# The Cascade Village News

### **January February March 2022**



## **Important Information**

#### **Cascade Police Department**

Submitted by Chief Jason Liermann

Merry Christmas Cascade residents. I hope everyone was able to enjoy Christmas. This year was exciting for the Police Department. We added Jacob Mertzig in January and Tamara Remington in July. Both bring valuable previous experience to the department. In November, our 2021 Dodge Durango Pursuit was placed into service. Thank you to the Cascade Village Board on their support for the new squad. The old squad was sold to the Town of Sheboygan.



Please remember that winter parking rules are in affect from 2 am to

6 am. Please do not park on any village streets during that time. Also please remember there is no parking along any yellow painted curb lines, this also means you cannot temporarily stop there to make a delivery or drop off.

We hope everyone has a safe and happy New Year!

#### Tax Collection and Dog Licensing

Submitted by Karel Melius, Treasurer

#### There will be no In-Person Tax Collection this year.

Taxes are accepted any time by mail or by using the drop box at the Village Hall. Taxes can be paid by check only and should be made payable to: Village of Cascade. If your escrow check is in excess of your tax bill, a refund will be mailed to the taxpayer within 10 days.

All dogs over the age of 5 months must be licensed! A license requires submission of breed, sex, name, color, and proof of current rabies vaccination. Receipts, tags and vaccination papers will be mailed back to you. Landlords please advise your tenants to license dogs kept on your property. Please keep in mind that by Village ordinance a property may only license up to 3 dogs.

## DOG LICENSE FEES NEED TO BE PAID BY A SEPARATE CHECK THAN TAXES AND INCLUDE A SELF ADDRESSED STAMPED ENVELOPE

Mail all payments and dog information to:

Village of Cascade Attn: Karel Melius PO Box 157 Cascade, WI 53011

#### **Dog License Fees**

Non-neutered male/ non-spayed female \$15.00 Neutered male/ spayed female \$8.00

#### 2022 Election & Caucus Information

Submitted by Kayla Simanovski, Clerk

In 2022 we have up to four scheduled elections. Please remember that Voter ID is still required to vote. Don't forget to bring your approved Wisconsin ID! Polls are open from 7am-8pm on election day at the Village Hall,

301 First St.
This spring we have three
Village Trustee positions up for
election. Since we are a
community that uses caucus,
at the January meeting anyone
is able to nominate candidates
to appear on the ballot in April.

2022 Elections	
Spring Primary	February 15th, 2022
Spring Election	April 5th, 2022
Partisan Primary	August 9th, 2022
General Election	November 8th, 2022



We are also looking to add a few poll workers to our team! Please contact me at the Village Hall at (920)528-8642 or by email, cascade53011@gmail.com if you are interested. We provide all the training you will need. Join in on the democratic process!

#### Welcoming New Village Employee, Shawn Bigelow

Submitted by Shawn Bigelow

I was recently hired to take over for Lonny Schneider, who is retiring at the end of 2021.

I have lived in and around Cascade for nearly 30 years and that's why I am so excited to be working for the community which we all call home. I have two daughters, Vanessa and Keirstin, and my wife of 32 years, Corynne. We also have two grandkids Nora and Luke and a great Son in law Kyle Yekenewicz.

I didn't start my career in the public works. I began in the dairy industry making cream cheese. I spent over 15 years with the company and then decided to make a change. I worked in construction for a few years as a glazer installing glass and curtain walls on commercial buildings. When the housing crash happened in 2008 and 2009, I took a job with a



nearby Village in public works. I have since developed a passion for wastewater. It may sound weird, but the biology is what I find fascinating.

I have state certifications in Biological Solids/sludge handling, Biological Treatment, Disinfection, Nutrients Removal, Collection systems and Solids Separation. I am also certified in ground water and Water distribution.

I look forward to applying my knowledge and experiences to the benefit our community.

#### Village of Cascade has a Facebook page!

With this Facebook page, the Village Board hopes to keep the community up to date with important information. Please like us!



www.facebook.com/VillageofCascadeGov



#### Lake Ellen Association

Submitted by Bobbi Laine

While it may seem like aquatic invasive species (AIS) aren't a concern during cold temperatures, plants like curly-leaf pondweed are growing just fine under the ice.

Anglers should inspect sleds, buckets, and lures for AIS hitchhikers and remove them. That goes for even the tiniest plant fragment or

animal like a zebra mussel. If you added water to a minnow bucket, that bait can only be used on the same waterbody. Always dump leftover bait you won't end up using into the trash; never on the ground or into the water. Remember to follow state law:



#### Curious about what is going on?



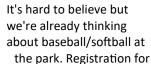
Submitted by Kayla Simanovski

Wondering what goes on at those monthly Village Board meetings? Curious about what issues are being addressed? Keep informed in real time by subscribing to updates! By providing your email address or phone number you can be notified any time a new agenda or minutes are posted or even any new News & Notices. You can personalize your updates by what committees interest you.

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#### **Cascade Rec Club**

Submitted by Steve Green





the 2022 Summer League will be Thursday February 3rd from 6pm to 8pm and Saturday February 5th from 9am till noon. Both sign ups will be held at the Village Hall. We will have forms at the hall or you can go to the Village website villageofcascade.org, click on the community tab, then the rec club tab and print the forms from there. We can't wait for the season to start.

The Men's softball tournament will be held on July 15-16-17 this year. The Rec.Club Board would like to THANK everyone involved with the charity auction that was held at Sipp's in November. The money we received will be used for our baseball/softball programs and new playground equipment at the park. Thank you all.

Inspect-Remove-Drain-Never Move

### Cascade Lions Submitted by Madonna Schneider

The Cascade Lions would like to thank the community for its continued support of our many various functions and fundraisers.

Thirsty Thursday is back! The hall will be open from 6:00PM until 10:00PM weekly. Patrons will be responsible to practice social distancing. Please follow us on Facebook, in the event we would close for a Thursday evening, we will post an update.

The Lions are busy planning their Spring Fundraiser on March 6, 2022. Watch for posters and Facebook updates for more information.

The Community blood drives continue to be a huge success! We have one coming up on April 19, 2022 at St Paul's Lutheran Church. The blood drives run from 2-6 pm. Appointments are recommended and can be made at <a href="https://www.versiti.org">www.versiti.org</a>. The Blood Center provides for safe donations during this trying time, following CDC guidelines. The Lions are always looking for new members. We meet on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month at the Lions clubhouse. Social hour is from 5:30-6:30 with a meeting to follow. If you are interested in joining a fun and active club, please contact Augie Grahl at 528.8748.

The Lions Clubhouse is a great place to hold your events!! The hall has a large meeting room, refrigeration, and a large yard to provide room for games, gathering and any necessary social distancing. Renters are responsible for providing their own shade tents, chairs and tables. For rental information please contact Madonna Schneider at 920.207.4338.

#### Take some time this Holiday Season

Submitted by Mary Kempf, Elder Benefit Specialist

The pandemic has taught us many lessons including how to navigate this new world of social distancing and isolating ourselves. What we've all experienced is a constant reality for many older people and people with disabilities: loneliness and social isolation.

In the U.S., 40% of people who have a disability and 43% of people age 65 or older say they feel lonely some or all of the time. Two-thirds of adults in the U.S. are socially isolated, with 66% reporting that their anxiety levels have increased during the pandemic according to the AARP Foundation. Studies confirm that there are serious physical, emotional, and psychological health impacts due to loneliness and social isolation.

What can we do? We can each check in on friends, family and neighbors now and all year round. Make a friendly phone call or schedule a video chat to see how someone is doing. Ask if they need anything – groceries, supplies for a hobby, or their driveway or walk shoveled. If you live nearby, knock on their door. Have a brief conversation observing safety restrictions, of course. Encourage them to join you outside if they can safely do so – even if it's just for a few minutes. They'll benefit from the human contact – and so will you.

So, let's all do what we can to support older people and people with disabilities. The simple act of showing you care can make a world of difference for someone who is alone and lonely.

#### **Cascade First Responders**

Submitted by Val Halvorson

Happy Holidays and welcome to 2022, we're looking forward to a great new year! 2021 was a busy and fun year for us. We're so happy to have welcomed many of you back to our great fund-raisers and hope

you had as much fun as we did!



Coming up this spring is our Annual Fish Boil, serving from 4:30-8pm! We are tentatively planning the event to be held on Friday April 8,2022 at the new Fire Hall. We have the best chefs around, you'll be glad you came! We'll also have grilled cheese, but if you haven't tried the fish, you're missing out! Carry-outs will also be available.

Would you like to join the first responders or learn more about what we do? Please contact Kelly Green at 920-838-3969.

As always, we thank you for your continued support!

#### **Please Contribute!**

If you have suggestions or a contribution for the newsletter, please email cascade53011@gmail.com. We are always looking for:

- ⇒ Articles/specials about our local businesses
- ⇒ Information from local service groups
- ⇒ Fundraising activities to support our community
- ⇒ Historical information to share with new members to our village
- Any other ideas or information that would be a great addition to the newsletter

