

A City of Waupun publication



"End of the Trail"

*Community News* is an E-newsletter capturing key events of the City of Waupun, and the various departments within the City. The newsletter will largely focus on 10 goals identified during the June 2010 strategic planning session: 1) To Create Pool Facility in Fond du Lac County Park/McCune Beach; 2) Bike Trail – Connect Wild Goose Trail to the City (East & West Sides); 3) Consolidate Recreational Area (Sports Complex); 4) Facilitate Construction of Banquet Hall; 5) Fill the Pamida Building; 6) Streamline Process for Recruiting New Businesses; 7) Bring in Large Business/Industry; 8) 400 Block of East Main Street; 9) Promote Waupun as Excellent Community for Business & Family; 10) Work on Main Street (Empty Buildings).

You can also find helpful information from the Waupun Area School District, Waupun Area Chamber of Commerce, and local service organizations in special sections of *Community News*.

## CITY MEETINGS

**2/20**, 4:15pm – Library Board, Library

**2/21**, 4:00pm – Community Development Authority, Council Chambers

**2/21**, 5:30pm – Board of Public Works, Council Chambers

**2/28**, 5:30pm – Committee of the Whole, Council Chambers

**2/28**, 6:30pm – Joint Meeting of Common Council & School Board, Council Chambers

**3/13**, 6:30pm – Common Council, Council Chambers

## City Hall Happenings

### CELEBRATE WAUPUN TITLE SPONSOR ANNOUNCED

The Steering Committee of Celebrate Waupun is very excited to announce that Agnesian Health Care, in collaboration with Waupun Memorial Hospital, has signed on as Title Sponsor of Celebrate Waupun for 2012, 2013, & 2014.

"Agnesian HealthCare and Waupun Memorial Hospital, as local healthcare providers, are proud to be on board for such an exciting event for Waupun area residents and their families to enjoy," says DeAnn Thurmer, Waupun Memorial Hospital chief operating officer.

We are also pleased to announce Radio



Pictured from Lt to Rt are: **1st row** - Lori Page-Media & Waupun Fine Arts, Sue Haefemeyer-Secretary & Waupun Fine Arts, Diane Meyer-Marketing & Promotions, DeAnn Thurmer-Waupun Memorial Hospital Chief Operating Officer, Carlos Munos-Hispano Fest **2nd row** - Steve Lenz -Event Consultant, Charlene Becker-Waupun Area Chamber of Commerce Director, Nick Rusch-Radio Plus Manager, Kyle Clark-City Administrator, Nancy Vanderkin-Waupun Common Council, Dick Flynn-City of Waupun & Committee Chair

Plus as a Media Partner. Their 4 Radio Stations include: AM 1170, Sunny 97.7, 98.7 Great 98 & 96.1 WTCX FM. "Radio Plus is proud to be a media partner for this great local event. Just as our four radio stations serve all ages and

demographics, this outstanding event will have something for everyone," says Nick Rusch, manager with Radio Plus.

These announcements came at the recent general meeting of



View meeting agendas and minutes on the city website:

[www.cityofwaupun.org](http://www.cityofwaupun.org)

## City Hall Happenings

### CELEBRATE WAUPUN TITLE SPONSOR ANNOUNCED (Continued)

#### WAUPUN AREA EVENTS

**Sundays in Feb.**, 4:30-6:30pm – Open Skating, Community Center

**Wednesdays in Feb.**, 10:30-11:00am – Story Time, Library

**Wednesdays in Feb.**, 7:00pm – Circle Dance, City Hall Auditorium

**2/17-2/19** – Pee Wee A & Squirt A Hockey Tournament, Community Center

**2/18**, 9:00-noon – Last day for Little League Registration, Waupun Utilities

**2/18**, 4:00-7:30pm – Legion Post 210 Spaghetti Dinner

**2/25 & 2/26**, 10am-5pm each day – WAHS French Club Pie Sale, Market Fresh Foods

**2/25**, 2:00-3:00pm – Lego Club, Library

**2/25**, 9:00am-3:00pm- Waupun Sportsmen Bazaar, The Union Youth Center Gym

**2/25**, 7:00-10:00pm – An Evening of Chocolate & Wine, City Hall Auditorium

**2/26** – Figure Skating Competition, Community Center

**3/3**, 1:00-4:00pm – Antique Appraisal Event, Library

the Committee on February 9<sup>th</sup>. Plans for the event have been in the works since last summer and this commitment signals the outstanding support and involvement of the people and businesses of Waupun.

Celebrate Waupun, is a FREE, three-day “new” community festival to be held this June 1 – 3 at Tanner Park on Spring Street along the Rock River. Scheduled activities for Celebrate

Waupun, a family fun event, include three music stages: The Great Brass Band Stage, Rock Reunion Stage and Hispano Stage and Fest, Tip Top Rides & Attractions, Car Show, Kidz Zone, Fun Run 5k Run/Walk & Kids Run, Tour de Marsh Bike and Auto Tour, City of Sculpture Historical Tour, Volleyball Tournament, Bean Bag Toss Tourney and more. FMI: [www.waupunfestivals.com](http://www.waupunfestivals.com).

The General Committee wishes to thank everyone who

has come forward to support Celebrate Waupun and its goals of 1. Supporting and Enhancing Waupun 2. Bringing the Community Together and 3. Supporting Local Businesses and Non-profit Groups.

Any business, service organization, church, group or individual that would like to be a part of Celebrate Waupun in any way should contact the city at 920-324-7900 for information.

## Service Organization On-Goings

### LEGION HOLDS SPAGHETTI DINNER THIS SATURDAY

Legion Post 210 is holding a spaghetti dinner this Saturday, February 18<sup>th</sup> from 4:00-7:30pm at

Legion Hall, 130 N. State Street in Waupun. The meal includes spaghetti, garlic bread, salad

and beverage for \$7.00. Carry-outs are available.

### SPORTSMAN BAZAAR FEBRUARY 25<sup>TH</sup>

The Union Youth Center is hosting its 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Waupun Sportsman Bazaar! Unused and gently used fishing, hunting and outdoor

equipment will be available for purchase and a food/bake sale will be held during the event, which takes place at the Union

Youth Center Gym, 421 Jackson Street, Waupun, on Saturday, February 25<sup>th</sup> from 9am-3pm.

*AN EVENING OF CHOCOLATE & WINE*

You are invited to attend *An Evening of Chocolate & Wine* sponsored by the Agnesian HealthCare Foundation and the Waupun Memorial Hospital Special Events Committee.

This premier event will be held Saturday, February 25<sup>th</sup> from 7:00-10:00pm at Waupun City Hall Auditorium and will feature decadent chocolates from Guth's End of the Trail Candy Shoppe and

various hand-selected wines from around the world. Numerous specialty beers will be available for sampling, along with local cheeses and a bountiful hors d'oeuvre buffet. Harpist Deborah Guy will provide entertainment for the evening. A silent auction will be held and a 50/50 cash raffle is new to this year's event. Cost is \$40 per person. Dress is business casual.

Proceeds benefit Waupun Memorial Hospital women's health and breast care services. **For reservations call 324-6512 or 926-4959 by Friday, February 17<sup>th</sup>.**

Tickets may also be purchased from a committee member prior to the event: Kate Bresser, Jeff Homan, Frank Mesa, Theresa Riggs, Todd Snow, DeAnn Thurmer, Donna VanBuren or Pat Waisanen.

*LITTLE LEAGUE BASEBALL REGISTRATION DEADLINE*

This Saturday, February 18<sup>th</sup> is the last day for 2012 Little League Baseball registration. Stop by Waupun

Utilities, 817 S. Madison Street, between 9am and noon to sign up your 4-14 year old! Get a head start on

registering by completing your [Registration Form](#) and [Volunteer Application Form](#) in advance.

**School District Dialogue**

*CHILD DEVELOPMENT DAYS*

Waupun Child Development Days are April 12 & 26, 2012. The WASD will be offering free developmental screenings for all children between the ages of 3 to 5 (not currently in a 4K program or entering

kindergarten in the fall). The screening looks at your child's early readiness skills, fine motor skills, gross motor skills, and speech and language development. To set up an appointment for a screening,

please call Linda Meagher at the Education Service Center **before Friday, March 30** at 324-9341. View the attached flyer for more details.

[CDD Flyer](#)

**Waupun Senior Center**

310 E. Main  
324-7930

Anyone 50 or over and their spouse is welcome to participate in activities offered at the Senior Center!

**Hours:**

Monday – Friday,  
9:00am – 4:00pm

Saturday –  
Sunday, Private  
Rentals

**Activities:**

Pool, cards,  
bingo, meals &  
more!  
Transportation is  
available.

**Share Community News with your friends!**

**Sign up at [www.cityofwaupun.org](http://www.cityofwaupun.org)**  
**Click on "Community Newsletter Sign Up" on the bottom left side.**



"Who Sows"

**Computer Access**



Waupun Jr/Sr High Library

◆ **Mondays-Thursdays**, 3:00-4:30pm – Public Computer & Internet Access

◆ **Feb. 20**, 6:30-7:30pm - Technology Session: – Online Photo Galleries

◆ **Feb. 27**, 6:30-7:30pm - Technology Session: Internet Browsers & Searching Tips

◆ **Mar. 5**, 6:30-7:30pm - Technology Session: Facebook & Twitter

◆ **Mar. 12**, 6:30-7:30pm - Technology Session: Google Docs

Everyone's welcome to attend Technology Sessions – no experience necessary!

For questions contact Toni at the Education Service Center at 324-9341.

**4-YEAR KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION**

The WASD is in the process of compiling the **4-year old** kindergarten list for the 2012-13 school year. To attend 4-year old kindergarten, students must be 4 years old by September 1<sup>st</sup>. If you have a child whose birth date is on or before September 1, 2008 you may pick up a registration packet after Feb. 6

from one of the following locations: Education Service Center, Meadow View Primary School, Rock River Intermediate School, Alto Reformed Church, Head Start (Fox Lake), Waupun Preschool, and Wee Care.

If you are unable to pick up a packet please contact Linda Meagher at

the Education Service Center to have one mailed to you at 324-9341.

It is very important that parents respond at this time as planning is underway and this information is needed. The number of students registered will determine class size and allow ample time to order class material for students.

**KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION (FOR STUDENTS NOT IN 4K)**

The WASD is in the process of compiling the kindergarten list for the 2012-13 school year. If you are a parent with a child whose birthday is on or before September 1, 2007 and **does not attend 4K**, please contact Linda Meagher at

the Education Service Center at 324-9341 between 8:00am and 4:00pm Monday-Friday to register your child for kindergarten for the 2012-13 school year. Students attending 4K will be moved up to kindergarten and do not need to register.

It is very important that parents respond at this time. Planning is under way and this information is needed. The number of students registered will determine class size and allow ample time to order class material for students.

**Winterfest Dance**

Saturday, Feb. 18  
8:00pm-11:30pm  
WAHS



**NO SCHOOL**  
**Friday, February 24**  
(Emergency Make Up Day)





"Recording Angel"

View a list of area events at the **NEW** Waupun Festivals website:

[www.waupunfestivals.com](http://www.waupunfestivals.com)

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[www.waupunutilities.com](http://www.waupunutilities.com)  
[www.waupun.k12.wi.us](http://www.waupun.k12.wi.us)



## Community Events

### 2012 CLEAN SWEEP SET FOR MAY 5

The Fond du Lac County UW-Extension will hold a Clean Sweep collection of hazardous chemical waste Saturday, May 5, from 9:00am to 12 noon at the Fond du Lac County Fairgrounds Expo

Building (Martin Rd. and Hwy 45/Fond du Lac Avenue in Fond du Lac). This collection is for hazardous household and agricultural chemical waste. It is open to all Fond du

Lac County residents, farms, school districts, and businesses. For additional details view the attached press release:

**CLEAN SWEEP**

## News from Fond du Lac County Ext.

### RADON LEVELS

The Fond du Lac County UW-Extension program keeps track of radon levels throughout the county.

With an average radon rating of 3.9, many homes in Fond du Lac County hold an unhealthy amount of an odorless, invisible gas called radon.

Radon gas comes from the natural (radioactive) breakdown of uranium in soil, rock

and water. The gas seeps into buildings, especially in basements and ground-level rooms, and cannot be detected by sight or smell. It is in the air we breathe and in homes, offices and schools. Once indoors, radon can accumulate. People are at higher risk to exposure during winter, when they tend to stay indoors.

The only way to know the radon concentration of a

building is to test it. The EPA advises homeowners with a rating of 4 or more to fix ("mitigate") their homes. (Average costs are \$750-\$1,100.)

For additional information on radon, the levels in your area, and radon testing please take a look at the full press release provided by the UW Extension:

**RADON LEVELS**