



Community News

A City of Waupun publication

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 non-profit organizations in special sections of Community News.

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"End of the Trail"

City Meetings:

- 4/3—City Hall Closed
- Week of April 6—Bulk Pick Up (on normal trash pick up day)
- 4/7, 7:00am-8:00pm—Spring Election, City Hall
- 4/8, 7:00am—Business Improvement District, City Hall Council Chambers

Bulk Item Pick-up

Collection of bulk items will be held the week of April 6th on your normal trash pick-up date

More details after the newsletter!

Chat with Mayor Kyle



Noon, Tuesday, April 7
Cucos Mexican Restaurant

City Hall Happenings

NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

Celebrate National Library Week at the Library during the week of April 13th.

The Library is offering 4 interesting programs that are free to the public. Refreshments will be served.

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Secrets of the Snowy Owl Thursday, April 16, 6:30pm

Join Marsh Haven Director, Renee Wahlen, for a presentation that includes stunning photos, owl infor-



mation, updates on any recent sightings and a mounted representation of the species that occasionally finds winter home in the Horicon Marsh.

Native American Mounds of Wisconsin Saturday, April 18, 10:00am

Kurt Sampson, Curator of the Dodge County Historical Society Museum, will share history and information on Native American Mounds in Wisconsin.

Event flyer provided after the newsletter.

SPRING YARD WASTE PICK-UP

The City of Waupun Department of Public Works will begin the Spring Yard Waste Pick-up on April 20 (weather permitting). This service is intended for the disposal of leaves, grass, garden waste, and branches that are generated from routine yard maintenance, and is **not intended for tree removal or lot clearing.**

Please place all yard waste curb side by 7:00a.m. on May 8 when the Department of Public Works will make a final pass through the city.

Guidelines for Yard Waste Pick-up:

- Place leaves and brush curbside (**not** on the street)
- Place grass clippings and leaves at the curbside loose,

do not bag

- Separate leaf piles and brush piles
- Branches shall not exceed 3 inches in diameter or 8 feet in length
- No garbage, appliances, furniture, tires, etc.
- No tree stumps or tree root systems will be collected

WHAT'S NEW AT THE SENIOR CENTER!

Check out the new activities offered to our 50 and older friends at the Senior Center!

Easter Egg Decorating
Bring along your children,

grandchildren and great grandchildren to this family friendly event on **Friday, April 3rd from 10am-noon.** Cost is \$1 per family. Call

324-7930 to register.

Billiards Golf

The Senior Center now has 2 golf putting billiard style games. Join in the fun after



"Who Sows Believes In God"

WHAT'S NEW AT THE SENIOR CENTER! (Continued)

lunch at **1:00pm, Friday, April 17th**. Indoor lawn games will also be played during this time. Free!

Movie Afternoon featuring "Heaven is for Real"

Friday, April 24 at 1:00pm
This movie is about a small-town father who must find the courage and conviction to share his son's extraordinary, life-changing experi-

ence with the world. Call 324-7930 to register. Free event. Guth's popcorn and lemonade is provided.

Brewers Game Trip

Sign up to see the Brewers take on the Giants on **Wednesday, May 27th!**



Cost is \$35/person and includes transportation, parking and ticket. Bus departs at 10am and returns to the Senior Center at 5:45pm. Please register as soon as possible!

Find more details on these events and other great things going on at the Senior Center after the newsletter!

The 2015 Recreation Guide is here!



In the Guide you will find information on:

- Aquatic Center / Swim Lessons
- Summer Park Program
- Park Rental
- Sports Groups & Clubs
- Discount Tickets
- and MUCH more!

Pick up your copy at City Hall, the Library, the Senior Center or online at www.WaupunFestivals.com (click on Attractions, Parks).

Stop by the Waupun Historical Society's website!

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



Early picture of City Hall

OUT & ABOUT WITH MAYOR KYLE

(At right) Attending a Waupun Festivals Steering Committee meeting at AmericInn. Plans for the 4th Annual Celebrate Waupun (July 2-4) continue to come together! New for this year will be an All American Lumberjack Show, a Friday Night Fish Fry, and Saturday BBQ.



(Above) Congratulating David Hopp on his retirement from the National Bank of Waupun after 43 years of service.



(Above) Attending a REACH (Reaching Everyone through Actions with Community Hands) meeting at the Library, along with representatives from the local schools, churches, businesses and service organizations. Pictured above is WASD Administrator Tonya Gubin.



(At left) Enjoying coffee and conversation with friends at the Waupun Food Pantry.



"Recording Angel"

SPRING ELECTION

The Spring Election will be held next Tuesday, April 7th. Items on the City of Waupun ballot include Supreme Court Justice, Circuit

Court Judge, School Board Member, Aldermanic Districts 1, 3 & 5, and a Referendum Question regarding Election of Chief Jus-

tice. Polling hours at City Hall are 7:00am to 8:00pm.



Non-Profit Press

UPCOMING EVENTS!

egg-citing

Fri 4/3- Bring the grandkids and great grandkids to the Senior Center for Easter Egg Decorating and other activities from 10am-noon. Flyer attached.

Sat 4/4-CrossRoads Fellowship Church invites children 3-11 to their 4th Annual Community Easter Egg Hunt. Doors open at 10:00am for games and crafts and the Easter Egg Hunt starts at 10:45. Press release attached.

Sat 4/4-Waupun Rotary hosts their annual Easter Egg Hunt at Tanner Park at 1:00pm. The Easter Bunny will be available for pictures and there will be over 4,000 eggs! They disappear quickly, so don't be late!



Mondays-Get your whole body moving during Yoga Stretch at 10am at the Senior Center (open to our 50 & older friends)

Tuesdays-Bring your latest project to the Senior Center to work and visit during Craft Club at 9:00am. (open to our 50 & older friends)

Wednesdays-Children are invited to the Library for short stories, interactive activities and crafts during Family Storytime at 10:30am.

Thursdays-Come play Board Games at the Senior Center at 9:00am. (open to our 50 & older friends)

Fri 4/10-Have fun and win prizes during FREE Bingo at 1:00pm at the Senior Center! (open to our 50 & older friends)

Sat 4/11-Take in some Louisiana-style fun at our historic City Hall Auditorium during the Cajun Dance Party! Show and dancing begins at 7:30pm. \$20 general admission. Tickets available at AmericInn. Flyer attached.

Sat & Sun 4/11-12- Lend a hand at Marsh Haven Nature Center during their Spring Volunteer Work Weekend from 9am-4pm. Flyer attached.

Mon 4/13-Friends of Waupun Library invite you to a "Bag Sale" - fill a bag with books for only \$2! Stop by and check out the collections of Nora Roberts, Tom Clancy and Mary Higgins Clark books on hand! Sale hours are 10:00am to 6:00pm.



Fri & Sat 4/17-18- Stop by Marshland Mobil in Waupun for a 4-H Brat Fry from 10am-5pm both days. Delivery service is available. Proceeds benefit the Fdl County International Exchange Program. Flyer attached.



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



WAUPUN TAXI

Need a Ride?

Waupun Taxi Hours:

- Mon-Thu 6am-6pm
- Fri 6am-6pm & 9:30pm-2:30am
- Sat 9am-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.

Cajun Dance Party!



featuring Jeffery Broussard & the Creole Cowboys and the Cajun Vagabonds

April 11, 7:30pm
City Hall Auditorium

Flyer attached.



Photo by LaMont Page

Waupun Family Aquatic Center

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



Waupun Senior Center
310 E. Main St.
324-7930

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

Hours:

Monday – Friday,
9:00am – 4:00pm

Saturday & Sunday,
Private Rentals

NEWS FROM MARSH HAVEN NATURE CENTER

Opening Day April 13

Marsh Haven Nature Center is opening for the 2015 season on Monday, April 13. This non-profit, volunteer-supported center features displays and exhibits that depict the history and wildlife of Horicon Marsh area. Weekday hours are noon to 4 p.m. and the center is open weekends from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Marsh Haven is supported by memberships, donations, and a small admission fee of \$2 for adults and \$1 for children.

Marsh Haven Nature Center has a full season of events planned including youth daycamp programs, workshops, family-friendly weekend events, overnight programs, Fall Living History Weekend, and a John Denver Celebration Weekend.

Volunteers Needed

Would you like to spend some time learning more about nature? How about meeting people from all over the world? Do you like history, birds, or other wildlife? Consider volunteering some

time at Marsh Haven.

As a volunteer-run, non-profit organization, this 46-acre facility requires the time, talents and treasures of many people to keep it open and looking good for our visitors.

There are many opportunities to volunteer. Indoor work includes gift shop greeters, animal care, small maintenance projects, bathroom cleaning, vacuuming, dusting, computer entry, website and social media updates, and so much more.

Outside opportunities include weeding and trimming around the building and trails, firewood harvesting, outside animal care, forestry work, prairie work, carpentry/painting, and more.

Training is provided and we try to meet your interests with our needs. Call Renee at (920) 318-9518 or send an email to director@marshhaven.com for more information.

Volunteer Work Weekend

Lend a hand either Saturday, April 11 or Sunday,

April 12 as Marsh Haven hosts its annual Volunteer Work Weekend and Appreciation. On Saturday beginning at 9 a.m., a free breakfast will be served to all past, current, and potential new volunteers. Please RSVP at (920) 318-9518 or director@marshhaven.com with the number of people coming for breakfast.

There will be projects for all ages, all skill levels, indoors and outside, and for families, groups, and individuals.

2015 Youth Programs

Register now for Marsh Haven youth programs!

Marsh Haven Nature Center offers another season of youth programs that incorporate science, art, games, drama and music into activities designed to foster a love and respect for the Earth. These unique environmental programs are designed for children ages 6 through 12. Registration is now open for the May 9 BIRDCamp, which will introduce participants to the many bird species nesting in the Horicon Marsh area, along with crafts, games and bird-watching hikes.

Other programs include EARTHcamp programs, Day Programs, an Overnight Stay and much, much more. Read more about these offerings and other Marsh Haven news after the newsletter.





Harris Mill Park

SUBMISSION 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

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. Find more information after the newsletter.

"AN EVENING OF CHOCOLATE & WINE" SEES BANNER YEAR

This year's "An Evening of Chocolate & Wine" - presented by the Agnesian HealthCare Foundation and Waupun Memorial Hospital (WMH) Special Events Committee - has raised more than \$15,000 to help benefit WMH women's health and breast care services.

Additional information provided in a press release following the newsletter.

**WAUPUN ROTARY CLUB HOSTS EASTER EGG HUNT**

The Waupun Rotary Club invites everybody to participate in their Annual Easter Egg Hunt at Tanner Park on Saturday, April 4 at 1:00pm.

This is an annual event that kids of all ages are invited to search the grounds for 4,000 colored Easter eggs! Special treats will be inside the eggs. A special visit from

the Easter bunny is planned too! In the event of rain or bad weather, the hunt will move inside to the Waupun



Community Center.

The Waupun Rotary club is a great way to network with other business leaders in the community and participate in service projects locally and worldwide. For more information on Rotary contact Nick Rusch at 324-4441 or DeAnn Thurmer at thurmerd@agnesian.com.

STATE CHAMPS !

The Waupun Squirt A hockey team competed in Minocqua March 14-15 in the WAHA Squirt 3A state tournament. They defeated Stoughton 5-2, Waupaca 12-0 and Lakeland 2-1 in the championship game to claim the title of State Champions!

Front row:(L-R) Kenny Moore, Tyler Fromolz,

Micah Buchholz, Emily Brown, Payson Landaal. Back row: (L-R) head coach Sean Fromolz, coach Warren Baley, Mason Holz, Braydon Beahm, Connor Schramm, Cyler Ruis, Quinn Baley, coach Justin Landaal, & coach Cory Buchholz.





Harris Mill Park

WASD Calendar

Mar 30 - Apr 6—No School

Apr 6, 5:30pm—Parent Advisory Group Meeting, Jr/Sr High

Apr 9, 7:00pm—FFA Banquet, Jr/Sr High

Apr 10, 6:30pm—PTO Movie Night, MVP

Apr 13, 4:30-6:00pm—Young Child Festival, MVP

Apr 13, 7:00pm—Bd of Education Business Meeting, ESC



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4-H BASKETBALL TOURNEY

The Weeping Willow 4-H Club Junior Basketball Team played 4 games in the 2015 Fond du Lac County 4-H Basketball Tournament on Saturday, March 21st at the Lomira High School. Back row from left: Matthew Ludtke, Camron Van Loo and Coach Mark Ludtke. Middle row from left: Ryan Bailey, Carter Farrell, Logan Sullivan, Will Riedemann and Annika Bille. Front row from left: Mitchell Ludtke, Conner Shaver, Brandon Smith, Alyia Van Loo and Lily Lewellyn. (Ryan, Carter, Logan and Will joined the team from the Brandon Tanagers 4-H Club). Larry Duer photo



ALTO FIRE DEPARTMENT PORK CHOP SUPPER

The Alto Volunteer Fire Department held a pork chop supper at the Alto Community Center on Saturday, March 28. Grilling was done by non-firemen volunteers, including from left, Dean Haseman, Milan Vande Zande and Steve Guth. The meat was purchased from Brandon Meats & Sausage.

Larry Duer photo



School District Dialogue

WASD CELEBRATES AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH

In April, WASD celebrates Autism Awareness Month.

Autism is a term commonly used for a group of neuro-developmental disorders also known as Pervasive Developmental Disorders (PDD) or Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD). The core

symptoms of autism are challenges related to Com-

munication, Social Interaction, and Restrictive or Repetitive Behaviors and Interests.

Learn more about Autism and how you can help promote awareness after the newsletter.



Booster Club Buzz...

Check out the Booster Shout-Outs after the newsletter for exciting updates in Warrior Basketball, Hockey, and more!!



CELEBRATE NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

AT THE WAUPUN PUBLIC LIBRARY



APRIL 14, 2015
6:30 PM

A History of One-Room Schools

Presented by Richard Dykstra
April 14 at 6:30 pm

Join Richard as he shares the history, design, construction, location, operation and eventual closing of one-room schools in Wisconsin.

“If you can’t get to a one-room school, let the one-room school come to you.”



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6:30 PM

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April 15 at 6:30 pm

Join Bret as he shares information on the life of a Civil War soldier, from the food they ate to the clothes they wore to the sacrifices they made.



APRIL 16, 2015
6:30 PM

Secrets of the Snowy Owl

Presented by Renee Wahlen
April 16 at 6:30 pm

The Horicon Marsh is fortunate to be an occasional winter home for the beautiful Snowy Owl. Learn more about this mysterious and magnificent visitor from the north. Join Marsh Haven Nature Center Director, Renee Wahlen, for a presentation that includes stunning photos, owl information, updates on any recent sightings and a mounted representation of the species.



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10:00 AM

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Programs free to the public. Sponsored by the Waupun Public Library and Friends of Waupun Library. Refreshments served.



City of Waupun

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“Wild Goose Center of Wisconsin”

Bulk Item Pick-up

The Spring bulk item pick-up with Advanced Disposal Services will be held the week of April 6, 2015. Bulk items should be picked up on your normal trash pick-up date depending on the amount of items that are at the curb. Items may not be placed at the curb prior to 24 hours before to your scheduled pick-up date. Below are guidelines for pick-up. Contact Advanced Disposal Services at 920-387-0987 with any questions.

The following items are identified as bulk waste that will be collected:

- Furniture
- Rolled carpeting (4ft maximum length)
- Cabinets
- Countertops
- Mattresses/bed springs
- Non-metal doors
- Wood windows
- Wooden playground equipment

Excluded items:

- Uncontainerized or piles of construction material,
- Large appliances (stoves, washers, dryers, etc)
- Freon-containing items (refrigerators, AC units, freezers)
- Tires
- Batteries
- Fluorescent lights/bulbs
- TVs/DVD players/VCR
- Computer equipment
- Electronic Items banned from landfills



Waupun Senior Center APRIL 2015 NEWSLETTER



AGE 50 & OVER WELCOME!

NEW! BILLIARDS GOLF

The Waupun Senior Center now has two golf putting billiard style games. Join us after lunch! Use one of our putters or bring your own. On Friday, April 17 at 1:00pm. FREE!

Sholf

Sholf fuses the accessories of golf with the strategy, competitive play and scoring of shuffleboard. Played head-to-head, Sholf is wildly addicting and fun for all skill levels.

Putter Pool

Plays like golf - shoots like pool! Combines putting with shooting pool. Play 8 ball, rotation, 9 ball, or make up your own games. Play on carpet. For 1 to 4 players. The game includes: 6 regulation sized putting cups, 16 billiard style golf ball with imprinted numbers, and one billiard style ball rack.

Indoor Lawn Games
also on April 17
at 1:00pm
Bean Bag Toss
Horseshoes
Washer Toss
Lawn Dice



Unscramble the Spring Flowers:

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EASTER EGG DECORATING

Bring your children, grandchildren and great grandchildren to this family friendly event. Easter coloring pages, mazes and puzzles will also be available. Register at the Senior Center or call 324-7930.

When: Friday, April 3 from 10am—noon

Cost: \$1.00/family



Location:

301 E Main Street
Waupun, WI 53963

Hours:

7:30am—4:00pm
Monday—Friday

Contact:

(920) 324-7930

parks@cityofwaupun.org

BINGO WINNERS

March Winners:

Extra Card: Ginny Andrews, Jane Farley, Marion Hull, Bob Kastein

Lunch Vouchers: Mildred Bly, Ken Kwakkel, Charlotte Feucht, Phyllis Kwakkel

Gift Cards: Joyce Krenz and Joyce Pattee

Join us every 2nd Friday of the month @ 1:00pm. April Date: April 10th

Prizes: Lunch vouchers and \$5 gift cards



POOL LEAGUE

We have two 8 foot billiards tables to use. Billiards equipment is also provided. It is free to shoot open pool when the Senior Center is open. Tuesday pool league update as of March 23rd:

Currently in 1st Place: Al Holden

Currently in 2nd Place: Al Kearley

Currently in 3rd Place: Norm Jansma

EUCHRE

25¢ Euchre is on Monday afternoons at 1:00pm. Join us or learn to play with us!

March High Scores:

Eleanor Hacht 64

Roger Blaze 58

Albert Zabel 56

Vi Wilkinson 56



SHEEPSHEAD

25¢ Sheepshead is on Wednesdays at 1:00pm and \$1 Sheepshead is on Thursdays at 1:00pm. Don't know how to play? We will teach you!

March High Scores:

Char Bronkhort 98

Newt Vande Zande 95

Lynn Tavs 88

Ron Harmsen 84

Bob Kastein 84

VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION DAY!

Volunteer Recognition Day is celebrated worldwide on April 20, 2015. It honors all volunteers who are working on behalf of others. You can celebrate Volunteer Recognition Day by thanking volunteers for their work at the Senior Center front deck, kitchen, and pool room. Thank you to our current volunteers: Betty Bruins, Nancy Neevel, Georgene Mulder, Nina Tebeest, Vi Wilkinson, Georgie Mecklenberg, Marion Birkholz, Boots, Pomplan, Lucille Ninneman, Dixie Hawley, Joyce Pattee, Jane Reilly, Marj Peachey, Ceil Mecklenberg, and Rolly Schroeder.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

If you are interested in working at the front desk on Thursdays from 10:30am—1:00pm at the Senior Center, please call 324-7930 or stop by. Front desk volunteers must be able to answer phone calls, take messages, make phone calls, monitor daily attendance, assist with mobile meal packaging, monitor lunch registrations and payments.

SENIOR CENTER LUNCH

Great food, great company, great place! Catered by Feil's in Randolph.

Who: 60 years or older, or married to someone age 60 or older

When: Monday – Friday at noon (CLOSED Friday, April 3)

Suggestion Donation: \$3.00

Registration: Required one day in advance before noon by calling 324-7930 or registering at the Senior Center front desk.

Many popular entrees like baked chicken, pork steak, meatloaf, ham rolls, Swiss steak; April's menu is included in this newsletter. Brought to you by Fond du Lac County Senior Dining Program. Join a morning activity and stay for lunch. Have lunch and join an afternoon activity. OR join a morning activity, stay for lunch, and join an afternoon activity!

BREWERS GAME TRIP

Milwaukee Brewers vs. San Francisco Giants

When: Wednesday, May 27, 2015

Who: Ages 50 & up

Cost: \$35/person (includes transportation, parking & ticket)

Registration deadline: As soon as possible. Space is limited

Register at the Senior Center or call 324-7930

Bring your cooler on the bus with lunch and snacks or eat at one of the food vendors at the game!

Bus departs Waupun Senior Center 10:00am.

Game time: 12:40pm

Bus returns to Waupun Senior Center at 5:45pm.



Foot Care Clinic

1st and 3rd Wednesday morning of the month. Appointments start at 8:20am. Foot assessment and toenail trimming by Fond du Lac County Health Department. \$25.00/appointment. Must register one day prior at the Waupun Senior Center or call 324-7930. Space is limited.

Van Transportation

Transportations within the city limits of Waupun to medical appointments, hair appointments, restaurants, Waupun Senior Center, and many more places that are closer than you think! \$1.00 each trip. Available for people age 60 and over. Must be able to navigate 2 steps safely to board vehicle. Rides must be scheduled the day before by noon by calling 324-7930. Rides can be scheduled as early as 9:00am. The last non-medical ride is at 2:00pm and the last medical ride appointment is at 3:00pm. On the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month, rides to the Fond du Lac County Mall are offered. Cost is \$4.00. Must have a minimum of 3 riders to make the trip. Call 324-7930 to reserve your spot or to be placed on the interest list.

MOVIE AFTERNOON

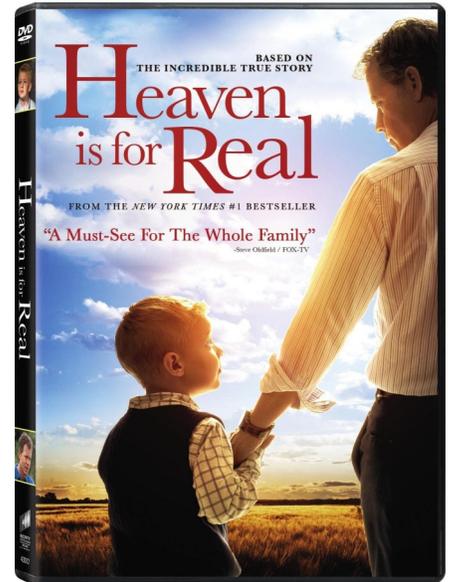
Friday, April 24 at 1:00pm

The Waupun Senior Center is great place for people age 50 or married to someone age 50 to meet people and make new friends. Join us for a FREE big screen movie. GUTH's popcorn and lemonade will be provided.

Featuring... **HEAVEN IS FOR REAL**

2014 movie; Drama; 99 minutes PG. Starring: Greg Kinnear, Kelly Reilly, Thomas Haden Church

A small-town father must find the courage and conviction to share his son's extraordinary, life-changing experience with the world. Register for the movie by calling 324-7930 or sign up at the Senior Center front desk.



BOARD GAMES AND HAND & FOOT

We are looking for fellow board gamers to join us on Thursday mornings at 9am! Play one of ours or bring your own! Card and other tabletop games welcome too! The Senior Center has Monopoly, Mancala, Cribbage, Dominoes, Uno, Farkle, Chess, Checkers, Scrabble, Skip-Bo and more! Show us how to play your favorite game or learn someone else's favorite game. Hand and Foot will be introduced on Thursday, March 19th. Hand and Foot is a card game related to Canasta, in which each player is dealt two sets of cards - the **hand**, which is played first, and the **foot**, which is played when the hand has been used up.

YMCA WORKOUT TRIP

The YMCA of Dodge County is offering a monthly trip to use their facility in Beaver Dam. The April trip will take place on Friday, April 17th from 9:15-11:45am. Space is limited to 10 people on the bus. Sign up soon to reserve your spot! Bus pick-up and drop-off location will be the Waupun Senior Center. All interested people must preregister by signing up at the Senior Center front desk or by calling 324-7930. The trip will cost \$6/person and payment is due the day of the trip. Price includes:

- Transportation to and from the YMCA
- Admission
- Facility tours
- Propulsion walking and lap swimming in the pool
- Hot tub and whirlpool use
- Wellness Center weights and equipment use
- Our own private group fitness class at 9:45am
- Pickleball in the gymnasium



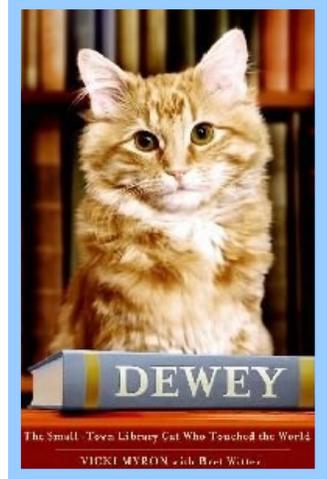
What is pickleball? Pickleball is a racquet sport that combines elements of badminton, tennis, and table tennis. Pickleball is played with two or more players. Players use paddles to hit a wiffle ball over a net.

BOOK CLUB

Book Club will discuss *Dewey: The Small-Town Library Cat Who Touched the World* by Bret Witter and Vicki Myron on Friday, April 10. Dewey books are still available. Hurry over to the Senior Center to pick up your book and join us at the April 10th meeting!

Description: "Based on a true story, Dewey, an abandoned kitten from the heartland, transforms a sleepy library, inspires a classic American town, and captures the hearts of animal lovers everywhere."

The next book will be selected at the April 10th meeting. Don't forget to bring your *Dewey* book to the April 10th meeting!



JAM SESSION

The Brandon Music Makers will be here every Wednesday from 10:30-11:30am! Song lyrics will be provided and song requests are welcome. Sing, play an instrument or just listen. Bring your instrument if you have one. We have a piano available for play. Come jam with us!

CRAFT CLUB

Coffee, conversations, and crafts every Tuesday morning at 9:00am. Show off your latest project or learn some tips and tricks from other crafters in the group. Do you needlepoint, crochet, cross-stitch, knit, make jewelry, scrapbook, make cards? Lets see! Bring your own craft to the Senior Center to work and chat.



CRIBBAGE

Cribbage will be on every Tuesday afternoon at 1:00pm. Cribbage is a card game traditionally for two players, but commonly played with three, four, or more, that involves playing and grouping cards in combinations which gain points. Cribbage boards and cards will be provided. Don't know how to play? That's ok we will teach you!



YOGA STRETCH

Yoga Stretch will move your whole body through a complete series of seated and standing yoga poses. Chair support is offered to safely perform a variety of seated and standing postures designed to increase flexibility, balance and range of movement. Restorative breathing exercises and final relaxation will promote stress reduction and mental clarity. FREE!

When: Mondays from 10:00-10:45am

A Message from Julie Hilbert, Benefit Specialist, FDL County Department of Senior Services

Scam Alert!

Don't Be So Quick to Wire Money to Your "Favorite Grandchild"

by the GWAAR Legal Services Team (for reprint)

Sweetheart Scam

Scammers have also been targeting older women on online dating sites. The scammer will have conversations with the unsuspecting woman and eventually profess his love for her. Then the scammer will find himself in some sort of predicament where he needs funds immediately, such as a stolen briefcase on business trip or a lost passport.

Grandparent Scam

The scammer calls and claims to be "your favorite grandchild" or close relative and is in some sort crisis that requires immediate cash to remedy. The victim is then convinced to wire funds, send a prepaid credit card, or send cash via courier.

If you receive this sort of call, you should ask questions only your grandchild would know, such as the name of a pet, their middle name or age.

AARP publishes a state-by-state search for scams and news alerts by law enforcements. Find them here:

<https://action.aarp.org/site/SPageNavigator/FraudMap.html;jsessionid=19F0B5E0A9D3F0E6961261B76D66726E.app263b>

In a study of 10,000 people of average risk for colon cancer, Cologuard found 92% of cancer.

What is Cologuard?

Cologuard is a home test that is able to detect the presence of colorectal cancer. It was approved by the Food and Drug Administration in August 2014. It uses DNA technology to look for abnormalities in a stool sample. Cancerous or precancerous cells present in the colon will be picked up by the stool as it passes through the colon. Once Cologuard is prescribed by a physician, a collection kit is shipped directly to the patient who then collects a stool sample and sends it to the lab in the mailer provided in the kit. Patients are informed by their doctors of the results in approximately 2 weeks. If the results are a positive, a patient will have to undergo a colonoscopy to verify the results. In a study of 10,000 people of average risk for colon cancer, Cologuard found 92% of cancer.

Medicare coverage of Cologuard

Medicare Part B will cover use of this test once every three years for beneficiaries who meet the following criteria:

- Age 50 to 85 years old
- Asymptomatic (no signs or symptoms of colorectal disease including but not limited to lower gastrointestinal pain, blood in stool, positive guaiac fecal occult blood test, or fecal immunochemical test), and
- At average risk of developing colorectal cancer (no personal history of adenomatous polyps, colorectal cancer, or inflammatory bowel disease including Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis; no family history of colorectal cancers or adenomatous polyps, familial adenomatous polyposis, or hereditary nonpolyposis colorectal cancer).

Conversely, Medicare will **not** cover use of this test if an individual:

- Has symptoms a doctor thinks may be related to colon cancer.
- Previously had a positive colonoscopy that found polyps or cancer.
- Is determined by a doctor to be at high-risk due to a family history of colon cancer.

Cologuard must be ordered by a doctor and cannot be purchased over the counter.

*Subject to co-pay on Advantage plans as a "Lab tests"



AGE 50 & OVER WELCOME!

APRIL 2015



Waupun Senior Center Calendar

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>OPEN MONDAY-FRIDAY 7:30am-4:00pm 301 E Main Street Waupun, WI 53963 (920) 324—7930 parks@cityofwaupun.org</p>		<p>1 8:20am Foot Care 10:30am Jam Session 1pm Sheepshead 25¢</p>	<p>2 9am Board Games 1pm Sheepshead \$1</p>	<p>3 Senior Center Open! 10am—Noon Family Easter Egg Decorating Senior Dining Program Closed</p>
<p>6 10am Yoga Stretch 1pm Euchre 25¢</p>	<p>7 9am Craft Club 9am Pool League 1pm Cribbage</p>	<p>8 10:30am Jam Session 1pm Sheepshead 25¢</p>	<p>9 9am Board Games 1pm Sheepshead \$1</p>	<p>10 10am Book Club Meeting 1pm Bingo</p>
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<p>20 Volunteer Recognition Day! 10am Yoga Stretch 1pm Euchre 25¢</p>	<p>21 9am Craft Club 9am Pool League 1pm Cribbage</p>	<p>22 10:30am Jam Session 1pm Sheepshead 25¢</p>	<p>23 9am Board Games 1pm Sheepshead \$1</p>	<p>24 1pm Movie Afternoon <i>Heaven is for Real</i></p>
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*****SCHEDULE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGES*** Please call to 324-7930 to register and verify.**

Easter Egg Decorating

Waupun Senior Center

Friday, April 3rd

Bring your children, grandchildren and great grandchildren to this family friendly event. Easter coloring pages, mazes and puzzles will also be available.

Register at the Senior Center or call 324-7930.

Friday, April 3rd from 10am—Noon

\$1.00/family



WAUPUN SENIOR CENTER BREWERS GAME TRIP



Milwaukee Brewers vs. San Francisco Giants

When: Wednesday, May 27, 2015

Who: Ages 50 & up

Cost: \$35/person (Includes ticket & transportation)

Registration deadline: As soon as possible. Space is limited.

Register at the Senior Center or call 324-7930.

Bring your cooler on the bus with lunch and snacks or eat at one of the food vendors at the game!

Bus departs Waupun Senior Center 10:00am

Game time: 12:40pm

Bus returns to Waupun Senior Center at 5:45pm

Address: 301 E. Main Street, Waupun, WI 53963

Phone:(920)324-7930

Open: Monday-Friday from 7:30am—4:00pm

Email: parks@cityofwaupun.org



CrossRoads Fellowship



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Free Games, Crafts at Fourth Annual Community Easter Egg Hunt

Waupun, Wis. – March 17, 2015 – Families in the Waupun and surrounding area are invited to the fourth annual Kids Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 4, at CrossRoads Fellowship Church (846 E. Main Street, Waupun.)

This free event is open to children age three to 11 and features games and crafts from 10 to 10:45 a.m. and the Easter Egg Hunt at 10:45 a.m. The fun even extends to parents, as those who stay and participate with their children are entered into a door prize raffle.

“Part of CrossRoads Fellowship’s mission is to serve the world and by hosting events like this, we’re able to provide safe, family-friendly opportunities for the community,” said Associate Pastor Zack Casper. “It’s been amazing to see more and more people from the area take advantage of this free, fun event over the past three years.”

The community is also invited to join CrossRoads Fellowship for all or portions of its Easter service on Sunday, April 5. The Resurrection Celebration (music and worship) starts at 8:30 a.m., followed by a free breakfast at 9 a.m., and the Easter service at 10 a.m.

Find more Easter Egg Hunt details on facebook using this link: bit.ly/2015EggHunt

About CrossRoads Fellowship: For additional information on CrossRoads Fellowship and upcoming family activities, please visit www.CrossRoadsWaupun.org or call the church office at (920) 324-2093. The church has served the Waupun community since 1952 and its mission is To Love God, To Grow Together and To Serve Our World. Each Sunday, Holy Grounds café opens at 9:30 a.m. with service starting at 10 a.m. Family Church Night starts at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesdays.

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CAJUN DANCE PARTY FEATURING

Saturday, April 11, 2015

Historic City Hall Auditorium

201 E Main Street Waupun WI 53963

**Jeffery Broussard
and the Creole Cowboys**



**Cajun
Vagabonds**



General Admission \$20.00

Show/Dance starts at 7:30 pm

Doors open at 6:30pm

Tickets available at



AmericInn Hotel & Suites Waupun
204 Shaler Drive Waupun WI 53963
920-345-1140

Beer and Soda available for Sale

For More Information or to Order Tickets by Phone Call

920-268-8005



Brat Fry

On April 17-18 from 10-5

Marshland Mobile Waupun, WI

Marshland mobile is located on the corner of Main Street and Shaler Drive

Support the FDL county International Exchange Program hosted by Camron VanLoo

We are selling Brats, Hamburgers w/ or w/o cheese, Chips, Soda and Water.

We are also doing a Take Order Delivery service if you buy more than \$20 worth of brats or burgers we can deliver within Waupun City Limits.

You are also welcome to work if you're available on Friday and Saturday (Friday especially) any help is appreciated.

To sign-up to work or to order for delivery please call 920-210-0675 (Jesse VanLoo's cell).

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: Renee Wahlen 920.318.9518

Opening Day at Marsh Haven

Marsh Haven Nature Center, located on the north end of the famous Horicon Marsh, three miles east of Waupun at W10145 Highway 49, is opening for the 2015 season on Monday, April 13. This non-profit, volunteer-supported center features displays and exhibits that depict the history and wildlife of Horicon Marsh area. Weekday hours are noon to 4 p.m. and the center is open weekends from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Marsh Haven is supported by memberships, donations, and a small admission fee of \$2 for adults and \$1 for children.

Marsh Haven Nature Center has a full season of events planned including youth daycamp programs, workshops, family-friendly weekend events, overnight programs, Fall Living History Weekend, and a John Denver Celebration Weekend. Visit www.marshhaven.com for the calendar of events.

Lend a hand either Saturday, April 11 or Sunday, April 12 as Marsh Haven hosts its annual Volunteer Work Weekend and Appreciation. On Saturday beginning at 9 a.m., a free breakfast will be served to all past, current, and potential new volunteers. Please RSVP at (920) 318-9518 or director@marshhaven.com with the number of people coming for breakfast. There will be projects for all ages, all skill levels, indoors and outside, and for families, groups, and individuals.

Volunteers are needed for gift shop greeters, animal care, small maintenance projects, bathroom cleaning, vacuuming, dusting, computer entry, website and social media updates, program planning, phone calls, filing, and so much more. Outside opportunities include weeding and trimming around the building and trails, firewood harvesting, outside animal care, forestry work, prairie work, carpentry/painting, and more. Please consider sharing your time and talents to help Marsh Haven Nature Center continue its mission to provide nature education and appreciation to our visitors and the communities we serve.



Marsh Haven Nature Center

Volunteers Needed!

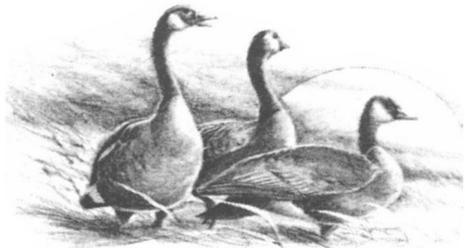
Would you like to spend some time learning more about nature? How about meeting people from all over the world? Do you like history, birds, or other wildlife? Consider volunteering some time at Marsh Haven Nature Center located three miles east of Waupun on Highway 49.

As a volunteer-run, non-profit organization, this 46-acre facility requires the time, talents and treasures of many people to keep it open and looking good for our visitors. Marsh Haven opens for the season on April 13 and there are many opportunities to volunteer. Indoor work includes gift shop greeters, animal care, small maintenance projects, bathroom cleaning, vacuuming, dusting, computer entry, website and social media updates, program planning, phone calls, filing, and so much more.

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Training is provided and we try to meet your interests with our needs. Call Renee at (920) 318-9518 or send an email to director@marshhaven.com for more information. Visit our website at www.marshhaven.com and look through the calendar of events to see all the fun and educational events we have planned at the center. Thank you for your interest!

During the weekend of Saturday, April 11 and Sunday, April 12 Marsh Haven is hosting a Spring Work Weekend – Lend a hand anytime between 9 am and 4 pm as we work to open the nature center for the season. Join us for a Free Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast on Saturday, April 11 starting at 9 am. Please RSVP (920-318-9518) with the number of people coming for breakfast. Volunteer meetings for 2015 updates at 10 am and 1 pm.



Marsh Haven Nature Center

Spring Volunteer Work Weekend & Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast

April 11-12, 2015 ** 9 am to 4 pm

Lend a hand to ready the nature center for the 2015 season.

Free Breakfast - Saturday starting at 9am, in appreciation to all our past and new volunteers. Please RSVP with number of people coming for Saturday's breakfast. Call 920-318-9518 or email director@marshhaven.com

Projects for all ages, all skill levels, indoors and outside, and for families and individuals.

- Cleaning of the lodge
- Cleaning of the classroom
- Tending campfire area
- Critter care
- Housekeeping
- Labeling/organizing



Become a Marsh Haven Volunteer!

Add your name to the volunteer calendar for the 2015 season. Marsh Haven has many volunteer needs during the year. You choose the day, time, and task and we will provide training and our eternal gratitude. *Volunteer updates & new handbook review at 10 am and 1 pm on Saturday.*

- Greeters/Gift shop workers
- Animal care helpers
- Educational programs
- Trail maintenance
- General cleaning
- And more....

Thank you!

Marsh Haven Nature Center Youth Programs 2015



W10145 Highway 49 – 3 miles east of Waupun – www.marshhaven.com



BIRDcamp—Ages 6-12

Saturday, May 9 -10 am to 3 pm

Youth are invited to join us for the fourth annual BIRDcamp during the weekend of the Horicon Marsh Bird Festival. This unique environmental, bird-themed day camp strives to foster a love and respect for the earth that lasts a lifetime. BIRDcamp offers science, games, art, drama and music all with a bird-themed focus. This curriculum is designed to inspire care and concern for the Earth, in addition to helping campers learn more about our feathered friends.

Registration fee: \$25 which includes “Birds For Kids” book.



EARTHcamp—Ages 6-12

EARTHcamp is a unique environmental weekend daycamp program with hands-on activities designed to foster respect and love for the Earth through art, games, drama, music and fun.



Diggin’ in the Dirt – The activities for this daycamp focus on seed collection and selection, container gardening, the growing process, where our food comes from, what lives in the soil, and preserving food.

Saturday, June 27 & Sunday, June 28 —9 am to 3 pm

Living Lightly on the Land—The activities for this weekend program includes a focus on Native American traditions. Campers will learn how to weave cattail mats, make cordage, outdoor shelters, Native games and art. **Saturday, July 25 & Sunday, July 26 —9 am to 3 pm**



Big Blue Planet—With this theme, campers will learn about recycling, water quality and conservation, wetland restoration, what lives in the water, and how to take care of our natural resources.

Saturday, August 15 & Sunday, August 16 —9 am to 3 pm

Registration fee: \$30 for one day or \$50 for both days. Sign up for one day or both, different activities will be held each day. Registration fee includes EARTHcamp t-shirt, all supplies, and healthy snacks. Pre-registration required.

Day Programs at Marsh Haven Nature Center

Programs run 10 am to 3 pm



Day Programs are very hands-on experiences that will teach children new skills and nature awareness through experiential learning. Program registration fee: \$25 per child/per program. Day programs recommended for ages 7-12. Pre-registration required.

A Day on the Prairie - Saturday, June 20 –10 am - 3 pm

Spend a day living life on the prairie—learn to make bread the old fashioned way, make jam, collect eggs from the chickens, identify prairie plants and learn their uses. Play old time games, explore Marsh Haven and have fun outside.

A Day of Nature Art - Saturday, August 1 –10 am - 3 pm

Spend a day creating works of art from natural materials. Draw inspiration from nature and write, paint, glue, bead, color, rhyme, and create. We will spend time exploring Marsh Haven, playing games and creating masterpieces to take home.

A Day with the Critters - Saturday, August 8 –10 am - 3 pm

Spend a day with the Marsh Haven animals in the Critter Corner. Learn all about birds, guinea pigs, rabbits, insects, amphibians, snakes and more. Discover how to care for these animals and participate in animal-related projects and crafts.

Other youth opportunities at Marsh Haven Nature Center

Girl Scout Badge Programs for Daisy, Brownies and Junior Scouts – April and May

Sunday, April 26 – Earth Day Celebration – all day. Plant milkweed, make a recycled craft, hike, and visit with the critters. Monarchs & Milkweed program at 1 pm. Family friendly.

Friday, May 1 - Saturday, May 2 - Night in the Museum Sleepover 6 pm Friday until 9 am Saturday.

Saturday, June 13 & Sunday, June 14 - Scouting Weekend 9 am - 5 pm - All Scouts in uniform receive free admission to Marsh Haven during this special weekend to honor scouting. Tour the Domisse Lodge and schedule your next overnight scouting trip, learn about badge programs, hike the trails, learn more about service projects or possible Eagle Scout projects at Marsh Haven, meet the critters in the Critter Corner, and create some make and take crafts in the classroom.

Friday, September 25 – Fall Living History Festival Education Day. School groups and students of all learning styles are invited to the Marsh Haven encampment for a day filled with hands-on demonstrations and a step back into the pages of Wisconsin history. Indoor and outdoor displays. History Passports provided to all visitors.

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NEWS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

March 19, 2015

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Waupun Memorial Hospital ‘An Evening of Chocolate & Wine’ sees banner year

This year’s “An Evening of Chocolate & Wine” - presented by the Agnesian HealthCare Foundation and Waupun Memorial Hospital (WMH) Special Events Committee - has raised more than \$15,000 to help benefit WMH women’s health and breast care services.

About 130 people enjoyed the event, which featured chocolates and various hand-selected wines, specialty beers, local cheeses and a bountiful hors d’oeuvre buffet, as well as music by jazz vocalist Ron Williams, raffle and a silent auction.

Raffle winners were: Jolene Pyka, grand prize (diamond pendant); Rohn Bishop, second prize (Ren’s Floral flowers); Tiffany Posthuma, third prize (AmericInn One-night stay); and Amy Uhrmacher, fourth prize (Guth’s End of Trails chocolate basket).

“The success of this year’s event is due to the continued support and enthusiasm we receive from the community to help us expand and enhance services available to area women,” according to Rita Meidam, Agnesian HealthCare Foundation executive director. “It is important that we help women with their overall health and well-being so they are present for their family in the long run.”

A special thank you to WMH Special Events Committee members, including: Kate Bresser, Patti Domask, Kathy Duchac, Jeff Homan, Frank Mesa, Michelle Ries, Todd Snow, DeAnn Thurmer and Donna Van Buren.

Event sponsors include: Agnesian Pharmacy Waupun; C.D. Smith Construction; Inc., Federal Mogul; Gysbers Jewelry; Dr. Scott Hansfield; Homan Auto Sales; Homan Family Dentistry; Jan’s Optical LLC; J.F. Ahern Co.; Kristine A. Moodie Agency LLC; Lifestar Emergency Medical Services, LLC; Markesan State Bank; Municipal Well & Pump; Nolan Insurance Agency, LLC; O’Connor, Wells, & Vander Werff, LLC; Pfefferle Companies; Piggly Wiggly; Dr. Karen Reynolds; Shea Electric & Communications, LLC; Snow Law, S.C.; Thrivent Financial; Carleen & Dan Vande Zande; Vanderkin Plumbing, Inc.; WMH Medical Staff; Werner Harmsen Funeral Home; and W.J. Leasa Electric, Inc.

Next year’s “An Evening of Chocolate & Wine” has been tentatively scheduled for Saturday, February 20, 2016.

IN APRIL, WASD CELEBRATES

AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH



AUTISM SPEAKS[®]
It's time to listen.

How can I help to promote awareness?

- Students are encouraged to put a puzzle together with their family and take a picture when you are done...
 - Post it to Facebook on the Waupun Area School District page and tag it: #ISupportAutismAwareness
 - Three randomly drawn names who submit a picture to FB will win a prize
- Teachers will be wearing Autism Awareness t-shirts every Friday in April (10, 17, & 24)
- MVP, RRIS & SAGES will each be participating in an all-school coloring activity

What is Autism?

Autism is a term commonly used for a group of neuro-developmental disorders also known as Pervasive Developmental Disorders (PDD) or Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD). The core symptoms of autism are challenges related to:

- Communication
- Social Interaction
- Restrictive or Repetitive Behaviors and Interests

Individuals with autism can also experience other difficulties, including medical issues, differences in coordination or muscle tone, sleep disturbances, altered eating habits, anxiety or disordered sensory perceptions.

- Autism is a neurological/biological disorder, not a psychological or emotional condition.
- There is no known cause of most cases of autism. The best scientific evidence points to a combination of genetic & environmental influence.
- Autism occurs in 1 out of 88 children.
- The features, abilities & *severity of symptoms vary considerably among individuals with autism.*

Things that make the student with autism seem different may also seem like exceptional abilities. Autism occurs with or without other learning challenges. It is important to think of him as intelligent, even if language or behavioral difficulties do not reveal abilities in the way you expect. He may display some or all of the following characteristics, which may be challenges from one perspective, or strengths from another (for example, a student who seems inflexible or rigid may also be the most compliant with rules of a classroom):

- Difficulty understanding language, gestures and/or social cues.
- Limited or no speech, or verbalizations that repeat or maintain a particular topic
- Limited or no eye contact
- Difficulty relating or participating in back-and-forth conversations or interactions
- Social awkwardness
- Intense or odd interests in unusual topics or objects, unusual play
- Repetitive behaviors, such as pacing or lining things up, spinning, hand flapping, or rocking
- More or less sensitivity to light, sound, smell taste or touch than usual
- Abnormal fears and/or lack of appropriate fear of real dangers
- Difficulty managing transitions, changes in routine, stress, frustration
- Strong visual skills & good rote and long term memory (math facts, sports stats, etc.) skills
- Adherence to rules, Honesty
- Intense concentration or focus, especially on a preferred activity
- Ability to understand and retain concrete concepts, patterns, rules
- A strong interest or ability in mathematics, technology, music or art

SEE THE ABILITY...NOT THE DISABILITY!

How can I make a difference?

- Be welcoming & supportive. Meet the student where he is & learn from him. Respect the individual. Please do not talk about him in his presence.
- Set clear expectations & boundaries. Be consistent. Develop structure. Practice & provide repetition to build understanding & skills.
- Recognize that behavior IS communication.
- Develop strategies to compensate for challenges – offer preferred seating, additional response time, organizational supports (written schedules, lists, labels, etc.), visual information & verbal directions.
- Be aware of a student's sensory needs, & adjust supports & expectations as appropriate. Avoid or prepare for known triggers, such as fire alarms. Give breaks for self-regulation.
- Expect growth. Keep standards high, with small steps & supports to allow the student to exhibit success. Promote age appropriate interests, behavior, independence & life skills.
- Reward what you want to see with positive reinforcement.
- Use the student's interests to engage & motivate him.
- Educate peers. Promote acceptance & understanding. Support social development with role-playing, modeling, and rewards. Include typical peers.
- Communicate with team members, including family members. Ask questions Share what works. Problem-solve what doesn't. Keep learning. Be creative.
- Relax, have fun, celebrate success & treasure the individual!

What do I need to keep in mind?

- Individuals with autism can learn a& make many dramatic improvements, especially with early & intensive intervention
- Communication challenges can encompass a broad range, both in terms of understanding of gestures or spoken language, delays in processing, inability to form sounds or full sentences, word retrieval difficulties, misunderstanding idioms or sarcasm, timing of body, movements or conversational exchanges, remaining on topic, etc.)
- Many people with autism are visual learners, or have attention difficulties which makes visual supports essential
- Most people with autism are concrete thinkers & literally interpret jokes, idioms or sarcasm
- Social skills are underdeveloped, but interest in friendships and social situations is often present
- Anxiety & frustration are common
- Each student is an individual – with a distinct set of likes & dislikes, strengths & challenges, & a unique personality.

Did you know?

- The WASD has an Autism Specialist who works with students at every school in the district!
- There are a total of 24 Autistic students who attend WHS, RRIS, MVP and SAGES who receive support from the district's Autism Specialist, Speech-Language Pathologists, Occupational and Physical Therapists and classroom aides.

Resource: <http://www.autismspeaks.org/family-services/resource-guide>

For more information related to the Waupun Area School District Special Education services, visit the district website at www.waupun.k12.wi.us, then click on District, then Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment.



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CHALLENGING MINDS

INSPIRING ACTION

PREPARED FOR TOMORROW

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

The Waupun Area School District can provide assistance to you if you have any concerns or questions regarding your child's speech/language, motor, self-care/independence, vision/hearing or social/emotional skills. The CHILD FIND service is provided at no charge to the parent, and all information gathered is confidential. Below are some signs that may be cause for concern. (Please remember one sign alone may not mean there is a problem.)

Areas of Focus:

Speech/Language skills: *how your child talks or understood when you or family member talks to them

- By age 3, cannot repeat simple rhymes or common musical jingles.
- By age 4, cannot say short, complete sentences.
- By age 5, can be understood only by those who are used to the child's speech habits.

Motor skills: *how your child plays with sports balls

*can your child put puzzles together

*can your child climb

*can your child draw

- Cannot walk up or downstairs or run without falling by age 3.
- Cannot balance on one foot or jump from a bottom step by age 4.
- Cannot turn somersaults by age 5.

Social skills: *how does your child play with other children

*can your child follow rules

- Does not play alone with toys by age 3.
- Is not able to play group games, or understand taking turns by age 4.
- Cannot play competitive games by age 5.

Self-care/independent skills: * can your child dress/undress themselves independently

*does your child follow daily routines

The Child's Sight

- Crosses one or both eyes.
- Eyelids are often red, watery, puffy, and encrusted.
- Often rubs eyes, as though they itch or hurt.
- Often complains that eyes hurt.

The Child's Hearing

- Does not turn toward sounds.
- Always turns the same ear in the direction of a sound.
- Talks very loudly, shouts during normal

If you are new to the school district and /or have concerns about your child's development, arrangements maybe made calling Linda Meagher at 324-9341 ext. 2117 at the Education Service Center for further information. After your child turns three, that child can be screened at any time prior to kindergarten.

Thank you

Kelly Hraban, Early Childhood Coordinator for the WASD/ MVP Kindergarten Teacher



Booster Shout Out!

Waupun Boys Basketball Awards!

2014-15 EWC Unanimous Player of the Year

Mason Domask

2014-15 EWC Defensive Player of the Year

Bryce Verheyen

Senior Dedication Awards

Bryce Verheyen
Mason Domask
Brandon Ruis
Seth Steinhauer
Colten Hawkinson
TJ Gaubatz
Zac Dickhut
Koby Spanbauer

Most Valuable Player

Mason Domask

Most Improved Player

Colton Homan

Jay Holz Hustle Award

2012-13 Mason Domask

2013-14 TJ Gaubatz

2014-15 Bryce Verheyen



BASKETBALL isn't just about
the bright lights,
packed arenas, and highlight reels.

BASKETBALL
is a way of life.

BASKETBALL is a relationship
between you and the ball,
you and your teammates.
If you **LOVE** the game,
NOBODY can take that from you.
-Jordan

Booster Shout Out!

Congratulations Mason on a Great Career!

WHS School Scoring Records

Career Points (1716 points)

Single Season (617 points)

Single Game High (52 points)

All-State Team – Mason Domask

(Both his Junior & Senior Seasons)

**Mason has also been selected to play
in the State All-Star Game this summer





Booster Shout Out!

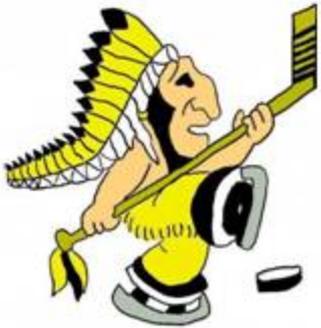
Waupun Boys Hockey Season Highlights

Hobey Baker Character Award: Adrian Harmsen

Grant Family - Father/Son Award: Spencer Beek & Jamie Beek

All-Conference Honors

Adrian Harmsen	2nd Team All Conference
Adrian Harmsen	Academic All Conference Team
Spencer Beek	Honorable Mention All Conference
Brady Beekman	Honorable Mention All Conference



Varsity Team Awards

MVP - Adrian Harmsen

Offensive Player of the Year - Brady Beekman

Defensive Player of the Year - Spencer Beek

Most Improved Player - Carson Schramm

Hustle - Caleb Sauer

Varsity Rookie of the Year - Colin Holz

JV Team Awards

Offensive MVP - Tyler Flegner

Defensive MVP - Dylan Sauer

Most Improved Player - Mason Pluim

New Player Award - Jake Dommissie



Booster Shout Out!

McCready Scholarship Game Seniors vs Faculty

Thursday, March 26th was the Annual McCready Basketball game between the Seniors and Faculty at Waupun High School, as a tribute to former teacher Seamus McCready. This year they raised \$1,050! Funds raised go toward the McCready Scholarship! Thanks to everyone who made this night a success!





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HOME		PERIOD	GUEST	
61	4	4	69	
FOULS	BONUS	PLAYER	FOUL	FOULS
1				4
SCORE	MATCH		SCORE	

