



Fall 2026 Newsletter

From the Chair

Hello McMillan Residents,

I hope you are all enjoying your summer. I have been actively engaged in our road projects. I am pleased to announce that we are moving forward with Staadt Avenue from County Hwy C to Highway 97, which is currently under construction and is scheduled to be completed by August 28th. Other projects under construction are Hatimar, Zig, Penny, and Luman. They are to be chip sealed by the end of September.

We have also received grants for St Joseph's for approximately \$700,000.00, Ash for approximately \$30,000.00, and One Mile for the large culvert for approximately \$415,000.00. We hope these projects will be completed in 2027.

We are still waiting on two grants we applied for, which are: Drake from County C to Hwy 97 and Riverside from Staadt to Hwy 97. At this time, we haven't heard if we received them, but we are hopeful.

The Audit for 2025 has not been completed; hopefully soon.

As many of you already know, the town was blessed with the McMillan Memorial Gardens Cemetery. Not by our choice, and it was voted on at the Annual meeting in April to dispose/sell if we could. If anyone is interested in purchasing a cemetery, please let me know.

Unfortunately, winter is right around the corner. For those of you who push your snow across the road or in the road, hoping the plow will take care of it, this act is illegal and dangerous for our plow drivers. And it will be dealt with accordingly. So please use the necessary caution so no one gets hurt.

Wishing you all a safe and enjoyable summer! If you have any concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out at 715-387-2078.

Deb Derfus, Chairman, Highway Supervisor, and Cemetery

Rent the McMillan Pavilion for Your Next Event

Looking for an affordable and convenient place to host a graduation party, family gathering, birthday celebration, reunion, community event, or other special occasion? The McMillan Pavilion offers Town of McMillan residents a practical space to gather while enjoying the surrounding park amenities.

The pavilion is located at 114090 Elm Tree Road, which features a ball diamond, playground equipment and other recreational areas. When the pavilion is rented, the renter receives exclusive use of the pavilion during the rental period, while other areas of the park remain available for community use.

A Convenient Space for Gatherings

The pavilion is equipped with 12 six-foot tables and 70 chairs, making it suitable for a variety of gatherings. A refrigerator with a freezer, many plug-ins for crockpots and utility sink are available for renters.

The facility is also heated and available to rent year-round, giving residents an option for events outside of the traditional summer season.

Affordable Rental Rates

The pavilion rental fee is \$150 per day, along with a \$100 damage and cleaning deposit. The deposit is refundable after the rental, as long as the pavilion meets the town's cleaning requirements following the event.

Renters have exclusive use of the pavilion from 8:00 a.m. until 11:59 p.m. on the rental date.

Who Can Rent the Pavilion?

The McMillan Community Pavilion is intended for adult residents of the Town of McMillan. Reservations may be made up to one year in advance and are handled on a first-come, first-served basis.

To reserve the pavilion, residents can contact the Town of McMillan Clerk at 715-389-1338. The town also provides a pavilion rental agreement and information about availability through its Parks and Recreation page. The rental agreement can be located at www.townofmcmillan.gov/parks-and-rec/

What Renters Should Know

The Town of McMillan has several rules designed to keep the pavilion and park clean, safe and enjoyable for everyone. Renters are responsible for cleaning the pavilion after their event, including sweeping and mopping floors, cleaning and properly storing tables, replacing trash bags and removing their own garbage.

Smoking is not permitted inside the pavilion, and alcoholic beverages may not be sold on park property. Animals are not permitted inside the pavilion. Bouncy houses, trampolines and other jumping devices are also prohibited.

Parking must remain in designated parking areas, and renters are responsible for any damage to township property or additional cleanup required following their event.

Respectfully, Nicole Forst

Alternative Energy and Policies and Procedures

Dear McMillan Residents,

Work continues to update the Town's Policies and Procedures. I expect to have the updates ready for review in September.

In May, the Town passed a Wind Energy Ordinance. In June, both a Solar Energy System Ordinance and a Battery Storage System Ordinance were passed. All ordinances can be viewed on our website at www.townofmcmillan.gov.

We will continue to update our website and Facebook page with Marathon County Meeting notices that may relate to alternative energy sources. The County's upcoming agendas can be found at www.marathoncounty.gov/about-us/minutes-agendas.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeff Stueland, Board Supervisor

McMillan Garbage and Recycling Report

Dear McMillan Residents,

The Annual Tire Collection Event held on April 25, 2026, from 8:00 A.M. until noon, was another huge success with close to 33.5 tons of tires being collected for recycling. Hosted by the townships of McMillan and Marshfield, the event had approximately 300 residents from these townships participating. A special thanks to Randy Forst and Norma Sebastian for helping. The Northwest Recycling Board gave \$13,400 for the event.

Our contract with Waste Management is completed at the end of 2026. It was the request of the recycling board to put out a Request for Proposal (RFP), early this spring. We received bids from the following companies.

- 1) GFL Thorp, Wisconsin
- 2) Harter's Expert Disposal, Eau Claire, Wisconsin
- 3) Waste Management of Wisconsin, Marshfield, Wisconsin

Within the next 6-8 weeks we will meet and decide as a board which company we will go with for the next contract period.

If you need assistance or have questions, feel free to call or text me 715-486-6243.

Thank you!

Respectfully Submitted,

Dave Swenson, Board Supervisor

Plan Commission

The last several months have been moderately busy. Chairperson Dorothy Olson and Bruce Wineman were reappointed to the Plan Commission. These appointments are for three-year terms. There has been some turnover on the Plan Commission as well. One of the members, Mr. Russ Kollmansberger, resigned due to work obligations. We were sorry to see him leave. He contributed significantly to the Plan Commission, offering a perspective beneficial to the Township. His spot was filled by Mr. Chris Oertel, who is actively participating in the process of Planning and Zoning. Ms. Dorothy Olson resigned secondary to personal reasons. She was very invested in Zoning and Planning for the Town of McMillan and put significant effort into doing the right thing for the Town of McMillan and the Citizens of our Town. She will be, sincerely, missed. Her spot was filled by Eddie Antoniewicz. He was voted in as chairman for the Plan Commission.

The major issue addressed by the Plan Commission related to Solar Farms. After long discussions with the individuals involved, the Plan Commission voted against the two Solar Farms being presented by the City of Marshfield located in the Town of McMillan. This vote was a reflection of the feelings of the Citizens in our Town who came to meetings related to the topic. The company that planned on installing the two projects in our Town presented what their part of the process involved. The City of Marshfield presented what this would mean for Marshfield Utilities. Residents of the Town of McMillan voiced their feelings. Based on the information at hand, the vote was against, based on the decision that these were not in the best interest of our Township.

The other topics addressed by the Plan Commission were, more or less, routine. A significant factor in all that takes place at our meetings is the participation of the Residents of our Town. Plan Commission meetings are held on the fourth (4th) Monday of the month at 6:00 p.m. (1800) in the Town Hall. We encourage people to attend and participate. Residents can bring issues for us to consider and discuss. This favors the best decisions for our Township.

Bruce Wineman, Secretary

Library

Hello McMillan Residents,

Please see the below updates and opportunities for the library. As a reminder, the Everett Roehl Marshfield Public Library does offer free delivery services to help individuals receive materials who cannot otherwise travel to the library. Please contact the Adult Services Supervisor at 715-387-8494 Ext. 2751 for more information.

We will continue to update our website, www.townofmcmillan.gov, with additional information regarding the library and their various programs.

Respectfully submitted,

Rod Bauer, Board Supervisor

New Opportunities for Readers and Writers!



Fall will see some new opportunities for readers and writers at the Library!

On September 8, we will hold the first meeting of our new Sci-Fi & Fantasy Book Club! This group will meet bi-monthly to discuss a variety of titles and styles in the realm of science fiction and fantasy.

At this first meeting we will discuss the book *What Moves the Dead* by T.J. Kingfisher and take suggestions for what the next book to read should be. This book can be requested through our online catalog or at any of the service desks. Whether you're brand new to sci-fi and fantasy or an experienced reader, all are welcome to participate in this exciting new group!

As for writers, the Library is working planning our first ever Autumn Author Showcase for Saturday, November 7th. We are looking to highlight published works by local authors and connecting those authors to new audiences in our community.

Any author who wishes to participate in this event should email Steve at sapfel@marshfieldlibrary.org for information and registration. Registration must be completed by October 5.

The leaves may be falling but the opportunities at the Library keep growing all year round!

Have further questions or need assistance? Contact the [Information Desk](#), call (715) 387-8494 extension 2, or reach out via [Facebook](#) or [Instagram](#).

Youth Programs



Colors & Crayons Storytime

Friday, September 4
10:00 AM, Adler Room
[Facebook Event](#)

Color us excited for these stories and songs!



School Bus Storytime with Kobussen Buses

Friday, September 11
10:00 AM, Adler Room
[Facebook Event](#)

Everybody get on board for one of our favorite Storytimes of the year, School Bus Storytime! Our friends from Kobussen Buses will be here with a bus!



Apples Storytime

Friday, September 18
10:00 AM, Adler Room
[Facebook Event](#)



Fall Storytime

Friday, September 25
10:00 AM, Adler Room
[Facebook Event](#)

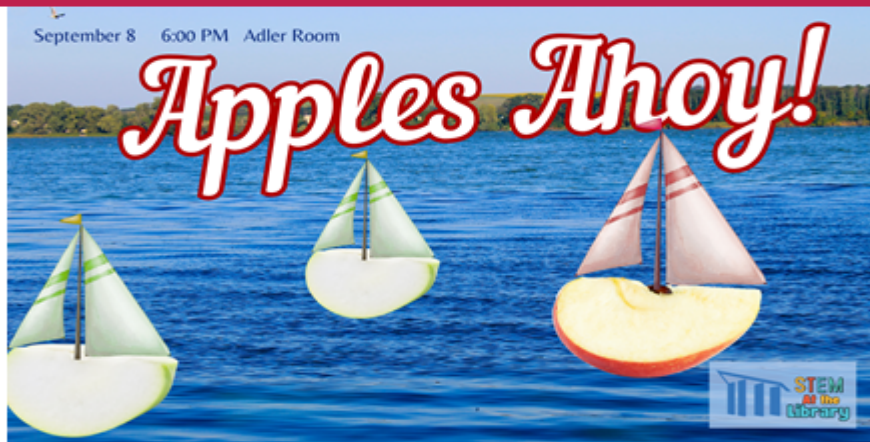


Toddlers at Ten

Wednesdays
10:00 - 11:00 AM

Join us each Wednesday morning for an hour of activities that allows our littlest patrons to learn and play in fun, engaging ways!

All Ages Programs



Apples Ahoy!

STEM at the Library
Tuesday, September 8
6:00 PM, Adler Room
[Facebook Event](#)

Join us as we make mini sailboats using fresh apples and test concepts like buoyancy and density!



Loud Library Karaoke

Tuesdays at the Library

Tuesday, September 1

6:00 PM, Adler Room

[Facebook Event](#)

The Library won't be so quiet this Tuesday night! Come join us for karaoke! Sing by yourself, sing with a friend, or even sing with Steve! If you don't feel like singing you can still cheer on those who do. It's going to be a lot of fun getting a little loud in the Library!



Stitches & Conversation

Saturday, September 12

9:30 - 11:00 AM, Felker Room

[Facebook Event](#)

Stitches & Conversation is an open crafting group to share needle arts (knitting, crochet, etc) and other crafts, as well as conversation.

All ages and skill levels are welcome.

The group can help if you are just getting started or are stuck and need help on a project. Bring along your current project and supplies, whatever your craft may be.



90's Trivia Night

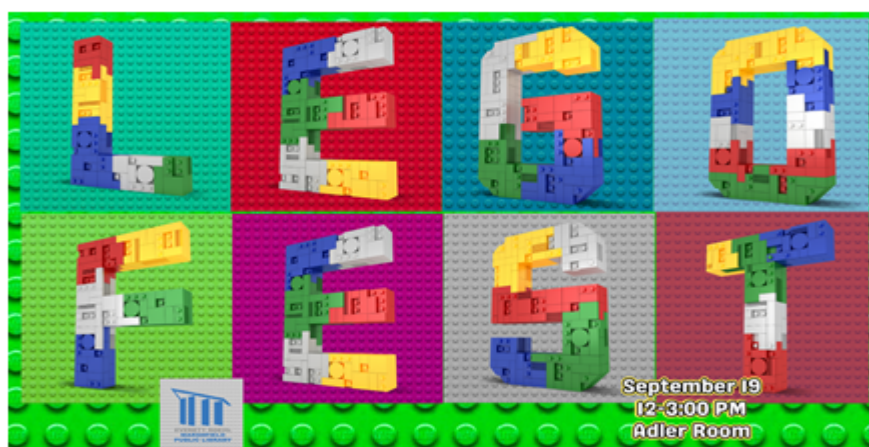
Tuesdays at the Library

Tuesday, September 15

6:00 PM, Adler Room

[Facebook Event](#)

Hey do you remember the 90's? Let's find out! From grunge to boy bands, flannels and neon, TGIF and Twister, don't be clueless! As if!



Lego Fest

Saturday, September 19

12:00 - 3:00 PM, Adler Room

[Facebook Event](#)

Saturday Lego Fest returns! For 3 hours, we'll make all of our Legos available for you to build anything you can think of!



Puzzle Race
Tuesdays at the Library
 Tuesday, September 22
 6:00 PM, Adler Room
[Facebook Event](#)

The Puzzle Race returns! How fast can your team put together a 500 piece puzzle? We're going to find out! Come with a team of friends or join a team when you get here. It's going to be an evening of speedy puzzle action!



Chess Mates
Tuesdays at the Library
 Saturday, September 26
 1:00 PM, Felker Room
[Facebook Event](#)

The Chess Mates competitive chess club meets on the last Saturday of each month from 1-5 PM. They offer three regulation tournament boards for the first six players to arrive as well as a chess clock for "blitz" and a regular clock. All ages welcome. There will be no instruction for beginners. This club is looking for experienced players looking for a fun game play challenge.



Mystery Color By Number
Tuesdays at the Library
 Tuesday, September 29
 6:00 PM, Adler Room
[Facebook Event](#)

Have you ever done a color by number picture? Usually, you can see the picture before you fill it in. But not here! We will provide you with a color by number picture that will only reveal itself as you color it in!

Adult Programs



Earthwatch

Wednesday, September 2

1:30 PM, Felker Room

[Facebook Event](#)

Earthwatch is a book club that is an open environmental and conservation discussion group for on-topic books. The group meets each month to discuss the book and share ideas.

This month we will read the book *Hope Dies Last: Visionary People Across the World, Fighting to Find Us a Future* by Alan Weisman, pages 301 through 358.

We look forward to seeing you!



The Last White House Cow

Wednesday, September 9

6:00 PM, Adler Room

[Facebook Event](#)

Did you know the White House had an official cow? Once upon a time, it was true! The last White House cow came from Wisconsin and was a gift to President Taft in 1910. Danielle Nauman from Dairy Star newspaper will be here to tell us about the fascinating history and life of Pauline Wayne 3d, the last White House Cow.



Clerk's Report

Hello, McMillan residents!

My name is Norma Pentico, and I am honored to introduce myself as your new Town Clerk. I look forward to serving our community and getting to know all of you. Whether you have questions about elections, town records, permits, or other clerk's office business, I'm here to help. My new office hours are Mondays and Wednesdays from 9am to 12pm and I am located at the Town Hall. I am also available by appointment, you can email me at clerk@townofmcmillan.gov, or you can call or text 715-389-1338.

E-Waste Recycling

The Town of McMillan continues to accept most electronic waste during regular clerk office hours:

Mondays & Wednesdays

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

McMillan Town Hall at 113904 Elm Tree Road

We accept many common electronic items, including TVs, computers, laptops, printers, keyboards, gaming systems, cell phones, vacuums, box fans, and more.

Please note that we cannot accept refrigerators, air conditioners, stoves, washers, dryers, fluorescent bulbs, batteries, or other large appliances ("white goods").

If you're unsure whether an item can be recycled, feel free to contact the Clerk's Office before bringing it in.

Become a Poll Worker

We're always looking for dedicated residents to serve as poll workers during elections. If you're interested in helping your community and supporting the election process, please contact me at clerk@townofmcmillan.gov.

Thank you for your continued support of the Town of McMillan. I look forward to working with you and serving our community!

Warm regards,

Norma Pentico

McMillan Town Clerk

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