

Yorkville News

Dates to remember

- Saturday, April 4-Road tour
- Tuesday, April 7- Election
- Tuesday, April 21- Annual Meeting
- Monday, May 25 Memorial Day- Office Closed
- Friday, July 3rd- Office closed for holiday

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Implements of Husbandry and Agricultural Commercial Vehicles

The Yorkville Town Board adopted new weight limits on December 22, 2014 for Implements of Husbandry (IoH) and Agricultural Commercial Vehicles (CMV's). The newly adopted weight limits for total gross vehicle weight vary but are based on the number of axles on the IoH or CMV (or vehicle-trailer combination) and the spacing between the foremost and rearmost axles on the IoH or CMV (or vehicle-trailer combination). The table where you can view these weight limits can be found at <http://www.dot.wisconsin.gov/business/ag/docs/tbl-weight.pdf>.

The newly adopted per axle weight limit is a universal 23,000 pounds (11.5 tons). If axles are closer together than 42 inches, then the axles' weight must be combined and treated as one axle for the application of this weight limit. Any IoH or CMV (or vehicle-trailer combination) in excess of either of these weight limits will need to apply for a no-fee permit from the Town to receive permission to operate on Town roads; if the distance driven on Town roads in a single trip is greater than one half mile. These no-fee permit applications can be found at www.townofyorkville.com. Please contact the Town if you have any questions regarding these new weight limits and to inquire whether a no-fee permit is required.

Annual Town Elector Meeting

The Town of Yorkville's Annual Town Elector Meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 21, 2015, in the Town Board Room at the Union Grove Municipal Center at 925 15th Avenue. The board room is located on the east end of the second floor. There is an elevator available on the west end of the building (near the main entrance) for your convenience.

The tentative agenda includes reading and approval of last year's meeting minutes, presentation of annual reports on various issues (including the auditor's report on the financial status of the Town (see Page 7 for a copy of the audited 2014 General Fund balance), scheduling of the 2016 Annual Town Elector Meeting, and any other business as permitted by State law. Please contact the Town office for a copy of the agenda.

CENTRAL RACINE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT WELCOMES TOWN OF YORKVILLE

The Central Racine County Health Department (CRCHD) is pleased to provide public health services for the Town of Yorkville as of January 1, 2015. The CRCHD jurisdiction includes all of Racine County except for City of Racine, Wind Point and Elmwood Park. Our mission is to improve the health of the communities we serve through health promotion, disease prevention, and protection from health and environmental hazards. We monitor health concerns of entire communities and aim to prevent health problems before they occur.

The relatively recent increase in life span can be attributed to public health interventions that prevented disease. For example, public health identified that polluted water and lack of proper waste disposal caused illness and death due to waterborne and intestinal diseases. This discovery led to chlorination of drinking water and sewage treatment. In addition, public health successes such as vaccination programs, road traffic and occupational safety policies, and food safety standards have all increased the length and quality of life. If you paused for a moment and considered the statistics about how many more lives would have been lost if there were no seat belts in cars, no vaccines for children, no food safety standards in restaurants, or misused car seats for infants, then you can begin to appreciate the role that public health has in our communities.

At CRCHD, our perspective is that “success is sometimes measured by what does not happen.” To this end, we will work with you through our broad array of environmental health, community health and preparedness programs to prevent disease and promote well-being. In the upcoming months, you can expect to learn more about the specific list of services that CRCHD provides to meaningfully serve the health of your families and neighbors. At this beginning juncture, we simply want to communicate that we are looking forward to working with you and we hope you will contact us for any questions or issues. Reach us by phone at 262-898-4460; learn about our services on our website: www.crchd.com; like us on Facebook; and/or follow us on Twitter.



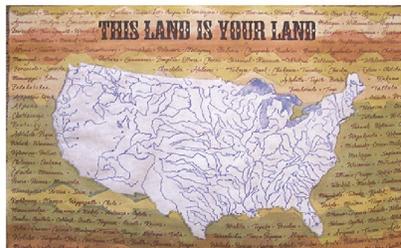
Greater Union Grove Area Chamber of Commerce



**RACINE COUNTY
BUSINESS
RESOURCE
EVENT**
CONNECTING PEOPLE, IDEAS, AND RESOURCES
FOR RACINE COUNTY BUSINESS SUCCESS

April 16th 3-7 at Ironwood Chophouse

Business owners do not want to miss this event! This multi-chamber event will bring all of Racine Counties free/low cost resources to one location so you can grow your business. Speakers are scheduled beginning at 3pm with a Keynote speaker at 5pm. Contact your Chamber for more information.



2015 4th of July Parade Theme

We know it's cold, but it's time to start planning you float in this year's 4th of July Parade. "THIS LAND IS YOUR LAND" will be the theme. We are excited to see all of the creative entries! We are once again sponsoring an essay contest for 5th - 8th grades. As always, volunteers and donations are welcome and appreciated! *This year's Parade will be on Saturday, July 4th.*



**October 24th 10am - 10pm
October 25th 11am - 5pm**

The 2014 Great Pumpkin Fest was a smashing success, so we are growing this year's event to include: More Chucking; More Contest; Kids activities; More Food & vendors; & Live Music. **Pumpkin Chucking is a great S.T.E.M. (*science, technology, engineering, mathematics*) activity for youth. Start planning your chuckers today!



Leadership Union Grove is Recruiting for Class of 2015/2016

LUG is a community-based leadership program sponsored by the Greater Union Grove Area Chamber of Commerce and partners dedicated to developing caring, concerned and committed leaders. To find out more visit: www.leadershipuniongrove.org or email ugchamber@att.net.

Central Racine County Health Department Travel Health Tips

Whether you're taking a weekend trip "up north," spring break in another part of the country, or summer vacation overseas, planning for your health is as important as packing your suitcase. Travelers may get sick or injured without warning, and you should know how to get care when you're away from home. Do you know the location of the nearest urgent care or hospital? What diseases are common where you are traveling and how do you prevent them? Protecting yourself from illness may be as simple as packing and using sunblock and bug spray, but some trips may require a little more preparation.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommend seeing your doctor or visiting a travel clinic 4-6 weeks before your trip. The healthcare provider will be able to recommend and give vaccines or other preventive medicines to protect you against certain diseases common to your travel destination. The recent measles outbreak in the U.S. is a reminder that diseases like polio and measles are rarely seen here but are "only a plane ride away." It isn't safe to assume that you're protected unless you have a written medical record of vaccination or a history of disease. Even if you have had routine childhood immunizations, there may be additional vaccines you need specific to an overseas area.

Pack a travel health kit with first aid supplies. Include extra prescription medication in case of travel delays. Pack over-the-counter medicine for things like pain and diarrhea. Carry a card that identifies your blood type, chronic illness, medications, and any allergies you have. Consider travel health and evacuation insurance. If you're traveling overseas, register with the US Embassy in your destination country. They can help you locate medical services and notify your family and friends in an emergency.

In developing countries or areas off-the-beaten-track, be careful about what you eat and drink. Bottled water and food that is cooked and served hot are generally safe. Be careful about tap water, ice, and raw fruits and vegetables which may be contaminated and cause severe diarrheal diseases like typhoid fever and Hepatitis A. If you are not feeling well after your trip, avoid contact with other people and talk to a doctor. Be sure to tell them about your travel, where you were, what you did, and note if you were bitten or scratched by any animals or insects while traveling.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Traveler's Health website has up to date information on travel health. Look up <http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel>. At this site, you can enter the area you will be traveling to and receive specific advice on health advisories, recommended vaccines and medications. Safe and healthy travels!

Union Grove Park and Recreation

Spirit Team and dance classes - new session starting late spring/early summer, Saturday mornings 10-12am. Ages 4-13 \$65 per participant

TKD-Taekwondo classes run at the village hall community room every Tuesday and Thursday night from 5-7pm. For ages youth or adult. Stop by a class and get more info on signup and costs.

Summer Soccer registration will be in May. Registration fee is \$65 for kids ages 4 years old-8th grade. Program will run from end of July to October.

We are joining forces with Mad Science Company to offer some summer youth science camps for ages 5-12:

June - 24 1-5pm Bubbles, smoke and explosion

July - 22nd Hovercraft camp

August - 12th Science, Mysteries and Magic

Cost will be \$50 per camp. If interested in discounts, we offer an early registration fee of \$45 for each class, if registered by May 1st. Or if you want to do all 3 classes, the price is \$135. Camp will be held at the old grade school park pavilion area. Registration forms will be coming home from local schools. You may also sign up at the Village Hall any time.

Graham Public Library, 1215 Main Street in Union Grove, offers the following programs and classes. Please call the library at 878-2910 for registration information. Find us on Facebook or on our website: www.uniongrove.lib.wi.us

FREE WI-FI available!

Adult Programming

Village Ink Writer's Guild Tuesday evenings 6:30 – 8:00 pm. Bring your poetry, short stories, spoken word, prose, and inspiration. Join us in creating a vibrant and supportive community of writers. We look forward to connecting with you! This group is an opportunity for creative writers to come together and support one another as we take risks and develop skills and confidence as writers. We will hold open meetings to share our writing art and inspire one other.

Mother's Day Container Gardening Workshop Thursday, May 7th, at 6:00 pm Women of all ages are welcome to our **FREE** container gardening workshop. Plant tomatoes and receive helpful nutritional information along with recipes. **Funds for materials provided by The Women's Farm Bureau and the Racine Potpourri Garden Club.** Registration required by Friday, May 1st.

Free Movies Throughout the year, the library will show free movies for children and adults. **Concessions sold before the movie begins.** No carry ins allowed.

Children's Programming

Summer Reading Program

Summer will be here before you know it! The library would like to remind all families about its summer reading program. It includes special performances, as well as reading incentives to children who complete reading records. The program kicks off on Monday, June 8th. All reading records must be turned in by Friday, July 31st. This year's theme is **"Every Hero Has a Story!"** Children 12 years and younger are invited to participate. Activities take place on Tuesday mornings at 10 am in the gym at Union Grove Elementary School. No registration is required. The lineup of performers is as follows:

Tues. Jun. 16 the Hillbilly Silly Spectacular
Tues. Jun. 23 Lou Lepore-Comedy Magic
Tues. Jul. 7 Dana McCarthy-Jump Up! Music
Tues. Jul. 14 David Stokes-Naturalist/Humorist
Tues. Jul. 21 Jim Hyatt Amphibians and Reptiles

Story wagon performances are sponsored by Lakeshores Library System.

Lego Lab Family Night The fourth Thursday of the month (June 25, July 23 and Aug.27), at 6:30 pm, Ms. Kathy invites families for Lego Lab Family Night. Registration is required and is limited to 20 children. Children must be accompanied by an adult. No drop-offs please.

Superhero Training Camp Fridays at 10 am. Story & Activity/Craft. No Registration Necessary

June 19: Story: How to be a Superhero Craft: Hero Medal
June 26: Story: The Adventures of Sparrowboy Craft: Crusader's Cape
July 3: Library Closed
July 10: Story: Kapow Craft: Shiny Shields
July 17: No Training Camp
July 24: Story: Superworm Craft: Powerful Wrist Cuffs
July 31: Story: Ker-splash Craft: Mighty Masks
Aug. 7: Story: Superhero Joe Craft: Secret Message Decoders
Aug. 14: Story: Traction Man is Here! Craft: Sneaky Peekers (Periscopes)

Make -N- Take This program offers the opportunity for preschoolers to be creative! These super-simple, self-directed projects are perfect for preschoolers. An adult must be present. This activity is on Fridays between 10:00 am and 3:00 pm in the Children's Area. Instructions and supplies are provided for free! No registration necessary.

Library Hours:

Mondays-Thursdays 9 AM-8 PM

Fridays 9 AM-5 PM





A Message from State Representative Robin Vos

This time period in the legislative session is perhaps the most important time of the two-year cycle. That's because state lawmakers are busy mapping out the direction of the state for 2015-17. Governor Scott Walker recently made his budget recommendations and gave his proposal to the legislature to consider. In order to make sure that the budget is the best one for the state, we are currently gathering public input from around Wisconsin. I have just finished doing listening sessions in the district and continue to get feedback from constituents. My office has also sent out budget surveys to residents throughout the community. I hope that you can take a few moments to fill it out and send it back to my office so we can make better informed decisions on the spending priorities for the state. If you haven't received a survey in the mail, please visit my website at www.speakervos.com and complete the questionnaire online. Your input is essential as we decide how to run the state for the next two years.

As your state representative, the most important part of my job is to listen to your questions or concerns about state-related issues. I encourage you to contact my office at (608)266-9171 or email me at Rep.Vos@legis.wi.gov with your comments. You can also stay up-to-date on legislative issues by following me on Facebook (SpeakerVos), twitter (@speakervos) and instagram (@speakervos). During the session, my office puts out a weekly update that you can get via e-mail. I invite you to sign up for it on my website at www.speakervos.com. I look forward to

Message from the Fire Chief

Writing an article for spring after shoveling over 12" of snow yesterday and this morning just isn't enough to change my mindset from Winter to Spring, especially as the weather is calling for more snow, temps are falling and the groundhog saw his shadow. Nonetheless, spring shall return and Wisconsin will dazzle us with its beauty. That all being said, how about a checklist on home safety to tide you over until summer?

- Smoke alarms – one on every level of the home not only need batteries changed but how about dusting, cleaning and replacing it if over ten years old.
- Kitchen stove hood – clean especially the vent that goes to the outside. While in the kitchen remember not to leave pots unattended, especially for those late night snacks when you are more tired than you realize.
- Appliances – large and small should be plugged directly into the wall not via an extension cord.
- Speaking of cords – don't run any under rugs, check for any frayed or cracked ones and replace.
- Clothes dryer – clean the lint filter and the venting system.
- Candle safety – have them in sturdy fire-proof containers that won't tip over and be sure to extinguish before going to bed or leaving the house. Better yet buy the electric candles; they smell as good and are safer.
- Carbon monoxide alarms – should also be on every level of the house and need replacing after seven years.
- Fire extinguishers – place strategically and remember to replace when suggested as you are unlikely to use. If you do use, spray low, spray quickly and if unsuccessful, leave immediately. Have someone call 911 ASAP as fire will double rapidly and become out of your control faster than you can imagine.
- You have already created an escape plan and a meeting place, especially if you have younger children – practice it!
- Make sure your house number is easily visible from the street. Put your street number on your mailbox; not your name.
- Store flammable fluids away from any flame source and in a proper container (an empty Coke or Pepsi can is not such).
- Plug a rechargeable flashlight into a socket by your bed.
- Install non-slip decals or a non-skid tub mat in your bathtub.
- Keep your house looking lived-in when you are away. Install motion sensing floodlights in the backyard. Purchase a metal bar or solid wood dowel to insert in the track of your sliding doors. Give a spare key to a trusted neighbor or nearby friend.

The list isn't complete but certainly contains some important and good safety tips for you to check or employ. Meanwhile should a life threatening situation occur, don't hesitate to call 911. We will provide you prompt and professional volunteer care to all who ask. And by the way, we are looking for local citizens who would like to volunteer to become firefighters, EMT's or even paramedics. We will help assist with the costs, you just need to provide your time, desire and enthusiasm!! **Chief Czerniak**

Recent Activity in Yorkville

Building permits were issued since November 1, 2014, for these major projects:

2319 Raymond Avenue (CTH U) – Construction of a loading dock
 5211 South Colony Avenue (USH 45) – Reroofing and installation of roof insulation
 20911 White Ash Road – Commercial HVAC installation
 15017 Plank Road (CTH A) – Construction of a 42' x 80' pole barn
 4904 Crystal Lane – New single-family home
 16611 Washington Avenue (STH 20) – Barn remodel
 1300 Grandview Parkway – Commercial HVAC addition
 19411 Washington Avenue (STH 20) – Construction of a 40' x 80' pole barn



The Town Board and Plan Commission approved the following requests since November 1, 2014:

- 19529 Durand Avenue (STH 11) – Mark Porcaro – Occupancy permit for a small engine repair business called "Grove Outdoor Power"
- 14314 Spring Street (CTH C) – Gerhardt and Helen Schattner – Variance and conditional use permit allowing parking of one semi-tractor/trailer combination on the property less than six-hundred (600) feet from any residential district and less than one-hundred (100) feet from any other residence
- 20911 White Ash Road, Unit D – Wildwood Holdings, LLC – Occupancy permit for an automotive/hobby restoration shop for personal and occasional sales use called "Sebaski Enterprises"
- 1510 South Sylvania Avenue, Units 215-216 – Sylvania Partners, LLC – Occupancy permit for office and warehouse space for an installer of consumer appliances for local retailers called "Installation Management"
- 20911 White Ash Road, Unit C – Wildwood Holdings, LLC – Occupancy permit for office and warehouse space for a firm called "Omnitek Engineering", which stores, inspects, analyzes and engineers items involved in insurance-related claims
- 20715 Durand Avenue (STH 11), Unit G – Wildwood Holdings, LLC – Occupancy permit for office space with a drafting area for plan review, storage space for soil and concrete samples taken from construction sites, and a soil and concrete material testing lab for a firm called "NASHnal Soil Testing"
- 910 South Sylvania Avenue – Global Hotels, Inc. – Occupancy permit for a hotel called "Travelodge Sturtevant/Racine"
- 5211 South Colony Avenue (USH 45) – Jolynn Investors, LLC – Holding tank agreement and holding tank servicing contract
- 4209 57th Drive – Whitley Farms, Inc. – Certified survey map for a 3-acre residential property
- 19031 Spring Street (CTH C) – Andrew Baer – Site plan permitting construction of two new self-storage mini-warehouse buildings to the north/west of the existing storage buildings on the west side of the site
- 19411 Washington Avenue (STH 20) – Rudolph Saunders – Conditional use permit allowing parking for one semi-tractor/trailer combination and one backhoe within a proposed 40 foot by 80 foot (3,200 square feet) pole building near the southwest corner of the property

TOWN OF YORKVILLE
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL
GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2014

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Variance Positive (Negative)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
<u>Revenues</u>				
Taxes	\$ 1,097,849	\$ 1,097,849	\$ 1,107,512	\$ 9,663
Intergovernmental	172,625	172,625	178,051	5,426
Licenses and permits	78,500	78,500	107,552	29,052
Fines, forfeitures, & penalties	500	500	50	(450)
Charges for services	48,336	48,336	48,511	175
Investment income	1,250	1,250	1,103	(147)
Miscellaneous	1,000	1,000	2,338	1,338
Total revenues	<u>1,400,060</u>	<u>1,400,060</u>	<u>1,445,117</u>	<u>45,057</u>
<u>Expenditures</u>				
Current:				
General government	298,531	303,985	303,985	-
Public safety	251,094	263,437	263,437	-
Public works	783,285	1,088,174	1,088,174	-
Health and human services	5,500	6,824	6,824	-
Culture, recreation and education	20,650	20,650	20,650	-
Conservation and development	21,000	5,648	20,648	-
Total expenditures	<u>1,400,060</u>	<u>1,723,527</u>	<u>1,723,527</u>	<u>-</u>
Excess of revenues over expenditures	-	(323,467)	(278,410)	45,057
Fund balances - beginning of year	<u>657,762</u>	<u>657,762</u>	<u>657,762</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund balances - end of year	<u>\$ 657,762</u>	<u>\$ 334,295</u>	<u>\$ 379,352</u>	<u>\$ 45,057</u>

Fund Balances at December 31, 2014 consists of:

Assigned for town hall building	\$ 117,913
Unassigned	261,439
	<u>\$ 379,352</u>

TOWN OF YORKVILLE

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Terrence J. McMahon, Supervisor
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The Town of Yorkville is a rural area of homes, farm land and businesses with a population of almost 3,100 residents. Yorkville is located in south central Racine County. The Town has 52 miles of roads that are cleared and maintained by the Racine County Public Works Department. The post offices of Union Grove (53182), Sturtevant (53177) and Franksville (53126) serve Yorkville. Telephone prefixes in the Town include 878, 835, 884 and 886.

Yorkville is home to the Racine County Fair, which is held every July. The Modine-Benstead Observatory, on the corner of Highway A (Plank Road) and 63rd Drive, has frequent open houses. The Ives Grove Golf Links, just west of I-94 on Highway 20 (Washington Avenue), is a 27-hole link-style course.

With our proximity to Racine (25 minutes), Milwaukee (35 minutes), and Chicago (80 minutes), we are within easy driving distance of many shopping, entertainment, recreational and cultural venues.

Road Projects

The Town will move forward on two road projects in late spring or early summer. 59th Drive will be reconstructed from 58th Road to Spring Street (CTH C), while 69th Drive will be reconstructed from Durand Avenue (STH 11) to County Line Road (CTH KR). Temporary detours on both roads may be necessary as new culverts will be installed during each project.