

Caledonia History

The Caledonia Congregational Church was built in 1895. Like so many churches in the area, church suppers were a part of the yearly events. The yearly fall supper and bazaar had featured a pork dinner with all the trimmings. The kitchen was built after WWII, before that the Pastor's study served as the kitchen. With no running water, the women would carry water to prepare the food from Johnny Brown's house, which was located across from the church.



Village of Caledonia Seal

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Please call or write your Village Board Members. Better decisions are made with collective input.

Welcome Caledonia!

Your Caledonia Village Board has gone through some changes since the May 19, 2009 meeting. Rod Fritz is now your village president. Our three trustees include Rae Duncan (re-elected), Colleen Blaney (appointed) and Mary Walraven retaining her trustee position. Sue Pfaffinger is your new village clerk and Brian Bratter is still your treasurer. We are looking forward to representing you with your vision and priorities for your village. We would like to thank Sue Siek, Jeff Nye and Sue Yakey for their years of service as we move forward building on their positive achievements.

Caledonia Village Meetings

June 16-Village Board (7PM)

July 7-Committee of the Whole (6:15PM)

July 21-Village Board (7PM)

Boone County Meeting

June 16 - Boone County Planning Commission is conducting a public hearing for the Highway 173 Corridor Plan. The meeting will be at 6:00 pm in the Belvidere City Hall Council Chambers at 401 Whitney Boulevard. A copy of the plan is available under the planning Department Page at www.boonecountyil.org. Please direct calls to Adam Tegen, Planning Director for Boone County at (815) 544-5271.

Border Agreement

Caledonia and Loves Park have finalized their municipal border agreement, which has been filed and recorded at the Boone County Courthouse. This is a major achievement for Caledonia as we strive to be good neighbors with our surrounding communities. Copies of the agreement and border maps are available for viewing on the Village of Caledonia website at: www.villageofcaledonia.com

Village Street Improvements

We have received a \$20,000 grant from the State of Illinois to help repair our streets. Your input would be appreciated as we look to improve the problem areas that would be most beneficial to all.

Happy Birthday Caledonia!

Caledonia was 155 years old on May 15, 2009. We are looking for your ideas to honor Caledonia with a celebration for next year. A village and community with such a rich history deserves sharing and reflection.

Surrounding Landowners

We have included you in this newsletter mailing because our Village Board recognizes it is important to keep you informed. Your thoughts and ideas are welcomed and your involvement is encouraged.

Opportunity!

Our village incorporation in 1995 has given all Caledonia residents the opportunity to have a say in its prosperity. Since there is an interchange at Route 173 from I-90, we are in a growth corridor which makes change inevitable. Caledonia is attractive for people wanting the quality education, affordable housing and the better environment we enjoy. We are fortunate that we have the time and opportunity to work together on these growth challenges. We currently have the chance for three people to represent their village as trustees. You can start, like most of us did, with little government knowledge but with common sense and a willingness to learn. Training is available, and we have access to professional advice. Part of what makes living in a small town so exciting is that everything seems to matter. We would love to have you join us or help our decisions with your ideas and input.

Please send your e-mail address to us so we can save postage costs by e-mailing this newsletter to you.

**Thank you,
Caledonia Village Board**