



## Town of Florence, Wisconsin

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### Did You Know. . .Florence Facts

#### **The Community Center & Gazebo Park(shared 05-28-26)**

When most people talk about the Community Center, they are talking about the building itself, but **did you know that there is more to the Community Center than just the building?** The park includes a playground, gazebo, garden and pavilion.

**Did you know that the Town park in front of the Community Center is called Gazebo Park?** The current gazebo dates back to 1985, but the original bandstand was constructed in 1916. For more information, you can visit [www.wibandshellsandstands.com/florence](http://www.wibandshellsandstands.com/florence)

**Did you know that all of the beautiful flowers and plants in the park are taken care of by Master Gardeners?** The Glacial Gardners Master Gardener Association takes care of the park every year. Their volunteers can be seen in the spring, summer and fall stopping in to take care of the plants, clean up fallen branches and leaves, and make sure that everything has exactly what it needs to create the beautiful garden for everyone to enjoy.

**Did you know that the playground in front of the Community Center was paid for by the people of Florence?** It was not paid for with tax money, but rather with donations that were raised specifically to have a playground in the park. Former Florence Clerk/Treasurer, Judy Gehlhoff spearheaded the project with a goal of adding something to make the park better.

All of these items combined make the Park what it is. It is used by many residents and visitors throughout the year. Most notably in summer, there are people that stop by to use it every day it is nice outside. There are picnic tables under the pavilion and gazebo that make it a great place for people to stop as they are traveling through the area or for people to meet friends and family and catch up.

**Did you know that the Florence County Chamber sponsors an event called Music in the Park?** It is a free concert series that is setup in the park during the warmer months of the year with a concert being held once a month starting in June and running through September. You can learn more information by going to the Chamber's website at [www.florencecountychamber.org](http://www.florencecountychamber.org).

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*The Town of Florence is proud to have open, transparent government. It means that people can clearly see what the Town is doing, why it is doing it, and how decisions are made. Open and transparent means that information is not hidden, decisions are made at meetings open to the public, and questions and answers can be shared from the Board with the community. The ultimate goal is that people can see and understand the decisions that are made, how to ask questions, and share information*

*One way the Town of Florence is looking to accomplish this is by sharing informational facts about the Town and the Town's government. Through sharing facts, the Town is looking to help increase awareness and understanding of local Government.*

