

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

**8/20**, 4:15pm – Library Board, Library

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

**8/21**, 5:30pm – Committee of the Whole, Council Chambers

**8/21**, 6:00pm – Council Meeting, Council Chambers

**8/22**, 4:45pm – Plan Commission, Council Chambers

**8/27**, 5:00pm – Recreation Board, Council Chambers

**8/28**, 5:30pm – Board of Public Works, Council Chambers

View meeting agendas and minutes on the city website:  
[www.cityofwaupun.org](http://www.cityofwaupun.org)



## City Hall Happenings

### ELECTION RESULTS

Thirty-six percent of voters turned out on Tuesday to take part in the Partisan Primary Election. To see how Waupun citizens voted for positions of US Senator, Representative in Congress, State Senator, Assembly Representative, DA, and County Offices go to the city website [www.cityofwaupun.org](http://www.cityofwaupun.org)

and click on "August 14, 2012 Election".

Also on the August 14 ballot was an advisory referendum regarding development or improvement of an aquatic facility in the City. 1,073 votes were cast in favor of Option 1 (construction of an aquatic facility at Fond du Lac County Park), 198 in favor of

Option 2 (construct an additional aquatic facility at McCune Beach), and 497 supported Option 3 (improve the current McCune Beach site). Further discussion on the aquatic facility will take place at the Committee of the Whole meeting, next Tuesday, August 21 at 5:30pm.

### BIKE TRAIL GRANT

The City was recently notified that it will receive another grant for the new segment of the bike/walking trail

which will go from Meadowview Park to Edgewood Drive. Alliant Energy Foundation is generously

contributing \$1,500 to this worthy project. Our appreciation goes out to them for their support!

### STORY TIME BEGINS SOON AT THE LIBRARY

Story time kicks off at the Waupun Public

Library on September 12.

"Celebrating Grandparents" is the

**WAUPUN AREA EVENTS**

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

**8/17,** 5:00-8:00pm – Fdl  
Cty UW Ext Centennial  
Reception, Windhover  
Center in Fdl

**8/25,** 10:30-noon –  
Back to School Party,  
Waupun Assembly of  
God

**9/1,** 11am & 7pm –  
Waupun Super Pull,  
Waupun Community  
Center

**9/7** (10am-11pm) &  
**9/8** (7:30am-11pm) –  
Volksfest German  
Ethnic Festival, behind  
Jud-sons Bowling Alley  
in Downtown Waupun

**9/8,** 10am-4pm – Art  
Around Waupun Art  
Show, City Hall  
Grounds

**9/8,** 9:00am – Wild  
Goose Chase 5K & 10K  
Run, Waupun  
Community Center

**9/12,** 10:30am –  
“Celebrating  
Grandparents” Story  
Time, Library

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

**9/19,** 10:30am – “Color  
& Changing Seasons”  
Story Time, Library

*STORY TIME BEGINS SOON AT THE LIBRARY (Continued)*

theme of the first of  
the thirteen  
scheduled story  
times. Children of all  
ages are welcome  
to attend these fun,  
educational

offerings, but  
children 3 and under  
must be  
accompanied by an  
adult. Story times  
are held at 10:30am  
Wednesdays from

September 12 –  
December 12. For  
additional details on  
the upcoming story  
times view the  
schedule at the end  
of the newsletter.

**Service Organization On-Goings**

*ARTS AROUND WAUPUN ART SHOW*

Waupun Fine Arts,  
Inc. is excited about  
the upcoming “Arts  
Around Waupun” art  
show September 8th  
to be held in and  
around the  
downtown historic  
City Hall from 10AM  
to 4PM. The show  
features some of  
Wisconsin’s best  
artists in their area  
such as jewelry,  
painting, garden art,  
photography,  
pottery, and many  
more. Some of the  
more well-known  
artists, as Steve Wirtz,  
and Leslie Trewyn,  
will be showing and  
selling their latest  
work along many  
accomplished local  
artists representing a  
wide range of  
creative, functional,  
and inspiring  
artwork.

Again, “coming  
home” to Waupun is  
Leslie Trewyn who is  
collected nationally,  
has lived and



Painting by Waupun native  
Leslie Trewyn



Paper sculpture by artist  
Steve Wirtz

worked in the  
Waupun area for  
many years and now  
lives and has her  
studio in Green Lake.

Leslie has many  
connections to the  
Waupun area,  
including two  
children who still live  
near Waupun.

Along with her  
paintings and prints,  
Leslie has a new  
book out just last  
summer which is  
available for  
purchase. The book  
entitled, “Leslie  
Trewyn: A Colorful  
Life”, details Leslie’s  
biography and  
colorfully represents

a large portion of her  
life’s work.

Waupun Fine Arts,  
Inc. is again  
representing the  
work of the late Kay  
Kittel, who passed  
away last summer.

Kay’s family has  
again agreed to  
show and sell some  
of their collection of  
Kay’s work, which  
includes her  
paintings, prints, and  
metal sculpture. Kay  
was one of the first  
members of the  
Waupun Fine Arts  
group and was very  
instrumental in  
organizing several



"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.

*ARTS AROUND WAUPUN ART SHOW (Continued)*

art shows in the area. We are thrilled to have Kay's work and family a part of the art show.

Another artist that viewers will not want to miss is Steve Wirtz, formerly from FDL, but now living in Milwaukee. Steve is well known for his incredible "frozen life" sculptures that bring laughs to all viewers.

He works with a special paper mache to sculpt his subjects, giving them the appearance of being caught in time and space and telling stories that are hard to miss.

The best of Waupun student artwork from both the Waupun High School and the Waupun Christian Schools is another

feature of the art show and will be shown inside the City Hall building. The student booth will feature some of the best conference and art competition winners from Waupun High School art classrooms and showcases the talents of these young artists expressive work.

Another attraction which is sure to be a hit with kids is a "Kid's Korner", located outside the building on the South West corner of the grounds.

The kid's corner will offer face painting done by students from Central Wisconsin Christian Schools and Waupun High School.

The show offers special music from acoustic guitarist, Dan

Braaksma and pianist, Christopher Nord, inside City Hall alternating throughout the day.

The Arts Around Waupun art show is happening the same weekend as the popular Volksfest German Ethnic Festival which is an annual event, now in its 19th year. Volksfest, which always brings a great crowd to enjoy numerous bands and great German cuisine, will be held Friday and Saturday, the 7th and 8th, and is also positioned in the downtown area of Waupun. The two events offer much to see do and make Waupun a destination to experience on September 8th.

*LOCAL FOOD VENDORS REQUESTED FOR ART SHOW*

Waupun Fine Arts is opening light food vendor booths to local groups to use for fundraising purposes on September 8th for

the Art Around Waupun art show from 10 AM to 4 PM. Booth space is \$35 and those interested or for more

information, please contact the Art Coordinator by email at [waupunfinearts@gmail.com](mailto:waupunfinearts@gmail.com)

## School District Dialogue

*A FEW WORDS FROM SUPERINTENDENT GUBIN*

**Community Chats**

The Waupun Board of Education and I would

like to hear from the public! Your input is important to us. We have scheduled

morning and evening community chats at the following locations and times:

**McCune Beach**  
324-7924

**August 18<sup>th</sup> is the last day to swim for the season!**

**Hours:**

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



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



Harris Mill Park

*A FEW WORDS FROM SUPERINTENDENT GUBIN (Continued)*

- Helen’s Kitchen on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month from 7:30am-8:30 am starting on September 6.
  - Culver’s Restaurant on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month from 5:15pm-6:15 pm starting on September 11.
  - Mullin’s Drive-In on Monday, September 10 from 5:15pm-6:15pm. (If rain, at SAGES.)
- We hope to see you there and welcome comments and questions.
- Tonya Gubin,*  
Superintendent

**WASD Newsletter**

One of the school district’s goals is to foster two-way communication with the community. In order to do this, the district has published a newsletter highlighting the initiatives we are

working on. This newsletter will be sent out to every mailbox in the district the week of August 20. We were able to produce the newsletter on a very minimal budget! The next publication will be sent out in January. At that time,

we will be selling advertising space to offset the cost of printing and postage. If you are interested in advertising in our *Warrior Words* newsletter, please contact Ann Ferch at the district office at 920-324-9341.

**SAGES GRAND OPENING**

SAGES, the new Charter School for Agricultural and Environmental Studies, located in Fox Lake, celebrates its grand opening Saturday,

August 25 at 10:00am. There will be a short ribbon cutting ceremony, a self-guided tour of the school and some treats! The public is

invited to take part in this grand opening celebration!  
Read more about SAGES in the documents following this newsletter.



- 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!

**Community Events**

*FOND DU LAC COUNTY UW EXTENSION CELEBRATES 100 YEARS*

The public is welcome to attend a Photo Exhibit & Reception celebrating the

centennial of the UW-Extension of Fond du Lac County. The reception will be held

Friday, August 17 from 5:00-8:00pm at the Windhover Center, 51 Sheboygan Street,



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](mailto:michelle@cityofwaupun.org)

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*FOND DU LAC COUNTY UW EXTENSION CELEBRATES 100 YEARS (Continued)*

Fond du Lac. The exhibit runs through September 28<sup>th</sup>. Look through local photos

from the past century and play Guess the Gadget. Enjoy refreshments and

swap stories! An opportunity like this only comes along every 100 years!

*BACK TO SCHOOL PARTY FEATURES FREE GAMES, FOOD, SCHOOL SUPPLIES*

Waupun Assembly of God will host a community Back to School Party on Saturday, August 25, from 10:30am to 12 noon. The festival will be held in the church's parking lot at 846 E. Main St., Waupun.

The Back to School Party features free carnival games where children win tickets to exchange for school supplies. A lunch will also be served for

participating children and their parents.

"For some families, the hardest part of going back to school is getting kids out of bed and back on a routine. For others, it's obtaining adequate supplies to make sure their kids have the resources they need to learn," explained Zack Casper, youth pastor at Waupun Assembly of God. "Since part of our church's mission is to

love each other and serve the world, we want families in both situations to swing by the Back to School Party, play a few games, win some prizes and enjoy one last family gathering before school starts."

For additional information on the Back to School Party, please call the church office at (920) 324-2093.

## 2012 Story Time Schedule

Story time will start on Wednesday Sept. 12 at 10:30 am. All ages are welcomed, but children three years old and younger must be accompanied by an adult.

Sept. 12 - Celebrating our Grandparents  
Sept. 19 - Color and Changing Seasons.  
Sept. 26 - Fall Foods are Best!  
Oct. 3 - Stories about Staying Healthy  
Oct.10 - To Be Announced  
Oct. 17 - Let's Talk About Sweets  
Oct. 24 - Guest Speaker!  
Oct. 31 - Halloween  
Nov. 7 - Would You Like to be President?  
Nov. 14 - Thanksgiving Day Stories  
Nov. 28 - Guest Speaker  
Dec. 5 - Getting Ready For Winter  
Dec. 12 – Christmas! (last program for the year)

Library story times are a great opportunity for small children to make new friends, listen to stories, learn finger plays, and listen to and learn new songs!

SAGES is the new Charter School for Agricultural and Environmental Studies, located in Fox Lake, opening this fall with 125 students enrolled from Fox Lake, Waupun, Beaver Dam, Randolph and Oshkosh.

**UNIQUE PROGRAMMING:** SAGES offers a totally unique and interactive educational experience that focuses on excellence in core subject areas like Math, English, Science and Social Studies while immersing students in the study of the area's rich environmental resources and agricultural heritage. SAGES students will spend mornings in traditional classes like Math and English while afternoons will be spent engaging in a project-based learning and "digging deeper" into the study of the natural environment. Using key math, literacy, science, social studies, arts and technology skills, students will go out into the environment to conduct research, create projects, and gain a rich understanding of the agricultural history, biological diversity, and the future potential of the local environment. Project-based learning requires students use 21st century skills like collaboration, creative thinking, communication and critical thinking in preparation for our changing world. Technology is an essential ingredient in student project research and development.

**GOVERNANCE:** SAGES is governed by a dedicated 9-member board consisting of community members from all walks of life. The SAGES Governance Board has been working diligently to provide a special school for young people.

**FUNDING:** With a dedicated and specialized core of teachers, SAGES brings a new learning opportunity to the Waupun Area School District. Because SAGES is an instrumentality of the WASD, it is funded like any other school in the district with a per-pupil allocation. In addition to that funding, we were awarded a grant from the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction for additional staff trainings, technology and materials to enhance the environmental and agricultural themes.

**OUTCOMES:** The SAGES student population is required to take the same standardized tests as the rest of the district's students. With high student expectations and a specialized and rigorous curriculum, SAGES students will be expected to perform well.

**BEHIND THE SCENES:** There is an enormous group of SAGES friends that have been working feverishly behind the scenes to make the school student-ready. They have been painting walls, donating "museum" items, gathering and working on bicycles and helmets,

meeting endlessly, marketing SAGES and making agricultural and environmental connections. The SAGES "family" started out small with just the Governance Board and has grown to include staff members, students and their families, community members, and businesses! Already, the SAGES project is a shining example of what true community service looks like.

FIND OUT MORE! Please "like" us on Facebook- search for: School for Agricultural and Environmental Studies. Also, there is a link on the WASD web site with more information about SAGES.

Lisa Grosz  
SAGES Principal & Lead Teacher  
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Waupun Area School District