

From the Waupun Mayor –

Hi everybody!

Coming up on May 3rd is the annual Downtown Waupun Wine Walk, which is always a sure sign that spring has sprung. I hope that, as usual, the wine walk will be a sellout. When my parents had the store downtown, I really enjoyed serving wine and talking to everybody. It's always a lot of fun and a cool way to check out business you might not otherwise wander into.

If you're doing the wine walk, it's a lot of walking, so I would recommend stopping at Brooks Shoes and getting Brooks shoes. I did before Christmas and I have to admit, they're the most comfortable shoes I've ever owned. As you wander down Main Street, you can pop in at Werner Harmsen and take a nap on a couch, visit my friend Teresa and try on a cool new pair of glasses at Rock River Eyewear, and stop at Reiki Essentials and find unique gifts. I must admit, I always seem to find something cool there. You can wind up the evening with Jenny and I at the Other Bar, and see our cheerful friend Andy. The wine walk is a fun and a cool way to show off everything downtown Waupun has to offer. It's really becoming a destination point, and our city should be proud of the business owners who are investing in our city.

Speaking of downtown, one of the biggest frustrations I have as Mayor are the three buildings down there that look crappy and are falling apart. I'm also tired of being told I can't do more and shouldn't be more aggressive. In my new term as mayor, I'm going to look at every legal option to bounce absentee or bad landlords from our city. Waupun is too good a city to have to put up with them. There is no excuse for the old Golden Cup building to look like it does, or a building on South Madison Street. I also want to get more aggressive cleaning up the old Schrank Clinic, and the old shoe factory building across from Wee Care. These properties hurt all of Waupun, and I'm done putting up with them.

Last Friday, I had the privilege of visiting Central Waupun Christian Schools and spoke with students. My favorite part of being your mayor is visiting schools and talking to kids. They ask great questions and make my job more fun. It was also a blessing to see my friend Gregg Zonnefeld again. As mayor, I've tried hard to treat both schools equally, as both are assets to Waupun.

Lastly, I bought my annual Waupun Little League Calendar Raffle tickets this year. If you'd like to support Waupun Little League and help more kids play baseball, just contact little league or any little league parent.

Thank you and God Bless,
Mayor Rohn

APRIL 8- APRIL 29 SPRING YARD WASTE PICKUP: The City's Spring Yard Waste pick-up is designated for April 8, 2024 thru April 29, 2024 (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.

MAY 9 – 6PM TO 7PM – ADULT CRAFT NIGHT – Mini Barn Quilt – In the same style of the Barn Quilts that grace buildings of rural farmsteads, you will design & paint you own mini barn quilt. Held at the Waupun Public Library, 123 S Forest St.

MAY 16 – 6PM – CELEBRATE THE HEART OF GIVING: WI ASSISTED LIVING VOLUNTEER PROGRAM: Right within the Waupun community, your friends & neighbors are making a difference in the lives of older adults & their own too! They are generous, caring, & concerned individuals with a passion for helping older adults in Assisted Living Communities. Kim Verstegen, Assisted Living Project Coordinator with the Board on Aging & Long Term Care, discusses how you can make a difference as a screened & trained Volunteer Advocate & the ongoing support you will receive from our area Program Coordinator. Held at the Waupun Public Library, 123 S Forest St.

MAY 18 – ANTIQUE TRUCK & TRACTOR SHOW – 8AM TO 4PM – An event for all ages, fun for the whole family. Bounce house and face painting for the children. Food to fill you belly and fill your soul. Music all day. Plenty of truck and tractors to look at and stories to tell and hear. Held at Heritage Ridge Travel Plaza, 1705 Shaler Drive, Waupun. For more information or any questions please refer them to President Jeff Kreuziger at 920-299-6511.

MAY 23 – 6PM – DECLASSIFIED – We welcome back the Waupun Historical Society, who invites you to take a look at World War II through the eyes of Walter Riel, and Army Air Corp Reconnaissance Photographer. Held at the Waupun Public Library, 123 S Forest St.

MAY 27 MEMORIAL DAY PARADE/PROGRAM: 9AM. Parade line up will begin at 8:30am at St Joseph Catholic Church. The parade starts at St Joseph Catholic church and will proceed to Shaler Park (if rain it will be held at the Waupun Ice Arena) where following the parade ceremonies will be held to honor our past military personal who have served and died. If there are individuals or service clubs interested in participating in the parade, please contact LaMont Page at (920) 296-3040 or by email, pagelam@icloud.com.

OCTOBER 26 – HALLOWEEN ON MAIN – 2PM TO 4PM

OCTOBER 26 – CITY OF WAUPUN TRICK OR TREATING – 4PM TO 6PM

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 – Kambria Ledesma 309-709-0092; 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..

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.waupunareanimalshelter.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

