

Village President Update

Here is a summary of the major events that shaped the end of the millennium for the Village of Cleveland. Please note the accomplishments reflect the Village Board's goals of planning, marketing and financing. We understand there are still many things left to do and we will continue to strive to meet your needs.

January—New Burger King opens at 1-43 highway interchange. Debra LaViolette-Spevacek is hired as new village clerk-treasurer.

February—Village secures its first general obligation bond for \$1.25 million to be used for debt reduction and growth.

March—John Kovach Insurance Agency agrees to purchase the old village hall at 1202 W. Washington Ave.

April—Former Cleveland Bank Building is purchased by village for the new village hall. The move is customer oriented and combines community services at one location.

May—Town of Centerville and Village of Cleveland join forces for land use planning. The plan will address issues of urban sprawl, annexations, roads and zoning issues.

June—Dairyland Festival is a big success under the leadership of the Lions Club and the Cleveland Athletic Association.

July—Ground breaking for new Cleveland Medical Center. Brian Reedy is appointed new village police chief. Painted the exterior and interior of the water tower.

August—American Mobile Home Communities submits request for expanding its operations on the north side of Cleveland.

September—Village board approves safety sidewalks.

October—Major street renovation completed for Hazel Street at a cost of approximately \$323,000. Completed the Bouda Platform at Centerville Creek.

November—New medical center opens. Combining under one roof is the Holy Family Medical Clinic and the Veterans Association Clinic. About 1,000 people attend the grand opening.

December—Business survey indicates the community of Cleveland needs a supermarket and can support it. Four people take out nomination papers for three trustee positions on village board.

We have a safe, quiet, friendly place to live. Let's keep it that way.

Lee Villeneuve, Village President



Clerk-Treasurer Update

The Clerk-Treasurer's office has completed the 1999 tax collection. On February 15 the Village of Cleveland settled with Manitowoc County and the remaining tax bills were given to them for collection. Total taxes collected by the village treasurer were \$872,698.11. Unpaid taxes postponed and delinquent turned over to the county was \$266,779.27. Seventy-seven percent of the total tax roll was collected. Real estate and lottery credits claimed totaled \$71,471.77. Please note that the second payment that is due on July 31, 2000 is to be paid to the Manitowoc County Treasurer.

The Census Bureau will be conducting a census of all village residents. Your participation in the Census is very important to the Village of Cleveland. One of the ways in which the population figures are used is to determine state and federal financial grants and aids to the village. If you would like additional information on the census, log on to www.census.gov. Everyone counts!

Debra LaViolette-Spevacek, Clerk-Treasurer

Police Department

Since the last newsletter was published the village board has approved some new ordinances.

■ At the November, 1999 board meeting the board passed an ordinance to increase the operator's fee from five dollars to twenty dollars per year.

■ At the December, 1999 board meeting the board passed an ordinance to increase the fees for dog and kennel licenses. Cost for spayed females or neutered males is five dollars and ten dollars for unspayed and unneutered animals. A kennel license is \$35 up from \$30. A kennel license is required if you have three or more dogs. All dogs in the village must have a license per the ordinance. All dogs must be licensed by April 1.

■ The board also passed a resolution to increase the forfeiture from parking violations. The current forfeiture is \$10. The old forfeiture was \$5.

■ The board also passed an amendment to the junk vehicles and appliances on private property ordinance.

■ The board passed an ordinance to regulate and prohibit the keeping of wolf/dog hybrid animals.

If anyone has any questions regarding these new ordinances please feel free to contact the police department.

After the police department was awarded the Cops More '98 Grant in September, 1999, the police department hired Rhonda Deehr as the police clerk. Rhonda joined the police department on February 1, 2000 and will be working 20 hours a week, Monday through Friday. Her past experience was with the Kiel Police Department for seven years and approximately one year with the Calumet County Sheriff's Department, fulfilling the role of a telecommunication/police clerk. She has an associate degree in Supervisory Management from Lakeshore Technical College. Rhonda lives in Newton with her husband and newborn daughter and will be a big asset to the police department.


On Monday, February 21, Jeffrey Vogt from Manitowoc will join the police department as a full-time officer, he is replacing Officer Benzschawel. Officer Vogt has the experience and knowledge of a small town police department. He graduated from the police science program at Lakeshore Technical College in May, 1996. Officer Vogt has approximately three years experience with the Valders Police Department and a little over a year experience with the Kiel Police Department. The March Neighborhood Watch Meeting will be March 15, at 7 p.m. This would be a great opportunity to meet Officer Vogt

Brian Reedy, Chief of Police

Public Works

The sewer and water utilities have experienced a high number of customers that are habitually late with payment of their sewer and water bills. The village spends a lot of time trying to collect these payments. After studying the problem, the village board has approved raising the late fee for sewer/water bills to encourage people to pay their bills on time. The following late fee schedule will be implemented starting April 1, 2000.

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An example of how this new policy will affect a residential water bill that has a 5/8" water meter is as follows:

Charges	Bill Paid on Time	Late Fees	Bill Paid Late
Sewer	\$47.39	\$25.00	\$72.39
Water	\$16.15	\$.48	\$16.63
Hydrant Maintenance	\$6.90	\$.21	\$7.11
TOTALS	\$70.44	\$25.69	\$96.13

What the village board is trying to accomplish is timely payment of the sewer and water bills. It costs the utilities an unnecessary expense to pursue delinquent customers. So please, plan ahead and pay your sewer/water bill on time.

The village board has approved implementation of a forest management plan for the former Henley property at Veterans Park and the pine plantation at the wastewater plant. Work on this plan will start sometime in March. There will be opportunities for public input during the planning process through public informational meetings. Please attend if you are interested.

Plans for the new hardball field concession stand and bleachers are nearing completion. Construction of these new facilities is expected to begin in late summer. These new facilities will be a great addition to Veterans Park.

Steve Simons, Director of Public Works

Parks

The Parks Department has received a grant of \$2,000 from Forward Endowment. It will be used to extend the Bouda Platform. If you haven't gone down to the former dam impoundment area please take a walk to see how everything looks. The survey of the area should be completed soon. We are pleased to work along side the Wisconsin Conservation Corp. on the platform project.

During the next several months a Forest Management project will begin on the Henley Park property and the wastewater treatment area. Peter Wagner from Valders has been hired to oversee the project. He will be writing a plan and the parks board will hold public meetings so that everyone can be informed. It is a very large concern to save as many trees as possible. These trees need to be thinned before a fire or disease would take them all. Watch for announcements concerning this project so that you may participate in the discussions

Jean Loichinger, Parks Chairperson

Tree Board

A new board has been formed under the Parks Committee and it is The Tree Board. The members are: Rob Pragalz, Lynn Fiedler, Greg Howard, Linda Buchmann, John Husband, Scott Stebnitz and Jean Loichinger. We have applied

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for Cleveland to become a TREE CITY USA. This group has received a great deal of leadership from our Northeastern DNR representative, Tracy Salisbury, on how to organize.

We plan to continue the commitment to plant public trees that was begun by the EAST WIND GARDEN CLUB. The tree board would like to extend the planting of memorial trees in the village. This program will be encouraged and more fully developed within the next several months. Please contact any one of the members with questions or the handling of a memorial.

In connection with tree planting and buying we would like to begin a village nursery where smaller and less expensive stock could be planted and held until it could make a more visible statement.

We would like to plant many new trees in Cleveland. We would like to move trees from private properties with a tree spade. If you have a tree that would be a good candidate, please call us.

Jean Loichinger, Tree Board Chairperson

Joint Plan Update

The Joint Plan Committee of Cleveland and Centerville has been meeting diligently coming up with a land use plan for public comment. The purpose of the land use plan is to provide a plan that describes how development will look and what types of activities are allowed. This will serve as the primary public policy document for guiding future growth and development in the village and town. The plan incorporates many goals of preservation and planned growth:

- Preserve the shoreline, water features and other natural amenities
- Preserve agricultural land
- Retain existing rural character
- Preserve historical structures and sites
- Plan for high quality, low density residential development near existing infrastructure
- Plan for commercial development at major transportation routes and near existing infrastructure

The plan defines a number of land use districts, and then looks at Cleveland and Centerville together in defining district boundaries. Cleveland and Centerville have worked closely together creating land use districts that are acceptable to both places. The proposed land use districts are:

1. Environmental Preservation
2. Agricultural Preservation/Rural Residential
3. Village Center
4. Roadside Mixed-use
5. Neighborhood Residential
6. Neighborhood Mixed-Use
7. Open Space Residential
8. Shoreline Residential
9. Historic Overlay

Each district has defined development policies. It is the intention of the town and village to amend our ordinances so that they are consistent with the land-use districts defined in the Joint Plan.

The committee is eager to have public input. A public hearing will be scheduled before the Village and Town Plan Commissions and Boards meet to discuss adoption of the plan. A public workshop was held in April, 1999, and the Committee has tried to incorporate the concerns expressed there. If you have ideas or concerns about the future of our community, please let us know. Committee members are: Jerry Heimerl, Brian Kraemer, Ed Thompson, John Kirsch and Judith Perlman.

Judith Perlman, Secretary, Joint Planning

Spring Election

The Spring Election is April 4, 2000. Polls at the village hall are open from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. To vote in the Village of Cleveland you need to be a US citizen, 18 years of age or older on election day, and a village resident for at least ten days prior to election day. Pre-registration in the village is not required.

Anyone finding it necessary to be away from the village on election day or not able to get to the polls because of illness or disability can vote absentee. Contact the

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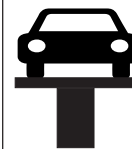
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village clerk by letter and request an absentee ballot or you can personally go to the clerk's office, complete a written application, and vote an absentee ballot. The deadline for making application to vote absentee by mail is 4:30 on Friday, March 31. The deadline for voting an absentee ballot in the clerk's office is 4:30 p.m. on Monday, April 3.

Four candidates for three openings for village trustee have filed nomination papers. They are: Barb Chapla, Christopher Jost and Incumbents Cindy Huhn and Jean Loichinger. Also running as municipal judge is Incumbent Cheryl Kohl. Ed Free is not seeking re-election. We will vote for school board members and judicial offices.

Federal Environmental Technologists, Inc.

The village is a member of the Federation of Environmental Technologists, Inc. (FET). The mission of this organization is to improve environmental quality and economic growth through education. FET will accomplish its mission by providing information on various local, state and federal environmental issues. The local chapters will disseminate this information through locally sponsored seminars, workshops and training courses. FET also sends out monthly newsletters. If you are interested in an environmental issue please stop at village hall for information from FET.

United Way

Every year as the United Way campaign begins, I wonder where the donations will come from to reach a goal that keeps increasing. But each year, the Cleveland and Osman communities open their hearts, and contribute to assist those in need.

This year, \$5,800 was donated, 100 percent of our goal! Look what the "Power of U" accomplished.

To the local businesses who make generous donations, to the organizations who work hard at fund raising and make donations, and to our many residents who give from the heart by making donations, I extend my sincere thanks! You have made a difference in someone's life!!

Cindy Huhn, Cleveland Area Coordinator

Village-Wide Garage Sale

The Eleventh Annual Village-Wide Garage Sales will be held on Saturday, May 20 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Those wishing to participate should contact Lynn Schnell at 693-3544.

Plan to attend the information meeting at Diana's Cleveland Family Restaurant on Monday, April 24 at 7 p.m.

Lynn Schnell

Plant Sale Preview

Watch for big bargains at the second annual East Wind Garden Club plant sale. We will be in front of Hickory House during Cleveland's Garage Sales Saturday. There will be lots of bedding plants for your garden and house plants for your home and terrace. Also look for original painted pots and other plant and craft items. Come early for the best selection. If you have plants you would like to donate please contact Plant Sale Chair Bonnie Kummer at 693-8828.

Proceeds of the sale will be used to beautify our community and to promote gardening. In the year 2000, we are beginning a multi-year project to improve and replant all the community garden beds. Because this is a huge task, we will be able to manage only 1 or 2 beds a year. Look for lots of new plantings and plenty of "curb appeal" coming soon.

New members and visitors are welcomed with a big Trowel Up. Contact any of the board members for more information, including: Jean Loichinger, Phyllis Doersch, Kathy Villeneuve, Judith Perlman and Adeline Kolb. Remember: gardeners have the best dirt.

Judith Perlman

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St. Mark's / St. James Youth Fellowship

The Youth Fellowship of St. Mark's and St. James United Church of Christ will be having a chili dinner in conjunction with the St. James Sunday School Bake Sale on Sunday, March 5, from noon to 1:30 p.m. St. James is located in Spring Valley at 13312 Pioneer Road. Ticket prices for the chili dinner are: adults, \$3.50; children 6-12 \$2; children under five are free. Hot dogs and carryout are available.

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Cleveland Medical Center- Helping you stay healthy

Free blood pressure screens and low cost cholesterol screens will now be offered every Tuesday afternoon from 1 - 4 p.m. at the Cleveland Medical Center. No appointments are necessary for either screen. There is a \$4 charge for the non-fasting cholesterol screen.

The Cleveland Medical Center, located at 1205 North Avenue, opened in November of 1999 and is part of the Holy Family Memorial Health Network in Manitowoc. Board certified family practice physician, Dr. Barbara Weber, treats infants to persons in their golden years. Walk in appointments are available. The clinic also features on site x-ray and lab services.

Dr. Weber is interested in helping people stay healthy and therefore is available to speak to any community organizations about health care topics. For more information about the Cleveland Medical Center, to make an appointment, or to have Dr. Weber speak to your community group, please call 693-4751.

Barb Samz, Manager, Public Relations Holy Family Memorial

Cleveland Athletic Club

New Officers - 2000	New Directors - 2000
President Ron Schisel	Bob Mrotek
Vice President Dennis Roethel	Cindy Roeck
Secretary Barb Yankunas	
Treasurer Rosemary Leonhard	

Cleveland Athletic Club worked the food stand this past summer at the Cleveland Elementary School open house. Proceeds of \$250 were donated to purchase 17 new books for the library.

By the time this reaches you, our annual Scholarship Raffle and Brat Fry will be completed. To all who attended and helped in any way THANKS! All income from this event is designated for our scholarship fund. As of the end of 1999, Cleveland Athletic Club has awarded \$6,500 in scholarships to local student athletics. This year we will again be awarding (2) \$1,000 scholarships. These scholarships are available to students in our zip code 53015 or telephone 693 areas, who will be entering college this fall. Scholarship applications are available at all high schools.

See your guidance counselors.

Interested in entering your team in a Cleveland Athletic Club League? This summer contact, Dennis Roethel, 565-7220 for ladies softball Wednesday evening or Over 30 Men's Softball - Thursday evening. If you are entering a volleyball team - Tuesday evening, contact Ron Schisel at 693-3280. Organizational meetings will be held in March and April. Get your teams organized and registered early to insure participation.

Sign up for Manitowoc County Youth Sports. Participation will be announced, as information becomes available (probably late April). Look and listen for announcements and information in schools. Along with this we will need some

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new coaches for our various teams. Please consider contributing to our children's athletic development by volunteering for those positions. The rewards are "Priceless".

Cleveland Athletic Association tournament dates are July 7-8-9, 2000. Reserve these dates. Come and enjoy some fine games, along with good food and fellowship.

Cleveland Athletic Association along with Village of Cleveland is in the preliminary planning stages of removing the present covered grandstand and replacing it with a new covered grandstand. The new grandstand will have a press box along with a larger concession stand, space for storage of summer recreation equipment and storage area for field maintenance equipment and machinery.

Cleveland Athletic Association has marked trails for cross-country skiing. Trailhead is located at the west parking lot at Veterans Park. Three different length trails are color-coded.

Cleveland Athletic Association is always looking for more members. Please consider becoming involved with maintaining and improving our sports leagues, youth scholarships, park facilities and many other worthwhile activities. Meetings are monthly, the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at Paulies Palace. For more information contact Ron Schisel at 693-3280, Dale Wagner at 693-3650 or talk with any present member. This would be a good outlet for former area Jaycee members. Check it out!

Boy Scout Troop 948

Troop 948 continues to be active in our community. January provided an opportunity of winter fun at Camp Sinawa. The Webelos of Pack 3948, with their fathers also enjoyed this outing.

The troop is busily preparing for summer camp. Plans have been made to attend camp at the end of June near Tomahawk, WI.

April 15, 2000, is the date chosen for this year's Environmental Walkathon. This annual event is held as a fund-raiser for the troop and enables each boy to raise funds for summer camp and other scouting expenses. As the troop cleans up the debris along our village streets, this is also a service to the community. A portion of the proceeds will again be used to purchase additional trees to beautify our parks. Please support the Boy Scouts in the fund raising event.

Continued thanks go to Dave Schermetzler, Chris Bestul, Gary Alfson and the many adults who make scouting a success in Cleveland. As always, the troop welcomes new scouts and adult leadership. Please call Dave at 693-8678 for further information.

Lynne Thompson

Cub Scout Pack 3948

The Cub Scouts recently held their annual Pinewood Derby. It was an evening of fun competition. Place winners were: Ben Raleigh, first; Andrew Schroeder, second;

Danny Luedtke, third; and Alex Brunette, best design. Many thanks go to Chief Brian Reedy for his expertise in judging the races!

February will bring the annual Blue and Gold Banquet for the pack.

The pack is active and provides many good experiences for the grade of our community. Cubmaster Rory Knier is the dedicated leader of Pack 3948. For more information, call Rory at 693-3223.

Lynne Thompson

Centreville Settlement

Centreville Settlement, Inc. is a non-profit group dedicated to the preservation of rural heritage. Over the past year members and friends of the organization assisted with the wagon train event, helped co-ordinate a bake oven event, performed oral histories of the Mills sisters in Hika Bay and continued documenting historic buildings in the area. Do you have a story to share about days gone by? Dig into the past to learn more about local history.

Restoration of the historic 1849 Lutze housebarn will continue on a series of work days during the spring and summer of 2000. Work days are usually two Saturdays a month beginning April 15 until Thanksgiving. Timber frame repair, siding and stone masonry projects will be covered in 2000. Saturday, May 20 is a big day for a set of workshops this will wrap up National Historic Preservation Week.

All persons interested in preserving rural history, woodworking or learning old time skills are invited to participate from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. A full farm lunch is provided. You are welcome to bring a dish of home-style cooking. Wear old clothes and sturdy shoes. Go west from Cleveland on Highway XX, over I-43 to Union Road and north 1/2 mile to the housebarn service drive. For further information, call Kathy Pearce or Christopher Kuehnel at 693-3141.

Cleveland School News

With a little more than half of the school year over, the students and staff at Cleveland Elementary have been working hard to live up to this-year's Sheboygan Area School District's motto — On the Road to Student Success!

To assist our students in moving down the road to student success, our School Effectiveness Team, comprised of staff members, parents and community members established a building goal and supporting objectives. The building goal is geared toward improving student's ability to read and respond to a variety of text. A few of the supporting objectives include providing parents with information about how students are taught to read and write, assisting students to utilize strategies to learn new vocabulary words, planning periodic reading incentive programs to encourage reading, and identifying and purchasing books that reinforce classroom lesson concepts.

In supporting this building goal, the staff would like to

once again thank the VFW Post #8974, the Cleveland Athletic Club, the Cleveland School PTA, and the parents and community members who have donated money to the school for the purchase of books and/or have donated books to the school library. Assistance from these organizations and people enable Cleveland School to accomplish far more than it otherwise could.

In the road ahead, staff and students invite everyone to attend the school's annual talent show on March 1 at 1 p.m. in the school gym. Students and staff are currently polishing their acts and will be auditioning shortly. We promise an entertaining time. We look forward to seeing you there.

School and community groups have begun the planning process to erect a lighted sign board in front of the school to communicate important information with school parents and the community. A major undertaking in both time and resources, it is hopeful that the sign can be in place by the start of school this fall. Watch for progress.

Finally, in keeping with the belief that open and honest communication is one of the keys to a successful school, please feel free to contact me regarding any questions you may have about Cleveland School. Your ideas on how we can work together to support Cleveland's children are welcome. Feel free to stop in and visit our school at any time to see the wonderful learning that is going on.

Seth A. Harvatine, Principal

Cleveland School PTA reminds us to continue saving Generals Mills boxtops to help raise funds for our school. Buckets for boxtops are at school, the Bank, and the Senior Nutrition Site (Centerville Town Hall). Deadline for this year's collection is March 31, 2000. After this date, please continue to clip and save boxtops to be used in next year's efforts to raise funds for our school. Thanks to the community for your support in this program.

The Cleveland School PTA has invited school board candidates on the April 4 election to their March 13 meeting at Cleveland School, 7 p.m. Come and share your ideas and concerns. The meeting is open to the public.

Cleveland School and the PTA thank the following businesses for their generous contributions for the 1999-2000 school year. Because of your generosity, the students at Cleveland Elementary will have the opportunity to enjoy field trips, lyceums, book fairs, after school activities and many other educational programs. Our school is very fortunate to have your continued support and we *Thank You Very Much!*

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American Heart Association

The American Heart Association is calling on Cleveland residents to meet its local 2000 campaign of \$900 to help fight heart disease and stroke, according to Alice Matthias, Cleveland's campaign chairperson. Donations for the current campaign will be accepted until June 1. As part of the campaign, Alice has distributed 535 educational leaflets to area residents and businesses.

Donations to the American Heart Assoc. support heart and stroke research, health education and community programs on nutrition, exercise, obesity, diabetes, smoking and high blood pressure for adults and children, and medical updates for health professionals.

"Heart disease and stroke touch us all. They afflict more than one in five Americans and cause 43 percent of all deaths in Manitowoc County. Despite continuing medical advances they are still our #1 and #3 killers. Many cases can be prevented. A contribution to the Heart Association is a wise investment in a healthier future for ourselves and our families. I urge everyone to respond to the letter I sent them by being as generous as possible."

Blood Drive

Forty three pints of blood were collected at the January 14 blood bank. Thanks from the Cleveland State Bank and the Lakeshore Disaster Support Group to all who helped and participated. The next blood drive is scheduled May 16 from 12 noon to 6 p.m. at the Cleveland Senior Site, 1274 W. Washington Avenue.

Got the date on your calendar.

Nutrition Site

An eight week sheepshead tournament begins March 16. For information, call Cheryl at 693-8043.

The Senior Nutrition Site is open Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday for meals. Call Florence Kress, 693-8954 for a reservation the day before you plan to share the meal.

Anyone needing the Red Cross Wheels for doctor appointments, grocery shopping, etc. needs to call the Red Cross office at Manitowoc at least twenty-four hours in advance. Numbers are 1-877-822-4207 (free call) or 684-7733 to schedule a ride between 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. Ask for Janice in the Transportation Office. The vehicle goes to Manitowoc on Monday and Friday and to Sheboygan on Tuesday and Thursday. When scheduling doctor appointments, tell them you need to rely on Rolling Wheels for transportation so you need to fit in on the designated days. Try to schedule early in the morning so the vehicle can bring you back and still get people needing rides to the nutrition site there by noon. The rising costs of operating the transportation program forced Rolling Wheels to look at more efficient vehicle use, hence the designated days to Sheboygan and Manitowoc.

VFW Auxiliary

Special thanks to the following who purchased,

wrapped, and placed under the "Gifts From the Heart" tree 52 presents to support our project and make Christmas a bit merrier. We pass on to you the smiles, thanks, and hugs received upon delivery.

Alice Matthias
Bonnie Kracht
Elaine Braasch
Adeline Kolb
Joan Schmitt
Bernice Dassler
Girl Scout Troop 463
Michael Voelker
Mary Ann Vogel
Brooke Vater
Lisa Voelker
John & Kelly Urbanec
Holly Wesener
Robert Voss
Sonya Pfister
Marilyn Mrotek
Debbie Bessette
Selma Vogel
Alysa Schroeder
Nila Born
Ethel Glander
Mike Brendel
Mike Riddle Family
Mark Stolzmann Family
Amanda Roeh
David Kohl Family (2)
Janet Clements

Cynthia & Brianna Roeck
Bob & Georgianne Roeh
Ken Schnell Family
Charlie, Becky,
David Thompson
Clarence & Verona Stolzmann
Ruth LaCroix
Women's Aux.-Manitowoc
County Master Plumbers Assoc.
Irene Dhein
Badger Office City
Annie Brendel
Judith Perlman
Amanda Dassler
Kathy Wagner
Steve Simons
Keisha Herzog
Wayne Herzog Family
Lorraine Schwinn
Santa's Helper-North Pole
Faye Konen
Cleveland Clever
Clovers 4-H
Linda Brendel
Larry & Sandy Van Erem
Bradley Dassler
Dan & Kandy Rieth

US Census 2000

The US Constitution requires a census every 10 years to determine how many seats each state will have in the U.S. House of Representatives. Community leaders need the census for planning schools, building roads, providing recreational opportunities, managing health care services, and much more. Federal and state funds supporting schools, employment services, housing assistance, road construction, hospital services, programs for the elderly and more are distributed based on census figures. If you fail to mail back your census questionnaire, the village stands to lose some very important state aids.

April 1, 2000 is CENSUS DAY. Census questionnaires should be arriving mid March. Please fill out and return. The information will help our community thrive, get help in times of need, make government work for us, reduce risk for American business, and help ourselves and our families. Your participation is important, safe and easy. By law the Census Bureau cannot share your answers with others, including welfare agencies, the IRS, courts, police and military.

CENSUS JOBS - The US Census Bureau is taking applications for a variety of temporary positions necessary for conducting the 2000 Census. This is an excellent opportunity to earn extra money while providing an important service to your community. Field jobs pay \$11-14 per hour and last 4-8 weeks. Benefits include paid training and mileage reimbursement. Anyone interested in more information about the census jobs in this area, contact the Fond du Lac local Census office at (920) 907-7630 or toll free at 1-888-325-773 to find out how and where to apply. You can also call Barbara Henning, Manitowoc County Census Recruiter at (920) 894-3924.

VFW Post #8974

Mark your calendars for the ham dinner, Sunday, May 21, at the clubhouse.

The V.F.W. will hold memorial services on Monday, May 29 at the following locations: St. John's Cemetery - County F, Newton - 8 a.m.; St. Casimir's Cemetery - Northeim- 8:30 a.m.; St. Johannes Cemetery - Hika - 9 a.m. St. Wendel Cemetery - Cleveland - 9:30 a.m.; V.F.W. Clubhouse - Cleveland - 10:30 a.m.

Your attendance at these services is appreciated.

Hospital equipment, beds, wheelchairs, crutches, walkers available for loan. Contact Melvin Jaehrig, 693-8921.

V.F.W. Clubhouse - available for rent for group and family activities. Contact Wayne Schuette, 693-8044.

Childcare

Beginning approximately April 1, 2000, the village and surrounding area will have another choice for childcare. A state licensed, in-home childcare center is moving to Cleveland. The provider comes with six years of licensed childcare experience, CPR and basic first aid certification. The center will offer in-home care for infants, 6 weeks through 12 years of age. Hours of operation will be from 6:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, January through December. Space is limited to 8 children. Please call (920) 946-1171 for additional information.



Cleveland Chamber of Commerce

Dear Friends and Neighbors:

It comes with great pleasure for me as newly elected president to write this letter. It is quite an honor to know that you have placed your trust in me to be a leader within the Cleveland Chamber of Commerce. I can only hope and pray that I will fulfill your expectations and those of the business sector and our community. I take great pride in this trust bestowed onto me, and I will do my best to meet your expectations.

I take extreme pleasure in working with you as we look to change, development, and growth within our community. From my perspective, the Cleveland Chamber of Commerce needs to become a leading organization and driving force in business and community growth. We can do this, and it can be done harmoniously with community citizens and village board! Cleveland is already a very attractive and desirable

place to live. We can help make it better for business and community and still retain the pristine beauty and way of life Cleveland has to offer. Hard work, determination, and strong positive commitment can help us achieve this goal! Working together can give us all a better understanding of our community and its short and long-term goals for the future.

Our Board of Directors and the membership has conducted a thorough review of the CCC, and we have concluded that we need to better serve the community. We need to take a more proactive role in planning and building a supportive infrastructure for community and businesses if we ever hope to experience moderate residential growth and growth in recreation, business, and employment opportunities. We have already begun to restructure our organization and establish necessary committees to address these issues.

We are currently working on projects to improve our Community Pamphlet which contains information about various services and attractions available for village residents and visitors. We re-established the Christmas lighting contest this year. We are planning a sign program to erect signs throughout the village to provide better directions to our parks and recreational areas, schools, government buildings, post office, etc. We have begun plans to provide better entertainment and attractions for children and families during our Annual Dairyland Festival, June 24 and 25. Groups and individuals are needed to help us. Anyone interested, please contact me or Tim Schueler at the Bank. Another project planned to enhance our community and businesses is increased publication and distribution of the newsletter.

We are serious about all of this. The chamber has pledged \$500 towards the cost of a "feasibility study" to determine if Cleveland can successfully support new businesses, employment opportunities, and new conveniences into the community (i.e., a full-service grocery store, a car wash, hotel, shopping mall, and a breakwater installation at Hika Park for improved beachfront enjoyment and boating facilities). This may sound like pipe dreams...but all these things are possible with proper planning and careful implementation.

We cannot do this alone, we need your help and more importantly, your support. This letter comes as an invitation to all interested persons and businesses wishing to help improve our community, life styles, to enhance the beauty, and help to create a more robust and wholesome environment in the Cleveland area. I invite all that are interested to join the Cleveland Chamber of Commerce and experience the excitement and satisfaction in knowing that you have made a difference. Please think about it. You do not have to be a business owner to be a member of the CCC.

Cleveland is the largest village in Manitowoc County. Others look to us as pacesetters, which is something we can all be proud of.

*Sincerely,
Daniel J. Bartz, President*

Lighting Contest Winners

First place - Ken Bruckschen, 1030 Elm Street
Second place - Willard Matthias, 1018 Juniper Street
Third place - Eileen Dekanich, 1236 Westview Street
Thanks to all who decorated the village.

Open Meeting for All Village Residents

Lakeshore Technical College, March 9, 7:00 p.m., Norwest Bank Room. Dr. Weber and Sandra Folz of Holy Family Medical will speak on the new clinic and the health care it provides. Free blood pressure screening will be available. Take the East driveway, park your car, take the pathway marked "Conference Center", walk up the concrete ramp and you will be there.



Coming Events

March 1:

Talent Show, Cleveland Elementary, 1 p.m.

March 5:

St. James and St. Mark's United Church of Christ, chili dinner and bake sale - noon to 1:30 p.m.

April 14:

St. Wendel Parish, Perch Fry 4 to 8 p.m. Carryouts available, 693-8552

April 15:

Boy Scout Walk-A-Thon - Clean up Cleveland

April 28:

Arbor Day celebration

April 30:

Firefighters & First Responders Brat Fry, Firehouse, starts 11 a.m. Food, refreshments, music. Tickets available from members

May 16:

Blood Drive, 12 noon to 6 p.m., Nutrition Site (Centerville Town Hall)

May 20:

Village wide garage sales

May 21:

VFW, annual ham dinner

May 29:

Memorial Day Services

Just A Reminder

Village Bulletin

Next publication scheduled for the end of May. Items to be included should get to Kathy Wagner, 693-8675, 334 E. Washington Avenue, Cleveland or given to Diane at the village hall by May 10.