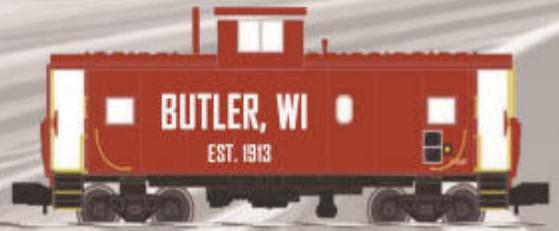


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Parks, Roads & Grass... All you need to know!

Wow! What a year 2018 has been so far! Staff at Village Hall are working hard on numerous initiatives the Village Board set for 2018. This includes the purchase of new body-worn cameras for the Police Department, a new roof and paint will soon be installed at the Community Building and park pavilion, and work to improve our roads and infrastructure is currently taking place on 131st St, Custer Ave, and Park Drive.

You probably by now have noticed the Florence Liebl Playground at Frontier Park was built in April. This endeavor was not possible without the generous donations of Gene Liebl and Butler Tool as well as the countless others who gave time, services, and money to make this dream a reality. The playground was constructed over two days with the help of residents, area businesses and Village Staff. We hope that you and your families enjoy the playground for years to come.

The Village is also in the middle of a major road construction project on 131st Street, Custer Ave, and Park Drive. This project includes portions of water main replacement, sewer main relining, and a new concrete road in the entire area. Thank you to all of the businesses in the area for your patience and understanding throughout this project. Construction is expected to be wrapped up by the end of August.

Also, it is that time of year where the Village receives complaints about long grass and weeds. Please remember that Village Code requires all property owners to maintain grass at a height of no more than 8 inches. The Community Service Officer will make regular inspections of properties to ensure compliance. If you have a complaint, please contact Village Hall.

Village Code also requires pet owners to clean up after your pets, whether it is in your own property or on other properties when walking your pet. We are receiving quite a few complaints about pet owners not cleaning up after their pets. Please be a good neighbor and take the time to clean up after your pet. There are pet waste stations at Frontier Park for your convenience.

I hope you all have a fun and safe summer!

Kayla Chadwick
Village Administrator



From the Village President

I would like to welcome some new businesses to the Village. We welcome Log Cabin Sewing Co. at 12520 W. Hampton Ave that held its grand opening on June 1st. This puts Hampton Ave. at 100% occupancy. We also welcome the re-opening of The Butler Café under new management and the new owners of Arriba's. Several other small office/Manufacturing businesses have also opened the last few months.

On behalf of the Village Board, I would like to thank all the people who made the playground dream come true. Thank you to those who donated, especially Butler Tool. Also, thank you to those who volunteered to be on the playground committee, the DPW, the Police Dept, Cargill, RA Smith, Java Train, Three Sisters Landscaping and the residents who came out to put the puzzle together.

Enjoy the 4th of July Parade at 2pm and fireworks at dusk.

Have a safe, wonderful summer!
Pat Tiarks, Village President

Recent News

Village observes the National Day of Prayer

It was a first for the Village of Butler. On Thursday, May 3rd, 2018, Butler held its first observance of the National Day of Prayer. The National Day of Prayer had its beginnings in 1952 when a joint resolution by Congress declared an annual day of prayer for the country. In 1988, President Reagan signed a law permanently designating the first Thursday of May each year as a day of national prayer. So each year local, state and federal observances are held, uniting Americans from all socio-economic, political and ethnic backgrounds in prayer to God for our nation. Our village's event was held at the Butler Library and included clergy from four area churches, a state representative and members of the community – totaling 30 in all. Prayers were offered for our nation, our state of Wisconsin, our county of Waukesha and our local communities of Brookfield, Menomonee Falls and Butler. The meeting concluded with a joint chorus of "My Country 'Tis of Thee."

From the Police Department

Summer Travel Plans?

It is important to prepare both yourself, family, and your vehicle for summer trips. Failure to do so could result in costly repairs, additional stress, and injury if involved in an accident. Wearing your seat belt is one of the most important safety steps you can take. Make sure all passengers are buckled and small children are in approved child seats. Check seat belts of children to ensure the belts are properly adjusted.

One of the most important ways to prepare yourself is to get plenty of sleep. Many times people will stay up late the night before, preparing and then leave early the next morning. Drifting off to sleep while driving has injured and killed hundreds of motorists and their passengers. If you get tired while driving, stop and take a break. Trying to drive too many miles at a time is not worth the risk of falling asleep behind the wheel. If, drinking caffeine drinks, stretching your legs, and walking around doesn't help staying awake, don't drive, and rest before continuing.

Inspecting your car before starting your trip can help prevent an unexpected breakdown. Check your tire pressure, tread wear, all lights, belts, fluids, and windshield wipers. Check your spare tire and know how to access your jack and lug wrench too.

If traveling outside of Wisconsin and need construction zone or road information, log onto <https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/trafficinfo/> and choose the state you will be driving through. By following these simple but important tips, we will all enjoy this wonderful state we call HOME!

Have a Safe and Enjoyable Summer
Chief David Wentlandt



James Steeno Creates Map for Butler, WI!

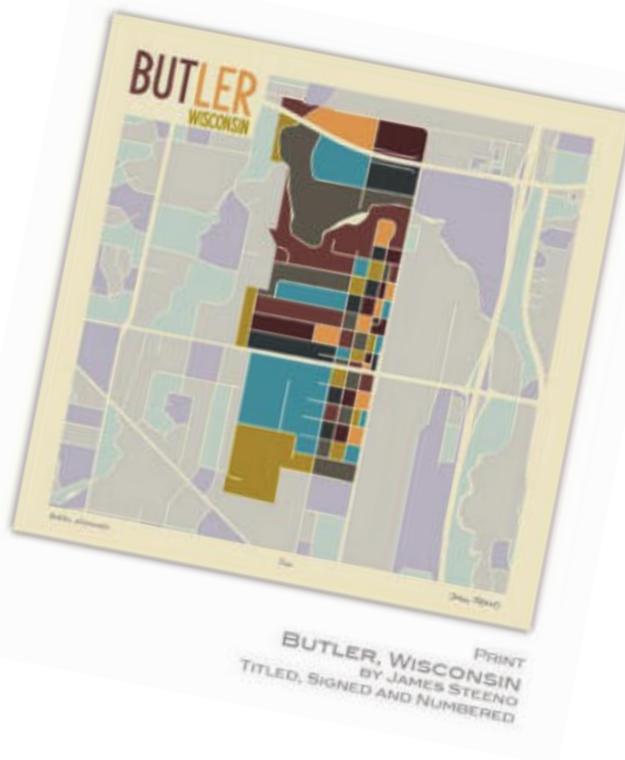
James Steeno is a well-known local artist based in Milwaukee who creates beautiful stylized maps of area cities, towns and villages.

James recently created a map for Butler (shown here) and we are really excited he has added our community to his amazing collection.

All prints are titled, signed and numbered. Please support this local artist by purchasing a print for yourself or as a gift.

Prints can be purchased at www.jamessteeno.com.

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The SLLB Optimist Club Now in Butler

The residents and businesses of Butler now have an opportunity to support the Optimist mission by participating in fundraisers that directly serve the children in our community and members decide how to allocate the funds.

On May 11, 2018, the SLLB members met with Butler Police Chief David Wentlandt for Law Enforcement Appreciation Month (Pictured). The SLLB Optimist club is also planning to participate in the Village of Butler 4th of July parade.



Optimist International is a global volunteer organization with more than 3,000 local clubs and 80,000 members in 20 countries. Members work each day to make the future brighter by bringing out the best in children, in their communities, and in themselves.

While attending the International Optimist Convention in 2017, Optimist member Diane Matuszak was approached and asked why there wasn't an Optimist club in this area. Upon returning home, she sought the advice of Jerry Schmitz, a 40 year Hamilton School board member, and local business owner Carl E. Trapp about chartering an Optimist club. In November 2017, the local (SLLB) Optimist club was chartered and includes Sussex, Lisbon, Lannon and Butler.

Matuszak is now the president of the SLLB Optimist club. She brings club leadership experience and knowledge that has already achieved successes. Recently, the club proudly bestowed their first scholarship to Hamilton High School and contributed to the Hamilton Education Fund.

The SLLB club meets on the first Monday of every month at 6 p.m. at Hamilton High School library. Guests are welcome to attend the meetings. For questions about the Optimist SLLB club, email Diane at dmatuzak1@wi.rr.com. **SLLB Optimist Club Meet and Greet will be held at Butler Public Library on Wednesday, July 5th from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. Find out how you can support your community.**

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Butler Business Bio



Butler Business Bio is a feature article highlighting a local business. You will discover interesting facts and tidbits about the business that aim to foster community awareness and pride.

Interview and article by Janet Holdmann

When opportunity knocks, open the door. That's what Ron Klassen did when he found the unoccupied building at 12424 W. Lancaster. Upon opening the door, Ron discovered that the structure needed a total renovation. Considering Ron owns a residential remodeling and design business, it was a perfect fit. Founded in 1975 as Wallner Builders, the business was rebranded and reborn when Ron purchased the company from Leo Wallner in 2003. Initially, Klassen worked out of his home office for two years which had its challenges functioning around a family of seven children. So the hunt was on for an office building that could be tailored to showcase the company. In 2005, Ron found Butler to have what he needed to continue his venture – a vacant building with nearby freeway access and a community that welcomes small businesses.

At Klassen Remodeling and Design, their mission is "To improve people's lives by improving their homes." Ron as lead designer and his team of two, Derek Ortlieb – project manager and Ashton Woll – design facilitator, work with talented

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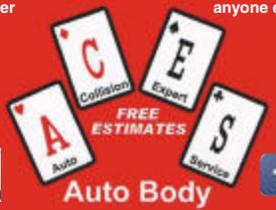
According to Ron, one of the challenges in the remodeling industry is the "budget shock" that clients express during the planning phase of the project. Remodeling isn't cheap, but the finished outcome is always well worth the price. And right now "business is booming" for Klassen and the industry as a whole.

Ron describes his workplace atmosphere as "almost family." It's a small group of three professionals working closely on multiple projects; it's a caring environment with flexibility. As a successful businessman, Ron's biggest achievement is not in business but in family. Ron and his wife

have raised seven children to be independent and productive. They will be celebrating their 38th wedding anniversary in August.

What is Ron's advice to entrepreneurs considering a business endeavor? 1. Store up cash – starting a business eats it. Don't make any sudden moves until you've saved at least six months of your own income. 2. Marketing is everything. Word-of-mouth is by far the best, but takes a long time to build momentum. Have a solid marketing plan and review it with someone who really gets it. 3. Avoid negative energy. It's toxic. Surround yourself with positive and successful people. Do what the winners do and when opportunity knocks – open the door.

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Tidbits of Butler History

“Old” And “New” Butler

People often ask why the village we know today as “Butler” was originally called “New Butler.” When a new post office was named, long lists of suggestions were submitted to the Post Office Department who would make a choice. At times this was a lengthy process. No newly proposed name could be accepted if the same or a similar name already existed in this state or one nearby. A name was not official until the name was chosen, approved and the office established. *(From Dane County Place Names)*

So where did the name of Butler originate? The people who named Butler came from New York State so the name most likely originated there, but the origin of the name has never been documented. One possibility is Benjamin F. Butler, a lawyer who lived fifty miles from the home of the first postmaster. In 1848, there was also a South Butler, New York. A more national figure is William Butler, a general in the Mexican War. The prefix “Old” was added to the name of Butler after the incorporation of New Butler in 1913.

Old Butler identified the area around 124th Street, Lisbon Road and Capital Drive. Older residents may recall such landmarks as Tony Andresek’s tavern (originally Kehoss’ and Louis Gerls). The residential area was razed in the early 1960’s including the building housing the last Butler Post Office on Lisbon Road.

The Last Butler Postmaster

Henry W. Feerick was born October 7, 1858 on a farm 7 to 9 miles north-west of Hartford. When he was nine years old, family came to Milwaukee to the southeast corner of Lovers Lane and Lisbon Roads. He attended the school house across the street and enrolled in the Oshkosh Normal School for the 1876-77 school year in the “preparation” course called Pre-normal training.



This Tidbit of Butler History is directly referenced from *The History of (New) Butler Wisconsin*, published by the 2013 Butler WI Centennial Committee. Editor: Marilyn Wros Schultz

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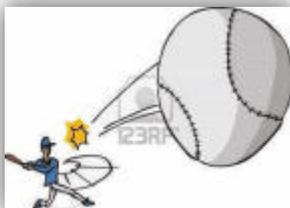
From the Park and Recreation 4th of July Parade and Fireworks

The parade route will start at Arden Place and travel down 127th Street and finish in Frontier Park. **Parade begins at 2 p.m.** Those interested in entering the parade, donating or volunteering can contact Charlene at butlerwipa-rades@gmail.com.

In celebration of the Fourth of July, **fireworks will be held in Frontier Park and begin at dusk.**

Join the fun and enjoy a summer softball game at Frontier Park.

Games are held on Mondays and Thursdays at 6:30, 7:30 and 8:30 p.m.



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With summer on everyone's mind, it's a great opportunity to remind everyone of tips to stay safe this upcoming summer season.

Replace your Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Alarms

Simply checking the battery may not be enough. Age and environmental conditions can affect the operation of smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. Alarms have expiration dates on the back side of these devices. If your device does not have an expiration date, it means it is more than 15 year old. They may also not provide the proper level of protection and should be replaced IMMEDIATELY. **Smoke detectors have a 10 year lifespan. Carbon monoxide alarms have 7 year lifespan.**

Helmet safety: A proper fitting helmet is essential. Ensure the helmet fits snug around the head and chin. Children should wear a helmet anytime they are on wheels.

Ticks: These creatures are responsible for a variety of illnesses and are found in increasing numbers in southeast Wisconsin. Wear insect repellent containing Deet, protective clothing, and stay in the center of paths when hiking. Do not sit directly on the ground, and perform tick checks on all family members. Visit www.cdc.gov/features/stopticks for more information.

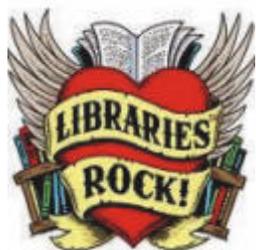
Sun Protection: Avoid sun exposure during peak hours (10 a.m.-6 p.m.), wear brimmed hats, sunglasses with UV protection, sunscreen with a minimum SPF15 with liberal application 30 minutes before going outside. Reapply every two hours. Apply more if swimming, sweating or toweling off.

Dehydration/Heat Illnesses: Drink fluids before, during and after being outside. (water not soda) If you are experiencing a heat illness: Stop your activity and rest. Get out of direct sunlight and lie down in a cooler environment, such as shade or an air-conditioned area, Cool down by applying cool compresses or having a fan blow on you, Drink rehydration drinks, juices, or water to replace fluids. If conditions persist, call 911.

From the Butler Public Library

Our Summer Reading Program for Children and Teens, **Libraries Rock!** is off to great start. There is ongoing registration, so stop by and sign up! Great coupons and tickets are given away for participation and there is a wrap up party with prizes on July 30th.

Upcoming Summer Programs and Events



Libraries Rock!

- July 2nd at 1:00pm** – Instrument making (children)
- July 9th at 6:00pm** – Hillbilly Science Spectacular!*
- July 16th at 1:00pm** – CD painting (children)
- July 18th at 1:00pm** – CD painting (teens)
- July 23rd at 6:00pm** – Rocking Rhythm with Rhythm for Unity (Tom Gill)*
- July 30th @ 6:00pm** – **Libraries Rock!** Wrap Up Party

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1000 Books Before Kindergarten

Read a book (any book) to your newborn, infant, and/or toddler. The goal is to have read 1,000 books (yes you can repeat books) before your child starts kindergarten. Start today by coming into the library to register and pick up your first log.

Recipe Club –Bring a themed dish, along with the recipe for an evening of tasting and sharing recipes. Reservations required, space is limited.

July 11th @ 5:30pm. Back to school Foods

August 1st @ 5:30pm Harvest Vegetables

September 5th @ 5:30 Apples and Pumpkins

Sewing Group – August 4th from 10:30-Noon. Come learn how to make a pillowcase and take it home that day! Machines and materials provided. Space is limited to 6 students, age 10 and up. Reservations required.

For more information on what's going on at your library, or to reserve your spot for an event, visit our website www.butler.lib.wi.us, or call 262-783-2535, or stop in the library at 12808 W. Hampton Avenue.

nno NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

The Village of Butler will once again celebrate National Night Out on **August 7th, from 5:00 – 8:00p.m. at Upper Frontier Park.** This will be our 11th year and everyone is invited to join us. National Night Out is an event held by communities throughout the country to promote police-community partnerships; crime, drug and violence prevention; safety; and neighborhood unity. National Night Out showcases the vital importance of police-community partnerships and citizen involvement in our fight to build the Village of Butler as a safe place to live, work and play.

We have a great line-up of events scheduled: Rides in a police car and/or fire truck, dress up like a fireman, a rock climbing wall from Adventure Rock, a petting zoo, dunk tank and a water balloon launch. There will also be a limited supply of youth T-shirts commemorating our 11th

anniversary of National Night Out in the Village of Butler. The adult and kids raffle will also be back in addition to the great meal which is provided to everyone compliments of numerous area businesses.



Upcoming Events!



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The Annual Hot Rods on Hampton Car Show is a FREE, family friendly, community event held along Hampton Avenue in Butler.

This year's event will feature vendors, food trucks, over 20 raffle prizes, auctions, 50/50 raffle, beverages and trophies for winners in a variety of categories.

Each year the event raises funds for a chosen charity in Butler. This year's event will benefit the St. Agnes Food Pantry. Visit hotrodsonhampton.com for details.

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Noxious Weeds and Debris Ordinances

The Village of Butler reminds residents and business owners that the Village of Butler Ordinance Section 22-97 states

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The Clarke House Scavenger Hunt

Instructions: Visit the historic Clarke House on Hampton Ave. (next to the library) to begin the hunt. Take this page and fill in the answers to the questions as you tour the house. You must get this form validated with the "Village of New Butler Corporate Seal" in the designated circle on the bottom of this sheet. The seal is located in the New Parlor; the volunteer guide will help you (it is the seal with the red star on its side). When the form is complete, turn it in at Village Hall. All correct submissions will be entered in a drawing to win a \$50 gift card from Kwik Trip.

The Clarke House is open for tours on the second Sunday of the month, May –October, 1:00-4:00 p.m. **The deadline for submissions is September 10, 2018**, so there will be three opportunities to visit the house this summer before the deadline. HAVE FUN AND GOOD HUNTING!

1. Find the mileage marker in the Old Parlor and write in the number. _____
2. What is the number located near the bottom of the wood burning stove in the Old Parlor?

3. What year was the Butler Volunteer Fire Dept. formed? _____
4. The bathtub is original to the house when it was remodeled. What is the date stamped into the cast iron on the underside of the tub? Hint: Look at the self-guided sheet or ask the guide.

5. What is the name on the icebox located in the enclosed porch? _____
6. What type of fuel was used to heat the kitchen stove? _____
7. Find the "Erickson Electric" calendar in the kitchen. What is the date on the front? _____
8. In the New Parlor, find the Clarke family picture. What is the name of the child sitting on a pony?

9. What was the motto of the Butler Frontier Days? _____
10. Whose wedding dress is on display in the upstairs master bedroom? _____
11. What is the name of the ship that carried the Clarke family from Scotland to New York in 1850?

12. What year was Butler designated "Train Town USA" by Union Pacific? _____
13. Who donated the land for St. Agnes Church? _____
14. How did three people die while playing baseball in Butler in 1945? _____
15. In the caboose, how many keys are on the conductor's key ring that is on his desk?

16. What is the number on the Chicago and North Western Caboose?

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Primary Elections	August 14th 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Butler Farmer’s Market	Every Monday 12-6 p.m.
Village Hall Closings	At Noon July 3rd, July 4th and September 3rd
Brush Pickup	1st and 3rd Mondays

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VILLAGE BOARD	3rd Tuesdays at 7p.m.
FINANCE BOARD	Before Village Board Meeting
BUILDING BOARD	Before Village Board Meeting
PARK AND RECREATION	4th Wednesday at 5:30
LIBRARY BOARD	2nd Tuesday at 6 p.m.

All meetings are held at Village Hall except the Library Board meeting which meets at the Butler Public Library.

