Community News

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"End of the Trail"

City Meetings & Events

11/13, 4:00pm – Joint Review Board, Council Chambers

11/13, 6:00pm – Common Council, Council Chambers

11/14, 7:00am – Business Improvement District, Council Chambers

11/16 – Last Day for Yard Waste Pickup

11/19, 4:15pm – Library Board, Library

11/20, 5:30pm – Board of Public Works, Council Chambers

11/21, 4:45pm – Plan Commission, Council Chambers

11/22-11/23 – CITY HALL CLOSED

11/27, 5:30pm – Committee of the Whole, Council Chambers



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 Hall Happenings

ELECTION RESULTS

The Fall General Election was held yesterday. Voter turnout was 77% for the City of Waupun. City residents cast votes in favor of Mitt Romney for President, Tommy Thompson for US Senate, Tom Petri for US Representative District 6, Rick Gudex for State Senate District 18, and Michael Schraa for State Assembly District 53. For additional details on the election results, please visit www.cityofwaupun.org and click on "November 6, 2012 Election".

MAYOR'S LUNCHEON FEATURING JANET PLANET & TAMI RENS

Attention ladies!
Plan to join Mayor
Jodi for lunch this
Friday, November 9th.
Gourmet soups and
salads will be served
at our historic city hall
auditorium during this
special event. Doors
open at 11:30am,
noon luncheon, 12:15
presentation by
Janet Planet and
Tami Rens.

Janet Planet is a spirited jazz artist who performs across the USA and internationally.

Following the luncheon, she will return to Waupun with the Janet Planet Band on December 8th for an exclusive 2012 Wisconsin Christmas Show "All I Want For Christmas".

Tami Rens is a radio personality and host of Sunny 97.7's the "Jazz Oasis". Tami is also a Certified Life, Professional & Business Coach.

Learn the secret to survival in the music business from a women's perspective. Learn from the professionals. Get



Janet Planet www.janetplanet.com

WAUPUN AREA EVENTS

Sundays in Nov., 4:30-6:45pm – Open Skating, Waupun Community Center

11/9, 11:30am – Mayor's Luncheon with Janet Planet & Tami Rens, City Hall Auditorium

11/10, 5:00-7:00pm – Soup Supper, Grace United Reformed Church

11/11, 11:00am – Veteran's Day Observance, City Hall Grounds

11/12, 10:00am-6:00pm – Friends of Waupun Library Book Sale, Library

11/14, 10:30am – Thanksgiving Story Time, Library

11/25, 2:00pm & **11/26**, 6:30pm – Author Robert Daniels, Library

11/27, 6:30pm – Avenue of Angels Holiday Parade, Downtown Waupun

11/27, 6:00-8:00pm – Avenue of Angels featuring Holiday Music by Vicki Belleville at 7:00pm, City Hall Auditorium

11/28, 10:30am – Story Time, Library

Visit the events
calendar at
www.waupunfestivals.com
for a full list of Waupun
Area Events!

MAYOR'S LUNCHEON FEATURING JANET PLANET & TAMI RENS (Continued)

tips on how to be a stress free speaker, find your voice and meet the singer behind the voice.

Tickets are \$10 and are on sale through TODAY, Wednesday,

November 7th at Waupun City Hall, 201 E. Main Street, Waupun; AM 1170 Radio, 609 Home Ave, Waupun; and Rechek's Food Pride, 609 N. Spring St, Beaver Dam.

Our appreciation goes out to Sunny 97.7 and Agnesian for helping us bring this wonderful event to the Waupun community!

DOWNTOWN IMPROVEMENTS

In a June 2010 strategic planning session, the Waupun Common Council identified making improvements to the 400 block of E. Main Street one of their top 10 goals. The Community
Development
Authority (CDA),
Business
Improvement District
(BID) Board, and
downtown property
and business owners
have come together

to help meet this goal of improving the aesthetics of downtown Waupun. Take a look at some of the progress – and watch for more to come!



Before picture of east wall of 409 E. Main (former Fox Computer building)



Painting is underway at 409 E. Main!



Progress photo of remodeled front entrance of 435 E. Main (former Corner Restaurant)



Addition (for walk in cooler) to south side of 435 E. Main



Freshly painted west wall of Jud-Sons Bowling Alley



Harris Mill Park



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.

Energy Service:

- Tues. 11/20, 1:00-3:00pm
- Walk-in. No appointments are necessary.

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LOCAL AUTHOR ROBERT DANIELS TO SPEAK AT WAUPUN PUBLIC LIBRARY

Robert C. Daniels, author of World War II in Mid-America: Experiences from Rural Mid-America During the Second World War, will speak at the Waupun Public Library on Sunday, November 25, 2012 at 2:00pm AND Monday, November 26, 2012 at 6:30pm. Attendees are asked to call the library at 324-7925 to reserve your seat for one of

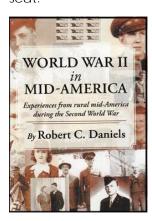
Daniels' book is a true account of World War II as seen through the eyes of 34 Midwestern Americans. Many of these interviewees

the talks.

are from Waupun or the Waupun area. Covered is not only the military that went off to war, but also the wives, children. and others who stayed behind to hold down the home front. Come and hear how local individuals contributed to and were impacted by World War II. Books will be available for sale.

Robert Daniels grew up in Waupun, graduating from Waupun High School in 1976. He served in the Navy, retiring as a chief petty officer. Currently, he lives in Chesapeake, Virginia and is an Adjunct Professor of History and author of military history.

This event is free to the public. Refreshments served. The same material will be covered at both programs. Call the library at 324-7925 with questions or to reserve your seat.



FIRE DEPARTMENT EVENTS

On November 3 the Fire Department held two events to help support citizens of our community. The first was their annual Food Drive. 4,515 pounds of food and \$1,167 was donated to the Waupun Food Pantry from this event! Great job Waupun!

The Fire Department teamed up with Pizza Ranch for the second event – "Change Your Clock Change Your Batteries".
Firefighters delivered food, installed smoke detectors and gave out and installed smoke detector batteries.

24 firefighters took

part in these wonderful community-focused events! We thank them for their continued service to the Waupun community!





"Who Sows"

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 auides containina park rules are available at City Hall or at www.cityofwaupun.org



Chamber of Commerce Chit-Chat

AVENUE OF ANGELS

We are into November already and the 2012 Avenue of Angels Christmas Celebration is quickly approaching! Mark your calendars for Tuesday, November 27 - Saturday, December 1. Five days of holiday fun is in store this year. The Holiday Parade kicks things off on Tuesday, November 27 at 6:30pm. And the popular Festival of Trees returns to City Hall Auditorium. Entrants are being accepted for the parade and Festival of Trees. For information please visit www.waupunchamber.com or call 324-3491.

Watch for the complete schedule of activities for this year's Avenue of Angels in the next issue of Community News.

Service Organization On-Goings

VETERAN'S DAY OBSERVANCE

The American Legion and VFW invite you to join them on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month in a ceremony

honoring our Veterans. The event, which includes singing of the National Anthem, prayer, speakers and playing of taps, will be held on the grounds of Waupun City Hall, 201 E. Main Street, at 11:00am, Sunday, Nov. 11.

FOWL BOOK SALE 11/12

The Friends of the Waupun Library will hold their November Book Sale next Monday, November 12, from 10:00am-6:00pm at the Waupun Public Library.

FOWL is a volunteer

group dedicated to helping the Library. The group's major fundraising 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.



School District Dialogue

Greetings from the district office! Many questions have come my way about the

land exchange recently approved with the city of Waupun. Meadow View Primary has now been rezoned to allow the city to begin its

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Community Tech Talks

Mondays 6:30-7:30pm Waupun High School Library Computer Lab

- ◆ Nov. 12 Google Sites
- ♦ Nov. 19 Blogs
- ♦ Dec. 3 Wikis
- ◆ Dec. 10 Online Photos

Classes for the 2nd Semester begin in February!

Tech Talks are free & open to the public. No experience necessary! For more info email Denise at dleong@waupun.k12.wi.us

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

Like the

Waupun Athletic

SCHOOL DISTRICT DIALOGUE (Continued)

development of the TIF district. The school district will retain ownership of the property where the Educational Service Center is located. This summer, grades K-1, our early childhood program, and one section of 4 year old kindergarten will move to the former Jefferson building, while grade 2 moves to Rock River Intermediate School. Work has already begun to clean and paint the Jefferson School building. A section of the roof will be replaced and the technology infrastructure will be upgraded. These two improvements were scheduled to be done at the current Meadow

View Primary building but were put on hold due to the potential move. The QZAB (the interest-free Qualified Zone Academy Bonds) is paying for the updates. This move (which we hope will be our last!) will save the district money as we have been unable to sell the Jefferson property. As you know, when you are paying to heat and maintain an empty building, it can become costly. The district will offer an open house and building dedication in August.

As part of the land exchange with the city, the school district acquired the land surrounding the high school (minus the

retention pond.) If you drive down Shaler Drive, notice the property contained within the sidewalk surrounding the high school. While no future plans have been made for the additional property, we would like to eventually develop athletic fields. including a track and tennis courts, on this property. The football field will stay in its current location as the facilities are new and almost paid for!

If you have additional questions about the school district, please call, e-mail, or stop in to see me! (324-9341 or

tgubin@waupun.k12.wi.us)

Tonya Gubin, Superintendent



- November 8: End of 1st Quarter
- November 9: 1/2 Student Day, 1/2 Teacher Work Day
- November 13: Superintendent's Community Chat, 5:15-6:15pm at Culvers
- November 14: Late Start
- November 19: Board of Education, 7:00pm at ESC
- November 21-23: No School

Booster Club Buzz...

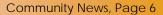
SIGN UP FOR AUTOMATIC NOTIFICATION OF GAME CHANGES

Booster Club on Facebook! Would you receive now hop ga

Would you like to receive notifications when games are

changed or rescheduled? You can receive text

messages and emails. Just go to the Waupun School





"Recording Angel"

Share Community News with your friends!

Sign up at www.cityofwaupun.org

Click on "Community Newsletter Sign Up" on the bottom left side.



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

SIGN UP FOR AUTOMATIC NOTIFICATION OF GAME CHANGES (Continued)

District website
www.waupun.k12.wi.us,
click on "Waupun
Area Junior/Senior

High", then select
"High School Events &
Athletic Calendar"
(left side), a choose

"Notify Me!" (top right).

CROSS COUNTRY PLACES 12TH IN STATE COMPETITION



Congratulations to the Warrior Boys Cross Country Team & Coaches! The team placed 12th in Division 2 during state competition in Wisconsin Rapids on October 27.

Community Events

SOUP SUPPER

Grace United
Reformed Church
invites the public to
attend a Soup
Supper on Saturday,
November 10th, from
5:00-7:00pm. 3
delicious varieties of

home-made soup, including chili, will be served. Top of your meal with a fabulous dessert buffet! The Soup Supper is a fundraiser for the youth of Grace URC.

A free will offering will be taken. Grace URC is located at 601 Buwalda Dr., (South of Waupun on Highway 26).

MASTER GARDENER BUS TRIP

Fond du Lac County Master Gardeners are planning a

November 30th trip to the Green Bay Botanical Gardens. The garden is transformed into a spectacular winter

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MASTER GARDENER BUS TRIP (Continued)

landscape featuring botanical light displays. Participants have an opportunity to take both a walking tour and a wagon ride. The final stop will be a pizza dinner at Rosati's for authentic Chicago pizza. \$55 includes the bus, tour fees and pizza dinner. Bus leaves UW FDL

campus at 3:00 p.m. and returns 9pm. For more information please contact Janet at (920) 921-5020.