



## March 2021 President's Newsletter

Goodbye for 2020 and welcome to 2021.

As we all know, last year was a trying time for not only for the Village of Pewaukee but also for America and the world – but that was last year!

As I look forward to 2021, I am seeing a lot of positive developments for and in the Village. Starting out, we have the Menards expansion which the Planning Commission and Village Board approved last fall. The Village is also moving forward with purchasing the former St. Mary's Church and School property. The Village Board has approved an offer to purchase from Cornerstone Development to build single family homes on approximately 14 acres of the property and creating a separate 1.6-acre parcel for the historic St. Mary's Church. The new Chiropractic and Wellness on Pewaukee Lake building in the downtown will be opening in the near future and this is just the start. The Village Board is also reviewing a new Department of Public Works building to replace the existing building which was constructed in the early 1980s and contains outdated mechanical, electrical and fire systems and is no longer able to house the equipment needed to serve the Village 40 years later.

The Village can hopefully look forward to once again honoring our men and women who fought for this country on Memorial Day. We can also look forward to enjoying many of the various activities and events that have taken place in the downtown in past years like the Fourth of July parade and fireworks. Let's also look forward to enjoying music every Wednesday night in the summer by the beach and the Thursday night ski show. The Kiwanis Beach Party weekend in June along the lakefront as well as the Cookouts and Car event at Kiwanis Village Park are back on the calendar. Then do not forget Positively Pewaukee's Taste of Lake Country in July. We should also look forward to the return of the expanded outdoor dining areas downtown.

Many of these events have already been approved by your Village Board. The Board and staff continue to work hard on finding ways to improve the lives of everyone in the Village and our businesses in both the downtown and the Capitol Drive areas. Next month's letter I will expand more on what the Village Board and Planning Commission are working on for the community.

I do understand we are still fighting COVID-19, but as the saying goes "you shall reap what you sow" which means keep thinking negatively and that's what you'll get – so let's all think positive so we will continue to improve and be able to enjoy what God has given all of us.

Thank You.

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