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Want to know the latest about HWY 60? Check it out here: <u>wisconsindot.gov</u> To help you get into and out of Hustisford without using HWY 60, check the last page!

The Gateway and Arts Committee is working on three main projects.

Murals: we have had several meetings with the Gillich Brothers and are definitely doing a mural at Kay Brady's Art Studio, 111 N Lake St.

Sculpture: a Giant Pelican Statue is being created by Kay and another artist.

Lighting: Mark Mahan has been diligently working with a source for supplying new street lights for the Tweety Street Bridge with matching Lights for Riverside Park. Hustisford Utilities has given us verbal assurance to install once manufacturer's specifications are supplied and approved. We will be fund raising as soon as we get a bid and approval.

New Members, especially business owners, are welcome as we need feedback on signage and things related to improving Hustisford's curb appeal.

The Pelican Path Trail committee held a public involvement meeting on April 20th at the Hustisford Town Hall. Over 50 interested citizens asked questions about the proposed hiking/biking/snowshoeing/cross-country ski trail. This meeting was part of the route and feasibility study contract with MSA Professional Services of Beaver Dam. MSA briefed us about the four proposed routes, and the pros/cons of each. For the most current information, please go to our Facebook page (Pelican Path Trail). The path has its own website with a link for donations (www.pelicanpath.org)

The committee is also preparing for the Third Annual Wild Goose Chase, a 70 mile fundraising bike ride on the Wild Goose State Trail on June 24th. Registration forms are due June 1st. Please go to our website at <u>http://www.pelicanpath.org</u> for more information on the ride.

Thank you to the very many donors who have made contributions towards the Pelican Path Trail. Donations of both big and small amounts continue, and we are grateful. As we look to the future, we will continue to need all the financial support we can get. If you would like to make a donation, please contact us at <u>pelicanpathtrail@gmail.com</u>.

A very nice article about the path was in January edition of Inspire Magazine: (https://www.facebook.com/InSpireMagazineWisconsin/)

The Hustisford Community Library is excited to announce 4 endowments generously donated by 4 families in our community! The Feller Reading Tree in memory of Marvin and Phyllis Feller, an outdoor bench in memory of Vivian Bogenschneider, a children's outdoor bench in memory of Beth Brugger, and an outdoor butterfly musical play instrument in memory of Verne Hundt. To make the outdoor projects possible, the library is completely replacing the front walkway of the library and extending the paved areas to accommodate these new features. Construction should be completed by May 22nd.

Our next big building project will replace our doors. There are always projects we are working on, from programming to other building needs. We are always looking for donations to fund events and other activities at the library. These donations help us bring more programming to the community, and we are always looking for ideas! So please come by with your ideas on things you'd like to see next.

Summer reading will be starting on June 5th and will continue to August 12th! Come to the library to see all the fun activities we have planned throughout the summer. Our theme is "Find Your Voice" and we will be looking at different forms of expression through music, art, and words.

The library board meets every 2nd Tuesday of the month at 3:30 pm. However, please note our June meeting will meet on the 3rd Tuesday in June, which is the 20th.

Parks, Trails, Nature Group #1 - Neider Park Trail

On March 6th, Rick and Nancy Wood, Jim Murray, Patty Murray, and Mari Kaul met with the Hustisford Village Parks Department to ask permission to construct a trail on the northern wooded area of Neider Park. Hustisford Village Board Members approved the trail on the 13th. The next day, Rick met with Tim Grudzinski at the park to discuss the trail location in the wooded area next to Lake Sinissippi by the boat launch and extending it to the library property. Tim volunteered to cut the trail and completed the work on March 16th.

Rick Wood and Jim Murray cleared the trail of brush, branches and stones. Craig Peckarsky mowed the trail on April 8th.

On April 24th, Rick contacted Cody Vanderhei, Manager at Horicon Public Works Department, to ask if they could provide wood chips for the trail. (Hustisford Public Works Department did not have wood chips then). Cody said yes to providing free wood chips. Two days later, Rick rented a dump trailer paid for by Mocha Vino Bistro (Nick and Amy Stemper). The next day, Rick and John Glowinski went to Horicon Public Works and obtained the wood chips. Horicon Public Works employees loaded the chips onto the trailer. Many trips back and forth were made that day and they piled the chips at Neider Park by the trail.

Rick, Jim and Patty Murray, and Rich Anderson spread the wood chips. Rich brought his tractor with a bucket to make the work easier. They finished spreading the chips on May 13th.

Rick and Nancy Wood donated three benches to be placed along the trail and Mocha Vino Bistro donated a picnic table to be placed at the back of the library property close to the trail.

The trail will be maintained by the Hustisford Parks Department and if more wood chips are needed, the Hustisford Public Works Department will provide them.

A huge thank you to Rick and Nancy Wood, Jim and Patty Murray, Rich Anderson, Cody Vanderhei, Tim Grudzinski, Craig Peckarsky, Nick and Amy Stemper, and John Glowinski! These folks volunteered or donated items at no cost to our project!

We hope the citizens of Hustisford come out and enjoy this wonderful trail at Neider Park. This is just the beginning of our plans for Neider Park. Anyone interested in joining our group please contact Rick Wood, <u>woodfam1980@yahoo.com</u> or John Glowinski, john.glowinski@gmail.com.

Education Focus Group was established to promote the school system and work toward enhancing the buildings within the district. A referendum question on the ballot in April did not pass. The Falcons Forward committee worked to help bring awareness of the referendum and encouraged individuals to get out and vote.

This committee continues to work and focus on promoting schools and public education. The school district will determine the next steps regarding building updates. The needs are not going away and will not lessen. A Capital Improvement Plan will help guide decisions into the future. Immediate needs are the HVAC systems in both schools and a roof at the MS/HS. The school district is financially stable and continues to be a valuable asset in the community.

The school board will continue to work on updating and renovating the schools. The education group will continue to focus on the needs of the schools and the buildings as was identified as a significant need during the original planning charette. If anyone is interested in a tour of the facilities, reach out to the District Office to arrange tours. Now that you've read this whole newsletter, you can head on over to The Mercantile and register for a \$100 drawing.

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