

Village of Cleveland Year 2005 Budget

The Village Board of Cleveland approved the following budget after a public hearing on November 16, 2004. **The levy represents a 0.0% change from the 2003 Payable 2004 tax rate of \$6.64/\$1000.** Copies of the detailed budget are available for inspection in the Clerk's Office at Village Hall.

In 2004, the Village completed acquisition of a lakeshore property adjacent to and directly north of the Village-owned parcel containing the mu-

nicipal garage facilities. The purchase price was funded entirely by grants and donations. In 2005, the Village anticipates undertaking the reconstruction of Elm Street; and funding the project with \$50,000 already in reserve, \$290,000 in borrowed funds, and special assessments.

Dated November 17, 2004

*Stacy Grunwald,
Clerk-Treasurer*

CATEGORY	2004 Budget	2005 Budget	Percentage Change
REVENUES			
Tax Levy	404,406	405,800	0.3%
Other Taxes	85,577	133,015	
Special Assessments	30,000	40,000	
Intergovernmental Revenues	870,140	336,363	
Licenses and Permits	24,010	23,035	
Fines, Forfeitures, and Penalties	26,550	19,200	
Public Charges for Services	7,058	5,160	
Intergovernmental Charges for Services	3,000	3,400	
Miscellaneous Revenues	45,668	45,870	
Other Financing Sources	0	290,000	
TOTAL REVENUES	1,496,409	1,301,843	-13.0%
EXPENDITURES			
General Government	208,400	235,360	
Public Safety	233,571	257,572	
Public Works	207,954	219,719	
Health and Human Services	90	0	
Culture, Recreation, and Education	44,408	44,765	
Conservation and Development	18,112	20,115	
Capital Outlay	541,500	342,500	
Debt Service	199,528	217,771	
Changes to Designated Funds	96,120	48,140	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	1,549,683	1,385,942	-10.6%



Village President's Message

With a major election recently completed, I would like to share a few statistics with you. Nationally, in the presidential race, 51 percent of the vote went to Bush/Cheney and 49 percent to Kerry/Edwards. In the US Senate race, 51 percent of the vote went to Senator Russ Feingold and 49 percent to Tim Michaels. In the US Congressional race, 67 percent of the vote went to Rep. Tom Petri and 33 percent to Jeff Hall. The Village of Cleveland had an 85 percent voter turnout, with 883 people exercising their right to vote! Thank you for your patience if you had to wait in line at the voting poll. The village hall staff and our poll workers did an exceptional job in keeping everything running smoothly on election day. As we enter 2005, let us all unite behind our political leaders and remember we are the *United States of America*.

December is always a fun time to receive mail. People receive holiday wishes and letters from friends and family, near and far. Sometimes we even receive presents in the mail. But you also know, one day this month you will receive your property tax bill from the Village of Cleveland. I know it is more fun opening the Christmas cards!

I find people's comments about property taxes interesting. Everyone thinks they are too high! People who pay \$5,000 a year in property taxes complain, but so do people who pay \$2,000 a year in property taxes. How much is too much?

The village staff and village trustees worked very hard at putting together a budget we all can live with. I am very pleased to inform you that the tax rate for the Village of Cleveland will remain the same as last year. The village staff does an excellent job at monitoring our expenses and maximizing our revenues.

As 2004 comes to a close, I would like to thank all the organizations who give so much to make this a better community. Without your efforts and dedication, our Cleveland residents would not have the wonderful opportunities they do. Keep up the great work!

In closing, I want to thank the village staff and village trustees for their dedication to this community and our residents. They spend countless hours researching and preparing, making proposals, attending village meetings and following through on projects. I sincerely appreciate their commitment and generosity.

On behalf of the village staff and trustees, I wish you peace and joy this holiday season and throughout the coming year!

Cindy Huhn, village president

Cleveland Clever Clovers 4-H Club

The Cleveland Clever Clovers 4-H Club would like to invite you to join them and see what 4-H is all about. The club meets the first Monday of each month at the Centerville Town Hall beginning at 6 p.m. For more information, contact Heidi Belitz at 693-3435 or call Randy and Karen Krause at 693-8275.

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Notice of Spring Election Village of Cleveland

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at an election to be held in the Village of Cleveland on Tuesday, April 5, 2005, the following offices are to be elected to succeed the present incumbents listed. The term of office begins on April 13, 2005. All terms are for two years unless otherwise indicated.

OFFICE	INCUMBENT
Village President	Cindy Huhn
Village Trustee	Lorraine Holzem
Village Trustee	John Kirsch
Village Trustee	Kathy Stolzmann

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the first day to circulate nomination papers is December 1, 2004, and the final day for filing nomination papers is 5 p.m. on Tuesday, January 4, 2005, in the office of the Village Clerk-Treasurer.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that if a primary is necessary, the primary will be held on Tuesday, February 15, 2005.

Dated November 10, 2004

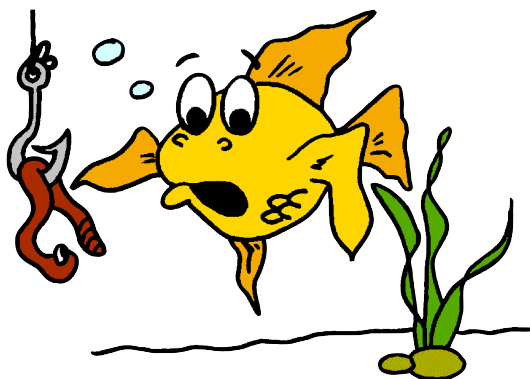
Stacy Grunwald
Village Clerk-Treasurer

Cleveland Fish and Game

Christmas tree pick-up will be January 8, 2005. Please have your tree by the curb by 8 a.m. The collected trees are used to provide habitat to our local wildlife.

Our winter Trap League starts January 19. We'll be awarding top shooters in 12-gauge and 20-gauge categories. For additional information, please contact "Bing" at 693-3489.

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Cleveland School

One of the great advantages of Cleveland being a part of the Sheboygan Area School District is the fact that we are able to offer a small school education with the variety of offerings of a large school district. In the articles for the village newsletter I would like to showcase some different programs we offer students at Cleveland School.

The first program I would like to highlight is the visual arts at Cleveland. Students at Cleveland School receive instruction in visual arts once a week for a full hour from Mrs. Bunke, our Art Specialist. During that time students learn the different techniques needed to produce drawings, paintings and pottery while learning about the basic elements of art. In addition to producing art, students spend a great deal of time learning about art from different cultures, famous paintings and exceptional artists. Often students learn the techniques and historical information in integrated units.

During the school year our fifth graders get the chance to attend the Milwaukee Art Museum and spend weeks beforehand preparing to see some of the world's great pieces of art. Every year the students are in awe of what they see! Other art experiences we offer students at Cleveland School are trips to the John Michael Kohler Arts Center and art enrichment classes for students that have an interest in art. Opportunities such as these help our students to grow and learn in a variety of ways. If you have any questions about our art program, please feel free to call or email.

Upcoming Events:

December 3	Holiday Shoppe/5-7 p.m., Cleveland School Gym
December 13, 2004	PTA Meeting/ 6 p.m., Cleveland School Library
December 16, 2004	Winter Sing/1:30, Cleveland School Gym
December 16, 2004	Book Fair/Before & after Winter Sing Cleveland School Gym
December 22, 2004	Early Release
December 23-January 2	No School
January 11, 2005	Kindergarten Open House/11:30-12:30 Kindergarten Room/Library

If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact me at 693-8242 or email me at thamm@sheboygan.k12.wi.us

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Lutze Plans Continue

Centreville Settlement, Inc., is a nonprofit organization dedicated to the preservation of rural heritage in the Centreville Area.

The Lutze Housebarn is a unique structure, and is heralded across the nation as an outstanding example of Saxon German architecture from the 1850s. Since 1992, steadfast volunteers have provided talents in woodworking, stone masonry, hole digging, landscaping, cleaning artifacts, old-fashioned cooking, while enjoying the old-time fellowship of working together outside for a common agrarian project.

The workdays are open to all—young and old—and will begin again in April 2005 after the 2004 series of 18 workdays. The next event is the traditional holiday dinner scheduled for Monday, Dec. 6, at Wilderness Roadside Inn in Plymouth at 6 p.m. For a reservation, call Kathy Pearce at 451-1134 or Chris Kuehnelt at 693-3141. Further information on upcoming workshops is available from Chris Kuehnelt or check out the website at centrevillesettlement.com.

Upcoming events include hands-on restoration clinics on timber frame repair, stone masonry, and fachwerk (the art of clay and straw mixed together to insulate the outside of the structure.) In addition, siding installation, window replacement and interior room artifact arrangements are on the exciting calendar of events for the coming historical year. Will you make history in your community this year?

Over the past 12 years at the Lutze Housebarn, nearly 17,000 hours of volunteer time have helped it remain one of the premiere historical hands-on restoration sites in the country. Tours are available on workdays from 10 a.m. to noon. Call in advance to schedule group tours.

Centreville Settlement, Inc., continues to keep Cleveland and the surrounding area in the historical limelight with articles in national-level journals, public television documentaries and representation by members on boards of the state historic organizations.

Cleveland Athletic Club

Attention! Attention!!

February 13, 2005, is the Scholarship Brat Fry. There are lots of raffles, food and fun. With your help we have been able to give out about \$18,000 in scholarships in past years. This is an awesome achievement from our small organization.

If you would like to be involved, just come to a monthly meeting or talk to any club member for details. It does not require a lot of your time—just as much as you can give. It is a lot of fun and helps the youth of our community.

Come join in the fun.

Cleveland Athletic Club

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Hello Gardeners!

'Tis the season to get those great gifts for the gardener in your house.

If you want to keep them happy, get them their very own potting bench with a removable bin in the bench surface to hold potting soil, below-counter shelving and upper shelving to hold pots and small hand tools. Give the countertop a raised one and one-half inch molding on three sides to hold the soil from spilling off, and you've got the Cadillac of potting benches. (Can holders are optional.)

You've got trouble with deer dining on your garden? Deer Away really works and it can withstand being rained on, too. Deer don't like its smell and believe me, it's a really bad scent. I barely got a whiff of it and it almost knocked me silly (sillier, that is). Once it dries on the foliage, humans can't smell it, but animals can. (Here Ivan, Ivan...) Don't try smelling this on a full stomach... you won't be full long.

A patio greenhouse is every gardener's dream. Its four large shelves hold potted plants or flats of seedlings. Lee Valley Tool sells this beauty for \$49.50.

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Do you have a problem spot in your yard that needs redoing? Would you like a flower bed or shrub/conifer berm, but don't know how to go about installing it? Gather round girls and boys, because I've got news for you. The members of the East Wind Garden Club will help you fix your problem or install the new flower bed of your dreams. Just send us a note or letter saying what your problem is, what your request is and why we should pick your site. If you have a photo to send that would be great... but not necessary. The committee will make its decision and inform the lucky homeowner and come spring, the garden club will show up and redo your garden space... at no cost to you!! We have a limit on our spending... just so you know.

We hope that by showing changes to a landscape and educating folks to how things are done, we can encourage more improvements to the village landscapes (we are not saying the village landscapes look bad, we thought this would be a fun thing to do) and maybe you'll be interested in joining the garden club also. We'd love you to join us.

So send your card or letter to:

Great Garden Makeover!

Kari Gougar

759 Wilson Ave.

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This is open to all village residents. Garden club members are not eligible.

Get those cards in today and good luck to you all. Deadline for entry is March 1, 2005. If you have questions, call me at 693-8553.

Lastly, keep your eyes peeled for an "over-the-top" garden somewhere in the village next summer. We thought it would be too "cool" to do something you might see at the Chicago Garden Show. It may not be something you'd put into your landscape, but we promise it will get your attention. Ready or not... here we plant!

Until next year, may your holiday season be full of love and hope.


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Lynn Fiedler

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Cleveland Fire Department Budget Increase

Due to rising cost of equipment, fuel and repairs, the Cleveland Fire Department found it necessary to raise the Fire Department budget by 21 percent over last year. The cost of fire apparatus has been going up at 14 percent the last few years.

The portion for the Village of Cleveland will be \$59,674. This covers the cost of personal protective equipment for 31 fire fighters, 14 First Responders, six trucks, one building, and all equipment on the trucks. The cost to provide gear and equipment for one fire fighter is \$3,400. This includes boots, pants, coats, gloves, Nomax hood,

and self-contained breathing apparatus with mask.

This will cost each person in the village \$39.55 per year for fire protection and First Responder services. The fire fighters and First Responders are on call 24 hours a day, seven days a week and 365 days a year. Please feel free to contact me with any questions at 693-8810.

Max McColley, Fire Chief



Public Works

There is free mulch available to village residents. The mulch is located at the west end of Whitetail Lane, which goes past the wastewater plant. The mulch is composed of last year's yard waste, which is ground up, piled and decomposed. The yard waste collected this year will be ground up this December and will be available for use next spring. The mulch is very good gardening material and residents are welcome to take it.

If you are hauling yard waste to the yard waste site, please unload the material **on** the large pile directly west of the driveway. Do not unload in the middle of the yard as this creates a lot of unnecessary work pushing it onto the pile. Thanks for your cooperation.

Winter parking regulations will be in effect from December 1 through March 31 to help facilitate snow removal. There is no parking on the village streets between the hours of 1 a.m. and 6 a.m. during this time period.

Residents are reminded to clear the snow away from fire hydrants this winter. This small chore could make the difference in saving a life in case there is a fire.

Residents are reminded that waste oil is not picked up by the curb and has not been for the last three and one-half years. Waste oil will be accepted during Manitowoc County's Clean Sweep Program which will be held on May 14, 2005, at Manitowoc County Expo Center. Please dispose of your waste oil in an environmentally safe manner.

There will be a major street construction project happening next year. Elm Street, East Madison Avenue and East Grant Avenue from Elm Street to Forest Street will be reconstructed. New storm sewer, curb and gutter, and new asphalt will be installed. Please be patient during the construction phase.

Holiday Hours

Village Hall is Closed:

Friday, Dec. 24, 2004, Christmas

Public Works Department is Closed:

Friday, Dec. 31, 2004 (afternoon only), New Year's Eve

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December

Thursday, December 30, 2004, 7 a.m.-7 p.m.

Friday, December 31, 2004, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

January

Saturday, January 29, 2005, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

Monday, January 31, 2005, 8:30 a.m.-6 p.m.

You are welcome to pay by mail or leave your payment in the drop box outside the Village Hall

front door. Receipts will be sent to property owners and all receipts for tax payments post-marked on or before December 31, 2004, will be marked to show this.

The tax payment deadline set by the Wisconsin Statutes is January 31. Payments post-marked after January 31 will be considered delinquent and interest will accrue.



Cleveland Elementary PTA

THANK YOU to everyone who supported the children this year during our CLEVELAND ELEMENTARY WALK-A-THON. This was a record year! The money raised during this event affects how much we can do for the school children. Because of your help and support we will be able to do more this year. Some of the money raised helps offset the cost of class field trips and bringing in guest speakers.

Don't forget! We are collecting box tops (General Mills Products), Campbell Soup labels and Tyson Project A+ labels. They can be dropped off at school or the Cleveland State Bank. By collecting these box tops and labels we are able to receive cash and can give it back to the students for all the extra items they need through the school year.

Wendy Henschel, Public Relations

Fundraising Efforts a Success

Sincere thanks to the many village residents and businesses of Schnell Plumbing, KJ Collision Repair, and Bonde's for donating to my fundraising walk at Road America on October 23 for the American Cancer Society.

Your generosity helped me raise the awesome total of \$1,756 and the Society received over \$140,000 that day. Every dollar is greatly appreciated and well spent – most of it goes toward research.

Thank you, again.

Kathy Carney

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Lakeshore Disaster Support Group

The Lakeshore Disaster Support Group wishes to thank everyone for their participation in the 2004 blood drives conducted in Cleveland which occurred in March, July and November. We will begin **2005** with a blood drive on **January 31, Noon to 6 p.m.** at the St. John - St. Peter Evangelical Lutheran

Church. This is a community-wide effort and we encourage everyone's continued support.

On behalf of the group, we wish everyone a safe and happy Holiday Season.

Lakeshore Disaster Support Group

Cleveland Lions Club News

We extend a huge "THANK YOU" to all of the individuals who volunteered as coaches and assistant coaches for the little league baseball, soccer, and "Wildcat" baseball programs this past season. Your volunteer efforts not only provide an entertainment outlet for the children and adults of the community, but also teach very good sportsmanship. We as "Lions" are proud to continue our support of these programs.

We thank the community for supporting our annual "nut sale." We again sold good quality pecans, cashews, and mixed nuts and hopefully are sold out by the time you read this newsletter.

The Lions District 27B-1 Convention was held in

Manitowoc on October 29 and 30. We were pleased to present a check for \$750 to Wisconsin Lions Foundation (which supports Lions Camp at Rosholt, WI) and a check for \$300 to the Leader Dog Program. We had previously given a check for \$100 to assist the families of the children killed in Beslan, Russia.

Plans are being made for the annual Dairyland Festival to be held Saturday and Sunday, August 6 and 7, 2005, at Dairyland Park.

Lion Ron Henschel serves as membership chair for our club. Should you have questions about membership or an interest in joining us, he can be reached at (920) 693-8942.

2004 Lottery Credit

You may claim the 2004 lottery credit if, on January 1, 2004, you owned your primary residence, which is defined as either (1) the place where you live most of the time or (2) the home to which you intend to return if you are temporarily away. You can have only one primary residence. Mobile home owners in the village may also qualify for the lottery credit.

If you received the lottery credit last year and have not changed your primary residence, you do not need to apply for the credit again.

If you acquired your residence after January 1,

2004, AND it was the primary residence of the previous owner on January 1, 2004, you can qualify for the lottery credit. You will need to supply the name of the seller for verification of ownership.

Please contact the clerk-treasurer's office at 693-8181 if you wish to apply for the lottery credit. The lottery credit paperwork can be filed in the Clerk's office until January 31, 2005; after that, it must be filed with the Manitowoc County Treasurer. You are encouraged to file before you pay your 2004 property taxes.

Police Department

After nearly a year of planning, the Cleveland Police Department assisted the Sheboygan County Sheriff's Department and Wisconsin State Patrol in implementing traffic control for the Professional Golfers Association's championship held at Whistling Straits in Haven during the week of August 8, 2004. There were no traffic accidents related to the increased traffic within the village. Officers also worked closely with the State Patrol prior to the event in airborne traffic enforcement along I-43.

Officers also attended the funeral of Lt. Leroy Nennig of the Sheboygan County Sheriff's Depart-

ment, who tragically died assisting at a car fire on his way home from the final night of the PGA. Officer Ron Jost attended the funeral for "Gus," a Manitowoc County Sheriff's Department Canine, handled by Deputy Joe Kiel. K9 Gus unexpectedly died due to complications of a routine medical procedure.

Officers also assisted in the Lions Club Dairyland Festival Parade, Crime Prevention Days at the Manitowoc County Fairgrounds and Trick-or-Treating, and attended the Chuck Kiser Memorial Day at Veteran's Park.

Police Activity Report

Daily activity for the months of August, September and October, 2004:

The Police Department responded to 159 requests for service, which included: 14 agency assists, nine records requests, eight department information, one death investigation, three illegal operation of ATV, two criminal damage to property, one sexual assault, three thefts, two house watches, one operate vehicle without owner's consent, four illegal dumping, five suspicious circumstances, three thefts/larceny, two parking com-

plaints, one gas drive-off, one sellers permit violation, one theft by fraud, two vandalism, one traffic control, two warrant hits, one resisting an officer, one drug complaint, three dog at large, two worthless checks, one unlawful use of telephone, one trespass to building, five criminal traffic, one operate under the influence of intoxicants, one disorderly conduct, and one family trouble complaint.

Four criminal referrals and one juvenile referral were sent to the district attorney's office.

Sgt. Scott Sends Overseas Thanks

27 Sep 04

Open Letter to Mr. Jim Salm,

I received your six packages today. I'd like to express many thanks from all of us in the 330th MP Detachment. The items are very much needed and usable. I'll make sure these items are put in a place where all of the 330th soldiers can get to them whenever they need something.

Support from back home has been tremendous thus far and our daily lives are 100 percent better with your caring and support. We're right at the

halfway mark in our deployment and now the soldiers' minds begin wondering how much longer. Kind of like a child riding in a car asking their parents "Are we there yet?" All of my soldiers are staying focused, motivated and ready to take on whatever task they are asked to do.

This letter surely can't thank you enough, so please tell everyone involved with sending these packages, how much we appreciate their efforts.

*Sincerely, Sergeant First Class Jeff Scott,
Detachment Sergeant.*

St. John – St. Peter Evangelical Lutheran Church

1251 W. Washington Avenue, Cleveland

Advent Season

Join us Sunday mornings at 10 a.m. as we prepare to celebrate the coming of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ in this hectic time before the Holidays.

Christmas Eve

Join us on Christmas Eve at 7 p.m. as the Sunday School children of St. John-St. Peter Evangelical Lutheran Church tell the Christmas story in word and music.

Christmas Day

Come celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ, the Savior of the world, at 9:30 a.m. on Christmas morning at St. John-St. Peter Evangelical Lutheran Church.

New Year's Eve

Ring in the New Year by celebrating another year of God's blessings and looking to God for guidance in 2005. Join us for this special worship service at 7 p.m. on December 31 at St. John-St. Peter Evangelical Lutheran Church.

Ladies Auxiliary

The Ladies Auxiliary to VFW Post 8974 will again sponsor the "Gifts From The Heart" tree. It has been an annual charity event since 1995.

Choose a numbered heart from the tree. It has an attached note with suggestions for boy or girl gifts. We will have some adults with needs also. Return the wrapped gifts to the Cleveland State Bank by 4:30 p.m., Friday, Dec. 17. Be sure to label your gift with the number from the back of the heart.

All of these gifts stay in Manitowoc County. These families will have an extra joyous Christmas with your generosity. Please help to make the children smile, who are a whole lot less fortunate than us.

The tree will be in the lobby of the Cleveland State Bank starting the day after Thanksgiving, Friday, Nov. 26. If you have questions, call Coordinator LaFaye Herzog at 693-3639. Thank you for your generosity.