

**May  
2017**

# Town of Ellington

## Breakfast on the Farm

**SUNDAY, JUNE 11, 2017**

**Voight Acres, LLC**

**N4405 Rexford Road**

**Shiocton, WI 54170**

**Serving 8 a.m. – 12 p.m.**

**Tickets can be purchased in ADVANCE at Wolf River Bank in New London, Hortonville, and Greenville or Don's Quality Market, Seymour    *Adult \$6 • Child (5-10) \$4 • Child (4 and under) FREE***

### **TICKETS AT THE BREAKFAST**

*Adult \$7 • Child (5-10) \$4 • Child (4 and under) FREE*

### **A PERFECT FAMILY DAY!!**

- Church Service, 7:15 a.m.  
with St. Paul Lutheran Church,  
Stephensville
- Delicious Dairy Breakfast
- Pedal Tractor Pull  
Weigh in 9:30-10:30 a.m.  
Pull at 10:30 a.m.
- Live Music
- Children's Activities
- Inflatables, Face Painting and  
Addie the Cow
- Crowning of the Fairest of the  
Fair
- Ceremony Introducing the  
Voight Family
- Petting Zoo
- Farm Tours

### **Menu**

- Hearty Egg Omelet
- Hash Browns
- Breakfast Ham
- Wisconsin Cheese
- Cinnamon Rolls
- Milk
- Ice Cream



At the annual meeting, there was a consensus from the people attending that they wanted the newsletter to return. I did bring it to their attention that it cost between \$1,000 and \$1,500 every time we sent it out, but they still wanted it sent out. We are going to try to put a newsletter out quarterly. We also have information on our website.

First, I'm announcing the resignation of Marlene Parker, our Town Treasurer. She has resigned due to health issues. Marlene has been on the board for many years, and has done a wonderful job for the town. Claire Baumann was the interim Treasurer until the elections in April, at this time Sherri Fassbender is the elected Treasurer. We would like to thank Claire for a job well done and the time getting everything computerized.

Some of the things we did and are planning to do this year is smear patching. Last year we spent nearly \$50,000 performing this activity. This year we are anticipating spending about the same amount smear patching. We have a road that needs some serious attention. It's life expectancy is used up and we are going to have to smear patch the entire road.

Last year we paved Ellington Meadows at a cost of \$68,525. We also milled and paved various roads in Stephenville. We would like to pave a mile of road this year, which hasn't been determined yet, but have many roads that could use it. The cost of paving has gone up this year due to the rise in oil prices. This project will go out on bids.

The town cut trees and brush within our right of way throughout the town. We had numerous complaints from school buses and milk trucks that trees were hitting the side of their vehicles, and could cause property damage which could cost the town considerable amounts of money if we didn't rectify the problem. We are planning to continue this, but will prioritize which roads need to be done first.

We replaced various failed culverts last year in the town. There was one culvert that the town received County Aid on because of the size of it. Any culvert over 36 inches in diameter can receive County Aid, in which the county paid 50% of the total cost including material and labor to replace it.

The town will continue to mow the ditches twice a year. We mow them in the summer and in the fall of the year. We have been having some problems with stones being thrown into the ditches and has caused damage to our mower. The town went through the township and cleaned up all the stones, but stones have reappeared back in the ditches. If we, the town board, catch anybody putting them in the ditch, we may have no other alternative to clean them up and bill the person that threw them in the ditch.

## News from the Chairman (con't) by Joe Schumacher

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The State of Wisconsin mandates towns to perform a pacer rate on the roadways. This must be done every other year. This is the year for our town. Bridge inspections must be done every other year also, and our town has five bridges that are required to be inspected.

The town has cleaned many ditches last year and is planning to clean out some ditches this year as well. We plan this activity before crop planting is done or after the crops have been taken off. We try to push the dirt back into the fields where it came from. The farmers have been very cooperative with this activity and thank you because this saves the town a considerable amount of money because it saves on trucking costs.

Finally, we are planning to strip the topsoil off the east end of the area between the town shed and the park and place gravel down along with placing a cyclone fence up around this area. At this time we store culverts, end walls for the culverts, along with old cars the fire department practices on. As a town, we are concerned that anyone who rents the park may have a potential of getting hurt if any children climb on it.

## Building Permits

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There were 40 building permits issued for 2016 in the Town of Ellington; 16 were new homes.

## Play Ball!

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The Town of Ellington has two ball diamonds in good playing condition. One is at Farmers Park and the other is located adjacent to the Stephenville Sanitary Plant. Contact Rick or Sherri Fassbender at 757-6986 to schedule playing or practicing times on the diamonds.



## Spring Election Results

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There were 488 ballots cast.

Chairman—Joe Schumacher—388

Town Board Supervisor 1—Bob Prunty—381

Town Board Supervisor 2—Allen Kaddatz—392

Town Clerk—Bonnie Fischer—355; Jeri Bentle—115

Town Treasurer—Sherri Fassbender—297; Claire Baumann—175

Constable—Shannon Lowenhagen—385

Stephensville Sanitary District Commissioner—Rick Fassbender—47

Hortonville School Board—Town of Ellington—Andrea Marcks—179; Paul Thome—162

Hortonville School Board—Town of Greenville—Brett Eidahl—204; Varsha Shah—62

Shiocton School Board—David Gomm—80; Mindy Hofacker—67

State Superintendent of Public Instruction—Tony Evers—288; Lowell Holtz—170

Justice of the Supreme Court—Annette Ziegler—372

Outagamie County Circuit Court Judge, Branch 1—Mark McGinnis—370



## Community Center and Farmers Park Rentals

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Town of Ellington has two very nice facilities available to rent.

Community Center—Indoor facility with a capacity of 150 people. This has a full kitchen and seating for 80 (10 tables with 8 chairs at each). The Community Center is available to Town of Ellington residents only. Fee: \$75 plus \$75 deposit

Farmers Park—Outdoor pavilion with picnic tables. There is no kitchen facility, but has a long serving counter with outlets.

Fee: Town of Ellington residents = \$75 plus \$75 deposit

Non-residents = \$150 plus \$75 deposit

Contact Sherri Fassbender at 757-6986 if you are interested in renting either the Community Center or Farmers Park.



## Ellington Emergency Medical Responders



Seeking Town of Ellington residents looking for a rewarding way to help out our community.

Initial training and certification covered by the Town of Ellington, along with ongoing education.  
EMR Classes held throughout the summer and more beginning in fall.

For more information, please contact EMS Director:  
Rachael Yogerst [ryogerst@new.rr.com](mailto:ryogerst@new.rr.com) or 920.810.1546

To apply, please complete the application found online:  
<http://townofellington.org/uploads/ckfiles/files/Employment%20Application.pdf>

Mail or deliver to:  
Attn: Rachael Yogerst  
W7798 Mason Street  
Hortonville, WI 54944

**Mark your calendars**

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**ELLINGTON FIRE FEST  
SATURDAY, SEPT. 9**



## Notes from the Fire Department by Jim Bentle, Fire Chief

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The members of the Ellington Fire Department and Ellington First Responders hope that all town residents are having a great start to 2017. Summer vacation is almost here and that means kids off of school, camping trips, cookouts, and get togethers with family and friends. The emergency services in Ellington wants everyone to be safe when doing any of these activities.

When doing cookouts or campfires, keep them small and contained in a grill or fire rings. Don't use gasoline or other flammable liquids to start your fires. Vapors that come from these liquids could cause flash burns. If you would get a burn, remember to call for help right away and to put "Cold water on a Hot burn".

When the weather is also nice, everyone wants to get out and ride their bikes or motorcycles. Make sure that when you do ride, you are wearing a helmet. Every year we respond to calls involving bikes or motorcycles where someone wasn't wearing a helmet and their lives are changed forever. When you do any outside activities, make sure to have a phone nearby in case of an emergency. The emergency number for Ellington is "911". This number will get you Fire, EMS, and Police in an emergency. You should post this number along with your address next to each phone in your house so that when other family members or friends from out of this area are over, they know what number to call and what the address is for the emergency.

If you have gone past Farmers Park in the past year, you probably noticed the Smokey Bear sign near the entrance to the park. The fire department applied for and got a Wisconsin DNR grant that helped pay for this sign used to keep the public informed on the wildland fire danger in the area. Everyday the fire department gets an update on current fire dangers at which time members update the sign. Usually during springtime and dry parts of the year is when the signage changes. Here is a list of warnings and their meaning:

LOW—Fuels do not ignite easily and control of a fire is generally easy.

MODERATE—Fuels can start and spread quickly in windy conditions but can generally be easy to contain.

HIGH—Fuels can start easily and readily ignite nearby fuels causing containment of the fire an issue. Fires have to be contained and put out quickly or the fire will become serious.

VERY HIGH—Fuels can start easily and spread rapidly. Fire will be difficult to control and may take time to contain.

EXTREME—All fuel will start quickly and burn intensely. Spot fires are likely. These fires are dangerous and difficult to contain and extinguish. May take days to get complete fire control.

Remember, if you are planning on doing any type of burn to call the fire department first. When you call the fire department officers, they will give you the rules when it comes to burning. Remember, "Burning is a privilege, NOT a Right". The big rule to follow is to watch the fire until it is completely out. If someone drives by and calls in your fire, the fire department will show up and you will be billed for the call.

## Notes from the Fire Department (con't) by Jim Bentle, Fire Chief

The fire department and first responders are always looking for ways to provide better services to our town residents, by continuing to update our equipment and skills. We are always training on new techniques to do our jobs safer. This September 9, we will be having our annual fundraiser and, with your support, we will be able to continue with these goals. We hope to see you there and support our great town emergency services. If you have any questions about the fire department, please contact one of the officers:

Chief—Jim Bentle ..... 757-1778 or 851-0108  
 Assistant Chief—Adam Reichwald ..... 740-4278  
 Captain—John Griesbach ..... 284-8322  
 Captain—Mark Diedrich ..... 740-1366  
 Captain—Kurt Krupka ..... 209-2270



### 2017 Ellington Recycling Calendar

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If you have a problem with your garbage or recycling not getting picked up,  
 please contact the appropriate company:

Garbage—Graichen Sanitation—982-4116  
 Recycling—Inland Service Corp.—759-0501

Sherri Fassbender  
W7826 Mason Street  
Hortonville, WI 54944

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Permit No. 40

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## Town of Ellington

<p>Chairman, Joe Schumacher—739-8567 Supervisor, Bob Prunty—277-4599 Supervisor, Allen Kaddatz—757-5269 Clerk, Bonnie Fischer—757-5333<sub>(office)</sub> or 757-5912<sub>(home)</sub> Treasurer, Sherri Fassbender—757-6986 Constable, Shannon Lowenhagen—851-0809 Fire Chief, Jim Bentle—757-1778 or 851-0108 Asst. Fire Chief, Adam Reichwald—740-4278 First Responder Director—Rachael Yogerst—810-1546</p> <p><b>Any questions concerning assessment of your property, please contact Associated Appraisal Consultants, Inc.—749-1995</b></p> <p><b>Disturbance or Animal Problems</b> Shannon Lowenhagen—851-0809</p> <p><b>Garbage Pick Up</b> Graichen Sanitation—982-4116</p> <p><b>Building Permits</b> For building permits and building inspections, contact Jim Emmons at 779-6810</p>	<p><b>Raft Licenses—Entrance Permits</b> Bonnie Fischer—757-5333 or 757-5912</p>
	<p><b>Road Work and Snow Plowing</b> Joe Schumacher—739-8567 Bob Prunty—757-5981 Allen Kaddatz—757-5269</p>
	<p><b>Taxes and Dog Licenses</b> Sherri Fassbender—757-6986</p>
	<p><b>Community Center—757-5333</b> To rent the Community Center, contact Sherri Fassbender—757-6986</p>
	<p><b>Recycling Pick Up</b> Inland Service Corp.—759-0501</p>
	<p><b>Farmers Park</b> To reserve the shelter or ball diamonds, contact Sherri Fassbender—757-6986</p>
<p><b>Town of Ellington Website: <a href="http://www.townofellington.org">www.townofellington.org</a></b></p>	