rivers, where Peter went into the hotel business, operating the Lake House. Over the years since then, the Rau house has been occupied by many different owners, including one for whom it served as a business called The Doll House. Currently it is owned by a party in Two Rivers and is for sale. Its downtown location could serve well for a small business.

This is the 6th installment in a series on Mishicot Homes written by Jim Sustman. Viewers are invited to visit our Historical Museum and Research Center for more information on the history of Mishicot and surrounding areas.

Mishicot Lion's Club – Did you know???

- The Lion's Club built and stocked six little free libraries throughout the community to encourage literacy for all ages in our community.
- Our Lion's Club recently held a vision screening for our Mishicot School District. A total of 5 grades were screened which equals 337 students!
- Lion's provide year long care of flower beds, nativity scene and landscape near the old store in the center of town.
- Lion's Club also sponsors a Badger Boy and Badger Girl. These individuals present their experiences learning about government and networking with other young leaders in the state. 2016 representatives are Zac Fencl and Emily Mowrer.
- Supported a Thanksgiving meal to assist 24 local families in need.
- Partner with the FFA to host a Chili Dinner and use proceeds for community projects.
- Award two scholarships yearly to Mishicot High School seniors. The scholarships are based on financial need and community involvement and service. The 2016 recipients will be selected in spring.
- Donated a bike to the inaugural bike giveaway at Riverfest to promote physical activity for youth in the community.
- Provided funding to bring two governmental speakers in to talk with the community and MHS Social Studies Classes.
- Donated to and assisted with trail clean up of invasive species on the M.E.C.C.A trail behind O.H. Schultz Elementary School.
- Adopted families in need for the holiday season to provide gifts and fresh produce as well as coordinating a local toy drive.
- Donated to Lions Camp, Leader Dog Program, Eye Bank, Hearing Program and Foundation.

Please help support the Lions with upcoming Chili Dinner on 2/9 from 4:30-7 pm, upcoming rose sale, and community fry out in conjunction with the rummage sales on 5/21.

You can become involved with this valuable community organization and start making a difference today by contacting Bob Shimek, President at rrshimek@charter.net or (920)755-4527

Village Clerk News

FROM THE CLERK'S OFFICE . . . WISCONSIN VOTER PHOTO ID IS HERE!!

I am very happy to say that the citizens of the Village of Mishicot have done a fabulous job adjusting to voter registration since its incorporation in 2006. Yes, it really has been ten years! As you know, Voter Photo ID has been passed into law. In addition to voter registration, we must now prepare for Voter Photo ID. Voter Registration and Voter Photo ID are two completely separate matters. As has been the case since 2006, you will still need to show proof of residence to register to vote should you be a new voter, have a change of address, or a change of name, or if you haven't voted in more than four years and have been removed from the voter registration system. If you are properly registered and are on the poll book, you do not need to present proof of residence at an election.

Voter Photo ID is very different from showing proof of residence to register. Voter Photo ID is something you will have to do for every election, every time you need a ballot. For most people, their Voter Photo ID will be a Wisconsin DOT-issued Driver's License, a Wisconsin DOT-issued ID card, a Military ID card, or a US Passport. All must be unexpired or expired after the most recent general election (currently November 4, 2014). There is no formal Wisconsin Voter Photo ID card. The address on your ID does not have to be current. Election officials will only look at your ID type, name, picture, and expiration date. Your name must only conform to your name in the poll book; it does not have to be identical.

There are other acceptable photo ID's. If you are a village resident and need help determining if you have what you need, please contact me as soon as possible for assistance so that you have time to obtain what is needed before Election Day if necessary. Free ID's are also available from the Wisconsin DOT if you happen not to have an acceptable form of photo ID, but it must be applied for in advance.

Absentee ballot requests by mail or email must be accompanied by a photocopy of an acceptable form of voter ID. This will be required only the first time you ask for an absentee ballot by mail, unless you have had a change in name or address. In-person absentee voting in the Clerk's Office will always require presentation of a photo ID, just like at the polls.

There are some voters who are exempt from the Photo ID law. They are as follows: military voters; voters who are permanently overseas; confidential voters; indefinitely confined voters; nursing home and care facility residents.

Under the law, all in-person voters must present photo ID. Please do not ask the poll workers to waive the requirement because they know who you are. In fairness, all voters must be treated exactly the same way. I ask for your patience with me and your poll workers as we implement the new law. You may also find changes at the polling place as we adjust to accommodate you. If you are a village resident and have questions or need help determining if you have what you need to vote, please call my office at 755-2525.

I will be making brochures available in the village in the coming months with more detailed information. You will also find detailed information about the Voter Photo ID law by visiting bringit.wi.gov or mishicot.org under Local Government. For other information on the Government Accountability Board, visit <http://gab.wi.gov> or call the G.A.B. Help Desk at 1-866-VOTE-WIS or 608-261-2028.

2016 Election Dates: February 16, April 5, August 9, and November 8

Yours in service,

Connie Tesarik, Clerk

Mishicot Maintenance–Snow Removal

Hello to all Village of Mishicot property owners. Many questions have come up regarding snow removal policies within the Village of Mishicot. We really got hit with a big heavy storm after Christmas. The following is the village's ordinance concerning sidewalk snow removal.

6.08 Snow and Ice Removal. (1) From Sidewalks. The owner or occupant of any lot abutting on a public sidewalk shall clear the sidewalk of snow within 24 hours after a snowfall and keep the same free of ice. If such snow or ice is not removed as required herein the Public Works Supervisor shall cause same to be done and the cost thereof assessed against the abutting property pursuant to Section 66.60(16), Wisconsin Statutes. (12-03-96)

I would like to add that the entire width of the sidewalk should be cleared.

(2) Deposit in Streets Prohibited. It is unlawful for any person in clearing snow from parking lots, driveways, filling stations, garages, retail stores, apartment buildings, or other areas to pile or distribute snow, or cause snow to be piled or distributed, in a street or alley in any manner that tends to narrow the traveled portion of the street, prevent parking at the curb, or in any other way impede snow removal or create a traffic hazard. Persons having an accumulation of snow that cannot be removed as set forth in the Section shall be responsible for its handling at their own expense without depositing same in the public streets or alleyways. (12-03-96)

Another concern that comes up is in what order the streets get clear of snow. This depends on the amount of snow and the timing of the storm. If the storm is four inches or less and is done by the late evening or early morning hours, all streets are completely cleared by 6:30 a.m. the following morning. If this same size storm continues throughout the morning hours, the heavily traveled streets and school bus route streets are cleared off by 6:30 a.m. to 7:00 a.m. Depending on the amount of snow that will continue to fall throughout the morning these same streets may only have the driving lanes cleared until the storm is over. We have three designated snow clearing routes having three pieces of equipment that are used. Each piece of equipment is best suited to remove street snow in certain designated areas to get the job done as efficiently as possible. Once it is decided that all streets are to have snow cleared, each designated route has a pattern to follow going from one street to the next so that time is not wasted jumping around from street to street. The clearing of snow in front of the ambulance and fire department is included as a high priority.

If we get an extremely large storm like we did after Christmas we do the best to open up the streets that have higher traffic volume. If it is possible we clear the snow off all the streets during the storm so that when the final clearing is done it is a little bit easier to clear the snow. During this last heavy storm this action was not taken because of safety issues concerning parked cars and visibility and the timing of the storm. It took us all of 13 hours to clear all streets from this large snowfall. The one ton truck was too light to move any snow on most streets. The tractor was too light to move snow with the existing 12 foot snowplow so the bucket was put on to open up certain areas down to the pavement. We will be looking at correcting the tractor snowplow size in the future. The International Truck with chains on all tires and seven yards of sand/salt mix for weight was the only piece of equipment that could remove snow in a timely manner.

Another question that comes up often is snow removal on Main Street. It is our policy to generally remove snow on East Main Street first taking the snow from the northeast side and pushing it to the southwest side. We never leave the site having any driveways blocked. If you need to leave during this snow removal, contact the tractor operator and he will gladly open up access to your driveway. The second stage of snow removal is South Main Street from the park and fire station to designated curbed area south of East Church Street. During the time of Main Street snow removal, a maintenance employee is clearing all public sidewalks from snow including the Riverwalk.

The snowstorm after Christmas was one of the most difficult storms since I started working for the village back on January 1st, 1985. The ground was extremely soft and some sod was dug up. We will make all repairs next spring. Also during the time clearing snow after the major storm, your three maintenance people worked 13 to 14 hours each day for 3 consecutive days to provide safe streets. For reasons of employee fatigue and safety we did not work longer hours. The maintenance department has two very recently hired employees, John Tulachka and Adam Schanilec. They're doing a

great job and will give you many good years of service. Both are easy to work with and take their responsibilities very seriously.

Remember that Manitowoc County clears snow on Hwy B, Hwy 147 and Randolph Street. Complaints in this area should be directed to Manitowoc County.

Larry Hlinak
Mishicot Maintenance Department
(920) 973-4698

Mishicot Riverfest

"Mishicot Riverfest, August 4th through 7th 2016 at Mishicot Village Park! Christman Amusements Carnival rides and games, N.E.W. Motorsports truck and tractor pulls, music by Oil Can Harry, Annex, The Del Rays and more, Fireworks each night, Microbeer Tent, Parade, Ultimate Bike Giveaway, Duck Races and much more! Join us for a week of FUN in beautiful Mishicot Wisconsin! Check our Facebook page at "Mishicot Riverfest" for details! Riverfest, August 4-5-6-7-2016! We got-Fun!"

Mishicot Winterfest

Mishicot will be holding the second annual Mishicot Winterfest on Saturday February 20, 2016. The event will be open from 10am – 4pm in the Mishicot Village Park. It will be a family fun day with fun in the snow. Some of the events going on that day include: 2 human foosball courts, longest drive snow golf contest, family dog sled pulls, giant Jenga, sledding, a giant snow sculpture, an ice mosaic wall, food, music and MORE! Please come join us!!!! Andercraft Woods will also be making a bunny craft that day. Cost is \$5 and runs from 8am-4pm





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To support the historical, preservation, growth, and development of the Mishicot Area.

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*“If you can dream it, you can do it”
~Walt Disney~*