

## Coming Events

**Earthsong Books and Gifts**, 2214 Kennedy Road, Janesville, is hosting a Group Full Moon Meditation for universal cooperation and good will on Wednesday, Aug. 14, at 7 p.m. This is sponsored by the Imagineers.

**Sun Prairie Sweet Corn Festival** will run from Thursday, Aug. 15 to Sunday, Aug. 18 at Angell Park. Sweet corn is available on Saturday and Sunday only from 12 p.m. to 7 p.m.

**EHS Class of 1999** will have their 20-year reunion on Saturday, Aug. 17, at 5 p.m. at Lounge 1848, downtown Edgerton.

**The Class of 1954** will meet for lunch at 11:30 a.m. at Cafe on Main on Monday, Aug. 19. We will be planning our reunion.

**VFW meeting** will be Aug. 20 at 6 p.m. Change of location to Edgerton Public Library.

**Cooksville Community Center** will be having a Suicide Prevention Program on Tuesday, Aug. 20, at 7 p.m. This event is free. Refreshments will be served.

**Stevens School reunion** is being planned for Friday, Aug. 23, 12 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Culver's Restaurant in Newville for all students who attended Stevens School, located on Wheeler Road in the Town of Porter. Since the whereabouts of many of the students is unknown, hopefully this will inform some of the former students. Please bring any pictures, etc. from those school years. Any questions, call Judy at 608-884-4235 or Jim at 608-314-9734.

**Hoo's Woods** will be having a fundraising Wings and Wine event on Saturday, Aug. 24, from 4 to 7 p.m. at Tallgrass Prairies north of Milton. Tickets can be purchased in advance via [www.hooswoods.org](http://www.hooswoods.org) or at the door.

**Evansville Grove Society** is sponsoring the fourth annual History in the Park with Doug Bradley's presentation, "We gotta get out of this place" on Sunday, Aug. 25, at 1 p.m. at Lake Leota Park.

**The Edgerton Hospital Auxiliary** will be sponsoring a fall mum plant sale on Aug. 28-30 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the lobby of the Edgerton hospital.

**Rock River Safety Boat Patrol** meeting will be held at the Culvers Restaurant on Wednesday, Sept. 4, at 7 p.m.

**UWW Rock County campus** in Janesville is hosting the 2019 Annual Scholarship Conference on Saturday, Sept. 14, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The speakers will be Rock County Genealogical So-

ciety Librarian Ruth Anderson and Rock County Genealogical Society Chairperson & Webmaster David Bradford. Registration and fees due by Sept. 1.

**Theater Bus for persons 55 and over.** Sept. 15-A Comedy of Tenors at Sunset Playhouse in Elm Grove, Wis. Sept. 29-Baskerville at Wisconsin Rapids Community Theater.

**Edgerton Farmer's Market** will be held in Central Park every Saturday May 18 to Oct. 26 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. **Aug. 17 is kids vendor day**, kids must make or grow their items. They will hold a Fall Fest on Saturday, Sept. 28. Any questions, call 884-8504.

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•**AA Open Meeting** – As Bill Sees It – at Central Lutheran Church, 100 W. Rollin St., at 7 p.m. on Saturdays in the Lounge (use the back door facing the parking lot). Call 608-295-0200 for info.

•**AA Closed Meeting** – at Central Lutheran Church, 100 W. Rollin St., at noon on Thursdays in the Lounge (use the back door facing the parking lot). Call 608-295-0200 for information.

•**Albion Academy Historical Museum** (near the Albion Tigers baseball diamond) will be open Sundays from 1-4 p.m. in June, July and August starting on June 2.

•**Atonement Lutheran Church** has invited other churches in the area to share its space or join its congregation. Call Nathan Anderson at 608-362-6553 or 608-290-2113 for more information. The church is located at 901 Harrison Ave. in Beloit.

•**Barbershop Harmony Society – Badger Chordhawks** – Christopher Smith, director, and members of Janesville's own four-part, a capella harmony chorus invites you to discover the exciting experience of a cappella harmony. Come and visit the chorus for an enjoyable evening of singing on Monday evenings from 7-9:30 p.m. at First Lutheran Church located at 612 N. Randall Ave. in Janesville. For more information call Clint Mohr at 608-755-1290.

•**Blackhawk Technical College Board Meeting** – Meetings for the upcoming year will be held on the third Thursday of the month beginning at 6 p.m.

•**Bridge Players** – Join the friendly duplicate game and play every Monday and Thursday at the Janesville Senior Center at 12:30 p.m. For more information call Ray Benton, 608-754-3688.

## 'Living snow fences' installed along I-39/90 Edgerton corridor

By Sam Martino  
Special to the Reporter

The threat of winter snowstorms and hazardous driving is still months away. But the Department of Transportation is preparing to protect motorists along the I-39/90 Edgerton corridor with "living snow fences."

The first snow fences associated with the I-39/90 corridor reconstruction were recently planted along the freeway near the Highway 59 interchange in Edgerton. The DOT is strategically lining parts of the highway with shrubs and trees to act as a snow fence.

The new "living snow fences" have been placed along several I-39/90 locations where drifting has occurred in the past.

The DOT has used wooden snow fences in the past to prevent drifting snow along state highways. The fences will continue to be used until the shrubs mature.

The I-39/90 road expansion will see about 4,000 linear feet of plantings along the roadways this year until 2022. When the expansion program is completed, the DOT estimates it will have planted 88,850 linear feet of fence.

The living snow fences create a vegetative buffer that traps and controls blowing and drifting snow from piling up, according to the DOT maintenance program.

"These strategically placed fences have also been shown to



The Wisconsin Department of Transportation has established "living snow fences" along the I-39/90 reconstruction corridor near the Edgerton Hwy. 59 interchange. The living snow fence is made up of at least a half-dozen different shrubs to protect against snow drifts during winter hazardous driving conditions. The Edgerton fence contains newly planted shrubs embedded along a highway fence line protected with a grass covering to guard against the encroachment of weeds.

Photo from DOT

reduce highway maintenance costs associated with drifting and blowing snow," the DOT reports.

The plants are being supplied by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources. The

following species are being used to build the living snow fences: American Plum, American Filbert, Cranberry Bush Viburnum, Silky Dogwood, Red Osier Dogwood, Common Ninebark, and Gray Dogwood.

By Carol Stai  
Special to the Reporter

Another busy weekend attending the Rock-Koshonong Lake District meeting that was held last Saturday at the Fort Atkinson High School Auditorium with a packed house. Everyone realized how important this meeting was going to be. Well, after lots of long discussions, two new members, Mark Meyer who has lived on Rock River and the lake most of his life was elected as treasurer, and Alan Sweeney is now the elected chairman. The most important item discussed was raising the 2020 fees from \$40 to \$45 and not the \$75 that was proposed and voted down. There was discussion about getting the dam repaired so that the lake level would be better controlled. The DNR has changed their draw-down to Oct. 15 so everyone can enjoy the fall colors and a ride on the lake when the weather is perfect. If there is no water level, that affects the sale of homes on the lake and hurts the businesses on the lake and river.

The proposed renovation of boat launches was put on the back burner for awhile as there has to be permits, permission from the DNR and most important, making sure no Indian burial grounds are disturbed. People don't realize that many Native Americans lived all around the lake and river and buried their loved ones close to them. We do need the boat launches repaired, but I personally think and did hear from many that the repairing of the dam had to come first.

After the meeting, we attended the TEAL-riffic FUNdraiser for Ovarian Cancer that was held at Oberg's with a good attendance. Many items had been donated for the silent auction. All in all, it was a success! "Thank You" to the entire planning committee for their work for a great cause.

The Annual Poker Run will be this weekend with sign-in starting at noon. Baskets provided by Kadlec Ranch Rescue will be on display with tickets to purchase and drop them in jars that went with the basket. A 50/50 raffle will also be available. A drawing will be at the first stop at Lakeview Bar. If you don't have a boat, it might be hard to find a ride as there are a few boats that broke down this past weekend. You also can go by car or motorcy-

cle but you will miss the second stop that stops in a bay for a dip in the water. Stops also include Island Bar up the river and Norm's, then back to the clubhouse.

This Wednesday, Aug. 14, Albion Park will be packed with lots of vehicles for the car show sponsored by the Tired Iron organization and will have sweet corn plus music provided by the Rough Riders. I have been watching the weather and it looks like it will be a great evening. Stop by to check out all the vehicles.

Thursday, a number of classmates attended the funeral of Craig Fuller of Stoughton who passed away last Sunday due to

health issues. Craig and his son, Brad, owned and operated Fuller Excavating since 1975 and Craig finally retired in 2013 with Brad continuing the business. A very touching service for Craig and a luncheon at the Stoughton Country Club where Craig was a member for a number of years. As a send-off for Craig, seven members of his family chose a golf club from Craig's bag and each was given three balls and three times, they all drove balls into Lake Kegonsa giving Craig a 21 shot salute. Craig will be missed but left lots of great memories.

Birthdays this week are Bob Cusick on Aug. 16; Teresa Reilly on Aug. 17; Peggy

## Highwood Hoots

Sawle on Aug. 19; Bailey Bolden, Adam Hanewall, and Abaigale Lowel on Aug. 20; Tammy Bolden and great-granddaughter Madison Kealy on Aug. 21, and Romona

Rucks of Chicago on Aug. 22. Anniversary wishes to Jackie and Josh James on Aug. 18, former residents, Jack and Kathy Hadeffield on Aug. 19; Morgan and Kyle Ludlum Aug.

21 and Lori and Tracy McLlory on Aug. 22. Wishing everyone a great celebration.

Have a great week.

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A: To the dock!

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