



October 5, 2015

Dear Residents:

Despite some inclement weather conditions, the Westphalia Oktoberfest 2015 proved to be a great success. Thank you to all who braved the elements and came out to help celebrate our German heritage. The food, entertainment, beer and especially the camaraderie of our local citizens were all very enjoyable. Many thanks to the Knights of Columbus and the Westphalia Historical Society for co-sponsoring this event. We are very blessed to have these two wonderful organizations so active in our community. Thanks also to all the volunteers who helped with the many tasks that are required for an event like this to be successful. What a great way to wind down the summer season as we move into fall.

Speaking of the Knights of Columbus, I'm sure most have noticed the newly renovated parking lot and fresh paint on the KofC building. Wow does it ever look nice! In addition to KofC functions, the lot is used by many of our local citizens for parking as they commute to and from work. The lot is also used for overflow parking during the Cruise-In car show and other local events. These improvements help to make our already neat town look even better. Thank you Knights for all you do to make our community so special.

The Village worked in coordination with the KofC parking lot project to address some issues with the Post Office property and the alleyway between the Post Office and Ox's Store. The improvements make for better traffic flow in that area and also addressed a crumbling retention wall issue we had at the Post Office. We appreciate the KofCs keeping the Village in mind and working with us for the good of the community. Thanks also to our DPW for all their efforts on this project.

In other news regarding the Post Office, the PO Box lobby hours have been extended to Sundays allowing residents more options for getting their mail. The new lobby hours are from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. 7-days a week. Full service hours remain the same as in the past.

Halloween trick-or-treat hours are 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. again this year. Please drive with extra caution during this time.

Be sure to get out and see the beautiful fall colors we get to enjoy in this wonderful area we get to call "home".

Sincerely,

Dean Kohagen, President
Village of Westphalia