

From the Waupun Mayor –

Hello Waupun!

Did you know that 3% of kids nationwide and nearly 5% of kids in Fond du Lac County suffer from 'bedlessness'? Sleeping on the floor, couch, with parents/siblings, dog beds and yoga mats?

I'm excited to announce that an organization is spreading its services into Waupun, a group called Sleep in Heavenly Peace. SHP serves kids age 3-17 at zero cost and no income requirements.

SHP Fond du Lac is a 501c3, 100% volunteer, 100% donor funded chapter of a National organization.

SHP has over 340 chapters Nationwide, and is in four countries. Each bed costs an average of \$250 for a complete sleep solution. Bed, mattress, blankets, sheets and pillow are included. Fond du Lac County has had over 700 volunteers take part already in its two-and-a-half-year existence, and has already delivered over 620 beds.

SHP Waupun is looking for a small indoor storage room (200 sq feet, dry, doesn't have to be heated). Local volunteers to assist with deliveries and building beds. The next build days when people can help are Jan 19/20 in Fond du Lac. Please contact randy.bentley@shpbeds.org for more info or if you can help.

This Sunday is the second of three meat raffles at the Other Bar in support of Waupun Holiday Help. The Other Bar has been doing meat raffles in support of area nonprofits for a while now, and with Christmas coming up, it's important we help less fortunate kiddos have a Merry Christmas.

As a past president of Waupun Christmas Club, which was merged into Waupun Holiday Help during my time as the president, I can tell you, it's a pretty cool feeling helping a child in need get a present they need. It might surprise you how excited some kids are to open a gift of a winter hat or gloves.

This Tuesday is the public hearing on the city budget. I really like this budget as it addresses the city's needs, and thanks to an increase in shared revenues we're able to invest in city needs. I've written about the budget a few times and won't bore you again, you can keep an eye out for my annual budget message which will be out soon.

Friday December 1st at 6pm is the Waupun Christmas Parade! I hope to see you there!!

Finally, happy Veterans' Day to those of you who've served!

Thank you and God Bless,
Mayor Rohn

WAUPUN HOLIDAY HELP: Applications are available at Waupun City Hall, Waupun Food Pantry, the National Exchange Bank, and Waupun Area School District offices. Completed applications need to be returned no later than November 20 to City Hall, Food Pantry, or National Exchange Bank. Distribution of gifts and food coupons will be on Saturday, December 16, at the Waupun Fire Department. In addition, we are looking for individuals, families, and organizations from the Waupun area who would be willing to adopt a family and purchase gifts for their children. Applications for donors can be obtained by contacting Jessica Buchholz at the National Exchange Bank (920-324-5551).

OCTOBER 9 – NOVEMBER 13 FALL YARD WASTE PICKUP: The City's Fall Yard Waste pick-up is designated for October 9, 2023 thru November 13, 2023 (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.

NOVEMBER 14 – ADULT CRAFT NIGHT – SNOWMAN ORNAMENT – 6PM TO 7PM – Are you longing for cooler days with a bit of that white stuff in the air? Then this wooden snowman craft is for you! Held at the Waupun Public Library, 123 S Forest St.

NOVEMBER 30 – WOOD FLOWER ARRANGEMENT – 1PM & 6PM – In this event, Lisa of Mackford Home & Gifts offers participants a selection of Sola wood flowers, filler, and a wood drawer to make their own arrangement. \$5 sign up fee covers all materials & guarantees your spot. Registration + \$5 fee required! Held at the Waupun Public Library, 123 S Forest St.

DECEMBER 1 – WAUPUN CHRISTMAS PARADE – 6:30PM (parade line-up 5:45)

Let's get ready to spread some cheer and love with The Charlie Brown Christmas Theme!!

Three ways to get involved:

Create a float and join the Parade

Give a monetary donation

Purchase something to be put in the kids bags that are handed out by Santa.

Please reach out to Kelly Miller or Rachel Darnick with how you would like to participate or any questions you may have. Kelly Miller – [920-296-0913](tel:920-296-0913)/1kwesthuis@gmail.com. Rachel Darnick – [920-382-4237](tel:920-382-4237)/rachdarnick02@gmail.com

DECEMBER 10 – LESSONS AND CAROLS – 5PM – The Waupun area Churches invite you to a special service of Lessons and Carols at the Waupun City Auditorium, 201 E Main Street. Hear the Christmas Story and sing the songs of Christmas as we anticipate and prepare for the coming of Jesus the Christ into our world again this year. Refreshments to follow.

WAUPUN WINTER MARKET – 4PM TO 7PM:

November 16th

December 21st

January 18th

February 15th

March 21st

Please join the Go-Dutch staff & local vendors as we create a once a month Thursday evening experience for our community. On the 3rd Thursday of the month's October through March from 4pm-7pm, we open our doors to the public to enjoy an indoor "farmer's market" like event during the cold winter months.

Grab a quick bite to eat from a limited menu we have available during the market hours *or until sold out*. Held at Go Dutch Solutions, 328 S Division St, Waupun. Interested vendor should contact Casey at 920.345.1225.

WINTER PARKING REGULATIONS - states that for a period of 48 hours immediately following an accumulated snowfall of two inches or more, vehicles cannot park on city streets or alleys between the hours of 2:00am and 6:00am. Snowfall is measured at the Waupun Safety Building. During these early morning hours the Public Works Department is out cleaning the streets. If cars are parked on the streets during this time City staff has the authority to have the vehicle removed and stored at the owners expense. For further information regarding winter parking regulations please visit the city website www.cityofwaupun.org (Government, Municipal Codes), and review Chapter 6, Traffic Code section 6.05(5).

SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL is addressed in Chapter 7 of our municipal code. Property owners are given 24 hours after the end of a snowfall to remove snow and ice from sidewalks. Failure to do so is cause for the city to clean up the area and will result in a minimum fee of \$100.00. The City provides notice of these winter rules in the local paper and will put door hangers on any property they have to clean up. Pictures of the property are taken before the property is cleaned for verification of violation. Visit the city website, and review Chapter 7, sections 7.07 and 7.08 for additional information on snow and ice removal requirements. You can also call City Hall or the Police Department for further clarification.

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 7:00am - 4:00pm, Monday-Thursday. Friday 7am – 11am. 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 – Vacant; District 4 –Mike Matoushek 262-470-5975; District 5 – Dan Siebers 920-205-3065; District 6 – Bobbi Jo Kunz 920-392-9366.

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Contact Susan Leahy 920-229-6360. City Hall hours: Monday's & Wednesday's 10:00am – 12:30pm.

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 BUSINESS ALLIANCE

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 Business Alliance at 920-324-3491 Monday – Friday, 8AM to 5PM or you can email at info@envisiongreaterfdl.com. The Waupun Business Alliance is located at 10 W Main Street.

WAUPUN UTILITIES

Open Monday-Friday from 8AM 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 vary with each park. To reserve a park, call 324-7930. Leave a message if no one answers. For more information: <https://www.cityofwaupun.org/parksrec/page/parks-and-recreation-home>. 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