

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. You can also find helpful information from the local schools, the Booster Club, Waupun Area Chamber of Commerce, and local service organizations and non-profits in special sections of *Community News*.

City Hall Happenings

TRANSCANADA DONATES TO POLICE & FIRE DEPARTMENTS

12/22, 4:15pm – Library Board, Waupun Public Library

12/24 & 12/25 – City Hall Closed – Merry Christmas!

12/29, 6:00pm – Recreation Board, City Hall Council Chambers

12/30, 5:30pm – Committee of the Whole, City Hall Council Chambers

12/30 – Clerk's Office Open 7:30-Noon for Tax Collection, other offices closed – Happy New Year!



Photos by Hank Snyder, Daily Citizen

On December 5th the Waupun Police and Fire Departments accepted donations from TransCanada. Pictured at left, TransCanada representative Ron Langenbach (center) presented a check for \$2,400 for two automated external defibrillators to Deputy Police Chief Scott Loudon (on left) and Police Chief Dale Heeringa.

At right, TransCanada representative Ron Langenbach (on left) presented a check for \$3,000 to Waupun Fire Department's Fire Inspector Mike Beer (center) and Fire Chief B.J. DeMaa for rapid intervention gear.

Our thanks goes out to TransCanada for their donations!



IN MEMORY OF CARL NEUMAN

We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of Carl Neuman, who passed away on Saturday, December 13th. Carl was active on the Volksfest Committee and in the VFW and American Legion. Carl touched many lives and will be sorely missed.



Chat with Mayor Kyle at the WHS Basketball game on

Thursday 12/18





"Who Sows Believes In God"

OUT AND ABOUT WITH MAYOR KYLE



Photo by Hank Snyder, Daily Citizen

On Wednesday, December 10th, Lamers Bus Lines held an Open House, following the recent completion of the company's new building on S. Watertown Street.



Need a Ride?

Waupun Taxi Hours:

- Mon-Thu 6am-6pm
- Fri 6am-6pm & 9:30pm-2:30am
- Sat 10am-2pm & 9:30pm-2:30am
- Closed Sundays & Holidays

Package delivery is also available!

324-2426

The City of Waupun contracts with Waupun Taxi to provide shared-ride taxi services within the city.

Non-Profit Press

"COMMUNITY PLAYERS" THEATRE GROUP FORMING

Individuals from the Waupun area are invited to be a part of the new group Waupun Community Players.

The mission of the Community Players is:

To provide an outlet for creative community involvement, whose purpose is to enrich, educate and entertain our community by providing a superior theatre experience.

You can be a part of a theatrical troupe performing at the Historical City Hall

Auditorium. You don't have to be an actor or actress to participate. Ushers, box office assistance, and crews for set construction, set-up, tear-down and concessions are also needed.

An introductory meeting will be held after the first of the



year. Plans are in place to produce, *"It's a Wonderful Life- A Live Radio Play"* next December. If you are interested in becoming part of Waupun Community Players **send an email to players@CityHallStage.com expressing your interest.**

A Live Radio Play will be explained at the meeting and auditions for the cast will be scheduled for a later date.

To ensure you will be notified of the meeting send an email right away!



INVITATION TO SUPPORT 2015 AUDITORIUM SERIES

Waupun Festivals is presenting an exciting lineup of shows at Historic City Hall Auditorium in 2015 and you are invited to lend your

support. This series of concerts and performances allows you to experience regional and national talent right in your own

backyard. Because ticket sales alone cannot cover the expense to produce world-class shows, individuals and businesses are



"Recording Angel"

Still looking for the perfect Christmas Gift?

Gift Certificates for Waupun Family Aquatic Center are available at City Hall.

- \$50 toward a 2015 Individual Pass or
- \$100 toward a 2015 Family Pass



Stop by the Waupun Historical Society's website!

<http://waupun.pastperfect-online.com>



Early Picture of City Hall

INVITATION TO SUPPORT 2015 AUDITORIUM SERIES (Continued)

invited to offer their generous support. Donations of any amount are gratefully accepted.

The 2015 Entertainment Series that you are supporting includes:

- Feb 7 – Winter Dance Party with the King
- Mar 21 – Neil Diamond & Johnny Cash Tributes

- Apr 11 – Cajun Dance Party
- Apr 13-18 – Blues in the Schools (with Concert Sat. Night)
- May 9 – Decades of Country Music
- Sep 9 – Tribute to Creedence Clearwater Revival
- Oct 9 – America's Favorite Cowboys-Music & Comedy
- Oct 24 – Rock, Roll & Remember
- Nov 14 – Rahr's

Beer and PrisonCityUSA

- Dec 19 – "It's A Wonderful Life" – A Live Radio Play

All show dates and times are subject to change.

Additional information on individual and business donation opportunities are provided after the newsletter.

VFW NEWS

A Christmas Wreath for Fallen Heroes

A "Wreath for Fallen Heroes" was placed at the Shaler Park Veterans War Memorial in Waupun on Saturday, Dec. 13, to remember those who gave up their tomorrows so that we can enjoy our today's. The tradition started at Arlington National Cemetery more than 20 years ago, and continues to be held nationwide as "Wreaths Across the Nation." Placing the wreath is Dave Edwards, at left, and John Williamson, members of Bentley-Hull VFW Post 6709.

Photos by Larry Duer



VFW Patriot Pen Winners Bentley-Hull VFW Post 6709 recently held a Patriot's Pen Youth Essay Writing Contest which gave students in the 6th – 8th grades the opportunity to express their opinion on a patriotic theme. First place winners were Ruth Brower (second from left), age 13, of Waupun, and Reegan Aylesworth (far left), age 13, of Brandon. Second place went to Melissa Van Den Berg (far right), age 14, of Waupun. Receiving third place was Kaytlin Smits (second from right), age 14, of Markesan. All are students at Central Wisconsin Christian School in Waupun.



Photo by LaMont Page

Waupun Family Aquatic Center

Save the Date!



**Soup Supper
Saturday, Jan.10
5:00-7:00pm**

Serving Chili,
Vegetable Beef Soup
& Chicken Noodle
Soup

Hosted by the Youth
Group of Grace United
Reformed Church

Corner of Hwy 26 &
Buwalda Dr, Waupun



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

4-H NEWS

Weeping Willow 4-H Adopts a Family for Christmas

The Weeping Willow 4-H Club adopted a needy family in the Waupun area for their community service project this Christmas. At the club's monthly meeting held at the Waupun Public Library on Saturday, Dec 13, club members helped in wrapping the presents. Shown with the wrapped gifts are, front row from left:



Mason Ludtke, Kaelyn Lichtenwald, Coleson Bille and Conner Lichtenwald. Middle row from left: Kaidon Shaw, Brandon Smith, Dawson Shaw, Alyia Van Loo, Elizabeth Beuscher and Annika Bille. Back row from left: Jordon Shaw, Camron Van Loo, Mason Shaw, Kylie Lichtenwald, Sylvia Ford, Braden Hein and Matthew Ludtke.



Members of the Weeping Willow 4-H Club visited the Christian Home in Waupun on Saturday, Dec. 13, and sang Christmas Carols to the residents.

Photos by Larry Duer

THE "GIVING" TREE AT UMC

Zoey Casey-Elvers, at left, and Reylyn Elvers, both 4, stand by the "Giving" tree at Waupun United Methodist Church, which contains mittens, scarves and gifts for the needy children this holiday season.

Photo by Larry Duer





Harris Mill Park

**CWC Holiday Classic
3 on 3 Basketball
Tourney**



**January 3
1:00pm**

Register by Dec. 27!

Registration form provided after the newsletter.



WASD Calendar

- Dec 18 – Holiday Concerts at RRIS
- Dec 19, 10am & 1pm – SAGES Winter Holiday Program
- Dec 24 - Jan 4 – No School (Resumes Jan 5)
- Jan 5, 6:00pm – Financial Aid Meeting, HS LGI



UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Thurs. 12/18 & Fri. 12/19 – Members of United Methodist Church present a **Live Outdoor Nativity** in front of the Wesley Center from 6:30-8:00pm each day.
- Fri. 12/19 – Let's *Stick It* to Cancer and **Pink Out The Rink** at the Waupun Community Center at 6:30pm! Raffles, Bake Sale, Chuck-a-Puck and 50/50 Raffle. Proceeds go to Jessica Schultz and Waupun Agnesian Breast Health Education. Varsity Hockey starts at 7:00pm.
- Sundays in Dec. & Jan. – **Open Skating** held at the Community Center from 4:30-6:45pm.
- Sat. 1/10 – The Youth Group of Grace United Reformed Church invites you to a **Soup Supper Fundraiser** from 5:00-7:00pm. Delicious chili, vegetable beef soup, and chicken noodle soup will be served. Proceeds go toward travel to an annual summer convention. The church building is located at the corner of Hwy 26 and Buwalda Dr.

★ Check out more events at www.WaupunFestivals.com and "Like" Waupun Festivals – Wisconsin Events on Facebook! ★

School District Dialogue

Attention Parents with children ages 3 - 5 (not in 4k or kindergarten)



Do you have concerns or questions regarding your child's speech/language, motor, self-care/independence, vision/hearing or social/emotional skills? The Waupun Area School District can provide assistance. Please see the handout after the newsletter for more information.



Booster Club Buzz...

Waupun Booster Club Bowling Tournament



Sign up now for the Booster Club Bowling Tournament! The fun runs January 23-25th at Judsons in Waupun. \$75 entry fee per team (\$15 per bowler). The tournament benefits Waupun Athletics. Registration forms and additional information are provided after the newsletter.



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Community Events & News

UW-EXTENSION FOND DU LAC COUNTY HOLDS MODERNIZATION MEETINGS

UW-Extension with financial support provided by Keller Construction, will be hosting upcoming modernizations meetings, "Modernization: Building our Dairy Future", to help producers navigate through the waters

for a dairy modernization project. A meeting will be held at the UW-Extension Fond du Lac County on Wednesday, January 7th from 9:30am to 3:00pm. The meeting will focus on modernization and other considerations

to help set the producer up for success. The cost to attend is \$30 per person with **registration due December 29th**. Additional details are provided in a press release following the newsletter.