

Village of North Bay

February, 2015 Newsletter

Spring Election– Tuesday, April 7, 2015

Polls are open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the Village Hall: 3615 Hennepin Place. On the ballot are candidates for local governments and school board, plus three elected offices on the Village of North Bay board. They are President, Clerk, and Trustee #3/Constable.

New residents or anyone else planning to vote for the first time in the Village of North Bay will need to complete a Wisconsin GAB-131 Voter Registration Application and be required to prove their resident status by providing any of the documents listed on page 2 of the GAB-131. Here's the link to that form which you can fill in online and print.

http://gab.wi.gov/sites/default/files/gab_forms/4/2gab_131_voter_registration_app_rev_2014_05_flla_19781.pdf

If you get this form to the Village Clerk by March 16 (which is 3 weeks prior to the election), you will be added to the official poll book. This will make voting on April 7 a little quicker. Otherwise, you will have to be manually added to the poll book on the day of the election which is fine, but will just take a little longer. So, either complete the form and take it to the Clerk by March 16 OR just take it with you on Election Day (or fill out one at the village hall on that day) and be sure to bring appropriate identification with proof of address.

Would you like to work at the Election?

Even if you have never done it before, please consider working at the Village polling booth on **Tuesday, April 7**. You'll receive all the training you need during your shift. Poll workers are paid, but more importantly, it's a nice way to meet your neighbors and do your part for our community. A community is much stronger when everyone participates and does his/her share.

Please email the Village Clerk, Alix Sanchez, at vnbcclerk@gmail.com if you are available to work at the polling booth on that day. Shifts are roughly 7-11 a.m./11:30 a.m., 11/11:30-4:00 p.m., and 4:00 - 8:00p.m.

If you own a dog.....

First of all: Please remember that all dogs must be leashed on village streets and public areas, and including in your front yard (unless you have an electric fence.)

Secondly: All owners of dogs in Racine County are required to obtain rabies vaccinations and dog licenses under WI State statutes – Section 174.052. Failure to comply with vaccination requirements may require the owner to forfeit not less than \$50, nor more than \$100 per dog. Additional fines and penalties may be assessed to owners of unlicensed dogs under Racine County statutes. Dog License

forms are available from the Village Clerk (vnbcclerk@gmail.com) or the Village Treasurer, Bob O'Brien at vnbtreasurer@gmail.com or (262) 681-0898. The annual fee is \$25 per dog. Please make checks payable to the Village of North Bay. Unlicensed dogs and dog owners will be reported to the Racine County Sheriff. Payments must be received by April 1; a penalty of \$10 will be applied to late payments (excluding residents new to the village or dogs acquired after this date.)

If you've recently moved here and your dog is currently licensed in another community, please provide the Treasurer with a copy of your license and you will not be required to re-license your pet here for 2015.

Wisconsin State Income Tax Filing

Please remember to indicate on the Wisconsin Income Tax form under 'Tax District' to check Village of North Bay, Racine County and School District Number 4620. This is important for State funding allocations to the Village and School District.

Renovating or Doing Work on your Home?

If so, a permit **may** be required. Please email the Clerk at vnbcclerk@gmail.com with questions.

Do You Need Another Yellow Recycling Bin?

If you need an additional yellow bin, call Johns Disposal directly on 262-473-4700 (or send them a message at <http://www.johnsdisposal.com/contact/> and they'll drop one off to you.

Getting Rid of Old Electronics

Remember that Wisconsin law prohibits electronics (including cell phones, computers, keyboards, TVs, VCRs, flash drives, etc.) from Wisconsin landfills. Read more about the law at dnr.wi.gov/ecyclewisconsin. At this website, you can look for locations to dispose of electronics in Racine County. We've found the easiest place to recycle most electronics is at Best Buy located at 2710 S. Green Bay Road, Racine (Tel: 888-237-8289).

Yard Waste

For our new residents, keep in mind that yard waste is only collected from May through November. We'll provide more information as the weather warms up, but you will need to bag or bundle your yard waste appropriately and attach a green sticker available for \$1 each from any board member.

Spring Potluck

You should have received your invitation for the spring potluck which is scheduled for Saturday, **March 14**. Please remember to RSVP to Beth Schall at bschall28@wi.rr.com or by phone at 262-681-9353. Hope to see you there! It's always a lovely event.

Welcome to the Neighborhood

Please stop by and welcome our new neighbors and don't forget to update your directories!

Jim & Stephanie Martin at 306 S. Vincennes (formerly Tom & Rachel Murphy's) who are thrilled to have bought their first home. Phone: 262-498-8275.

Pastor Gillian Weighton at 3521 Main Street (formerly Jorgenson's). You'll enjoy Gillian's Scottish accent and charm. Phone 414-581-6919.

Bill & Linda Cosban at 3665 North Bay Drive (formerly Cannatas/Gentiles). They've enjoyed coming to Racine from Chicago over the years for boating and are happy to have made the move to North Bay. Phone: 847-397-0172.

Deb Fiddelke at 221 N. Vincennes (formerly Behling/Valentine's). Deb's not going to miss the daily commute from Illinois for her job at SC Johnson. Phone: 312-810-0006.

Aaron Gesicki & Amy Blackburn at 3612 Hennepin (formerly Peter Nilles') moved in last summer from Tennessee and made it into the new yellow directory.

Kevin & Jill Hasseldahl are renting 3664 North Bay Drive while their friends, the Hansings have taken an overseas assignment in Kuala Lumpur.

Nigel Hughes & his wife Melissa Gray are moving in this week from D.C. to 3636 Hennepin (formerly Janecky).

And finally, a Real Turkey, meet **Gertie**, Yes, she is a wild turkey who has been residing in the village over the last few months. She spends a lot of time around the houses on Nicolet near the ravine, but she's been seen all over the village, including at the homes on the west side of Main.

Contact Information for Board Members:

President - Roger Mellem - 681-1176 or vnbpresident@gmail.com

Clerk - Alix Sanchez - 681-3773 or vnbclerk@gmail.com

Treasurer - Bob O'Brien - 681-0898 or vnbtreasurer@gmail.com

Trustee #1 - Dave Arvai - vnbpublicworks@gmail.com

Trustee #2 - Rick Cermak - 898-8942 or vnbwastewater@gmail.com

Constable - Kristin Wright - 681-3062 or holmberg@uwp.edu

Please be aware that the Village Hall phone (262-639-2334) is automatically forwarded to the Clerk's home. Please call this number only between the hours of 9 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.