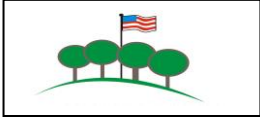


**September 2022**



# LIBERTY GROVE ROCKS

## Featured Business

Door County Ice Cream Factory & Sandwich  
Shope  
11051 Hwy 42  
Sister Bay, WI 54234  
920-854-9693  
Doorcountyicecream.com

## Important Dates

Sept 21<sup>st</sup>- Town Board Meeting -7pm  
Oct 5<sup>th</sup>- Town Board Meeting -7pm  
Oct 19<sup>th</sup>- Town Board Meeting -7pm

## FROM YOUR TOWN CHAIRMAN

The Board had a presentation by Bertram Communications regarding their proposal for Town-wide fiber optic cable access. Bertram Communications is the current owner of Door County Broadband. The Board along with Technology Chairman David Studebaker, committee member Kirk Scattergood, plus audience members had the opportunity to ask questions and get clarification on several items in the presentation. The Board and Technology committee will hold a joint meeting on Monday, September 19th beginning at 6 PM. We will review the presentation as it relates to our commitment to provide fiber optic cable access Town-wide. We are currently working with Nsight and awaiting a design study documentation that was contracted through Nsight. The meeting on the 19th is open to the public and I encourage interested residents to attend.

The Board has reaffirmed its commitment to provide up to 90% of room tax revenue to Liberty Grove non-profits based upon their requests and meeting the provisions of the commitment. The additional 10% will be set aside in a Fire Department capital fund to help offset the Town's portion of funding the Department equipment. The Finance Committee will consider requests for funds at their September 26th meeting.

The license fee for Liberty Grove STR's will be \$450.00 annually. The decision was made following a lengthy discussion on the impact STRs are having on Town infrastructure, residential zoning, budget, and monitoring compliance with our ordinance regarding licensing.

Several buildings on the Mariner Park property in Gills Rock will be advertised for removal/disposal by the end of the year. Interested parties should call the Town Office or watch for the posting of the request for proposal.

The Town's modification to Heartland-10 district zoning amendment is before the County and awaiting a decision. The proposal would allow, with restrictions (CUP), certain commercial operations in Heartland-10 areas.

The Finance Committee is continuing its preparation of the budget for next year. The meetings are open to the public and posted.

Dale Stewart, chair of the Highway Committee reported that all paving and chip sealing has been completed for 2022.

David Studebaker, chair of the Technology Committee, reported that the fiber optic project in the Northport area is continuing but due to some issues, it may not be completed in full by year-end. Residents are currently being contacted by Nsight to sign up to receive fiber optic access.

## FROM YOUR TOWN BOARD

A reminder that all committee and Board meetings are open to the public. Please consult the calendar on the Town Web Site for when meetings, agendas, and minutes are available.

<https://libertygrove.wi.gov>



### REMEMBER

A delicious and nutritious lunch is provided by.

**The Senior Resource Center  
At the  
Liberty Grove Town Hall**

**Monday, Wednesday, and Friday**  
Every week, except on Holidays.

**Call \*\*920-746-2523\*\*  
24 hours before the  
first time you come for lunch.**



### Ellison Bay Service Club

Visit their **Facebook page** to find out the latest news and activities in **Ellison Bay** and **all over Liberty Grove**.

[www.facebook.com/ellisonbayserviceclubdc](http://www.facebook.com/ellisonbayserviceclubdc)

Door County North-local business organization promoting and supporting this area.

[www.doorcountynorth.org](http://www.doorcountynorth.org)

### GEO-DC

Cultivating knowledge and stewardship of the Niagara Escarpment corridor and its geological, ecological, and cultural wonders in people of all ages and from all walks of life.

<https://Geo-dc.org> or visit their Facebook page.

Liberty Grove Historical Society- supporting the past, present and future of Liberty Grove.

[www.libertygrovehistorical.org](http://www.libertygrovehistorical.org)

### Baileys Harbor (Outdoor market, Town Hall)

Sundays, 9am–1pm | May 15th–September 25<sup>th</sup>

### Sister Bay (Corner of the Past Museum)

Saturdays, 9am–1pm | June 25th–October 1<sup>st</sup>

*You must be the change you wish to see in the world.... Gandhi*

## NWTC Community Education Classes

To see all the classes/credit classes offered in Sister Bay go to [www.nwtc.edu](http://www.nwtc.edu) and click on "Find a Class" by location and choose "Learning Innovation Center" in the drop-down box. Learn from home via Zoom, a video meeting platform.

A computer, laptop, or tablet with reliable broadband will be required for some of the classes. Instructions for accessing the class via Zoom will be provided. You can also register by calling 1-888-385-NWTC, or you can call 920-746-4970 for assistance, or contact the Learning and Innovation Center at [sisterbay@nwtc.edu](mailto:sisterbay@nwtc.edu). Although classes take a break over the summer.

## Door County Library- Sister Bay / Liberty Grove

READERS RAMPANT BOOK CLUB Sister Bay-Liberty Grove Library - second Tuesday, 2:30 pm

September 13 - His Only Wife by Peace Adzo Medie

October 11 - The Lincoln Highway by Amor Towles

November 8 - Braiding Sweetgrass by Robin Wall Kimmerer

**Drop-in Craft Workshop Wednesdays.** All families welcome to drop-in anytime from 10:30-11:30am to the Sister Bay/Liberty Grove Library's Community Room on Wednesdays during the summer for our weekly crafts workshop led by our staff. We will be featuring a different craft activity each week along with related books to check out. Contact: Christina, 920-854-2721.

### *September Screen-Free Craft Bag Pickup. All Libraries*

Stop in at any Door County Library to pick up the free children's craft packet featuring a pirate magnet, origami parrot, and colorable bookmark. For ages 4K – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade.

Contact: Beth, 920-746-7119.

## From the Army Corps of Engineers, Lake Levels

All of the Great Lakes are in their seasonal decline with Lake Superior and Lake Michigan-Huron forecast to be 2 and 4 inches below their respective levels a month ago. Similarly, Lake St. Clair and Erie are 2 and 3 inches below their levels a month ago while Lake Ontario is 8 inches below its level on August 9<sup>th</sup>. While the forecasted level on September 9<sup>th</sup> for Lake Superior is 4 inches higher than a year ago, the remaining Great Lakes are 6 to 9 inches below their respective levels a year ago. All of the lakes are forecast to continue their seasonal decline as the basin enters the meteorological fall season. Lake Superior is forecast to fall 2 inches by October 9<sup>th</sup>. Lakes Michigan-Huron, St. Clair, Erie, and Ontario are expected to decline 3, 6, 5, and 4 inches respectively in the same timeframe. See our [Daily Levels](#) web page for more water level information.

### Apple Season has arrived!

Even the year round, residents should take time to visit some of the Northern Door County farm markets. Fresh fruits and vegetables are at their best.



## Door County North 2022 Events Calendar

### September

- 10<sup>th</sup>- Liberty Grove Historical Society's Vintage Market Days, 10am-3pm Museum site, Hwy 42, Ellison Bay  
11<sup>th</sup>- Liberty Grove Historical Society Music with a Grand View, 1-3pm, Museum site, Hwy 42, Ellison Bay  
19<sup>th</sup>- Monday, 4-6PM at 2029 Old Stage Road. James Ingwersen, renowned portrait artist accompanied by his assistant Lisa Bley. Visitors will enjoy a look into late 19th Century Pomeranian wood structures on this 100-acre farm nestled on a public preservation easement through the Door County Land Trust.  
24<sup>th</sup>- Hugel Haus Oktoberfest 11 am-9pm, 11934 Hwy 42 Ellison Bay  
25<sup>th</sup>- Hugel Haus Oktoberfest, 11am-6pm, 11934 Hwy 42 Ellison Bay. Always the last weekend of September  
30<sup>th</sup>- Sept. Trolley tour back by popular demand. "Rocks Speak" 9am start, \$45/person. For reservations & more information to sign up, go to the website. [geo-dc.org](http://geo-dc.org) or email [info@geo-dc.org](mailto:info@geo-dc.org)

### October

- 8<sup>th</sup>- Liberty Grove Historical Society's Fall Color Day, 10am-3pm, Museum site, Hwy 42, Ellison Bay  
22<sup>nd</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>- Ellison Bay Arts, Fall Art Crawl, 10am-5pm, Always the weekend after Sister Bay's Fall Fest  
22- Door County Fall 50, starts in Gills Rock, goes to Sturgeon Bay

### November

- 20<sup>th</sup>- Annual Ellison Bay Community Tree Lighting, 5pm, Ellison Bay Visitors Center, 12030 Hwy 42, Ellison Bay  
Always the Sunday before Thanksgiving  
25<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>- Christkindlmarket, finely made seasonal artisan goods. Traditional Nordic food and drink. Corner of the Past Muesum, 10310 Fieldcrest Rd, Sister Bay

### December

- 2-4<sup>th</sup>- Christkindlmarket, finely made seasonal artisan goods. Traditional Nordic food and drink. Corner of the Past Muesum, 10310 Fieldcrest Rd, Sister Bay  
11<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup>- Christkindlmarket, finely made seasonal artisan goods. Traditional Nordic food and drink. Corner of the Past Muesum, 10310 Fieldcrest Rd, Sister Bay



# Sister Bay/Liberty Grove Recycling Day

**Date: Saturday  
September 17<sup>th</sup>**



**RAIN  
or  
SHINE**

Where: Liberty Grove Town Hall  
11161 Old Stage Rd  
Time: 9 AM- 1 PM

## Free To Recycle

Bikes  
Dish Washers  
File Cabinets  
Lawn Mowers  
Miscellaneous Metal  
Metal Bed Frame  
Metal Chairs  
Metal Lawn Furniture  
Metal Roofing  
Metal Shelves  
Motor Oil Sealed, Non- Returnable Container  
Saw Blades  
Scooters  
Snow Blowers  
Stoves  
Table Saw  
Tillers  
Wash Machines  
Water Heater

## Pay To Recycle

LCD/LED/Tube Monitors Under 15" \$20  
LCD/LED/Tube Monitors Over 15" \$40  
Household Printer/Copier/Fax \$20  
Computer Monitors \$20  
Microwave \$20  
Console /Projection TV \$75  
Freon Units \$35  
(INCLUDES FRIDGE, FREEZER, AC, DEHUMIDIFIER)  
Small Electronics \$5

**Document shredding for Liberty Grove and Village of  
Sister Bay residents only. Limit 5 banker boxes per  
residence.**

**Outdated prescription & non- prescription drugs being  
accepted by the Door County Sheriff's Department.**





# Help Us Get Internet to Your Home or Business



Door County has hired a Broadband Coordinator and established a Broadband Committee to help guide the deployment of Fiber to the Premise (FTTP) throughout Door County. In addition your local municipality has a committee that is working at a local level.

We need all **residents, property and business owners** to participate in this survey to show what internet services are in place in the County. It is projected to cost \$140 million for Fiber to the Premise in Door County. It is critical for us to obtain as much Federal and State funding as possible and not leave anyone behind.

Every survey completed can help:

1. The State obtain more federal funding for Fiber.
2. The County and Municipalities qualify and apply for more State and Federal grants to help pay for Fiber to the premise.

We need you to complete this short 10 minute survey that includes an internet speed test from your home or business (or both) at [fibernetdoorcounty.org](http://fibernetdoorcounty.org). If you do not have internet access available at your home or business **please** fill out the paper survey and return it to the address provided.

If you do not have internet access from your home or business **OR** you only have cellular access:

Please fill out the survey below and mail it to the address at the bottom of this sheet **OR** call 608-267-3595 to do this survey over the telephone.

1. Full Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

2. Unit Number (If You Have One) \_\_\_\_\_

3. City \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

5. Place Type (Circle All That Apply) : Home Business School Library  
Other (Please explain) \_\_\_\_\_

6. Do You Rent or Own this Place? (Circle Response):  
Rent Own Neither  
Other (Please explain) \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail this survey back to:  
Broadband Coordinator  
421 Nebraska Street  
Sturgeon Bay, WI 54235  
OR email to: [jhatch@co.door.wi.us](mailto:jhatch@co.door.wi.us)



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Take the broadband survey and speed test from your home internet connection at:  
**<http://maps.psc.wi.gov/apps/WISER> or [FIBERNETDOORCOUNTY.ORG](http://FIBERNETDOORCOUNTY.ORG)**



**UWO** UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN  
**OSHKOSH**

# FALL 2022 DOOR COUNTY PRIVATE WELL MONITORING PROGRAM

## TESTING PARAMETERS

-  Total coliforms/*E. coli* (quantification)
-  Nitrate (Nitrate + nitrite as N)

**Cost is only \$30\***

*\*Discounted rate for the first 300 registrants; \$45 for those registering after the first 300 registrants.*

*Optional arsenic, pH, alkalinity, hardness and iron tests available at an additional cost of \$25*

## ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The University of WI Oshkosh has been offering discounted well water quality testing through this program since 2019. The goal of this program is to provide education about the importance of testing your well water as well as build a database of groundwater quality data in Door County.

## HOW IT WORKS

- RSVP using the link or QR code provided below by September 12<sup>th</sup>
- Receive sampling kit in mail
- Attend a virtual forum to learn how to sample
- Return your kit October 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> at designated drop-off locations
- Receive your results & countywide summary of study



**Registration accepted through September 12<sup>th</sup>**

**RSVP online at <https://uwo.sh/doorco-wells-fall22> or using the QR code**

*\*Prepayment using a credit card is accepted when you RSVP online, otherwise mailed checks are accepted made out to UW Oshkosh. Note that sampling kits will not be mailed out until payment is received.*

**Sample drop-off is October 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> – mark your calendars!**

For more information, contact Carmen Ebert at [eric@uwosh.edu](mailto:eric@uwosh.edu) or (920) 424-3148