

From the Waupun Mayor –

Hi Everyone!

This next week is Fire Prevention week! I would like to use this column to thank the men and women who serve on our fire department. They are paid very little to keep Waupun and the surrounding area safe from fires, and often are our first responders to serious traffic crashes and following severe storms. They drop everything at work, church, at a party, or while sleeping, when the pager goes off, to respond to the needs of people in need.

In honor of Fire Prevention week, I turn the rest of this column over to Fire Chief DeMaa:

With fall upon us, we look forward to Fire Prevention Week which takes place October 9 – 15. This years' theme is "Fire won't wait. Plan your escape." If fire breaks out in your home, would you know what to do? Due to the materials in our home, you may only have a couple minutes to safely get out. Everyone needs to know what to do and where to go in the event there is a fire.

It is important that everyone takes the time to make, and practice, an escape plan. If you draw a map of your home, be sure to show two ways out of every room. Make sure that the doors and windows listed as exits are in working order. If there is a lot of smoke, you may need to get low and crawl under the smoke. Once outside, have a meeting place where you can make sure everyone made it out safely. Once you are outside, stay outside! When you've reached your meeting place, call 911 to have the fire department paged.

According to data collected in a National Fire Protection Association survey, "only one of every three American households have actually developed and practiced a home fire escape plan." From the time a smoke alarm goes off, you likely have 3-5 minutes to safely exit your home. With such little time, it is important to practice your escape plan at different times of the day and night to make sure everyone knows what to do.

If you have any fire safety questions or need help installing any equipment, please let the Fire Department know and they'd be happy to assist.

Thank you and God Bless,
Mayor Rohn and Fire Chief B.J. DeMaa

The City of Waupun Tuesday, November 8, 2022 General Election

What's on my ballot?

Access <https://myvote.wi.gov/en-us/> and click on the WHATS ON MY BALLOT tile

Where do I vote and what are the hours of voting on Election Day?

Voting is held at the City Hall, located at 201 E Main Street. You may take the steps to enter the front of City Hall or enter the lower level-west entrance door to access the elevator. Voting hours are 7:00am to 8:00pm.

Can I vote early in-person?

Yes, you may vote in person in the City Hall Clerk's Office from Tuesday, October 25 to Thursday, November 3 (Monday-Friday 8:00am to 4:00pm) and Friday, November 4 (8:00am to 5:00pm)

What is the last day I can vote early in-person?

The last day you can vote early in-person is Friday, November 4 by 5pm

Can I get a ballot mailed to me?

Yes, we can mail you a ballot between the dates of Thursday, September 22 to Thursday, November 3.

There are several ways you can request a ballot be mailed to you:

1. Access <https://myvote.wi.gov/en-us/> and click on Vote Absentee
2. Complete the WI Elections Commission Absentee Ballot Request form and return it to the City Clerk <https://elections.wi.gov/search/node?keys=el-121>
3. Email the City Clerk angie@cityofwaupun.org making a request for a ballot be mailed to you. Provide your full name, Waupun address, date of birth and the full address of where you

would like it mailed. If we do not have a copy of your photo ID on file, you will receive an email making request for the document before a ballot can be placed in the mail.

What is the last date I can request an absentee ballot be mailed to me?

The last date you can request for a ballot be mailed to you is Thursday, November 3 by 5:00pm

How do I return the absentee ballot that was mailed to me?

There are several ways to return your voted ballot:

1. Postal Mail. When the Clerk mails you the ballot, included is a return envelope which postage is already applied. Be sure to have your signature and the signature/address of your witness on the exterior of the return envelope or it will be returned to you.
2. In-person. You may return **YOUR** voted ballot in the sealed return envelope **during** the City Clerk office hours (Monday-Friday 8:00am-4:00pm). **YOU CAN NO LONGER PLACE THEM IN THE DROP BOX. YOU CAN NO LONGER BRING IN ANYONE ELSE'S VOTED BALLOT.**

When do I have to have my absentee ballot to the City Clerk to be counted?

Your voted ballot, with your signature and the signature/address of your witness on the exterior of the return envelope, must be in the hands of the Clerk, no later than 8:00pm on Election Day.

If I have questions on anything related to voting, who do I call?

Please contact Angie Hull, City of Waupun City Clerk/Treasurer at 920-324-7915 or email angie@cityofwaupun.org

SENIOR CITIZEN POLICE ACADEMY – TUESDAYS, OCT 11, 18. 11:30AM TO 1PM. Our Senior Citizens Police Academy is back! The Waupun Police Department is giving us our own mini version of what it is like to be a police officer! New information and topics will be presented. This fun, learning opportunity is for everyone! There are no tests or quizzes. Bring your questions to ask our experts! Topics will include overviews of the Police Department, Fire Department and EMS. Other topics will include police investigations and use of force. There will also be a demonstration from the Waupun Police Department's new K9, Jet! You have the choice to attend one class or all six! Registration is required. Sign up at the Senior Center office or call 920-324-7930. Held at the Waupun Senior Center, 301 E Main Street.

OCTOBER 10 – NOVEMBER 14 SPRING YARD WASTE PICKUP: The City's Fall Yard Waste pick-up is designated for October 10, 2022 thru November 14, 2022 (weather permitting). This service is for the disposal of leaves, grass, garden waste, and branches that are generated from routine yard maintenance. Leaves and brush shall not be deposited on the street. Leave grass clippings and leaves at the curbside loose, do not bag. Separate leaf piles and brush piles. Branches shall not exceed 3 inches in diameter. No tree stumps or tree root systems will be collected. The service is not intended for tree removal or lot cleaning.

OCTOBER 15 – 10TH ANNUAL KICKIN' FOR KEVIN: 8AM start. Kickball Tournament: 14 and under \$50/team. 15 and over \$125/team. Adult teams must have a minimum of three females. Come check out the raffles, silent auction, chili cook off and bake sale. After kickball go to Judson's Bowling Alley for Karaoke with Braak-ee-oke from 8PM to 11:30PM. To register a team or donate email kickinforkevin@yahoo.com or call 920-979-7579. This years recipients are Jamie Bratz and Tammy Kasuboski. Go to the Kickin' for Kevin Inc Facebook page to read Jamie and Tammy's stories in their Fight against Breast Cancer.

OCTOBER 14 & 15 – WAUPUN COMMUNITY PLAYERS PRESENTS Musical Comedy Murders of 1940. Doors open at 6:30PM. Showtime is 7PM. Tickets are purchased at the door. Tickets: \$10 Adults, \$5 Kids. Cash only. Due to the content of the show, we do recommend children should be 13 or older when attending. Held at Waupun City Hall, 201 E Main Street.

SENIOR CENTER BINGO:

Friday, October 14 at 1PM

Friday, October 21 at 1PM

Tuesday, October 25 at 1PM

Held at the Waupun Senior Center, 301 E Main Street.

OCTOBER 18 – CITY INTERVIEW WITH MAYOR ROHN BISHOP: 1PM. Come to the Waupun Senior Center to talk with Mayor Rohn Bishop. The Mayor will introduce himself, give updates on city happenings, and answer questions from the attendees. Waupun Senior Center, 301 E Main Street.

OCTOBER 22 – The UW-Madison MadHatters in concert. Doors open at 6:30PM. Concert starts at 7PM. Enjoy a mix of Acappella music. Bring your family and friends for an entertaining evening! Concert opener is the Waupun High School Select Choir. General seating ticket are \$15. Purchase your tickets online @ www.waupunfinearts.org/events. Cash only at the door and for refreshments. Handicap accessibility to reach the auditorium. Held at the Waupun City Hall, 201 E Main Street. Event brought to you by Waupun Fine Arts.

OCTOBER 25 SENIOR CENTER HALLOWEEN PARTY & BINGO: You are invited to a Halloween party at the Waupun Senior Center! Optional Halloween trivia and Halloween costume contest will be at 12:30pm and bingo is at 1:00pm. Please join us! Prizes for all costume contest entries. Waupun Senior Center, 301 E Main Street.

OCTOBER 29 SENIOR CENTER HAUNTED HOUSE (during Halloween on Main) 1PM to 4PM: Make your way through the Waupun Senior Center for a haunted house and picture area. All are invited to attend, so bring your children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren along for some family fun. It's spooky, but not scary. If you would like to volunteer to set up the haunted house or to hand out candy and beverages, please sign up by the Senior Center office. We are also looking for spooktacular individuals to dress in costume and participate in the haunted house as greeters and picture takers. Free for everyone! Register to volunteer at the Waupun Senior Center by calling 324-7930 or sign up at the Waupun Senior Center office. Waupun Senior Center, 301 E Main Street.

OCTOBER 29 HALLOWEEN EVENTS:

1PM TO 4 PM – Halloween on Main (Waupun)

4PM TO 6PM – City of Waupun Trick-or-Treating

5:30PM – Forest Mound Cemetery Walk

MOVIES AT THE LIBRARY:

OCT 21 – DC League of Superpets – 1PM – PG/1HR 45M

NOV 3 – Case Rescue – 1PM & 6PM – PG-13/1HR 39M

NOV 25 – Home Alone – 1PM – PG/1HR 43M

DEC 3 – Christmas Movie Marathon – More info TBA

DEC 28 – Harry Potter & the Half Blood Prince – 1PM – PG/2HR 33M

Brought to you by the Waupun Public Library (123 S Forest Street)

WAUPUN WINTER MARKET

The Winter Markets are held on the 3rd Thursday of the months October thru March from 4PM to 7PM. Join us for a vendor shopping experience from local artisans, direct sales vendors, farmers, crafters and more. Enjoy a food option each month provided by Go-Dutch Solutions. The market is held at Go-Dutch Solutions (328 S Division St). If you would like to be a vendor at the market go to www.godutchsolutions.com. Dates for the market are:

October 20, 2022

November 17, 2022

December 15, 2022

January 19, 2023

February 16, 2023

March 16, 2023

FREE COVID-19 TESTING

Fond du Lac County Health Department is offering FREE COVID-19 testing for all residents ages 2 and older. Accelerated Clinical Laboratories will be providing mobile COVID-19 testing onsite at the Fond du Lac County Fairgrounds (520 Fond du lac Ave) on **Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays from 8AM -4:30PM**. Drive-thru only. As a reminder, anyone ages 2 or older can utilize these testing sites. Symptoms are not required. No appointments, insurance, or identification is required. Pre-registering may speed up your visit; individuals can pre-register at <https://register.covidconnect.wi.gov/en-US/>. Individuals may find additional testing sites within Fond du Lac County by visiting our website, or throughout the state by visiting the DHS website.

WAUPUN AREA VETERANS MEMORIAL WALL PROJECT: The Waupun Area Veterans Memorial Wall is located in Shaler Park and is a lasting tribute to all Waupun area veterans who have served or are now serving their country. Those veterans have served the country in times of war and peace from the War of 1812 up through present day. The project was started in 2004 and there are currently over 1214 veteran's names on the walls and more are added every year. For more information, or to have additional names added to the walls, call the project director at 920-324-4641. Application forms are also available at the National Exchange Bank & Trust in Waupun.

CITY HALL

Open 7:30am- 4:00pm, Monday-Friday. For assistance, call 920-324-7900.

CALL YOUR COMMON COUNCIL

Mayor Rohn Bishop 920-210-1063; District 1 – Jason Westphal, 920-210-5140, District 2 – Pete Kaczmarek, 920-324-2213; District 3 – Will Langford 262-224-1035; District 4 –Mike Matoushek 262-470-5975; District 5 – Dan Siebers 920-205-3065; District 6 – Nancy Vanderkin, 920-345-1151.

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Contact Susan Leahy 920-229-6360. City Hall hours: Monday's & Wednesday's 10:00am – 12:00pm. Friday 11:00am – 12:00pm.

PROPERTY ASSESSMENT QUESTIONS

Call Associated Appraisal Consultants 1-800-721-4157

SENIOR CENTER

301 E. Main Street, Waupun, WI 53963. Phone (920) 324-7930. Hours: Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays from 8:00am—4:00pm, Tuesdays, Fridays from 8:00am—2:00pm. Email: parks@cityofwaupun.org

WAUPUN PUBLIC LIBRARY

Hours: Mon.-Thurs. 9:00am - 8:00pm, Friday-Saturday 9:00am - 4:30pm. Sunday CLOSED. Curbside pick-up is available. 920-324-7925.

WAUPUN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Tuesday from 8AM to 12PM. Thursday from 1PM to 5PM. Additional time can be made available for appointments and special projects. For any questions you can call the Waupun Chamber at 920-324-3491 Monday – Friday, 8AM to 5PM. The Waupun Chamber is located at 321 E Main Street.

WAUPUN UTILITIES

Open Monday-Friday from 8 AM to 4PM. For assistance, call 920-324-7920. An answering service is available to take your call outside of normal business hours.

WAUPUN TAXI

HOURS OF OPERATION: Waupun Taxi provides shared-ride taxi services in the City of Waupun. Hours are: Mon. – Thurs., 6 a.m. – 6 p.m., Fri., 6 a.m. – 6 p.m., 9 p.m. – 2:30 a.m., Sat. 9 a.m. – 2 p.m., 9 p.m. – 2:30 a.m. No Sunday service. Phone number is 324-2426. During this public health emergency Waupun Taxi is allowed to make certain pharmaceutical deliveries. Ask your pharmacist if your medications can be delivered. No charge for the delivery

service. To qualify your pharmacist must agree, and you must pay the cost of your medications (if any) over the telephone or internet. But Waupun Taxi will not add on any extra charge for the delivery. Call your pharmacist.

PARK RESERVATIONS: If you are planning picnics, graduations, or family gatherings, you may wish to hold your event in one of our City park shelters. Park fees are: \$50 City Resident and \$75 Non-City Resident. To reserve a park, call 324-7930. Leave a message if no one answers. Parks are scheduled to open April 1st, weather permitting. They close October 1st.

THE ELDERLY IN OUR COMMUNITY DESIRE YOUR HELP!

There is a significant need in and around Waupun for a variety of services for the elderly. Some of these services include house cleaning, moving/downsizing, lawn/landscaping services, home repairs, snow removal, technology help and more. To that end, the ONE Waupun ministry is organizing the ongoing efforts to connect those in need with those that are able to donate some of their time. We plan to start offering these services to the seniors in Waupun soon; however, we first need to generate a list of people that are willing to serve. Even if you can only help occasionally, it all helps. We need both men and women volunteers. Also, we realize that some of you may be reluctant to serve right now because of COVID, but please fill out this survey with the idea that this virus should be less of a concern in the coming months. To learn more about this service and to sign up as a volunteer, please go to www.onewaupun.com and click on the "Service" link at the top of the page.

WAUPUN DOG PARK (903 N. Madison St.): Waupun is pleased to offer an area for local dog owners to bring their dogs to run and play, as well as socialize with other dogs. It is open from sunrise to sunset, 7 days a week, year round. Please use the driveway entrance to the Waupun Area Animal Shelter. You may stop in at City Hall (201 E. Main Street) for an information guide that contains the rules and regulations.

WAUPUN ANIMAL SHELTER INC.: Hours: Monday 4PM to 7PM, Thursday 2PM to 6PM & Saturday by appointment only. 920-324-3200. Please visit our website www.waupunareaanimalshelter.org to see all of the wonderful animals that we have available for adoption and a listing of our current needs.

WAUPUN AREA ANIMAL SHELTER SELLS BRICKS: The Shelter is selling bricks @ \$30.00. The 4 x 8 bricks will hold 3 lines (13 characters per line) and the icon of your choice. Order forms are available at the Animal Shelter. For questions, call the animal shelter at 920-324-3200.

HOUSING GRANT PROGRAM: Information on the Housing Grant Program can be obtained by calling MSA Professional Service, Beaver Dam, at 920-392-5142. Web Address: www.msa-ps.com

GLACIER RIDGE LANDFILL DUMP SITE: Glacier Ridge Landfill in Horicon has a dump site that is open Monday – Friday from 6:15 am to 4:30 pm. It is located at N7296 Cty Rd V, Horicon (off of Hwy 33). If you have questions you may call them at 920-387-0987.

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING SERVICE: ELECTRONICS RECYCLING SERVICE: Bargains Galore Thrift Store is an E-Cycle Wisconsin Registered Collector of electronics (computers, CPU's, copiers, phones, mice, keyboards, printers, scanners, fax machines, other electronics and/or any household items with a cord). Recycling Fees effective 10/22/18: TV's under 27" - \$20, TV's 27" & over - \$50, Consoles, Projections & Over 50" - \$75, Monitors - \$20, Microwaves - \$20, Stoves, Dishwashers, Washers & Dryers, etc. - \$20. Refrigerators, Freezers, Air Conditioners & Dehumidifiers are NOT accepted. (All other electronic recycling is free.) Drop-off hours: Thurs. 10–8, Fri. & Sat. 10–2. 810 W. Main St. Waupun. (920) 324-8677 or www.BargainsGaloreThriftStore.com

AFFORDABLE TRANSPORTATION AVAILABLE FOR AGE 60+:

We can take you anywhere within the city limits of Waupun with the exception of the laundromat or pet-related places. We can take you to doctor appointments, hair appointments, grocery shopping, to restaurants, to banks, to the library, to anywhere! Transportation for ages 60+ within the city limits of Waupun. Multiple stops can be scheduled in 15-minute or more increments. Riders must be able to navigate two steps safely to board the vehicle. Van can seat up to nine passengers. Cost: \$1 each stop. Rides must be scheduled the day before by noon by

calling 324-7930. Rides can be scheduled as early as 9AM. The last non-medical ride is at 2PM and the last medical ride appointment is at 3PM.