

Update on Veterans Memorial Park

Submitted by Bud Erickson

Although the dedication of the Veterans Memorial Park was completed in October, the work of the 10 person steering committee, under the continued leadership of Chairman Duane Broughton, is not finished. However, instead of regular weekly meetings, the committee now meets every other week.

Progress is being made in several areas, with several projects scheduled to be completed by Syttende Mai. Thanks to the methodical continued work of Roger Kleven and Basil Sadler, approximately 80 additional veterans' names will be added to the black granite walls, many pavers/bricks will be installed, the road sign facing Highway B will be erected and two decorative pillars will be added at the entrance to the parking lot.

In addition, a directory will be placed near the archway. Veterans whose names are on the black granite walls will be listed alphabetically in the directory. To find the location of a specific veteran, just check the list in the directory and it will guide you to one of the 40 walls where that name can be found.

Anyone wishing to purchase a paver should submit the application form by April 1 in order for the paver to be in place by May 17.

Other items being researched include increased lighting and cameras for security purposes. Also under consideration is an underground sprinkler system for the entire park.

The annual Motorcycle Run, under the direction of Rick Gullickson and Dan Gallagher, is set for June 9. Registration will be at the

American Legion with stops planned for the Orfordville VFW Post, the Shopiere Tap, and the VFW Post at Fort Atkinson. The entire entourage will then assemble at the Stoughton Bowling Alley for the police-escorted parade through downtown Stoughton to the Stoughton VFW at 4:30 p.m.

Thrivent Financial is now accepting orders for the Raise The Flag program. Thrivent will place a flag on your lawn on the following national holidays: Flag Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Patriot's Day, and Veterans Day. The cost for all five days is \$50. Call Tammy Niedfeldt at Thrivent Financial, 873-0550, for details.

Other fundraising events are being planned for the upkeep and maintenance of the beautiful park. Donations to help are always appreciated.



Piling on

Capping a week full of wintry snowstorms, several inches of snow fell in the Edgerton area Saturday night, Feb. 10. *Above:* Jordayn Kreklow, age 9, helps her grandmother, Judy Snell, dig out in the aftermath. *Right:* A snow emergency limiting parking was declared in Edgerton following the storm to aid in the snow removal process.

Edgerton Reporter photos/Linda LaPorte



I-39/90 expansion project year ahead of schedule

Submitted by Steven Theisen, I-39/90 Project Communications Manager

Governor Walker made the announcement in his recent annual State of the State address. The Governor cited that by utilizing the current budget and savings, WisDOT will be advancing \$32.7 million of the I-39/90 project work into state fiscal year 2018. This advancement puts the I-39/90 Project on track to complete lettings one year ahead of schedule, in fiscal year 2020, and Interstate construction to be completed in fall 2021. This includes the entire I-39/90 project with the

exception of the I-39/90 and US 12/18 (Beltline) Interchange, which is currently undergoing environmental analysis.

This advancement does not impact the 2018 construction schedule. Construction timelines for I-39/90 projects in your area can be found at projects.511wi.gov/i-39-90/schedule under North, Central and South segments.

Stay informed: I-39/90 Expansion Project website Project Facebook page

For more information, contact Steven Theisen at 608-884-1230 or steven.theisen@dot.wi.gov

Assembly committee OKs lifetime fishing license bill

Submitted by Rep. Don Vruwink

A bill that would create a lifetime fishing license passed the Assembly Natural Resources and Sporting Heritage Committee on a vote of 12-1.

The bill's author, State Rep. Don Vruwink (D-Milton), said the bill is primarily aimed at younger generations but anyone who fishes regularly may

benefit from a lifetime license so they do not have to purchase one every year.

The current price for an annual resident fishing license is \$19.25 plus a 75-cent issuing fee for a total of \$20. A lifetime fishing license would be \$19.25 times 30, for a total of \$577.50.

After passing in the Assembly Committee, the bill must pass the full Assembly and the Senate.

Fulton Church Deer Hunters Expo Feb. 17

Submitted by Tom Montgomery

Get your tickets now to attend the Fulton Church Deer Hunters Expo, Saturday, Feb. 17, 2018, to be held in the brand new all-purpose room at Fulton Church, 4 miles west of Edgerton, one block off Hwy H at 9209 N. Fulton St., Edgerton. Find the Village of Fulton and you will find the church.

To purchase a ticket, go to Fultonchurch.org or call the church office at 608-884-8512. Tickets will also be available at the door. Tickets are \$15 for adults, under 17 FREE or you can buy a table for 8 for \$100.

Don't miss this night of Fun, Fellowship and Food! Come early and take in a couple of seminars before dinner. Seminars will start at 4:15 p.m. and go to 4:45 p.m. and will be repeated starting at 5:00 p.m. Doors will open at 3:30 p.m.

Bryan Scaar, videographer for the Sportsman's Channel, will be doing a seminar on "How to Video Your Hunt". Will Bryan give us a sneak preview of some footage to be shown next year, like a brown bear hunt on Kodiak Island or big moose hunt in the Alaska interior or an Eastern Colorado whitetail hunt or....? Attend this seminar and find out. Ru-

mors have it he's bringing some mounts for display as well.

If you are looking for new ways to cook venison, Mary Bergendal has the answers and will be sharing them in a seminar titled "How to Cook Venison". If Mary can make bears taste great, imagine what she can do with venison. This seminar will be in the new gathering room with great views of the Yahara River.

Ever wonder why women get into hunting? Attend the all-women's panel discussion "Why I Hunt" and find out. Bev Millar will be moderating this fun seminar. Come prepared for a few laughs.

Like talking hunting? Then attend "Whitetail Stories - My Hunt!!". This seminar moderated by Bill Morrison is audience participation - your whitetail hunting story and a hunting tip or two.

Dinner will be served at 6:15 p.m., so if you can't make the seminars, join us for dinner and keynote speaker. Dinner will be a PIG Roast with potato salad, baked beans and coleslaw! Following dinner, Dr. Larry Moyer will give us a riveting, humorous, photo presentation titled "Hunting Wildlife and Finding God".

The evening will wrap up with a few door prizes and we

will find out the winner of the night's buck contest. Eight prizes will be awarded so make sure you bring in your whitetail buck and/or sheds.

Eight Categories:

Largest deer - SCI Typical
Largest deer- SCI Non-Typical
Largest Deer 2016 hunting season - SCI Typical
Largest Deer 2016 hunting season - non-typical
People's choice award
Largest single shed antler
Longest whitetail spike antler
People's choice - Ugliest deer
The evening will wrap up by 9:00 p.m.

Here is what you should bring:

1. your spouse, family and friends.
2. mounted deer head(s),

antlers and/or sheds for display, measuring (optional) and deer contest.

What to wear

Your choice, but one suggestion is that new Christmas outfit, especially if it's camo, pink or orange.

Tickets are available at FultonChurch.org.

One last item

We want hunting photos—lots of them. You can upload them when you buy your ticket, email them to fultonchurch@gmail.org, or bring them with you. In the large room we will have one continuous hunting slide show and we want everyone to have a photo or two included.

This is not a fundraiser—it's just FUN!

See you at Fulton Church Deer Hunters Expo, Saturday Feb. 17, 2018.

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