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**Fire Chief:** Rod Smith

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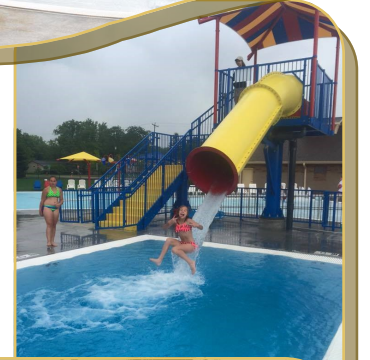
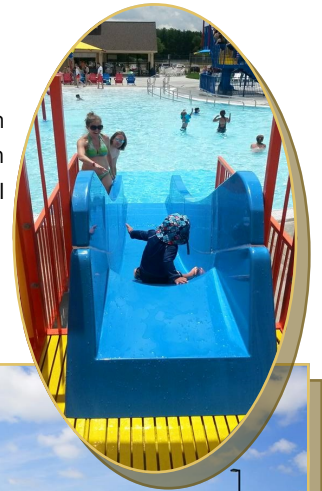
FUN PLANNED FOR ALL AT SUNSET POOL THIS SUMMER

**Saturday, June 11th – Start your weekend at SUNSET POOL!**  
**Pool opens at 11:00 a.m.!**

**BE COOL AT THE POOL!** Now with longer hours, more seating, and an array of healthier options at the concessions, you and your family can relax all summer long at Sunset Pool. After reviewing the Sunset Pool survey, we have listened to your requests and made some changes:

- ◆ Longer evening hours – close at 8 p.m. every weeknight!
- ◆ Longer weekend hours – close at 6 p.m. on weekends!
- ◆ More Swimming Lesson Options
- ◆ Morning/Evening Lap Swim
- ◆ Reasonable Birthday Party Packages
- ◆ Discounted Evening Specials
- ◆ Themed Thursdays
- ◆ Family Fun Fridays
- ◆ Junior Lifeguarding Class
- ◆ Punch Card Pass
- ◆ Additional Seating, Loungers and Tables
- ◆ Bag Toss & Badminton in grassy area
- ◆ Reduced Rates for Resident Memberships, Birthday and Private Parties
- ◆ NEW! Ice Cream Cones - 1 scoop or 2?
- ◆ Dad’s Swim & Eat Free on Father’s Day
- ◆ Grandparents & Senior Days
- ◆ Tot Time and “Tween” Time
- ◆ July 1st – 4th Specials
- ◆ Christmas in July! Santa & Grinch Cannonball Competition

The list goes on and on! We are so excited to bring you **Year Two at Sunset Pool!** Please see the Rec Department’s Summer Guide (available April 4th) for all specials, hours and fees. We are here to keep YOU cool at the pool this summer! You may purchase your swim membership starting April 4th.



## LETTER FROM THE MAYOR

Dear Citizens of Elkhorn:

We have come a far way the past year with the new Sunset Pool opening along with many new events! This time of year it will be even more exciting to be in the great community of Elkhorn. From many new events to having a full year with Sunset Pool open. We're still under construction with new park upgrades at Sunset and Tasch Park. Along with the parks we will have more road construction projects. Most importantly we have begun moving forward with the expansion of Market Street from Court to Geneva. This is an exciting expansion and will be a multi year project. Over the past year we've welcomed

many new businesses to our community and this spring a brand new 200,000 sq. ft. building going up on Morrissey. We will also begin construction on our new water treatment plant early this summer providing assurances of water supply to the community. This is an exciting time to be in Elkhorn and keep informed from our local organizations on the amazing events to come.

Regards,

*Brian Olson, Mayor*

You can contact Mayor Olson at  
(414) 899-4771 or email him at [bolson@cityofelkhorn.org](mailto:bolson@cityofelkhorn.org)

# Community Days of Elkhorn June 17-19

This NEW event features all things Elkhorn! The Elkhorn Chamber of Commerce invites you to help kick-off the summer with friends and family over these three days!

**Friday, June 17th** the evening begins at 6:00 p.m. with an Aqua Skiers performance on Elkhorn Lake followed by a movie on the beach at Babe Mann Park.

**Saturday, June 18th** will be filled with activities for all ages throughout the community. Starting at 8:00 a.m. in Babe Mann Park, is the 7th annual RUN UNITED 5 mile run/2 mile run/walk and 1 mile fun run for kids. Sign up and learn more by visiting their website: [www.uw-wc.org](http://www.uw-wc.org). A pancake breakfast will follow until 11:00 a.m. Throughout the day, community and youth groups, games and live demos will take place on stage and around Babe Mann Park. Food and entertainment will be on site for your enjoyment. At 6:00 p.m. the Lauderdale Aqua Skiers will perform on Elkhorn Lake, which will bring park activities to its finale.

**Sunday, June 19th** spend your Father's Day at the Second Annual Pride & Joy Car Show from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. located in and around the Uncle Hunk's Junk Building- home of the Elkhorn Area Chamber of Commerce. Live music and food available.

## CITY SCHEDULES OPEN BOOK, BOARD OF REVIEW

Property owners will have an opportunity to meet the City's assessor, Accurate Appraisal, LLC one-on-one during the following date and time at Open Book at City Hall in the First Floor Conference Room:

**OPEN BOOK: Wednesday, April 13th, 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.**

Assessment Roll Books will be available at City Hall beginning April 1st during office hours. Appointments with Accurate Appraisal, LLC may be made on-line through the assessor's website,

[www.accurateassessor.com](http://www.accurateassessor.com), or by calling 1-800-770-3927.

If you are not satisfied with the results of Open Book, Board of Review is the next step. By following the steps outlined below you may attend Board of Review at City Hall in the Common Council Chambers:

**BOARD OF REVIEW: Wednesday, May 18th, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.**

In order to attend Board of Review you need to fill out an *Objection Form* and

submit it to the City Clerk prior to the Board of Review. Objection forms and a Board of Review Guide for Property Owners will be available in the Clerk's Office May 1, 2016.

**Business Owners: If you no longer have taxable personal property in Elkhorn, please notify the City Clerk. If not notified, you are responsible for the taxes.**

**ATTENTION ALL UTILITY CUSTOMERS**

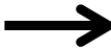
April 15, 2016 marks the end of the winter moratorium for all utility customers, which means anyone who has a past due balance will see a disconnect date on their bill that will be mailed on 03/31/16. (See example below.)

CITY OF ELKHORN LIGHT & WATER DEPT, 9 S BROAD STREET, PO BOX 920, ELKHORN, WI 53121 262-723-2910

NAME		Service Address		Account Number
JOHN SMITH		123 MAIN ST		11-1111-11
Status	Service Dates	Days	Bill Date	Current Bill Due Date
ACTIVE	02/01/16 To 03/01/16	29	3/28/2016	4/20/2016

Previous Balance	\$199.79
Late Fees	\$2.00
Payments/Adj	\$0.00

\*\*\*\*PLEASE NOTE\*\*\*\*  
 Watch this area for your Past Due Amount and Disconnect Date. See the back of the bill for more Disconnect Information.



Past Due Balance	\$201.79
DISCONNECT DATE**	04/19/2016

Current Bill Due 04/20/2016	\$177.43
Total Due on Account	\$379.22

In order to avoid electric disconnection, either pay the past due in full or set up a payment agreement if you are eligible:

**1. Pay the FULL past due balance before 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, April 19, 2016.** City Hall's office hours are from 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. A drop box is available outside the main entrance.

- City Hall accepts cash, check, or money order.
- **Credit Card, Debit Card and Electronic Check (E-Check) Payments** can be paid through Payment Service Network by phone 887-885-7968 or online [www.cityofelkhorn.org](http://www.cityofelkhorn.org) -click Pay Utilities. A third party convenience fee applies. Credit card, debit card and e-check payments cannot be taken at City Hall. **For any payments made on the morning of disconnect, April 19th, please call before 9:00 a.m. with the confirmation number to ensure your disconnection gets cancelled.**

**2. Deferred Payment Agreements (DPA) - Residential Customers Only, if eligible: Please note there are new rules regarding tenants being eligible for DPAs**

**3. Residential Tenant Customers** will not be eligible for a deferred payment agreement (DPA) **if any of the following apply:**

- Residential tenant has/had greater than \$100 of account arrearages more than 90 days past due.
- Residential tenant has defaulted on a deferred payment agreement in the past 12 months.
- Residential tenant is responsible for account arrearages that were placed on any property owner's tax bill in the utility's service territory in the past 24 months.
- Residential tenant has/had a balance that accrued during the winter moratorium that is more than 80 days past due.

If you are eligible to set up a payment agreement. You will be required to pay a minimum of 50% down of the FULL balance on your account, and sign an agreement for the balance. When negotiating the agreement, we will also be taking into consideration the effort you made to pay during the moratorium months. All deferred payment arrangements must be signed by the account holder.

⇒ **Energy Assistance:** Assistance may be available through Energy Services of Walworth County. Call (262)427-8505 **immediately** to setup an appointment as funds may be limited. You may also call First Call for Help by dialing 211 to inquire on other assistance options.

⇒ **Medical Conditions:** If a serious medical condition exists in your household that requires uninterrupted service, you must take IMMEDIATE action. Call our office at (262)723-2910 to discuss your options. Please note that prescriptions that need to be refrigerated (i.e. insulin), do not qualify for uninterrupted service options.

Household Size	Combined Household Income for 3 months
1	\$6,400
2	\$8,370
3	\$10,339
4	\$12,308
5	\$14,277
6	\$16,247
7	\$16,616
8	\$16,985

## Spring Brush Collection Schedule – 2016

NOTE: Brush Collection during all weeks **begins on Tuesday** and ends on Friday on each of the following weeks:

**Week of April 5, May 3 & June 7:** NE Section

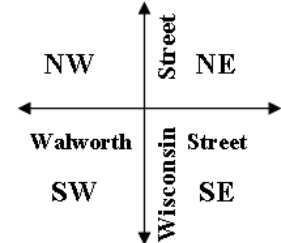
**Week of April 12, May 10 & June 14:** SE Section

**Week of April 19, May 17 & June 21:** SW Section

**Week of April 26, May 24 & June 28:** NW Section

### Guidelines:

- \*Brush should **NOT** be in the terrace *earlier* than Saturday prior to your pickup week
- \***NO** vines, rakings or roots (see the Yard Waste Drop-off Site below)
- \*Brush **MUST** be in the terrace no *later* than 7:00 a.m.
- \*Do **NOT** combine leaves with brush of the scheduled Tuesday pickup day
- \*Place cut ends facing direction traveling on street
- \*Maximum length- 12 feet; maximum diameter- 6 inches



**Special Collection.** When the City's DPW crew is required to return to a property to chip brush because it was not placed in the terrace by the prescribed pickup schedule or the amount of brush exceeds normal pruning and trimming, then a charge will be applied. When payment is receipted by City, a special pickup is scheduled by City's DPW office. Please contact the DPW office at 723-2223 for fees or to schedule an appointment only during the Spring Brush Collection season. **Season ends week of June 28th.**

## Spring Leaf Collection/Seasonal Burning – 2016

**Spring Leaf Collection** is scheduled to begin **Tuesday, April 5th** and ends on **Friday, April 15th** (a 2 week period of time, beginning **Tuesday** and ending **Friday**). Advanced Disposal, the City's refuse/recycling contractor, conducts this leaf collection. The City is divided into two sections during the Spring Leaf Collection. The schedule is as follows:

**East of Wisconsin Street—Week of April 5**  
(Includes East side of Wisconsin Street)

**West of Wisconsin St—Week of April 12**  
(Includes West side of Wisconsin Street)

### **DO NOT PUT LEAVES TO CURB UNLESS IT IS YOUR LEAF COLLECTION WEEK**

- \*Leaves should **NOT** be in the gutter earlier than the **Saturday prior to your pickup day**
- \*Please rake leaves into the **gutter**—Advanced Disposal will pick up the leaves from the gutter
- \*Leaves **MUST** be in the gutter **no later than 7:00 a.m.**
- \*Do **NOT** mix brush with leaves of the scheduled **Tuesday** pickup day
- \*Do **NOT** place them in bags or boxes

**Seasonal Leaf Burning** is allowed between **April 1 and May 31** *without* a permit, any other dates require a permit

- \***NO** burning when wind is in excess of 10 miles per hour
- \*Burning permitted between the hours of 8 a.m. and 8 p.m.
- \*Burning shall occur on the resident's property at a minimum distance of 25 feet from any occupied dwelling
- \*Do **NOT** burn on streets, sidewalks, terraces, or any other location within the public right-of-way

## Yard Waste Drop-Off Site – City Garage

**Address:** 12 E. First Ave. (Fenced area adjacent to N. Washington St.)

**Opening Date:** Wed., April 6, 2016

**Hours:** 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. (Wednesday) & 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. (Saturday)

- \*Tightly bundle tree limbs and branches no greater than 3" in diameter and 4' in length with twine (**NO** wire or nylon)
- \*Yard/garden debris and brush—including clean, woody vegetative material no greater than 3" in diameter
- \*30 gallon paper bags or dry cardboard boxes not larger than 3'x3'
- \***NO** stumps, roots or shrubs with intact root balls
- \*Drop off leaves, vegetables, and grass clippings only
- \***NO Plastic Bags!**

**Grass Clippings Reminder**  
The City of Elkhorn ordinances does not allow grass clippings to be put into the street. Violators may be subject to citations.

INFORMATION ALSO AVAILABLE ON CITY WEBSITE AT [cityofelkhorn.org](http://cityofelkhorn.org)

**NEW EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT**

Michael Finster began his new duties as a Police Officer with the Elkhorn Police Department in January. Prior to being selected for the position, Michael worked for the Police Department as a Community Service Officer. Michael began his employment with the Police Department in the fall of 2013 after having earned his degree from UW-Whitewater. While working for the Police Department, Michael completed the police academy at Blackhawk Technical College. Michael is currently completing the Police Training Officer Program, which is a 12-week training program that is based on community policing and collaborative problem-solving principles.



David Dean is the City's Community Service Officer. David earned his Bachelor Degree in Criminal Justice from ITT Tech and completed the Police Academy at Wisconsin Indian Head Rice Lake. He is an Eagle Scout, has been working 4 years for Habitat for Humanity. In his free time, David enjoys golfing, volunteering, and spending time with his wife and daughter. He looks forward to a career in law enforcement someday.

**CONGRATULATION TO CHRIS ROBERS FOR 25 YEARS OF SERVICE**

The Mayor Brian Olson recently recognized water utility employee Chris Robers for 25 years of service to the City of Elkhorn. The City is very fortunate to have highly skilled and dedicated staff, such as Chris, providing service to our water services and community.

Thank you Chris!



**CITY PASSES BEEKEEPING ORDINANCE**

The Common Council recently approved the keeping of bees in the City limits. If you would like to keep bees, a permit from the city is required. Some of the requirements to receive a permit are:

- A completed application with site plan
- Pay for application and permit fee
- Inspection of site plan as well as the premise
- Neighborhood Approval—written consent of the owners of all adjoining or diagonally abutting properties
- Queen bees must be obtained from European stock bred for gentleness and non-swarming characteristics
- Approval by the Common Council

All hives shall be located in the rear yard only and include setback requirements, require a flyaway barrier, be in movable frames, have access to water within 10 feet of the hive, and be on residential properties. No more than two hives are allowed per property. For full permit requirements, please read the complete ordinance, Chapter 12.05, on the City's website. Contact the City Clerk at (262)723-2219 or cityclerk@cityofelkhorn.org to obtain an application and for more information.

**The Spring Election and Presidential Preference is Tuesday, April 5th**  
**Voting will be organized by wards and will take place at**  
**the Recreation Building located at 200 Devendorf St.**  
**Polls open at 7 a.m. and close at 8 p.m.**  
**For information on your Ward go to <https://myvote.wi.gov/>**  
**call 1-866-VOTE-WI or contact the City Clerk**



## VOTING: REGISTRATION AND ABSENTEE

If you are not currently registered to vote in the City of Elkhorn, you are encouraged to register prior to the April 5th Spring Election and Presidential Primary. If you have moved or changed your name since the last time you voted, you also need to fill out a new registration form prior to voting. Residents may register by mailing a completed *Application for Voter Registration* to the Clerk's office. Remember to include a legible copy of your proof of residence if you mail your form; you will not be registered without it. The last day to mail registration forms is March 16th, after that forms will only be accepted in person at City Hall. An easy way to start the registration process is to go to <https://myvote.wi.gov/>. Residents may also register to vote at City Hall during office hours. The last day to register to vote prior to the Spring Election is April 1st before 5:00 p.m. Voters may register at the polls on election day, however, to avoid any potential for waiting in line, are encouraged to register ahead of time.

In-person absentee voting (also called 'early voting') will take

place in the Clerk's Office at City Hall, beginning Monday, March 21st and ending April 1st, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Please note that City Hall is closed Friday, March 25th. **Please bring your Photo ID to vote.** See the article below to learn more about the Photo ID.

To request an absentee ballot by mail, you need to fill out an *Application for Absentee Ballot* (available on the City's website) or send a request to the City Clerk in writing requesting an absentee ballot which substantially provides the information required on the application form. The elector making the request must sign the application. The request can be sent via email, fax or by mail and must include a legible copy of your PHOTO ID. The deadline to request to vote absentee by mail is Thursday, March 31st at 5:00 p.m.

For more information about voting, visit the City website or contact the City Clerk at (262)723-2219. Registration and absentee forms, what's on your ballot, elected official information and more can also be found at <https://myvote.wi.gov/>.

## VOTING AND THE PHOTO ID LAW

The Photo ID law will be enforced for all elections. When you come to the polls, bring your Photo ID in order to cast a ballot. If you plan to vote absentee prior to the election, you also need to provide Photo ID to receive a ballot. Absentee voting hours for all elections are Monday–Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. the two weeks prior to an election, at City Hall.

**BRING IT**  
 — TO THE —  
**BALLOT**

Acceptable Photo IDs include a Wisconsin Driver License or State ID or receipt for same not expired prior to November 4, 2014 (the address does not need to be current), US Passport Book or Card, US Uniformed Services ID, Certificate of Naturalization, Tribal ID, or University/Tech/College ID along with Enrollment Verification. As of March 11, Veteran Affairs ID Cards also serve as acceptable Photo ID.

For more information about Photo ID and voting, visit the City website or contact the City Clerk at (262)723-2219. Registration and absentee forms, voter and election information and more can also be found at <https://myvote.wi.gov/>. Additional Photo ID information is available at <http://bringit.wisconsin.gov/>.

**YOU CAN GET A WISCONSIN STATE ID FOR FREE FROM THE DMV**

To get a free ID card, you will need to take a few documents to your Division of Motor Vehicles office.\* There's a long list of documents you can use, but most people will be fine with a certified birth certificate, a Social Security card and a utility bill or cell phone bill. You'll notice that some records, like a certified birth certificate, satisfy more than one category. Just be sure to bring originals – photocopies don't work – and check the box that says "ID for Free" on your application. Once it's complete, you'll get a receipt (valid for 45 days) that you can use at the polls until your state ID arrives by mail.

The documents fall into four categories and some may overlap into other categories. A few samples of documents that will work are given, for a complete list visit the website, <http://bringit.wisconsin.gov/> or call 1-866-VOTE-WIS:

1. **Proof of Name and Date of Birth:** Certified birth certificate; current U.S. Passport; U.S. Certificate of Naturalization; U.S. Certificate of Citizenship; Federal temporary resident card or employment authorization card
2. **Proof of Identity:** Social Security Card issued by the Social Security Administration; a valid WI or out-of-state driver license (not a Canadian driver license) with your photograph; certified copy of a Marriage Certificate or Judgment of Divorce
3. **Proof of Citizenship or Legal Status:** Certified birth certificate; current U.S. Passport; U.S. Certificate of Naturalization; U.S. Certificate of Citizenship
4. **Proof of Wisconsin Residency:** Valid Wisconsin hunting or fishing license, Government-issued correspondence or product issued within the last 90 days from a federal, state, county or city agency, electronic copies of the following are acceptable: utility bill for water, gas, electricity or landline telephone service issued within the last 90 days. cable or similar bundles of services that include landline telephone service is included in this category; cell phone bills; an account statement from a Wisconsin bank/ financial institution issued within the last 90 days, this includes savings, checking or money market accounts held in banks or credit unions

\*If you are missing these documents, you may still get an ID, contact the DMV for more information at (608)266-1069.

★ ☆ ★ **My Vote Wisconsin** ★ ☆ ★

<https://myvote.wi.gov/>

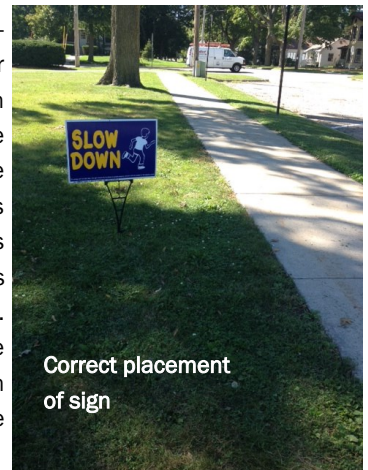
**A website for voters to find their elected officials information, voting location, registration status, ballot and absentee information, and more!**

**POLITICAL CAMPAIGN SIGNS IN THE TERRACE**



Incorrect placement of sign in terrace

Election campaign signs may be permitted in all Zoning Districts provided that permission has been granted by the property owner, renter or lessee; and that sign may only remain on display during an "Election Campaign Period". The Election Campaign Period is defined as the time between the first day for circulating nomination petitions and the day of the election itself. In the case a referendum, the period begins with the day on which the referendum question is submitted to voters (when it is published) and ends on the day of election. Campaign signs may not be placed in the terrace. One sign per candidate per property. All signs must be in compliance with the City Sign Ordinance, the requirements of which are contained in Article 17.8 of the Elkhorn Zoning Code. The Code may be accessed on the City's webpage ([www.cityofelkhorn.org](http://www.cityofelkhorn.org)), or by contacting the City Zoning Office.



Correct placement of sign



## SAVE THE DATE: JUNE 10TH ~ NIGHT UNDER THE LIGHTS IS BACK!

School will be out soon! The Recreation Department begins summer break with the **Annual Night Under the Lights** Celebration! Activities will begin at 5:00 p.m. at Harris Park. Games will be played all night! Face painting, chalk art, obstacle course, inflatables, basketball and soccer competitions, music, concessions, raffle baskets, and much more! Every player who wears their 2016 uniform from Rookie Sports through 14U will receive a free hot dog. See you there!

## HAVING A PARTY OR MEETING? WE HAVE THE PERFECT SPACE FOR YOU!

The Community Center, Recreation Center and Park Rentals are filling up quick! If you know when you want to reserve any of these areas, please stop in at the Rec Center as soon as you can to secure your date! Residents pay only \$20/per hour for Community Center or Recreation Center and \$50 for a pavilion! Dates fill up fast, so book your party TODAY!

## DANCING DATE NIGHT

Mark your calendars for May 7<sup>th</sup> & June 4<sup>th</sup> – We are offering an alternative to *Date Night* for those of you who are tired of the same ole' movie night... Come dance the night away! No prior experience needed. You don't have to know how to Waltz, Salsa or Tango to have a good time – you will see many beautiful dancers and might learn a step or two just by watching! This is a great way for you to see and hear what our Ballroom Dance Program is all about and meet our instructors, Richard and Virginia, who have been dancing partners for the last 40 years. So surprise that special person in your life and plan a date night for May 7<sup>th</sup> and June 4<sup>th</sup> here at the Recreation Center. The fee is \$6.00 a person and light refreshments are served.

**Watch for the Summer  
Park and Recreation  
Guide Available April 4th!**

## OUTDOOR MOVIES AT SUNSET PARK

Remember the old days of outdoor movie theaters? We are bringing back this awesome experience to share with you and your family! Our screen fills the entire band shell and is roughly 20 feet by 40 feet wide with a professional sound system. There is enough room to spread out! So bring your blanket or lawn chair and get comfortable! We got you covered with concessions from our park concession stand. Slushies, candy, popcorn, pizza, hot dogs... you name it – we got it! Specific dates and movies in the Summer Park & Rec Guide.

## ATHLETIC CAMPS

This summer is the perfect time to introduce your child to a new sport or enhance their skills in something they already play. The Elkhorn Area High School Coaches are instructing camps this summer to youth, middle and high school leveled athletes. Please see our program guide for dates and fees. No athlete will be left behind! Please visit our office if you need assistance with program fees.

## ROOKIE SPORTS

Do you have a little one that is active and wants to play sports just like big brother or sister? We have the perfect program for you- **ROOKIE SPORTS!** Calling all children between the ages of 2.5 to 4 who love to play! We joined forces with Miss Patty and Coach Storm along with our other camp staff. Come and see what everyone is talking about! We play t-ball, soccer and flag football. Certificate and t-shirt for all who participate. Registration will begin April 4<sup>th</sup>. (This year registrants will get a shirt at sign up.) Wear your Rookies shirt and get your little one a free hot dog at Night Under the Lights on June 10<sup>th</sup>!

## ICE CREAM AT THE PARK? YUM!

Our pool concession stand that opens to the park will now be serving ice cream cones! Stop after you played baseball with your teammates. Out on a bike ride? Walking the dog? We will have treats for your pup too. Come and visit us soon! Check our hours of service on our Facebook page or website [www.cityofelkhorn.org](http://www.cityofelkhorn.org) or just give us a call: 262-723-2279 (Pool) 262-741-5114 (Rec office).





## SUNSET SUMMER CAMP

Back by Popular Demand! Sunset Park Summer Day Camp for children ages 5-12. We have new themes along with the previous year's favorite Cake Boss and Return of the Junk Wars! Camp runs from June 13th through August 12th. (No camp the week of July 4th.) Hours of camp are from 12:00-4:00 with an option of late pick up. Coach Storm will be back along with a few other favorite camp counselors from last year! Campers will be very active outside. We will be utilizing the entire park, the beautiful new pool and our Rec Center! We have planned fun-filled activities that will tire your child out while energizing their inner spirit and imagination. Friendships are formed, memories are made and your child will never come home bored again! Let the fun begin for your child this summer at Sunset Summer Camp! See our Park and Rec Summer Guide for more information (out April 4th) or call 741-5114 or send an email to [elkhornparkandrec@cityofelkhorn.org](mailto:elkhornparkandrec@cityofelkhorn.org).

### ***Fear Factor June 13<sup>th</sup> -17<sup>th</sup>***

Are you a fan of creepy crawlies and gooey goop? This week we will be making slime, conducting "gross" experiments, and testing our courage with Fear Factor challenges. Be prepared to say, "EW!" on our Field trip to Elkhorn Lake! We will be digging up slimy worms, go on a scavenger hunt looking for creatures with many legs and finish our adventure with hopefully catching some slippery, scaly, stinky fish! "EEEEWW!!!"

### ***Do YOU have what it takes? Try out for the Olympics! June 20<sup>th</sup> – June 24<sup>th</sup>***

Compete in the 2016 Summer Olympics, Sunset Park style! Come prepared to try a variety of sports and games! Water and power snacks needed! We will visit the Elkhorn High School Track for a friendly and fun Olympic "try out"! All skills and levels welcome. Medals will be given out each day for effort, team spirit and overall "athlete."

### ***Calling ALL Super Heroes, June 27<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup>***

Spend the week Super Hero Style! Make your own life-size super hero! Create a cape, comic book, energy booster snack and best yet – discover your super powers when we run through our super fun obstacle course!

(No camp July 1<sup>st</sup> through July 8<sup>th</sup>)

### ***Cake Boss, July 11<sup>th</sup> -15<sup>th</sup>***

Calling all sweet tooths! Bake and decorate a super-duper large giant-sized cupcake as well as a creative cake! What's better than this – you get to do it with your friends! Campers will break up into teams and each present their delicious masterpieces to city staff and parents! The cakes will be displayed and voted on by parents and city staff followed by a cake-eating party! Field Trip to Lakeland's Bakery to see how the professionals do it!

### ***Jurassic Park, July 18<sup>th</sup> -22<sup>nd</sup>***

After the snow melted this winter, the staff at Sunset Park Summer Day Camp discovered evidence of prehistoric dinosaur bones. We need YOUR help uncovering the bones and reconstructing our Elkhornasaurus! You will be on a new adventure every day this week so come prepared to get dirty! Create an animal track, a wood necklace and find special rocks!

### ***TEAM SANTA vs TEAM GRINCH, July 25<sup>th</sup> – July 29<sup>th</sup>***

'Tis the season? Well it depends what team you are on! Yes, we have a problem! Both Santa and the Grinch will be in Elkhorn this week. We will be tie-dying ugly "Grinchy" t-shirts but Santa needs help with ornaments, decorations, and wrapping a few special presents. Find your Christmas spirit! Don't miss our holiday party at the end of the week with a special surprise visit from both The Grinch and Santa. I heard they are competing in a Cannonball Competition at the pool!

### ***Return of Junk Wars, August 1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>***

An annual favorite, Junk Wars never fails to challenge our creativity! If possible, please bring in "junk" items, such as recyclables and unwanted treasures. Teams will be created and each team will have a camp counselor. We will use these items to create our robots and their home. The robots will be displayed and voted on at Sunset Pool, and the winning group will be announced at the end of the week. You don't want to miss... 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Return of the Junk Wars! Surprises all week long!

### ***Swimming, Smoothies, and Sandcastles, August 8<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>***

The title says it all! Pack your swimming suit, sun lotion and get ready to come home tired! Join us for a full week of fun in the sun, yummy (mostly healthy) smoothies, and "beach" activities. We will be going to Sunset Pool with a few special surprises in store for all campers!



## DRUG TAKE BACK DAY

On Saturday, April 30th between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m., the Elkhorn Police Department will partner with The Pharmacy Station of Elkhorn in a prescription drug disposal event. The event will be held at The Pharmacy Station in Elkhorn located at the corner of E. Geneva and S. Wisconsin Streets. This is a great opportunity for the public to dispose of expired, unwanted, or unused medications as well as prevent pill abuse and theft by ridding their homes of these items. During the four hour period you can bring your medications for disposal to The Pharmacy Station and place them in the disposal box. The service is free and anonymous, no questions asked. Drug take back events are organized through the Wisconsin Department of Justice <http://doseofrealitywi.gov/>. For more information you can also contact the Elkhorn Police Department at 723-2210.

## IMPORTANT PEDESTRIAN SAFETY REMINDERS

Be especially careful at intersections as failure to yield right-of-way can occur when drivers are turning onto another street and a pedestrian is in their path.

When possible, cross the street at a designated crosswalk. Always stop and look **left, right, and left again** before crossing. If a parked vehicle is blocking the view of the street, stop at the edge line of the vehicle and look around it before entering the street.

Increase visibility at night by carrying a flashlight when walking and by wearing retro-reflective clothing that helps to highlight body movements.

It is much safer to walk on a sidewalk, but if you must walk in the street, walk facing traffic.



## ELKHORN POLICE ADOPT-A-SCHOOL PROGRAM CONTINUES

The Adopt-a-School program is a simple concept yet important to promote relationships with staff and students, as well as enhance knowledge of school buildings and school safety. Each officer that works during school hours is partnered with a school within the City of Elkhorn. That officer makes contact a minimum of once per week with the

school they are assigned. This contact includes conversations and relationship building with staff and students to discuss concerns, walk halls, and make positive contacts with students. Many times officers are able to make multiple visits during the week as time allows. Officers engage in conversations relating to school safety, crime prevention,

concerns or general questions. Officers are encouraged to use this time to foster relationships with not only their assigned school but to also visit other schools.

The Adopt-a-School program has provided an enhancement to the current Police School Liaison Program that has been in place since 1998.

## NEW FARM STAND PERMIT

Last fall, the City added requirements for Farm Stands to its ordinances. Chapter 17.5-2 regulates Farm Stands on private properties. The following requirements apply:

- Authorization of the property owner to set up the stand
- Farm Stands must be setback at least 5 feet from all property lines
- A Farm Stand may be operated between 8:00 a.m. and dusk only, April 1 through November 1
- The Farm Stand may be no bigger than 600 square feet
- When the Farm Stand is not in use, it must be removed and store off-site or indoors

- Temporary signage related to Farm Stands must comply with Ordinance Chapter 17.8-3

All Farm Stands, whether on private or City property require a permit. Farm stands on City property are considered Direct Sellers permits and must also provide to the City a liability insurance certificate naming the City of Elkhorn as additionally insured (coverage of at least \$500,000 for general liability, \$100,000 on vehicles used, \$300,000 for property damage over \$50,000).

Farm Stand permits have no fee—applications can be obtained on the City's website or from the City Clerk and returned at least 10 days prior to the issuance of permit.

**WHAT'S NEW AT MATHESON MEMORIAL LIBRARY?**

The Library will be a busy place this spring. During the month of April, we will hold our annual Food for Fines month. The library will forgive overdue fines, \$1.00 for each nonperishable food item donated (up to \$5.00), to benefit the Elkhorn Food Pantry. This offer may not be redeemed on lost/damaged fees.

Our Friends of the Library group is sponsoring an author visit with bestselling author, Kathleen Ernst, on Tuesday, April 5, at 6:30 p.m. This is a free event open to the public. Ms. Ernst is the author of over 30 books, including the "Old World Mystery" series, the official American Girl series for Caroline, and her latest non-fiction work, *A Settler's Year: Pioneer Life Through the Seasons*.

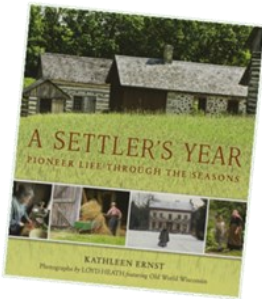
Other programs for adults in April include an Art Fest on Saturday, April 9, from 9-4:00 where you can view artwork by local talented artists, a "Car Talk" on April 11 at 6:30 p.m. and a craft demo from Home Depot on April 13, at 6:30 p.m. No registration is needed for these free, drop-in programs. We have two book discussion groups that meet every month, the first Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. and the third Wednesday at 2:00 p.m. Check our web site calendar at [www.elkhorn.lib.wi.us](http://www.elkhorn.lib.wi.us) for more information on these and other programs.

In our children's department, Miss Pattie will host morning story times on Tuesdays with toddlers and on Thursdays with babies. Our after-school clubs continue on Thursday

afternoons and rotate between Lego Club, Messy Art Club, and Mad Scientists Club. Check our website calendar for the current week's club and project. All ages are welcome to drop in between 3:30 and 5:30 on Thursdays for these programs. Chick Central will also arrive around Easter. We will be hatching eggs so stop and take a look in our incubator and then come back to see the chicks! Our special event in April is called *Down on the Farm* on April 20, at 10:30 a.m. There will be activities, treats, photo ops, crafts and more. This program is co-sponsored by the library and EASD Parent Connections, Step Ahead, The Learning Curve and Lakeland's Little Learners.

Support the Friends of the Library by joining for just a \$10 membership fee. We are looking for new members to help with our projects this year. Many hands make light work! The Friends host a monthly Movie Night, the second Friday of the month and work weekly to maintain their ongoing Book Store, along with many other events throughout the year like the Book & Bake Sales, Fridays with Oscar, and Trick or Trivia.

As always, I encourage you to contact me with any comments or suggestions regarding the library. You can reach me by phone at 262-723-2678, x22 or by email at [lselje@elkhorn.lib.wi.us](mailto:lselje@elkhorn.lib.wi.us)



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**City Departments are on Facebook:**

**City of Elkhorn  
City of Elkhorn Police Department  
City of Elkhorn Electric Department  
Elkhorn Recreation Department**



**MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE FOLLOWING DATES**

**City Hall will be closed** in observance of holidays during the spring and summer, the dates are:

- Friday, March 25, 2016
- Monday, May 30, 2016
- Monday, July 4, 2016
- Monday, September 5, 2016

**2016 Elections (all are 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.):**

April 5 - Spring Election and Presidential Primary, at the Recreation Center located at 200 Devendorf Street (in Sunset Park)

August 9 - Partisan Primary (if necessary), this election will take place at the Recreation Center

November 8 - General Election, at the Wisconsin National Guard Armory located at 401 Fair Ave (next to Jackson School)



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go directly to the City's calendar!**



### **STAR SPANGLED CELEBRATION**

Mark your calendars! The City of Elkhorn fireworks display will be Friday, July 1st at dusk at Sunset Park. The celebration would not be complete without its traditional Holton-Elkhorn Band and Elkhorn 4-H Club ice cream social!

### **FARMERS MARKET STARTS SATURDAY, JUNE 4TH**

Elkhorn's Farmers Market starts June 4th and runs through October 8th. The market is open each Saturday from 8:00 a.m. to noon on the square in downtown Elkhorn.

### **CORN & BRAT DAYS, AUGUST 5TH & 6TH**

Formally known as the Festival of Summer, this event is being revived by the Elkhorn Area Chamber of Commerce and Tourism Center. Beginning at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, August 5th, artisans and crafters will be on the square in downtown Elkhorn while delicious steamed corn and juicy grilled brats are served from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Saturday, August 6th, spend the day from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. enjoying more of the festival, food and fun! A free event in beautiful downtown Elkhorn!