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## Town of Burke News

### Easter Egg Hunt

The Token Creek Lions will hold their Annual Easter Egg Hunt on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>April 8</u>, <u>2017</u>, <u>at 11:00 a.m</u>. at the Town Hall Park located at 5365 Reiner Road. The Easter Bunny has prepared special candy filled eggs for children ages 2-11 to enjoy. Children line up at 10:55 a.m. and when the horn blows-the kids can race to get their eggs. If you have questions about this event contact Sandy Harrison at 608-837-8882.



### Annual Meeting

The Annual Town Meeting of the electors will be held on <u>Tuesday, April 18, 2017, at 6:00 p.m.</u> at the Town Hall, 5365 Reiner Rd, Madison.

### Arbor Day

On Saturday, April 29, 2017, 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. the Town will provide seedling trees for Burke residents to plant at their homes. Stop by the Town Hall at 5365 Reiner Road for a hotdog, chips and a free tree! Quanities of hot dogs and trees are limited. Join the Town of Burke in celebration of Arbor Day by planting a tree to keep America beautiful!

### Spring Clean-Up

On Saturday, May 20, 2017 8 a.m. to noon the Town will hold the 6th annual clean-up day at the Town Hall for residents to dispose of bulky unwanted items. Visit our website at townofburke.com or call the office at 825-8420 for a list of items accepted.

### **Building Permits**

The Town ontracts with SAFEbuilt for building inspections. Our current inspector is Dean Eppler. Dean has office hours at the Town Hall on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1:00-2:00 p.m. He can be reached by phone at 608-576-6370. Call the inspector prior to beginning construction and remodeling jobs to determine if a permit is necessary.

### Staff Update

In February we said goodbye to Public Works Patrolman, Dave Schleicher, who left the Town for another career opportunity. Eddie Haltaufderheide recently accespted the position and starts in the beginning of April. Please join us in welcoming Eddie to the Town.

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### Brush Collection

Mark your calendar for the weeks of:

April 17

April 24

June 12

June 19

August 7

August 14

October 9

October 16

#### **Brush Pick up Regulations:**

- Please have your brush out to the curb by 6:00
   a.m. the Monday morning of pick-up week as there is not a scheduled route. Due to the volume of brush we will not get to the entire town the first day, so please be patient.
- Cut ends should be stacked towards the curb. If piles aren't stacked properly they may be skipped.
- Place small quantities of brush in a pail or similar container to ensure it is visible to staff.
- Large limbs should not exceed 6 inches in diameter
- Limbs should not be longer than 8 feet in length.
- No grass, roots, leaves or other yard waste will be accepted.
- <u>Piles larger than 8 feet wide by 4 feet high are</u> not accepted.
- If you or a contractor take down a whole tree that is considered a commercial job, which is also not accepted.

Thank you for your cooperation- Town of Burke Staff.

If you would like to receive free wood chips please call the town hall at 825-8420 to place your name, address and phone number on the list. We cannot guarantee you will receive them, but we will do our best to accommodate everyone.

See page three for information on where to take leaves and grass clippings.

### Open Burning

Every person in the Town of Burke shall notify the Sun Prairie Fire Department at 837-5066 prior to commencing any outdoor fire in the Town of Burke. Information provided to the Sun Prairie Fire Department shall include: name, address, phone numbers, date, time and location of burn, type of material to be burned and fire protection to be used at the location. Burning after sunset and on days when burning is banned by the State Department of Natural Resources or the Sun Prairie Fire Department is prohibited. **Burning on commerical properties is prohibited by the DNR.** 

### Fireworks

Chapter 7 of the Town of Burke Ordinances states: "no person may possess or use fireworks without a user's permit from the Town Board Chairperson or from an official or employee of the Town as designated by the Town Board." The ordinance also states that permits may be obtained by the following only: a public authority, a fair association, an amusement park, a civic organization or an agricultural producer for protection of crops from predatory birds and animals.

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### Compost Site

The Town of Burke is continuing their partnership with Schönheit Gardens to accept leaves and grass clippings from residents at their site located at the intersection of County Hwy T and Bailey Road in the Town of Sun Prairie. The site will be available for Town resident use April-November. A permit is required to use the site. Annual permits are available at the Town Hall during regular office hours for a fee of \$5. Hours of operation and site rules will be provided to permit holders. This option is only available for residential use, vard waste from commercial lawn mowing companies will not be accepted. In the spirit of our continued partnership, Schönheit Gardens has asked us to include a coupon for products in their nursery in this article for use by Town residents whether you use the compost site or not. The following information was provided by Schönheit Gardens:

#### Winter was a season of change at Schönheit Gardens!

We've been working hard all winter to update our look and make your visit with us better than ever.

Most notable for Town of Burke residents dropping off debris is our new address. Don't worry, we're still at the same location-- our old entrance marked the treacherous side driveway and was misleading to customers and suppliers. The new address better reflects our main entrance you're probably already using.



We felt it was time to freshen our online presence to better reflect the high quality plants and services we offer. We have a fantastic new website and logo that does just that. Click to SGLgardens.com to browse our services, view photo galleries, learn on our blog, request bulk goods deliveries and more. We'd love to hear what you think!

You'll still find the same friendly faces as years past helping you in the nursery, along with our furry friends wandering among the plants. We have gorgeous new pottery and garden accessories coming in and just finished potting up unique perennials we can't wait to show you. New this year-- you can find a small selection of seeds for sale! We're getting ready for our most exciting season yet!

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### Town Staff

Public Works:

Ron Kurt, Lead Patrolman Eddie Haltaufderheide, Patrolman Office Staff:

Brenda Ayers, Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer Teri Saxon, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer

Town Hall Office Hours:

8 a.m. to 4 p.m. M-F Summer hours: Closed at noon on Fridays between Memorial Day and Labor Day



### Town Board

Kevin Viney, Chairperson Jeff Stieren, Supervisor Seat # 2 Steve Berg, Supervisor Seat #3 Chris Truitt, Supervisor Seat #4 Pat Nimmow, Supervisor Seat #5

Board meetings are generally held at the Town Hall on the third Wednesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. Agendas and minutes can be found on the website.