**Summer 2017** 

# Buildings, plans boost town economy

Business is booming in Belle Plaine, as several large projects shortly after the Rustic burned to the ground on Feb. 19, 2014. are under construction or in the planning stages.

Construction work continues on two new buildings. The new Wolf River Lutheran High School is well under way and is expected to ready for the 2017-18 school year starting in Septem-

The Stockbridge-Munsee project at the intersection of Highways 22 and 29 is also nearing completion. The mall is designed to host up to five stores. A phone call to ask whether any stores are committed to the space was not returned.

Meanwhile, Mike Nelson has announced a possible threestage plan for the former Rustic Resort property on Cloverleaf Lakes. Nelson and his wife, **Stacey**, bought the Rustic property



Work continues on the new Wolf River Lutheran High School next to Boarders Inn at the Highways 22 and 29 intersection.

This spring, the Nelsons acquired the Rustic trailer park that had been run by Chris and the late Razz Dewey, along with the Rustic Resort tavern and hall.

In step one, Mike Nelson said he plans to upgrade the 44unit trailer park, which has both year-round and seasonal mobile homes. Nelson rents out the space and the homes are owned by the residents. He said two lots are available and the rest are filled.

"I want everything neat and clean," Nelson said. House-tohouse garbage pickup is being added and residents will be encouraged to do painting, replace damaged siding and update their homes.

The site includes a private boat landing on Pine Lake and some boat slips are available for rent, he said.

Step two will be to replace the Rustic Resort with a bar and a small hall, he said. Nelson envisions outdoor seating for patrons during summer months as well as food and drink service. The hall will be available for meetings and wedding receptions.

Construction will likely begin next spring. The town has been reserving a beverage license for the site.

A possible step three in Nelson's plan could be to develop a wooded area south of the trailer park into a campground. Much of the area was included in the Rustic property and he has acquired several additional lots that were never developed. Campsites could be developed among the trees with a shower/laundry building added at some point.

Nelson Services is known for performing construction, treecutting and boat storage among other area projects.

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## Best of Wisconsin is theme for July 1 boat parade

What's your favorite thing about Wisconsin? Cheese? The Packers? Badgers? Fishing? Camping? Hunting? Choose from these and so many other possibilities. Then decorate your boat and try for a cash prize in the CLPA Pontoon Parade. Best of Wisconsin is the theme and prizes are \$100, \$75 and \$50.

A busy summer schedule peaks on Saturday, July 1, with Independence Day events. The popular Kiddie Parade will step off at 10 a.m. at the

Cloverleaf Lakes boat launch on Highway Y. Later that day, the Pontoon Parade will circle the lakes starting at 6:30 p.m. off Gibson Island. Participants and spectators are asked not to fire water balloons that would endanger people.

Golfers get to join the fun when the annual Jim Aumann Golf Outing tees off at Clintonville Riverside Golf Course on Saturday, July 22.

The Cloverleaf Lakes Triathlon will begin at 9 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 2.

## Wet weather challenges town's farmers

#### **By Alvin Bartz**

This has been a challenging year for farmers with usually very short windows for planting between rains. There are still some crops to be planted. First crop hay had limited opportunities many of the projects were planned last fall, ahead of stricter reto cut and harvest, almost impossible to get dry hay.

**Dick Hesse** is well on his way to moving along all of the town's roads. We usually try to finish by July 4. Unless we get more weather issues, he should finish ahead of schedule.

We continue to have problems with road sign vandalism in certain areas. The signs are most often pushed over by pickup trucks, then stolen. We have not been able to arrest anyone but we have reason to believe it is a local problem.

Our road rebuilding projects are scheduled for mid-July. The Wisconsin Avenue section south of Highway 22 is scheduled for construction and we will make a final decision on another section soon. We will again do crack-filling on a number of roads, usually newer blacktop.

Building construction has been a little slower this year, as

### Belle Plaine chairman's message

strictions on water setback and impervious surface rules.

It's not too early to think about entering the competition at the Shawano County Fair over the Labor Day week. The town sponsors a booth in the farmers building for vegetables, for those who garden. A handout is available to help you prepare your entries. Contact Bonnie Olson or Rich or Judy Pahlow if you have questions. There are also crafts, photography, art, sewing, honey, woodworking and other projects.

An entry sheet usually has to be in around Aug. 1. Have a safe summer!

Note: Town Board meetings now begin at 7 p.m., rather than 7:30 p.m. the second Monday of each month. All meetings are open to the public at the Community Center on Highway 22.

#### Belle Plaine town notebook

\* The Shawano Area Fire Department is seeking firefighters for its Shawano, Belle Plaine and Wescott stations. Stop at Auto Prep, 220 North Main St., next to the Shawano fire station, and see Lt. Mark Retzlaff for an application.

\* Summer hours for the Collection and Recycling Center on Cloverleaf Lake Road are on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Wednesdays from 1 to 3 p.m.

People with large items such as furniture, TVs or building materials are encouraged to take the items to the Shawano City Landfill. There is a small fee. Hours are 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday and 8 a.m. to noon Saturdays. The Belle Plaine Recycling Center does not accept those items.

\* Reservations are being taken for the Community Center and the Round Lake Park picnic shelter. The facilities can be

rented for \$50. See the town clerk for details.

\* The Town Board has renewed alcoholic beverage licenses effective from July 1 to next June 30.

Class B combination licenses include Mickster's Pub and Grill, Break-A-Way, Lake Aire Supper Club, ECWLH Hotel Group for Boarders Inn & Suites, Club 22, Butch's Archery and Mike Nelson for a building to be built at W8466 Rustic Drive.

Class B fermented malt beverage license is for Cloverleaf Shakes, W8466 Highway Y.

Class A license for sale of liquor and beer: 22 Shell and Witt's Sausage Haus.

\* Town clerk **Kristine Vomastic** holds regular office hours from 4 to 6 p.m. Mondays and 8:30 to 11 a.m. Saturdays. Treasurer Kay Kristof is available at the Community Center every other Wednesday 3-5 p.m. or by appointment.

#### **Belle Plaine officials**

Alvin Bartz, chairman Harold Polzin, supervisor Dennis Thornton, supervisor Kristine Vomastic, clerk Kay Kristof, treasurer

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#### Town clerk's hours:

4 to 6 p.m. Monday; 8:30 to 11 a.m. Saturday or by appointment

#### Regular Town Board meetings:

Second Monday of each month, 7 p.m.

#### **Committees:**

Planning, Zoning, Gibson Island Stewardship

Population estimate: 1,855

## New members joining the CLPA board of directors

#### **By Dennis Thornton**

For the first time in three years, the Cloverleaf Lakes Protective Association has new members on its board of directors. Both are part-time lake residents and bring outstanding qualifications to the board.

**Christopher Sampson** recently retired from a position of communications director at the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay. He and his wife **Carolyn** and two sons live in Green Bay and have owned a cottage on Pine Lake for more than a decade.

Jessica Meier grew up on the lakes as the daughter of **Don** and Jeanne Yeager, graduated from Shawano High School and the University of Wisconsin. She and her husband **Brent** and two children live in Appleton, where she is a vice president of a bank. They own a second home on Grass Lake.

At its June meeting, the board re-elected **Dennis Thornton** as president, **Joe Mass** as vice president and **Carol Wegner** as secretary. **Jessica Meier** was elected treasurer.

Two board members are leaving us to do more traveling around the U.S. and the world.

The board would like to recognize **Fran West** for her 18 years of service on the board, including many as treasurer, and confer an honorary Emeritus title to her. That means she can continue to serve as an advisor and share her expertise.

**Pam Bruecker** is also stepping down but also will have Emeritus status. She has served as treasurer for the past three years. The duties have increased significantly since we received 501 (c)(3) tax deductible status. Thanks to you, she has processed more than 200 checks each year as well as paying our bills.

### CLPA president's message





Sampson

Meier

\*This is the third and final year of the town's grant under the DNR Healthy Lakes program. Ten residents added shoreland restoration projects over the last two years. You can enjoy the scenic beauty of the wildflowers as you take a boat ride around the lakes.

We still have money available for a few more projects. <u>Such a deal.</u> For a standard 350 square foot wildflower garden on your shore, you pay just 10 percent – and we hire the planning and planting to be done for you, with your approval. The grant pays 75 percent and the lake association pays 15 percent. So the cost to you will be about \$100.

#### Belle Plaine news

### Long Lake group meets June 24

The Long Lake Association will hold its annual meeting on Saturday, June 24, starting at 9:30 a.m. at the Imago Dei Church Camp. A potluck picnic will be held after the meeting.

Topics will include a dozen "fish sticks" placed in the lake during the winter, a DNR fish shocking project and a new shoreland restoration grant program, according to President **Bob Kreider.** 

### Aumann Golf Outing July 22

The fifth annual **Jim Aumann** Memorial Golf Outing is planned for Saturday, July 22, at Clintonville Riverside Golf Course. Registration is from 11 to 11:45 a.m., with a shotgun start at noon, and a dinner, awards and raffle at 5 p.m.

The \$75 fee includes 18 holes of golf with a cart, lunch and dinner, as well as contests and prizes. Extra dinner tickets are available for \$25.

The entry form can be printed off the CloverleafLakes.com website. Or contact Bob Gross by July 14 at E10936 County Road C, Clintonville. His phone is (715) 853-2356.

In its four years, the group has donated more than \$11,000 to lake area groups, including the CLPA.

Jim Aumann was a founder and organizer of the golf outing for more than 15 years.

### Baenen is Bellin Nurse of the Year

**Donna Baenen**, who graduated from Shawano High School in 1983, has been named 2017 Nurse of the Year and recipient of the **Carol and Bob Bush** Excellence in Nursing Award for her work at Bellin Hospital in Green Bay.

Baenen grew up in the Town of Belle Plaine, eldest of five daughters of **Don and Diane Brandl.** They owned Belle Plaine Cheese Factory, which is now a cheese store. All the girls worked in the cheese factory when they were growing up.

Baenen has been a nurse for 30 years, the past 26 years at Bellin, where she is a staff nurse in the emergency department. She and her husband, **Pete**, have three children and live in Green Bay.

## DNR officials highlight CLPA annual meeting

Cloverleaf Lakes Protective Association Annual meeting minutes

May 27, 2017, Round Lake Park, 10 a.m.

**Attendees:** Board members Dennis Thornton, Joe Mass, Carol Wegner, Dick Thurow, Fran West and 37 members.

#### **Introductions:**

Dennis Thornton welcomed the members of the CLPA; board members were introduced.

#### Featured speakers:

DNR Warden Mark Schraufnagel gave an update on local boating rules, life jacket rules and bear population. The DNR has been shorthanded in the area but we now have two new wardens in Shawano County. Mark works in Waupaca County and southern Shawano County.

New DNR Fish Biologist Jason Breeggemann talked about the fish counts on our lakes taken this spring by netting and electroshocking. More walleyes will be stocked this year.

#### Official business:

Minutes of the May 28, 2016 meeting were distributed. Steve Joosten moved, Sandy Mass seconded approval of the minutes, motion carried.

Dennis Thornton reviewed the treasurer's report. We have 199 members with \$15,000 in extra contributions. Major expense was \$35,000 for milfoil treatment last year. Kris Doan moved, Steve Joosten seconded approval of the treasurer's report, motion carried.

Fran West and Pam Bruecker, who are retiring from the board, were appointed emeritus board members. Carol Wegner presented Fran with a certificate for her 18 years on the board. Pam received her certificate later.

Dennis Thornton recommended nomination to the board of new members Jessica Meier and Christopher Sampson. No additional nominations. Steve Joosten moved, Bob Tomczyk seconded the nominations, motion carried.

#### **Reports:**

Joe Mass reported on the application of chemicals to fight invasive species. Joe and Dick Thurow did 20 weeks of water testing after the application of chemicals and sent in 66 samples to a lab.

Bob Tomczyk introduced the Welcoming Committee. Members include Molly Joosten, Arlene Schabo, Donna Loesl, Sandy Mass and Carol Wegner. New lake residents receive welcome packets including maps, local information and gift certificates. Support is provided by local businesses such as Lake Aire, Micksters, Badger Tap, Club 22, Cloverleaf Shakes and Break-A-Way among others.

Dennis Thornton reviewed the Healthy Lakes program of shoreland restoration and fish sticks, which were placed by the Sportsman's Club.

Our lake Master Plan needs to be updated.

**Activities update:** 

Joe Mass said that Danee Collier has been hired as boat monitor for the summer.

Joe Mass and Dick Thurow continue water testing on the three lakes once a month beginning in May. Results are sent to the UW-Stevens Point and the DNR for analysis.

Dick Thurow continues to trap problem muskrats as needed, although the population is down. Traps must be set under water in the travel lane. Dick also indicated there are two baby bald eagles this year. He said the trail on Gibson Island is open for the season.

Steve Joosten indicated Fourth of July activities will be held on Saturday, July 1. The Kiddie Parade will begin at 10 a.m. and treats and ice cream will be provided. The Pontoon Parade begins at 6:30 p.m. Cash prizes are awarded for decorated boats. We have had a small number of boats of late. Sandy Mass suggested a theme of Best of Wisconsin and it was accepted. Joosten said water balloons should not be thrown at boats.

Bob Gross announced the Jim Aumann Memorial Golf Outing will be held Saturday, July 22, at the Clintonville golf course. Lunch, dinner, prizes on holes and a raffle are available. Sign-up forms were given out. Even if you do not golf, there is a dinner and raffle. Bob presented a check for \$750 to the CLPA from last year's outing.

Shad Krueger proposed a program of loaner life jackets as a Boy Scout project. CLPA will support the program.

Craig Ford reviewed the programs sponsored by the Belle Plaine Sportsman's Club for local youth. Projects include pheasant hunting, ice fishing, trap shooting, archery and deep water fish sticks.

At 11:25 a.m., Joe Mass moved to adjourn, Dick Thurow second, motion carried.

Recorded by Carol Wegner, secretary





Fran West, left, and Pam Bruecker were named emeritus members of the CLPA board of directors at the annual meeting. They did not seek re-election to the board this year.

## There are lots of fish in the lakes, DNR study finds

#### By Chris Sampson

Fishermen gearing up for another big year on the Cloverleaf Lakes are reminded that new bag limits on panfish remain in effect for 2017.

The DNR introduced the changes last year as a way to address concerns the lakes' abundant bluegill population no longer contained many, if any, sizeable fish.

Fisheries biologists and local property owners and sportsman's group endorsed the change, which keeps the total daily bag limit at 25 panfish per person but allows the daily harvest of only five bluegills or pumpkinseeds of 7 inches or longer.

With anglers focusing a greater share of their fish-fry harvest on the more plentiful 6- to 7-inch fish — a size most anglers tell the DNR they still consider "keepable" — it is hoped enough

larger bluegills survive to pass along their superior genetics and improve the overall size structure. (The new rules do not apply to the Cloverleaf Lakes' other species governed by the 25-panfish aggregate limit. There remain no size limits on crappie, perch or rock bass.)



Breeggemann

Jason Breeggemann, senior fish biologist for the local DNR, says patience is key. Efforts to protect the larg-

er fish might not be evident until several years of growth.

Breeggemann was the featured speaker on April 25 at the monthly meeting of the Belle Plaine Sportsman's Club held at Butch's Archery. Among topics he addressed:

April netting on the Cloverleafs involved 10 days with five test nets in Grass Lake, two in Round Lake and one in Pine Lake. Crews focused their attention on dark-bottom shallows most likely to warm early and attract spring spawners such as musky, northern pike and walleye. Crews handled 42 muskies ranging up to 48 inches and 30 pounds in size. They captured a slightly smaller number of northern; Breeggemann estimated a population of only 1 to 1.5 fish per acre, a low-density number in keeping with recent fisherman complaints of dwindling results. Walleye netting was also a possible concern. Fewer than a dozen fish were sampled, mostly juveniles in the foot-long range (although one old male, 26 inches, was netted near the Pine Lake outlet). But later, on a night of fish shocking on Pine and Grass Lakes, he said more than 30 walleyes were found.

Breeggemann did follow-up electroshocking in May, and won't have a more comprehensive report on the Cloverleaf fishery until this fall. The shocking provides additional data on panfish and the species mentioned above and, most significant, allow an assessment of largemouth bass, the system's most abundant game fish. Bass are notoriously "net shy" and often go uncounted in the earlier sampling.

Three dozen of the muskies handled this spring were tagged with electronic PITs (Passive Integrated Transponders), which in

subsequent years will allow DNR netters to use bar-code readings to quickly and easily identify recaptured fish. The aim is to create a precise database of growth rates and health of the fishery.

The Cloverleaf Lakes are due a 2017 stocking quota, supplies permitting, of 1,000 northern pike (fall fingerlings averaging 8 inches in length) and 3,200 walleyes (fall fingerlings, 6-inch size).

Breeggemann said he and local water-quality officials are beginning to research a proposal that "deep-water fish sticks" be added to the Cloverleaf Lakes, and whether grant funding might be available. At depths of 15 to 20 feet, the new structures would introduce a new habitat to complement last year's project involving the placement of downed trees in shallow shoreline areas to create spawning and nursery areas.

Breeggemann handed out business cards and encouraged members of the Belle Plaine club to contact him with any questions or comments, at Jason.Breeggemann@wisconsin.gov. He is new to the DNR this year, succeeding former longtime fishery manager Al Niebur, who accepted a promotion as regional fishery manager based in Wausau.

Breeggemann earned his Ph.D. in fisheries management at South Dakota State University, specializing in walleye size and age research. He holds a master's from UW-Stevens Point and a bachelor's from the University of Minnesota.

### Scout project could save lives

Don't have a life jacket and want to go boating? **Shad Krueger** may have a life-saving solution, literally.

Krueger is planning to set up a Life Jacket Loaner Board at the boat landing on Grass Lake as part of his Eagle Scout projects. The CLPA and town will partner with the Department of Natural Resources in the project.

Boaters who arrive at the landing and realize they don't have enough life jackets for everyone on board can borrow them and return them when they leave the lake. There will be no charge



Krueger

and return of jackets will be on the honor system..

There are currently 97 stations around the state, according to the DNR. The department provides construction materials, signs and personal floatation devices.

Wisconsin reported 108 boating accidents in 2016, including 21 fatalities. Only 19 percent of victims were wearing a jacket and 76 percent were not wearing a life jacket, with 5 percent unknown.

Krueger is the son of **Shane and Shelley Krueger**, who live on Round Lake Drive.

## German food is the draw at town's Club 22

#### By Joan Sousek

Club 22 opened in 1938 and **Tom and Mary Smits** have been the proprietors since 1989 after buying the business from **Marge Pahlow.** 

Still in the same location, N3925 Friendship Circle in the Town of Belle Plaine, the club offers traditional supper club fare along with German entrees every day but Friday, when fish is featured.

Mary's brother, **Joe Reinert**, is the manager and they grew up in the Shawano area.

The Smits owned a furniture store and security company in Green Bay, had a summer home at Cloverleaf Lakes, and had dined at Club 22 several times.

Tom says he had a "bit of an interest in a supper club," while Joe had experience cooking and tending bar, so when the Smits saw Club 22 was for sale, they purchased it and brought Joe in to manage it.

The club draws customers from throughout Shawano County as well as other localities in the area, and attracts some travelers.

The dining room seats 50 to 60 people.

The classic curved bar has real leather trim and 15 bar stools. There is seating for about 25 people at nearby tables. The back bar has a centered, round mirror and late art-deco elements. It was made by Chadwick Company of Coleman.

Many types of beer are available and old-fashioned cocktails are popular, Tom says.

The club has not had additions, but the Smits did interior upgrades when they bought it, maintaining a country, casual atmosphere.

Prime rib is featured Wednesdays and Saturdays and all-you-



Club 22, located on Highway 22, serves diners Tuesday through Sunday, 4:30 p.m. to close. It is closed Monday.

can-eat fish is served Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.

Tom says, "I'll be a little bold and say our German food is second to none and our salad bar is one of the nicest in the area." He adds that he and Mary check out the competition periodically.

Good food is the number one reason for the restaurant's success, along with great staff,

Tom says.

The club takes reservations, offers carry-outs, and, on average, has two to three group events per month. With advance notice, Joe will offer three or four different entrees from the menu for a larger group.

"When you have 25 or 30 people or more, you want to narrow it down so you're not doing 100 different things," he explains.

Joe does some cooking and manages a staff of 13 part-time servers, cooks and bartenders.

## New boat monitor offers gifts to arriving boaters

**Danee Collier's** main job as boat monitor on Cloverleaf Lakes is to educate boaters and help prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species such as Eurasian Water Milfoil and zebra mussels.

But she also gets to give boaters gifts — with a message. The Town of Belle Plaine, which owns the boat landing on Highway Y, is participating in the Drain Campaign. For that effort, during June she will be passing out free ice packs to anglers to substitute for keeping fish in water. Anglers are encouraged to drain their boats' livewells to prevent transfer of zebra mussels to other lakes.

The Landing Blitz is planned for the week of July 1-7 and the prize for boaters will be a

towel that includes a message about invasive species prevention: "Prevent aquatic hitchhikers. Stop. Remove. Drain."

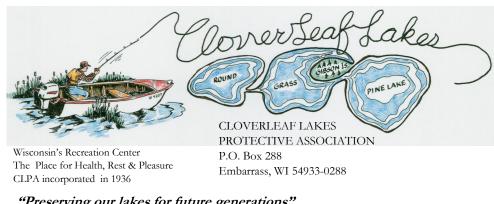
Other recommended steps include never move live fish away from a waterway, dispose of leftover bait in the trash and buy minnows from a Wisconsin bait dealer, using them on only one lake.

Danee Collier, daughter of **Daniel and Diane Collier** who live on Chipmunk Drive, recently graduated from Bonduel High School. She plans to attend, and play basketball for, Madison College in the fall.

She works 30 hours a week, primarily on weekends, to greet boaters and record data for the DNR's Clean Boats Clean Waters plan.



**Danee Collier** 



"Preserving our lakes for future generations"

Lake Address: Telephone: Home Address (if different): I would like to make a tax-deductible donation of TOTAL ENCLOSED

If you haven't paid your 2017 dues, please make your check for \$25 payable to Cloverleaf Lakes Protective Association, fill out and clip this form, and send it to CLPA, P.O. Box 288, Embarrass, WI 54933-0288. The membership is for the calendar year 2017. Please consider making a tax-deductible donation.

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## More CLPA 2017 members, donors

The following made donations to the CLPA or paid for 2017 memberships as of June 10. Members and donors who were listed in the winter and spring newsletters are not included here.

#### \$750 Hickory

Jim Aumann Memorial Golf Outing

#### \$150 Cedar

Dan Parr and Linda Altman

#### \$100 Pine

Greg and Midge Anunson Julie Lichtenberg, in memory of Don Lichtenberg Mike Nelson, Nelson Services Dawn and Kevin Prien \$75 Spruce

Steve and Harriet Schauder

#### \$50 Ash

Gerald and Darlene Breuer Habeck Family in memory of Debbie Kristof Kevin and Debbie Koontz Tom and Bev Miller Joyce Tagliapietra Mark Thomas Bob and Judy Tomczyk Gordon Zachow

#### Other

Donna Loesl Al and Kathy Rozmarynoski Members \$25

Liz and Jeff Coney

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Miles Winkler, left, DNR water management engineer, lines up surveying equipment to reset water level measurements on the new culvert on Highway Y by the boat launch site. Scott Koehnke, right, DNR water management specialist, marks the elevation on the culvert. The culvert has been the official lake level bench mark, which had to be reset after the culvert was replaced last year. Official levels in feet above sea level are: marked bolt: 800.44; high water: 799.88; normal: 799.58; low: 799.28.

#### Belle Plaine calendar

July 1: CLPA Kiddie Parade, 10 a.m., starting at boat launch

**July 1:** Pontoon Parade, 6:30 p.m. starting at Gibson Island

July 10: CLPA board, 9 a.m., Community Center July 10: Town Board, 7 p.m., Community Center July 22: Jim Aumann

Memorial Golf Outing, noon, noon, Clintonville Riverside Golf Course

**Aug. 14:** CLPA board, 9 a.m., Community Center

**Aug. 14:** Town Board, 7 p.m., Community Center

**Sept. 2:** Cloverleaf Lakes Triathlon, 9 a.m.

**Sept. 11:** CLPA board, 9 a.m., Community Center **Sept. 11:** Town Board, 7

p.m., Community Center

Oct. 1: Cloverfest Run/ Walk, 10 a.m., Rustic