

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 & Events

8/8, 7:00am – Business Improvement District, Council Chambers

8/8, 5:00-7:00pm – Aquatics Facility Informational Meeting, Library

8/14, 7:00am-8:00pm – Election, City Hall

8/15, 4:45pm – Plan Commission, Council Chambers

8/20, 4:15pm – Library Board, Library

8/21, 4:00pm – Community Development Authority, Council Chambers

8/21, 5:00pm – Special Council Meeting, Council Chambers

8/21, 5:30pm – Board of Public Works, Council Chambers



View meeting agendas and minutes on the city website:

www.cityofwaupun.org

City Hall Happenings

FALL PRIMARY ELECTION

A Fall Primary Election will be held at Waupun City Hall on August 14th. Polling hours are 7:00am-8:00pm. City of Waupun voters will be given the chance to narrow the field of candidates vying for

positions of US Senator, Representative in Congress, State Senator, Assembly Representative, DA, and County Offices. An advisory referendum regarding the

development or improvement of an aquatic facility in the City will also be on the ballot.

The General Election will follow on November 6th.

OUT & ABOUT WITH PARKS & REC

New this year – the Parks & Rec Department will be heading to the Alto Fair and Waupun Truck-N-Show! Find the Parks & Rec Craft/Game Booth in the brick building (by the food tent) at the Alto Fair Wednesday and Thursday, August 8th & 9th.

Youngsters will enjoy crafts, bingo and games for a minimal

charge, ranging from \$.25 to \$1.00. Win some prizes, too!

For added fun, join the park leaders as they walk in the Alto Fair Parade on Thursday, August 9. Meet at their booth at 12:15pm to walk to the start of the parade route together.

And as the trucks roll into town, Parks &

Rec rolls over to the new Kids Area set up inside Schlieve Field, west of the Community Center, during the Truck-N-Show on August 10th and 11th. Stop by their booth for free crafts and games!

Please note that the parks will be closed August 8-10 due to the fair and Truck-N-Show.

DOWNTOWN UPDATE

WAUPUN AREA EVENTS

Thursdays thru Oct,
4:00-7:00pm – Farmer’s
Market, Tanner Park

8/3, Noon – Waupun
Area Chamber of
Commerce Golf
Outing, RRCC

8/3-8/5 – Dodge
County Antique Power
Show, Club Grounds in
Burnett

8/8-8/9 – Alto Fair

8/10-8/11 – Waupun
Truck-N-Show,
Waupun Community
Center

8/11, 7:00-11:00am –
Lions Club Pancake
Breakfast, Rock River
Intermediate School

8/13, 10:00-6:00 – Book
Sale, Waupun Public
Library

9/1 – Waupun Super
Pull, Waupun
Community Center

9/7-9/8 – Volksfest
German Ethnic Festival

9/8 – Art Around
Waupun Art Show, City
Hall Grounds

9/8 – Wild Goose
Chase 5K & 10K Run,
Waupun Community
Center

9/15, noon – Waupun
Area Animal Shelter
Pooch Parade, Marsh
Haven Nature Center

10/19 – Magic Show,
City Hall Auditorium

**Improvements to 400
Block of E. Main**

If you’ve taken a trip
downtown lately you
may have noticed
some changes
taking place on the
400 block of E. Main
Street. In June 2010,
during the city’s
strategic planning
session, City Council
identified the 400
block as one of its
key focus items.
Since that time, the
north and south sides
of the block have
been inspected (in
2010 and 2011) and
in May of this year
the Community
Development
Authority (CDA)
committed to clean
and tuck point the
properties and have
façade designs
prepared, utilizing
funds from Tax

Increment Finance
District #3. The
cleaning is
complete, tuck
pointing is underway,
and façade designs

are being reviewed.
The CDA will
consider their next
steps at their
meeting later this
month.

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Sully’s Sporting Goods really “sparkles” after their
cleaning from SparkleWash. Chad Navis is
pictured as he tuck points the property.

**The Other Bar
Renovation**

Contractors have
been working hard
to give the west
façade of The Other
Bar, 105 E. Main, a
face-lift in time for
the upcoming
Waupun Truck-N-
Show. The project
includes windows,
doors, siding, and
installation of a beer
garden. The work
will be wrapped up
in the next day or so

and owner Steve
Daute plans to
celebrate with a
band performing

before (7:00pm) and
after the Truck-N-
Show parade on
Friday, August 10.





"Who Sows"

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.

LEARN THE STORY OF UTLEY, WI AT WAUPUN PUBLIC LIBRARY

Utley, Wisconsin was a once thriving village of over 300 residents northwest of Waupun. Utley's history is based on the mining of extremely hard rock called rhyolite that was used to create more durable roads. Pine Bluff, as it was also known, employed miners and stone cutters to process the stone for sale. Utley's existence resulted in the building of a railroad from Brandon to Utley, on to Fairwater and Markesan, its purpose to ship rock to larger cities including Chicago.

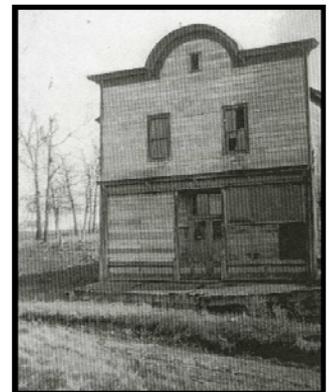
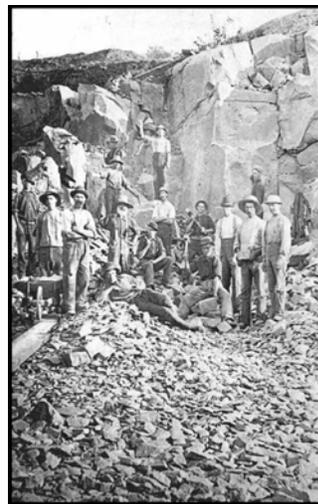
The book, "Utley: Wisconsin's Oldest Ghost Town," was the 30 year work of Waupun native John

Kirkpatrick. Following a tragic accident, his work fell into the hands of Arlene Leppin of the Fairwater Historical Society, who finished the story.

On **August 14th** at 6:30 p.m. you are invited to share the story of

Utley, Wisconsin with Co-Author Arlene Leppin at the Waupun Public Library.

This event is free to the public. Refreshments provided. Books will be available for sale. Call the library at 324-7925 with questions.



Utley, Wisconsin

Service Organization On-Goings

BOOK SALE

In August, the Friends of the Waupun Library are presenting a special summer sale. If you make a purchase of at least \$2.00 at the book store, you will get a book of your choice free! The sale is on August 13th, from

10:00am-6:00pm at the Waupun Public Library.

FOWL is a volunteer group dedicated to helping the Library. The group's major fund-raising efforts are monthly book sales, held on the second

Monday of every month. FOWL has sponsored many interesting programs including talks by various authors, educators and professionals and also donates funds to the library for the purchase of materials.

CALLING ALL ARTISTS

Artists are cordially invited to be a part of

Art Around Waupun, the multi-medium art

show on September 8th in and around the

McCune Beach
324-7924

**Open now
through August
18th!**

Hours:

Mon-Thur 1-6pm
Friday 1-7pm
Sat & Sun 1-5pm



**Waupun Dog
Park**

903 N. Madison St.

**Bring your dogs
to run and play!
The dog park is
open from sunrise
to sunset, 7 days a
week, year round.**

**Please use the
driveway
entrance to the
Waupun Area
Animal Shelter.
Information
guides containing
park rules are
available at City
Hall or at
www.cityofwaupun.org**



CALLING ALL ARTISTS (Continued)

historic 1928 Waupun City Hall Building in downtown Waupun. This 2nd annual juried event showcases premier artists from around the state displaying their work for viewing and purchase. Artists in

mediums of painting, photography, ceramics, sculpture, fiber arts, and other visual art are encouraged to submit an application before **Wednesday, August 8**. Please visit www.waupunfinearts.org

for more information, application materials and procedures. This art show is held in coordination with Volksfest, the annual German ethnic celebration also held in downtown Waupun.

WAUPUN TRUCK-N-SHOW AUGUST 10-11

Inspiration for a truck show in Waupun began many years ago after some community members went to an event called "Touch-a-Truck". While many see "big rigs" rolling down the highways, "Touch-a-Truck" enabled spectators to see the awesome vehicles up close and even look inside.

Now in its 23rd year, the event in Waupun has grown. This year's event will be held August 10 & 11. In recent years, the Waupun Truck-N-Show has averaged hundreds of trucks a year from all over the United States and Canada! The event brings the beautifully detailed trucks to the show for everyone to enjoy and admire. Truckers come to show off their rigs, enjoy the friendship of fellow drivers, and

enjoy the appreciation of thousands of spectators who stroll the grounds on Spring Street anytime on Friday and Saturday. A shuttle service takes spectators from designated parking areas to the festival grounds. Parking is not available on the grounds because every spot is needed for trucks!

Two parades are held on Main Street in Waupun. A **Friday night parade** occurs around **9:00PM**. The City of Waupun turns off all the streets lights on Main Street so the trucks can display their amazing array of lights! The **Saturday parade** at **3:00PM** enables spectators to see the beautiful murals and other works of art on each truck.

Admission to the Truck-n-Show festival

grounds (Spring Street in Waupun) is free.

Visitors may look at the beautiful trucks up close and look inside the trucks.

The technology and changes that have occurred in the big trucks is amazing!

Enjoy good food and drinks, lots of great music and meet many amazing truck drivers!

Friday night, a free dance is held in the Community Center.

A fee is charged for the **Saturday night dance** in the Community Center.

The Waupun Truck-n-Show is a nonprofit organization run completely by volunteers. Besides putting on a fantastic show, organizers take pride in raising money for Special Olympics, Make-a-Wish Foundation and for a local family with

TRUCK-N-SHOW (Continued)

financial needs due to illness.

For more information,

visit the website www.waupuntrucknshow.com or view the

Schedule of Events at the end of the newsletter.

LIONS CLUB HOSTS PANCAKE BREAKFAST

The annual Truck-N-Show Pancake Breakfast sponsored by the Waupun Lions will be held on Saturday, August 11 at the Rock River Intermediate School in Waupun. Parking is available west of the school. Breakfast starts at 7:00 AM and continues until 11:00 AM. The all-you-care-to-eat breakfast features pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, coffee, juice and milk. Breakfast prices are as follows: \$7.00 for adults; \$5.50 for children ages 4-10, and children under 4 eat free. A free shuttle service will be available from the Community Center to the site of the breakfast and back for those wishing to partake of the breakfast.

Reduced price

advance tickets are available at the office of Jan's Optical in Waupun. The Lions appreciate local support for their fundraising efforts. Over 85% of the funds raised are returned to the local community. During 2011-2012 over \$10,000 was distributed to local and state projects. Major local recipients included the Waupun Library, the Waupun Food Pantry, Holiday Help for the Needy, the American Cancer Society, local youth and sports activities, the visually handicapped, families in need and annual college scholarships for deserving students.

The Waupun Lions Club also contributes to the Foreign Eyesight Project and the Wisconsin Lions Camp

in Rosholt, Wisconsin which provides a rewarding camping experience for the disabled and handicapped of Wisconsin.

Besides the Pancake Breakfast, Waupun Lions fundraisers for 2012 include the Community Birthday Calendar at five dollars per calendar. The calendar lists birthdays and anniversaries of family and friends of those who purchased a calendar. If you are interested in ordering, please contact a Waupun Lions Club member.

The Waupun Lions meet at 6:00 PM on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month from September through May at the Rock River Country Club in Waupun.

It's Picnic Time!

Join park leaders as they celebrate the end of the summer parks program with an end of the year picnic on August 16 at Noon at West End Park.

Call the Parks & Rec Department at 324-7913 for more info.



Many of the photos and articles in *Community News* are submitted by service organizations, sports groups, or other individuals. Thank you for sharing your events and achievements with us! To submit information to be considered for a future newsletter, please email michelle@cityofwaupun.org

Booster Club Buzz...

MEET THE GYMSTARS

The Waupun GymStars Youth Gymnastics teams recently completed a successful 2011-12 season.

Pictured at right are members of the X-Cel team and coaches Lisa Lenz & Erin Hoffman at the State Meet held this spring.





Harris Mill Park

School Board meetings are the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month at 7:00pm at the Education Service Center, 950 Wilcox Street



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MEET THE GYMSTARS (Continued)

The level 4 team, coached by Beth Buwalda, had a strong finish to their season. Team members included Emily Matravers, McKenna Harmsen, Hannah Stock, McKenna Mueller, Hailey Streiff & Maddy Koerner. All of the girls on the team were first year competitors, and finished their season will the entire team qualifying for the National meet!



Level 4 GymStars Team

Congratulations GymStars on a great season! For more information about

Waupun Gymstars, visit their website at www.waupungymstars.com

School District Dialogue



- August 6-10: Meadow View Primary School registration days (See the announcement at the end of the newsletter for times and additional details.)
- August 6-10: Rock River Intermediate School registration
- August 29, 4:30-6:00pm: Meadow View Primary School Open House
- August 29, 5:30-7:00pm: Rock River Intermediate School Open House
- September 4: First Day of School!

REMINDER: Please call Linda at the ESC at 324-9341 if you have **not** yet enrolled your Kindergartener or 4 year Kindergarten student for the 2012-2013 school year. Further details are provided in the press release at the end of the newsletter.

2012 Truck-N-Show Schedule of Events

Friday, August 10

Events

- Noon-9:00pm - **Exhibitor Displays**
- Noon-9:00pm - **NEW! Kids Area**
- 4:00pm-8:00pm - **FREE Live Music** by Clay Canfield (solo guitar & song artist)
- 4:00pm-7:00pm - **Chicken BBQ** (by Waupun Ice Sculptures Synchro Skating Team)
- 5:00pm-6:00pm (Awards 7:00pm) - **Milk Truck Competition**
- 7:00pm - **Individual Pioneer & Milk Truck Awards**
- 7:00pm - **Special Olympics "Parade Auction" & Program**
- 8:00pm - 12:00am - **FREE Live Music** by Back Home Boys (classic rock, country)
- 9:00pm - **Lights of the Night Convoy** (*In case of rain the Light show would be held on the WTNS grounds*)
- **Great Food & Refreshments** (Waupun Hockey Assn, Figure Skaters, Fire Dept)
- **Vehicle Displays, Apparel Displays, Toy Trucks**

Registration

- 9:00am-6:00pm - Milk Truck Registration
- 9:00am - 8:00pm - Truck & Light Show Registration
- Noon-9:00pm - Model Truck Contest Registration

Saturday, August 11

Events

- 7:00am-11:00am - **Pancake Breakfast** at Rock River Intermediate School (Waupun Lions Club)
- 9:00am-3:00pm - **Exhibitor Displays**
- 10:00am-2:00pm - **FREE Live Music** by Clay Canfield (solo guitar & song artist)
- 11:30am-2:30pm - **Truck Judging** - over 300 trophies/plaques awarded after parade
- Noon - **VFW/American Legion Color Guard & United Men of Praise National Anthem**
- Noon - **Make-a-Wish "Parade Auction" & Program**
- Noon-TBD - **New! Kids Area**
- 2:00pm - **Model Truck Contest**
- 3:00pm - **Rides of Pride Parade** - The Nation's Largest Truck Parade!
- 7:30pm-1:00am - **Dance** (Inside Community Center, Admission Charged), Performances by Back Home Boys (classic rock, country) & Oil Can Harry (all genres of modern rock, great light show)
- **Great Food & Refreshments** (Waupun Hockey Assn, Figure Skaters, Fire Dept)

Registration

- 8:00am-1:30pm - **Truck Registration (Parade Only)** (Trucks arriving after 10:00am will be Parade only. NO EXCEPTIONS.)
- 8:00am-10:00am - **Truck Competition Registration**
- Noon-2:00pm - **Make-a-Wish Motorcycle Registration** *All proceeds go to Make-A-Wish Foundation*

Newspaper Announcement

Registration days for Meadow View Primary School will be held on August 6-10, 2012. If any new families move into the Waupun area please notify Toni Oosterhouse at the Education Service Center at 324-9341 as soon as possible so the records can be requested before school begins.

TIME: August 6 – times will be 12:00 PM – 8:00 PM
 August 7 – times will be 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM
 August 8-10 - times will be 7:00 AM - 3:30 PM

**Come in anytime during these days and drop off registration papers
and pay fees and lunch money**

Separate checks please for fees and lunch/breakfast/milk

School fees - Kind.-Gr. 2 - \$20.00- make check out to **WASD**

Pay lunch/breakfast fees - \$2.30 a day lunch; \$1.00 a day for breakfast – write check to put into lunch account – make checks out to **WASD Food Service**. You may put lunch/breakfast/milk together in one check.

**Receive updated Parent/Student Handbook
Take a look around the building – check out your child’s classroom
Homerom lists will be posted in the main hallway by
Circle Drive outside the office.**

Open House will be Wednesday, August 29th from 4:30-6:00 PM

Waupun Area School District Kindergarten and 4-year kindergarten registration



Planning is under way for kindergarten and 4-year old kindergarten for the 2012-13 school year. If you have a child that you wish to attend either of these programs but is **not** registered please call the following number as soon as possible:

Linda Meagher – 920-324-9341

The number of students registered will determine class size and allow ample time to order class material for students. It is imperative that parents respond at this time.

4-year old kindergarten – must be 4 by September 1, 2012.

Kindergarten – must be 5 by September 1, 2012