

Waunakee

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THE VILLAGE OF WAUNAKEE EVENTS AND ISSUES IN REVIEW

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Village News Update

By John Laubmeier

"It's May! that gorgeous holiday . . ."
Guenevere from Camelot

It's May, and the sun is shining. The birds are nesting. The flowers are blooming. Graduation parties are being planned. The stubborn unemployment rate is beginning to fall. The house foreclosure rate has finally stabilized. The stock market is rising. Perhaps (to paraphrase William Shakespeare from *Richard II*) the "winter of our discontent" is passing into memory. The purpose of this article is to bring you up-to-date on a few items of interest to all Waunakee residents.

Farewell, Welcome, and Thanks

I wish to publicly thank Karen Haag, who decided to not seek reelection to her Village trustee position, for her twelve years of service to the community. Karen has given countless hours to help make this community a better place. She was involved in many committees. However, her most recent contributions toward the completion of the new fire station and EMS building renovation are particularly noteworthy.

Taking Karen's place is a newly elected trustee, Gary Walden. Gary moved to Waunakee in 2004 from Gurnee, Illinois, following retirement from various corporate positions with Oscar Mayer and Kraft Foods. From 2005 to 2010, Gary worked as a consultant acting as the Director of Finance for the City of Lodi and later as the General Manager of the Lodi Municipal Utilities.

We can again thank Village Clerk Julee Helt and Deputy Clerk PJ Monson for leading a dedicated group of local citizens in working on Election Day. With nearly two and one-half times as many people voting as expected (a great problem, by the way), they still managed to get our vote totals completed accurately and reported in a timely fashion. These folks do such a good job that it is easy to take them for granted.

During the election on April 4, a gentleman collapsed in the fitness area of the Community Center. Although there were far more people in the Center than usual, Village staff (Jeff Anderson, Lori Hadfield, Alicia Madigan, Sue McDade, Mark Miner, and Jeff Skoug) participated in a literal life-saving effort. As the gentleman collapsed, a staff member rushed to his aid to break his fall. Fellow staff members cleared everyone away, kept everyone calm, started CPR, called 911, called his son-in-law, connected the AED device, and helped Shawn Murray (a trained Madison firefighter who happened upon the scene) to administer the electrical shock treatment which clearly saved his life. When the EMS volunteers arrived, the gentleman was already conscious and on his way to recovery.

Economic Development/ Finance

The Village has created a City Development Authority (CDA) in order to make it possible to secure double tax-exempt bonds. This new tool, with no out-of-pocket costs to the Village, will provide the Village with one more way to try to stimulate development in the Village.

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If you are attending a meeting or activity at the Village Hall, please look at the map on the front doors designating parking for Village events.

REMINDER: The Village Hall is located at 500 W. Main Street and the Village Center is located at 333 S. Madison Street.

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One of the responsibilities of the Waunakee Economic Development Committee (EDC) is to distribute funds back to local groups (Tourism/Community Betterment Grants) from the room tax at our hotel. These funds can be used to promote tourism in the Village and promote local businesses in the Village. This year we had eight applications for a variety of worthy endeavors. The applications included upgrading the Waunakee Chamber of Commerce's website, rebranding the Chamber of Commerce, several fitness/running related events, signs for the library's fund raising events, funds to support Wauktoberfest, local hockey tournaments, and WaunaFest. In each case, the dollars provided from the tourism grant is a fraction of the actual dollars expended by the groups. The Board approved the EDC's recommendation to partially fund each request (basically encouraging, but not fully funding these positive activities).

Finance Director, Dave Ferris, reported that the Governor's "Budget Repair Bill" will have an impact on our 2012 revenues, resulting in a 50% cut in State shared revenue (\$94,343) and a 15% cut (\$99,444) in transportation aids for a 2012 revenue decrease of \$193,787. The proposed requirement that Village employees pay more of their health insurance and retirement pensions (the bill is still in court litigation as I write this) will provide a net gain to the Village in 2011 and offset nearly all of this loss for 2012.

Library

In the first three months of 2011, the library circulated over 66,000 items to community members. The library continues to offer monthly adult programs. With various grant funds, the library is offering a series of four lectures titled "*How We Got Here: Origins, Immigration and Community.*" These lectures will take place this summer and fall. A final component of the series is

the videotaping of several community members as they present oral histories.

Police News

The FBI tracks and publishes Uniform Crime Reports statistics (arrest rates for major crimes). Newly released data show the Waunakee Police Department continuing to be both busy and successful. In 2010, the local police department had a clearance rate of 40% compared to the Wisconsin average of 26.5%. For the period of 2005 to 2009, the local clearance rate was 50% (almost double the state average). In addition, the department now has several officers specially trained to deal with drug-related crimes and proper methods of handling search warrants to deal with these crimes.

Public Works

This summer, three road construction projects will be taking place. Federal funds will be used to reconstruct Woodland Drive from Manchester Crossing to Carriage Ridge. The roadway

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the Administrator's CORNER • Todd Schmidt

First, before you do anything else, be sure to sign up for *Waunablog*. It is simple and quick to register to receive e-mail notifications of all blog posts. I usually send out about two posts every week. Check it out at www.waunablog.blogspot.com. This is probably the easiest way to stay connected and informed about your Village government and happenings in the community.

The blog is just one way for me to provide timely information to the public and make the business of government more and more transparent. I enjoy the challenge of coming up with new and creative ways to provide information. So back when I served as City Administrator in Milton, I began a tradition of guiding spring and fall bike rides around the city to provide information on various projects. It became a fun way to tell the public about what is happening in the community, while also enjoying the outdoors and getting a bit of exercise. I would like to continue that tradition here in Waunakee.



Spring 2011 Village Projects Bike Tour (aka: Tour de Waunakee)

What: Tour of various municipal projects (both current and future) occurring in the Village. I will guide the tour, and may be joined by other staff members as well.

When: Monday, June 6. Leaving the Ripp Park Parking Lot at 5:00 p.m. for about a 1½ hour ride (although riders may leave the tour early if needed). A rain date is scheduled for June 8.

Details: I invite anyone who has interest in learning about village projects and enjoys bike riding to participate in this event. This bike tour will include stops around the village to highlight and explain some of the major public projects that are or will be occurring in 2011 and beyond. The level of biking experience needed will be minimal. There will be some hills, but the pace will be relatively slow. Those participating should plan to wear light colored clothing and bike helmets. The group will enjoy a Police Department Bike Patrol escort by one of our officers. No registration required; just show up ready to ride. If you have questions, please call me directly at 850-5227 or email tschmidt@vil.waunakee.wi.us.

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will be widened, and a new off-road bike and pedestrian trail will be installed. The project will last from June to November.

Winston Way will be resurfaced from Bristol Drive to an area near the Simon Crestway intersection. Drainage will be improved at the Bristol Drive intersection.

The water main will be replaced and portions of the sanitary sewer mains will be repaired on Klein Drive from Sixth Street to Sunset Lane. This project will be phased and staged to maintain access to businesses along Klein Drive at all times. The project will start in May and be completed by Labor Day.

Meanwhile, the Village has continued to work with the state and federal governments to try to arrive at a solution to the Wisconsin Department of Transportation's (DOT) proposal for a roundabout at the intersection of State Trunk Highways 19 and 113. The Village succeeded in getting the DOT to hire outside engineering services to look at alternative intersection designs. The Village has spent approximately \$38,000 on outside engineering services for exactly the same purpose. As of now, we finally have an intersection alternative design that maintains stoplights (instead of a roundabout), which is acceptable to the state and federal officials. The DOT has agreed to schedule another public meeting to showcase the final two alternatives (the signalized intersection and the roundabout). Meanwhile, Chamber of Commerce President Geoff Vine is chairing a committee of local business representatives to continue to provide input to the Village on these alternatives and to help with management of the disruption of traffic flow during the redevelopment of Main Street scheduled for 2013.

Senior Center

Senior Center Director Cindy Mosiman reported that in the last five years in the new facility there has been a tremendous growth in programs, managed cases, and volunteer activities. In this time period, the Center has provided over 55,000 home-delivered

meals, over 34,000 meals at the Center, and served over 870 case managed clients. In 2010 alone, over 18,500 sign-ins have taken place at the Center. Volunteers have contributed over 14,000 hours, driven over 68,000 miles delivering home meals, and another 105,000 miles providing 3,700+ rides to medical appointments. Helene Pertzborn, Jean Ohliger, Rudy Girardi, Pete Matias, and Dorothy Fangmeyer have all been recently given awards for their generous volunteer efforts.

Community Services

Community Center Director Sue McDade reported the Parks Department is busy working on the new dugouts for Murphy Field (thanks to the help of the Hellenbrand family), new playground equipment in Village Park (thanks to the help of the Rotary), new playground equipment in Ripp Park, a remodel of the shelter in Ripp Park, and new play equipment for Centennial Park. Of course, summer baseball and softball will provide a great deal of recreational activities for children and adults in the parks.

Closure

It is going to be a busy and exciting summer. I hope the coming summer of sunshine and more hours of daylight warm our hearts as well as our bodies. Take a moment to smell the flowers.



Who's at Your Door?

Each year, the Village of Waunakee receives multiple reports from concerned residents regarding door-to-door salespeople. While many such sellers are legitimate and professional in their demeanor and sales tactics. Many other sellers use pressured selling methods, collect irrelevant personal information, act unprofessional or even offensive, and generally fail to comply with Wisconsin Consumer Protection Laws and Village Ordinances. While Waunakee Police and Village Staff do work to regulate these activities, you can do much to protect yourself from unwanted or illegitimate sellers. To protect yourself from scams or otherwise unwanted, unprofessional sellers, residents are advised to do the following when considering any at-home solicitation.

- Do be cautious of letting any individuals doing door-to-door sales or visits of any kind enter your home for any reason.
- Do ask for company or organization identification.
- Do request to see a Transient Merchant License issued by the Village of Waunakee. (All door-to-door sellers are required to have one).
- Do not give out personal data such as Social Security or bank account numbers to anyone with whom you did not initiate contact.
- Do not sign any forms when you feel you are being pressured or intimidated.
- Do report any suspicious activity to the Waunakee Police by calling 849-4523.
- Do gather any identifying information you can relay to the police, such as vehicle description or license numbers.
- Do be safe. Remember these persons are guests in our community. No solicitor has an irrevocable right to sell to you at your door.

By following these simple practices when dealing with door-to-door salespeople, you will not only help yourself but the entire community.

Library Board

The Board of Trustees meets the second Monday of the month at 5:30 p.m. in the programming room downstairs. Meetings are open to everyone. Trustees are Gary Herzberg, President; Claudine Towers, Secretary; Jean Elvekrog, Mary Lynn Liegel, and Cindy Turner.

Library Card

To apply for a library card, bring current photo identification and proof of your current address, such as a driver's license, checkbook, or utility bill. You must have your card or current photo identification to borrow materials. Library card number and PIN are used to sign on to the Internet computers and used for self-checkout. New and expired cards are free; replacement cards are \$1.00.

If you need special accommodations to attend a program, please call 849-4217 two weeks in advance of the program. Some patrons may find it easier to enter the library from the lower entrance and use the elevator to the first floor.

Friends of the Library

Join Friends of the Library and meet other people who enjoy the library and value the place it has in the community. The Friends sponsor various fundraisers throughout the year, including the Garden Tour, Chair Auction, Plant Sale, Craft Fair and Bake Sale. They also sponsor raffles to benefit the library and its endowment, The Forever Fund. Dues are \$2.00 for senior/student; \$4.00 individual; \$10.00 family; \$20.00 supporting member; over \$50.00, patron; \$150.00 or more, lifetime. Please make checks payable to Friends of Waunakee Public Library, 710 South Street.

New LINKcat

The South Central Library System has migrated to a new automated catalog called KOHA. We used the previous system for 17 years, so naturally there are "bugs and glitches" to be worked out. The SCLS Automation staff has done a fantastic job of organizing and working out details of this very daunting switchover. We appreciate your patience as we deal with the issues in order to provide our patrons with another decade of superb service from your library system.



Friends of the Library Garden Tour

Visit six beautiful gardens featured in Friends of the Library's Garden Tour.

Day:	Friday
Date:	June 24
Day:	Saturday
Date:	June 25
Time:	10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. rain or shine
Tickets:	\$6 in advance, \$7 day of; available at the library and Village Hall



The Library Will Be Closed on Monday, July 4th in Observance of Independence Day

Waunakee Public Library

710 South Street

Phone: 849-4217

Email: waupl@scls.lib.wi.us

Web: www.waunakeepubliclibrary.org

Facebook: Waunakee Public Library

Hours: Monday through Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.



Quilt Raffle

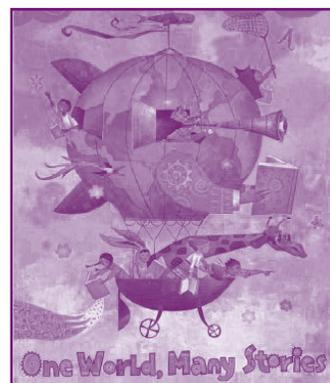
This year's gorgeous quilted wall hanging to be raffled after the Garden Tour is "Asian Dahlias," donated by St. John's Piecemakers Quilt Club and quilted by Carleen Fletcher. Tickets are available at the library. Raffle following Garden Tour.

Day: Saturday
 Date: June 25
 Time: 3:00 p.m.
 Tickets: \$1.00 each, or 6 for \$5.00

Summer Library Program 2011

The 2011 Summer Reading Program is for children and teens from birth through high school. We have special events, prizes, story times, crafts and more! Turn your reading time into fun prizes and coupons! Stop by the library as soon as summer vacation begins and pick up a record to keep track of the time you spend reading. Color in a space for every 15 minutes you read. Remember, listening to audio books or someone else reading counts,

too. Bring your record back to the library and for every full line, you'll earn a prize! You can earn as many as 2 prizes of your choice every week from June 13 to August 13. Prizes change weekly, so come as often as you can! Prize choices include small toys and gadgets, candy and snacks, coupons and passes. In addition to the 2 prizes you choose each week, you can also earn coupons for things like Pizza Hut pizza or free entry to fun places and events like the Dane County Fair or a Wisconsin Historical Site, just for reading the things you want to read!



Everyone who completes a full reading log will be proclaimed a Reading Champion and will get to tell the world with a special yard sign to take home and display. Reading Champions will also be entered in an End-of-Summer prize drawing for the chance to win bigger prizes, including gift cards and a Kobo E-Reader! Registration begins the day school ends with prize redemption from June 13 to August 13. All programs and events free of charge!

Preschool Programs

Stories for Kids

Stories for Kids is our summer story time with Molly and Lisa! Toddlers and preschoolers are invited to bring a favorite adult and join them for 30 minutes of stories, songs, puppets, poetry and more. Registration is not required.

Day: Tuesday
Date: June 21, June 28,
July 12, July 19,
and July 26
Time: 9:30 a.m. or
10:30 a.m.

Picture Book Break

Join us downstairs in the library reading corner for a picture book break. A librarian or guest reader will share a different story each week. Registration is not required.

Day: Wednesday
Date: June 15 through
August 10
Time: 10:00 a.m. to
10:15 a.m.

Pajama Time

Preschoolers, wear your favorite pajamas and join us for a special evening Storytime! We will share stories, rhymes and songs for toddlers, preschoolers and their caregivers. Registration is not required.

Day: Monday
Date: June 20, July 25,
and August 15
Time: 6:30 p.m. to
7:00 p.m.

Preschool Movies

Preschoolers and a favorite adult are invited to come enjoy a movie. A series of short films based on favorites from children's literature will be shown.

Registration is not required.

Day: Friday
Date: June 24, July 1,
and July 29
Time: 10:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Preschool Crafts

Stop by the library for a simple craft just for preschoolers with the help of a favorite adult. We'll have all the supplies you need and the creation is yours to keep. Projects will be different each time. Dress for a mess, just in case!

Day: Thursday
Date: June 23, June 30,
July 14, and July 28
Time: 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.



Programs for Children and Families

Terrific Tuesday—Special Performances

Our special performances are completely free, but we do require a ticket for entry. Tickets will be available in the children's area of the library beginning two hours before the start of each "Terrific Tuesday" program. Due to space limitations we recommend arriving early to claim your ticket. We also ask that large groups be limited to 10 or less per event. Please note age restrictions for each program.

Summer Kick-Off Celebration

One World, One Sound Drum Circle

Come be a part of a drum circle, no experience necessary! We'll all have fun playing together as we learn some basic rhythms, chants and more with our special guest Elmore Lawson. Drums and rhythm toys are provided. This program is for families and children preschool and up.

Date: June 21
Time: 2:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Zoo Mobile

The Henry Vilas Zoo Mobile will be making a special stop at the library today! Come see and learn about the animals.

Date: July 5
Time: 2:00 p.m.
Ages: Grade K to 4

Traveling Lantern Presents: Greek Mythology

The Traveling Lantern acting troupe will present stories of gods and heroism from Greek Mythology. This program is for children in grades K and up.

Date: July 12
Time: 2:00 p.m.

David Landau

Enjoy music and storytelling with one of the Madison area's favorite entertainers, David Landau. This is a family program for children of all ages.

Date: July 19
Time: 1:30 p.m. or 3:00 p.m.

Mad Science

Mad Science of Iowa will present "World of Science, Many Countries," a fun, interactive science experiment show dedicated to famous scientists around the world. You'll be amazed!

Date: July 26
Time: 1:30 p.m. or 3:00 p.m.
Ages: Grade K and up

End of Summer Celebration

CRITTERrrr Man

We share the planet with many critters. Each critter lives out its own story every day. With music, humor and puppets, CRITTERrrr Man will teach us about animals, their habitats and environmental concerns in his show, "Where Should I Live Now?"

Date: August 9
Time: 1:30 p.m. or 3:00 p.m.
Ages: All

More Summer Fun

Meet Disney the PAWS to Read Dog!

Come meet Disney, a certified Reading Education Assistance Dog (R.E.A.D.) who loves books and people! Disney is a very busy dog with many important jobs. He is a certified Pet Partner therapy dog with Delta Society and a member of Dogs on Call. He visits hospitals, college dorms, nursing homes, schools, libraries, many museum and special charity events throughout Dane County! Staci, Disney's owner, will tell you about all the fun and interesting things Disney does. Plus, you'll hear one of Disney's favorite stories. Registration is required.

Day: Friday
Date: June 17
Time: 2:00 p.m.
Ages: Grade K to 4



PAWS to Read

Come read a story with Disney, a certified Reading Education Assistance Dog (R.E.A.D.)! Each reader will have 10 minutes to read a story to Disney. All readers will also receive a coupon for free pizza from Pizza Hut of Waunakee! This program is made possible with the cooperation of RSVP of Dane County. Space is limited/registration is required.

Day: Friday
Date: July 15 and August 12
Time: 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. or 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Make It-Take It Crafts

Create a craft at the library. The supplies are provided. All you need is a little imagination! See samples of each craft on display in the library. Registration is not required.

Day: Wednesday
Time: 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Date: June 22—Pin Wheels
June 29—Peace Necklaces
July 13—Pencil Pets
July 20—Ancient Roman Bulla
July 27—Save the World Recycled Critters

Movies @ the Library

Join us for movies at the library on Friday afternoons this summer. Pretzels and lemonade will be provided, or you may bring your own snack (peanut-free, please)! All movies are rated G or PG but may not be suitable for all ages. For more specific movie information, please call or visit the library. Registration is not required.

Day: Friday
Date: June 24, July 1, July 22, and July 29
Time: 2:00 p.m.

Game Day!

Gather with a few players for a game of your choice. We'll supply the space to hang out and play. Some classic board and card games will be available but you are encouraged to bring the game you love.

Day: Thursday
Date: June 30
Time: 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Fractured Fairy Tales

You know the classic stories like the one about a nice girl, a wicked stepmother, some mice and a glass slipper. But, did you know there are many different versions of the story? From [Bubba the Cowboy Prince](#) to [The Wolf Who Cried Boy](#), some of our favorite classic stories get turned upside down and twisted around in this fun and sometimes silly interactive program. Registration is not required.

Day: Tuesday
Date: June 28
Time: 2:00 p.m.
Ages: Grade K to 4

Puppet Workshop

Come play with puppets! In this no stress, all fun workshop we'll team up with a friend to practice puppet voices with silly jokes, riddles and rhymes. The library has a ton of puppets and we're bringing them all out for the day. Space is limited and registration is required.

Day: Monday
Date: July 11
Time: 2:00 p.m.
Ages: Grade K to 4

Drama Club

Budding actors and actresses going into grades 3 and up are invited to join our drama club in its presentation of an original play, "Scandinavian Stories," based on the folktales of Scandinavian countries. Participants must be able to attend rehearsals Monday through Thursday as well as the final performance. Space is limited and registration is required beginning July 11.

Day: Monday through Thursday
Date: August 1, 2, 3, 4
Time: 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
Ages: Grade 3 and up

Drama Club Performance

Everyone is invited to attend the (only Waunakee in the) world premier of "Scandinavian Stories." Bring your cameras!

Day: Thursday
Date: August 4
Time: 7:00 p.m.

Back to School Bingo

It is almost time for back-to-school shopping! Come see how many items on your list you can win as we play Bingo for school supplies. Students of all ages are welcome to play. Registration is NOT required. (Donations of school supplies are welcomed and may be dropped off at the downstairs desk any time before August 17. Thank you!)

Day: Wednesday
Date: August 17
Time: 2:00 p.m.

Disability Awareness Fair

Bring the family to learn about technology and equipment that some people with disabilities use. From writing in Braille to communication machines and more, there are many amazing devices and services that people use every day! Experts from area organizations will be here to help you see, use and learn about some of these devices. You will even get to meet a special service dog-in-training from WAGS!

This is a come-and-go fair, so stop by any time. This program is made possible with the help of organizations including The Wisconsin Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired, Wisconsin Academy of Graduate Service Dogs, and The Communication Aids and Systems Clinic of the Waisman Center.

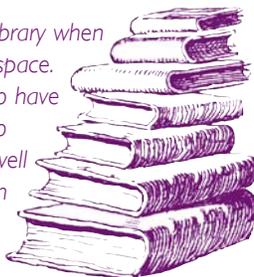
Day: Thursday
Date: July 28
Time: 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Programs for Teens**Teen Crafts**

Drop by the library and create something. Supplies are provided in our programming room. Bring a friend, listen to music and get artsy. Your creation is yours to keep. Registration is not required.

Day: Thursday
Time: 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Date: June 23—Pop Tab and Wish Bracelets
July 14—Duct Tape Roses
Ages: Grade 5 and up

Remember the library when you are making space. We would love to have bestsellers you no longer need, as well as other media in good condition.

**Teen Book Group...and Lunch!**

Pick up a book and come tell us what you think. We'll be reading books suggested by TeenRead, <http://teenread.scls.info/> along with teens from other area libraries. Books are available in the library.

We'll also be serving Pizza Hut pizza at our Teen Book Group this summer! But, if you want to eat you have to R.S.V.P. So, be sure to register if you plan to attend! Registration is easy: click on our calendar and fill out the form, or call Lisa at the library.

Day: Monday
Time: 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Date: June 27—*Everafter* by Amy Huntly
July 25—*Leviathan* by Scott Westerfeld
August 15—*Wintergirls* by Laurie Halse Anderson
Ages: Grade 7 and up

Back to the 80s Teen Party

Hey Dude! We're having a most excellent teen party—for sure! It's going to be like...totally awesome. Dance like Michael Jackson with our Wii; jam to some 80s metal, Guitar Hero style; or really get in the 80s spirit with some classic arcade games. Plus, make a few friendship bracelets, eat some pizza, or just hang out and watch teen movies, 80s style!

There will be prizes for best costume so start thinking BIG hair and leg warmers. Like...don't miss it! Please R.S.V.P. to help us know how much pizza to buy! Registering is easy: just click on our online calendar or call Lisa at the library.

Day: Thursday
Date: July 21
Time: 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

We'll Miss You Harry Potter!

Remember the excitement of a midnight release party or opening weekend of a new movie? Did you argue with friends that Snape was evil—or good? Were you terrified Harry would die in *Deathly Hallows*? Are you STILL wondering what happened to your Hogwarts invitation letter? Then this is the program for you! Now that the last movie has been released, join us to say goodbye to the Harry Potter saga. Come sign our “Goodbye Harry” banner and share your favorite moments of growing up with Harry. We won't be playing games; we won't be bringing out the sorting hat. We'll just be saying goodbye. Mourning attire is optional. Registration is not required.

Do you have pictures of your Harry Potter memories? Help us create a “Memories of Harry” video for the program! Call or email Lisa, lwegner@scls.lib.wi.us, for more information.

Day: Monday
Date: July 18
Time: 1:00 p.m.
Ages: Teens and adults who grew up with Harry

3rd Annual Teen Art Contest “You Are Here”

Are you an artist? Do you like to paint, draw or craft? However you express yourself, enter your work in an art contest! This year's theme is “You Are Here.” The first prize winner will receive a \$50 Target Gift Card and be featured on our website for the upcoming year. Winners will be announced August 11 at the “Teen Art Show”. Pick up an entry form at the library for more details.

The Teen Art Contest is presented by the WPL Teen Advisory Board and sponsored by Friends of Waunakee Public Library. Entries accepted June 6 to August 5 at the library.

Teen Art Show

Join us in the library programming room for a viewing of all the teen art entries in the 3rd Annual Teen Art Contest. A brief awards ceremony will take place at 2:30 p.m. for the winning artists in this year's contest. All artists who enter the contest are encouraged to attend and display their work.

Day: Thursday
Date: August 11
Time: 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.



Programs for Adults

Novel Destination

Spend your summer going places you always wanted to explore, through books. Join our Summer Reading Program for adults, “Novel Destination,” and you'll be eligible for a monthly prize drawing for a gift certificate to a local business. Enter your name for the drawing after each book is read, and give us a brief review for other patrons to peruse as they look for summer reading material.

Date: June 1 to August 31

Book Discussion

Join Kari for a summer book club meeting on a great classic, *A Tree Grows in Brooklyn* by Betty Smith. It is the coming-of-age story of Francie Nolan and her Austrian/Irish-American family in the early 1900s. The “tree” is the hardy Tree of Heaven, native to China and Taiwan and now considered invasive. We'll have copies available at the library, or you can request a copy through LINKcat.

Day: Wednesday
Date: June 8
Time: 7:00 p.m.

How We Got Here

We want to hear your stories. “How We Got Here: Origins, Immigration and Community” is a series of special events that looks at the Waunakee community, where its citizens came from, their tales of how they got here, and their traditional recipes. A series of speakers will help explain the contributions of immigrants to Wisconsin, the culture we create, and how libraries help each new group become integral parts of Wisconsin's diverse population. It is sponsored by the Wisconsin Humanities Council. The Wisconsin Humanities Council supports and creates programs that use history, culture and discussion to strengthen community life for everyone in Wisconsin.

Submit your immigration or migration story by emailing libgrant2011@gmail.com (or call 849-4217) for a possible taped interview and include your name, phone number, email, and details of your story. We will contact you if we choose your story for taping. Taping dates are Monday, July 18 and Tuesday, July 19 beginning at 6:00 p.m. We'll premiere the stories in October.

To share a family recipe, click on the link on our webpage or email libgrant2011@gmail.com

Senior Center is Open One Saturday Each Month

In addition to its regular hours of operation Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. the Senior Center is staffed and open one Saturday each month, 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Stop in and enjoy a cup of coffee, use the computers, work on the puzzle, or just sit by the fireplace and read. Please keep in mind that on weekends we do not have access to our catering service so there will no on site meals or meals on wheels deliveries. We look forward to seeing you, hope you will stop in!

Looking for Old Cell Phones!!

By partnering with Cellular Recycler, the National Coalition of Aging has developed a way for the National Institute of Senior Centers to collect used cell phones for fundraising and to help the environment by keeping phones out of our nation's landfills. We have a box at the Senior Center's north entrance to collect old cell phones. Ninety percent of the proceeds from our collection go directly to our Senior Center. Thanks to all who have donated!

Senior Center Services

Meals

Meals are served Monday through Friday at 11:30 a.m. A reservation must be made by 2:00 p.m. the day before to eat at the meal site or receive home delivered meals. Transportation to and from the Senior Center to attend meals is available. Call 849-8385 for more information or to make a reservation.

Blood Pressure Screening

Blood pressure screening is held the second Tuesday each month from 11:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and the fourth Tuesday each month beginning at 11:00 a.m. Service is provided by Interim Health Care.

Foot Care Clinic

Foot Care Clinic is available monthly on the first Wednesday at 8:30 a.m., the second and third Tuesday at 8:30 a.m., and the fourth Tuesday at 12:00 p.m. Bring \$10.00 and two small towels. Call 849-8385 to make an appointment. Service is provided by Interim Health Care.

Massage Therapy

Massage therapy is available every Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, and now occasional Mondays. Call 849-8385 for an appointment. Gift certificates are available.

Loan Closet

The Senior Center has a loan closet of health care aids such as walkers, canes, and wheelchairs. These items are for short-term use. Check with your physician if you need one of these items on a long-term basis.

For more information about Waunakee Senior Center services and programs, call 849-8385 or stop in at 333 South Madison Street or visit the village website at www.vil.waunakee.wi.us.

Support Groups

Caregiver Support Group

The Waunakee Caregiver Support Group meets the third Wednesday of each month from 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Waunakee Senior Center. Join us in a private and confidential setting for an opportunity to meet others in your situation and develop a mutual support system. Through discussion, education, and problem solving, you will learn ways to adapt to the continuing stress of coping with the challenges of caregiving. If you have any questions, are in need of respite care, or require transportation to the support group meeting, please call the Senior Center at 849-8385.

Heartbeat

Support for those who have lost a loved one through suicide. This is a support group meeting for anyone who has experienced the loss of someone by suicide and those who care about survivors. Whether your loss has been recent or in the past, you are welcome to attend. The group meets the third Thursday each month from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Waunakee Senior Center. There is no fee to attend and childcare is available through the Village Center. For further information, please contact Carrie, the Chapter Leader, at 850-5810.

Parkinson's Support Group

This group is for anyone who is affected by Parkinson's disease. This includes those who have Parkinson's disease, their family members, and caregivers. This group will meet the fourth Tuesday of each month at 2:00 p.m. at the Waunakee Senior Center. If you would like more information, please contact Jessica Olejniczak at (608)229-7628 or email: Parkinson-assn@ssmhc.com.

Senior Center Group Activities

Monday Bridge

Senior Bridge is played each Monday at 12:00 p.m. in the Activity Room.

500

Every Tuesday at 1:00 p.m. 500 is played here in the Senior Center. Everyone is welcome.

Drop-In Bridge

Anyone is welcome to play each Monday at 1:00 p.m. in the Senior Center Dining Room. Please call the Senior Center at 849-8385 for more information.

Tuesday Sheephead

Sheephead is played every Tuesday at 1:00 p.m. at the Senior Center.

Thursday Euchre

Euchre is played each Thursday at 12:45 p.m. Cost to play \$1.50. All money paid is given out as prizes.

Book Club

Book Club meets at 6:45 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of each month. Call the Senior Center for details. All are welcome!

Mah Jongg

Our Mah Jongg group meets every Tuesday at 1:00 p.m. Come on in and join the fun.

Let's Scrabble

Scrabble group meets Wednesday mornings at 10:00 a.m. If you are good with words and enjoy playing scrabble, come join us.



Wood Carvers

Are you interested in learning to carve? Woodcarvers are invited to meet each Monday morning at 9:00 a.m. in the Senior Center stage area for carving instruction. They have spare tools (sorry no electronic carving tools can be used) to get you started and can direct you as to what supplies you will need as you learn. Feel free to join the group anytime, just bring yourself.

Senior Stamping Group

The stamping group meets the second Thursday of each month from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Bring your own projects and enjoy each other's company while creating your own projects. Everyone is welcome!

Painting Group

The painting group meets the second and fourth Wednesday from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. each month. Bring your own watercolor, acrylic, or oil paint project and work on it in the company of friends. Anyone is welcome to participate anytime.

Wii Bowling

The Senior Center offers Wii bowling every Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday morning at 10:30 a.m. Four can bowl at a time so we ask you to call Diane at 849-8385, and reserve your time slot. Virtual bowling is fun and easy on the joints, anyone can do it.

The Gift That Will Last Forever

In an ongoing fundraising effort, the Waunakee Senior Center is offering an opportunity to purchase a 24" by 24" engraved tile to be placed on the Senior Center patio. The patio, which over-looks beautiful Village Park, has 136 tiles. Your purchase of a whole or half engraved tile will be a lasting symbol of your generosity to your community. You may have your name, the name of a loved one, family names, or business name engraved on the tile.

The cost of a full 24" by 24" tile is \$500, and \$300 for half of a tile. For an additional \$25, a logo may be placed on the tile. Please call the Senior Center at 849-8385 for more information or visit the Senior Center to see the engraved tiles already placed on our patio.

Library

Come check out our books. The Senior Center has a variety of books available to borrow. Many books belong to the Senior Center and can be taken home to read for as long as you like. We also have many books provided by the Dane County Library Service, these books are rotated regularly and we ask you to sign them out and sign them back in upon return. Please come see what we have that might interest you.

SilverNotes

The Senior Center publishes "SilverNotes," a monthly newsletter. To receive the "SilverNotes" newsletter by mail, for a small fee (\$6.00 annually), contact Diane at 849-8385. Or you can stop in to pick up a complimentary copy. If you are interested in receiving the SilverNotes by mail, please send in the annual subscription form below. Subscriptions run from January 1 through December 31.

Donations are also welcomed. Please make checks payable to Waunakee Senior Center.

Share Food Network

Share food boxes are available to be picked up at Waunakee Senior Center at 333 S. Madison Street. Orders can now be placed online at www.sharewi.org. If you have any questions please contact Mary Unger at 849-9192.

Day: Saturday

Date: June 25, July 23, and August 27

Time: 11:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

Computers Available

The Senior Center has two computers available to area seniors for internet, email and basic computer work during our usual business hours. No reservations are necessary, but please respect others by limiting your time.

Seeking Volunteer Driver Escorts

Are you a safe driver, willing to use your own vehicle, and can spare a few hours per week to provide an essential service to older adults in your area? Call RSVP of Dane Co. The RSVP Volunteer Escort Driver Program is designed to help adults 60 years of age and older, without access to personal transportation. Volunteers respond to requests for medical and other important trips depending upon driver availability and other community transportation resources. This service enables older adults to stay in their homes as long as possible. *Duties of a Volunteer Driver Escort are as follows:*

- drive older adults (60 and older) to medical appointments
 - provide escort services to older adults (Note: no heavy lifting involved)
 - provide trips other than medical (Note: depends upon community resources)
 - report to RSVP on a monthly basis
- Qualifications Required:*
- valid driver's license with good driving record
 - minimum automobile insurance required by Wisconsin
 - pass RSVP's background checks
 - sense of responsibility and dependability
 - sensitive to the needs of older adults

Drivers are reimbursed 50 cents per mile, covered with personal accident, liability and excess automobile liability insurance. The program is extremely flexible and can work around individual schedules. The time commitment is usually on average one ride per week.

More drivers are needed to meet the demand for service. If you can help, contact the Waunakee Senior Center at 849-8385 or call Gene Kundert at 441-7896. You may also e-mail him at gkundert@rsvpdane.org.



2011 Subscription Form

Please mail the SilverNotes directly to my home each month.

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone _____

I have enclosed: \$_____ for subscription

\$_____ for donation

Complete and return to the Senior Center (at 333 S. Madison Street, Waunakee, WI 53597) with your \$6.00 payment.

Thank you for your continued support of the Waunakee Senior Center.

MATC Course Offerings at Senior Center

Course#	Class Title	Fees (61- yrs)	Fees (62+ yrs)	Day	Time	Dates
11239	A Taste of Chocolate	\$23.75	\$21.00	W	5:30 pm – 8:30 pm	6/22–6/22
11226	Cake Decorating Workshop	\$23.75	\$21.00	R	1:00 pm – 5:00 pm	6/16–6/16
11224	Digital Imaging: Memories	\$59.00	\$48.00	T	1:00 pm – 4:00 pm	7/26–8/23
11232	Do Your Own Will	\$24.63	\$20.50	W	6:00 pm – 9:00 pm	7/13– 7/20
11235	Floral Design	\$42.75	\$40.00	S	9:00 am – 1:00 pm	7/23–7/23
38714	Creative Writing All Levels	\$59.00	\$48.00	R	1:00 pm – 3:00 pm	9/1–10/20
38618	Financial Planning Workshop	\$17.75	\$15.00	T	6:00 pm – 9:00 pm	12/6–12/6
36019	Internet Explorer Advanced	\$75.00	\$41.44	R	8:30 am – 11:30 am	10/20–11/10
38765	Introduction to Acting	\$45.25	\$37.00	T	1:00 pm – 4:00 pm	8/30–9/20
41092	MS Word 2007 Intro	\$59.00	\$48.00	W	8:30 am – 11:30 am	9/7–10/5
41936	PC Computer Intro	\$59.00	\$48.00	T	8:30 am – 11:30 am	9/6–10/4
38874	PC Computer Intermediate	\$105.00	\$60.26	W	1:00 pm – 4:00 pm	10/19–11/16
38708	Sign Language I	\$72.76	\$59.01	S	9:00 am – 1:00 pm	9/24-10/22
35561	Windows: File Management	\$30.00	\$18.81	R	8:30 am – 11:30 am	11/17–11/17
38631	Wine Tasting Fundamentals	\$32.75	\$30.00	T	6:00 pm – 9:00 pm	8/9–8/9
38636	Working with Digital Photos	\$17.75	\$15.00	WR	9:30 am – 11:30 am	11/30 – 12/1

Madison Area Technical College courses are offered at the Waunakee Senior Center for adults for all ages. Registration must be completed directly with Madison Area Technical College. To register for one of the classes, please call (800) 628-6282 Extension 6240, during operator assistance hours: Monday through Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and Fridays 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

5:00 Feast and 500

Do you play 500? Join us the first Tuesday of each month for a fun evening together starting with supper. A “take-out” meal from an area restaurant will be served starting at 5:00 p.m. Then at 6:00 p.m. we will break out the card decks and spend the rest of the evening playing 500. Cost is \$5 for the meal and should be paid at the time of reservation. Please

also bring along a little extra change because at our first gathering we will decide if we want to pay in so that we may have prize money. Reservations are required; please call 849-8385 to make your reservation.

Day: Tuesday
 Date: June 7
 Time: 5:00 p.m.
 Fee: \$5

Basketry by Anne Urso

Learn the skill of basket weaving in a relaxed environment. Anne offers an introduction class for beginners as well as an advanced class for more experienced basket weavers. You will make one or two baskets during the course that are yours to keep. Please email Anne at caurso@chorus.net to register for this class or call 850-6096 for more information.

Day: Monday
 Dates: July 11 - August 8
 Time: 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
 Fee: \$50 plus supplies



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Phone: 849-8385
Email: seniorcenter@vil.waunakee.wi.us
Hours: Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
 Occasional evening and weekend hours based on program scheduling.

MORE PROGRAM INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND ONLINE AT WWW.VIL.WAUNAKEE.WI.US

Farmer's Market Voucher Distribution

Spring is here and soon you will be able to go to the Farmer's Market. We want to let seniors know about a program that is available to qualified seniors in our area to receive vouchers that can be used at the local farmer's markets. Dane County will receive several hundred sets of vouchers that will be distributed on a first come-first serve basis to qualified seniors. Each set of vouchers is for a total of \$25.00 for the season in \$2 and \$3 increments. Only one set of vouchers per household. A household is defined as anyone, related or not, living together sharing expenses. Eligibility requirements are age, address and income. You will need to provide verification of income and identity. Please bring identification with birth date on it (drivers' license, State ID); you must be 60 years old or older for this program. The 2011 income guidelines are as follows: one person household the income would need to be under \$20,147 (gross amount) and for a two person household under \$27,214 (gross amount) for the year. For income verification bring in what you have of the following: income tax form, homestead form, social security allotment statement and other income letters. If you have a Forward (MA) or Quest (food share) please bring that with you as well.

Vouchers must be picked up at the Waunakee Senior Center and cannot be mailed.

If you have questions regarding the vouchers please contact 849-8385 and ask to speak to the Case Manager in your area, Candice (Village of Waunakee), Melissa (Surrounding Areas).

Day: Wednesday
Date: June 1
Time: 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Upcoming Events

WI Senior Games at Waunakee Senior Center!

Waunakee Senior Center proudly hosts the Euchre event for the WI Senior. For further details, contact Reggie Hennessey at 608-274-6842.

Day: Wednesday
Date: June 8
Time: 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

WI Senior Music Festival

Waunakee Senior Center is honored to host the 2011 Music Festival. For further details, contact Diane Goldensohn at 608-849-8385.

Day: Thursday
Date: June 9
Time: 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

June Picnic Lunch with Jesse Walker

Come on in for the musical entertainment of Jesse Walker! Plan to join us prior to the performance for our June Picnic Lunch (Brats on the grill, onion, baked beans, potato salad, and strawberries)! Don't forget to make your lunch reservation no later than 2:00 p.m. on the day before.

Day: Wednesday
Date: June 22
Time: 11:30 a.m. to 1:45 p.m.
Fee: Donation requested for meal

July Picnic Lunch with Karen Wickham

Join us for the fabulous musical entertainment by Karen Wickham! Plan to join us prior to the performance for our July Picnic Lunch (Brats on the grill,

onions, baked beans, potato salad, and strawberries)! Don't forget to make your lunch reservation no later than 2:00 p.m. on the day before.

Day: Wednesday
Date: July 20
Time: 11:30 a.m. to 1:45 p.m.
Fee: Donation requested for meal

August Picnic Lunch

Plan to join us prior to the performance (entertainment to be announced) for our August Picnic Lunch (Brats on the grill, onions, baked beans, potato salad, and strawberries)! Don't forget to make your lunch reservation no later than 2:00 p.m. on the day before.

Day: Wednesday
Date: August 17
Time: 11:30 a.m. to 1:45 p.m.
Fee: Donation requested for meal

Upcoming Trips and Outings

Mail & Millie's

There are only a handful of places in the country where mail is still delivered by boat. Take this exciting and scenic cruise tour and see how Lake Geneva has been delivering mail for nearly 90 years. To deliver the mail, she must jump off the bow of the boat while it is still moving and on to the pier, deliver the mail, and leap back on before the boat passes by. Next you will enjoy a delicious lunch and a performance at Millie's where they combined old-world charm with new-world hospitality. Your meal will include chicken with dumplings, tossed salad, cheese bread, vegetables, and carrot cake. Destinations USA is the name of the show that will entertain you at Millie's. This show tours our country's famous destinations and includes hits from artists such as Little Richard, The Beatles, and Ray Charles. Paid reservations are due by June 7. Call 608-849-8385 to make your reservation.

Day: Wednesday
Date: June 29
Time: 7:30 a.m. to 6:15 p.m.
Fee: \$87

Milwaukee Brewers vs. Arizona Diamondbacks

Join us as we head out to another Brewers Game! We again reserved first baseline seating in the shade, excellent seats! Coach bus will drop us off at the entrance near our seating! Depart the Waunakee Senior Center at 10:00 a.m., game time is at 1:10 p.m. Estimated return time is 6:00 p.m. Lunch and/or snacks are on your own at the ballpark. Paid reservations are needed by Friday, June 3. Call 849-8385 to reserve your ticket today, hurry as these seats sell fast!

Day: Wednesday
 Date: July 6
 Time: 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
 Fee: \$42

Blow Me Away

This tour will blow you away with its educational fun and scenic splendor. Spread over 12.2 square miles the Cedar Ridge Wind Farm offers a high capacity factor, which means there is adequate wind to regularly produce electricity. The 41 turbines produce approximately 68 megawatts of emissions-free energy (enough to power about 17,000 homes a year!). Learn more about the great things they are doing for our environment.

Lunch will be served today at Wendt's on the Lake, on Lake Winnebago and known by the "Taste of Town" for the best Perch fish fry in the area. We will conclude the day with a visit the Galloway House & Village, an authentic 1800's village and 30 room mid-Victorian mansion. See 25 historic buildings including a church, photographer's shop, town hall, and one-room school. Call 608-849-8385 to make your reservation by Monday, July 18. Upon making reservations please request entrée choice of fried perch or fried chicken.

Day: Thursday
 Date: August 11
 Time: 7:00 a.m. to 5:45 p.m.
 Fee: \$61

Maggie Mae Barn Dance

Join us on this spectacular trip as we head to Oxford, Wisconsin to see Maggie Mae perform live at her farm. Maggie Mae's old fashioned Barn Dances are one of the best events you'll ever get the opportunity to attend. If you like good old country music, dancing, eating and just having good old fashioned fun, you're sure to enjoy Maggie Mae's Barn Dance. Upon arrival we will start with a delicious buffet style meal that includes two meats, potato salad, home-made corn fritters, vegetable, beverage and dessert.

Following lunch we will enjoy a live performance by Maggie Mae and the Heartland Country Band. Feel free to watch and enjoy or jump up and dance with friends! Cost of this trip is \$55 which includes round trip motor coach transportation, lunch, and the performance.

Paid reservations are due by August 1. Call 608-849-8385 to make your reservation, hurry as space is limited.

Day: Wednesday
 Date: September 14
 Time: 10:15 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.
 Fee: \$55

Apple Holler Dinner Theater

The Apple Holler Dinner Theater features a wonderful dinner theatre experience. There will be wine and cider sampling during lunch, and a chance to browse through the Country Gift Store and Bakery, and a tractor drawn Hay Wagon Ride. Plus a fantastic home-style lunch is served prior to the performance of Kitchen Witches, A Deliciously Hilarious Comedy! Isobel Lomax and Dolly Biddle are two "mature" cable-access cooking show hostesses who have hated each other for 30 years, ever since Larry Biddle dated one and married the other. When circumstances put them together on a TV show called The Kitchen Witches, the insults are flung harder than the food.

Please call 608-849-8385 to make your reservation. Paid reservations are due by Monday, August 22.

Day: Tuesday
 Date: September 27
 Time: 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
 Fee: \$89

Extended Trip Offerings

Collette Vacations—Canadian Rockies & Glacier National Park

This incredible 8-day and 9 meal vacation departs Waunakee Senior Center. Air travel departs Dane County Regional Airport and this scenic luxury tour begins in Calgary, Alberta. Highlights of this trip include Waterton Lakes National Park, Glacier National Park, "Going to the Sun Road", Banff, Columbia Icefields, Athabasca Falls, Jasper, and Calgary.

Trip Date: August 27
 Fee: \$2,724

Mayflower Travel—Italy with A Tuscan Culinary Experience

The feast that is Italy is yours to see and taste on a journey through the glory of Rome to the beauty of today's Tuscany. Please join us on this incredible 9 day journey. Please contact Diane at 849-8385 for further information.

Time: 2:00 p.m.
 Trip Date: October 23
 Fee: \$2,974

You Can Make a Difference

You could make the world a better place simply by purchasing renewable energy.

Through our new Renewable Energy Program, you can choose to buy electricity from "clean, green" sources such as wind, water and organic materials. Participation costs just a few dollars each month, and you'll have the satisfaction of knowing that you're preserving energy resources for tomorrow.

Renewable energy is friendly to the environment. Renewable sources replenish themselves naturally, leading to significant reductions in waste and emissions and improved air and water quality.

The more renewable energy we use, the less we need to rely on traditional sources of electricity such as coal, oil and natural gas. These resources are being used up. By choosing renewable energy, you help preserve our limited resources for future generations.

Our Renewable Energy Program is Green-e Energy certified. Green-e Energy was established by the non-profit Center for Resource Solutions to provide information and an objective standard for consumers to compare renewable energy options, and to verify that consumers get what they pay for.

Participation is simple. There's no special equipment to install. You can change your participation level or withdraw at any time.

You will pay an additional \$3.00 per month for each

block of renewable energy, the equivalent of 300 kilowatt-hours (kWh). For example, if you sign up for three blocks, a renewable energy charge of \$9.00 for 900 kWh will appear on your monthly bill.

The future of renewable energy use depends on customers like you. To sign up, simply complete the participation request on our website www.waunakeeutilities.com.

There's also a way for local businesses to get involved in the program. Through our Green Power for Business, you can support the use of electricity generated by renewable resources such as wind, waste gases, and moving water.

Supporting the use of renewable energy is a real "win-win" for your business and for the community. We make it easy with the Green Power for business program.

Through Green Power for business, you can contribute to a cleaner environment and sustainable energy future. Every dollar you invest in renewable energy is used to foster the growth of renewable resources.

"Buying green" is also good for business. Studies show that people have a more favorable view of — and are more likely to buy services from — companies that demonstrate concern for the environment.

Check Our Website for Details
www.waunakeeutilities.com

Even Out Your Energy Costs

Most customers have higher electric bills during the summer and winter months and lower bills in the spring and fall. These fluctuations can make budgeting for your utility bill difficult.

Waunakee Utilities' budget billing program allows you to even out your energy costs over the course of a year through a fixed payment each month.

With this payment plan, you will not experience high bill surprises in the months you use the most electricity and your budget is easier to manage. We will review your account every six months and adjust your budget amount so there are no surprises at the end of the year.

For more information, contact us at 849-8111.

Waunakee Utilities Awards Scholarships

Waunakee Utilities and Waunakee's electric power supplier, WPPI Energy, awarded 2 scholarships for high school seniors. This year Tia Endres and Christopher Young were selected for our \$500 scholarships. These scholarships will help Christopher and Tia attend a post-secondary educational institution.

The purpose of this program is to promote awareness of public power and the benefits of municipal utilities. "It is also another opportunity for us to give back to the community," said Tim Herlitzka, General Manager of Waunakee Utilities.

Congratulations and best wishes for a successful future, Tia and Christopher!



Tree Power

Waunakee Utilities offers a rebate for deciduous trees planted on the south or west sides of your home. Rebates are half of the cost of the tree, maximum \$50. See our bill insert or check the website for details and applications at www.waunakeeutilities.com

The Benefits of Having a Village-Owned Municipal Utility

A strong local presence, efficient operations, friendly service and low rates are just some of the benefits of being served by Waunakee Utilities, our community-owned electric, water and sewer utility.

Staffed by people who share your values and understand the community's needs, Waunakee Utilities strives to provide customers with low-cost, reliable service with a personal touch.

The citizens of Waunakee founded our locally operated utility in 1915. Today, a 7 person utility commission comprised of 5 citizens and two village trustees governs the operations. This local representation allows all citizens to have a voice in how our utility can best meet the community's needs.

We strive to provide the lowest cost utilities. At the same time, Waunakee Utilities contributes payments in lieu of taxes to the village that help reduce property taxes for others. The following is a summary of our recent payments to the village which help keep taxes low:

2010	\$634,882
2009	\$584,495
2008	\$515,567

In 2011 we plan to pay \$643,005 to the Village.

Since 1981, we have shared resources with other local utilities in Wisconsin through our ownership of WPPI Energy, a nonprofit power company. Through WPPI Energy, we purchase low-cost electricity for our community and achieve cost savings with the joint purchase of materials we need to keep the lights on.

One of 82 public power systems in Wisconsin and more than 2,000 across the country, Waunakee Utilities has developed a wide range of programs and services for residential, commercial and

industrial customers. Our staff can guide you through programs designed to help you save energy, as well as money.

Heading into our 96th year of serving Waunakee, we look forward to continuing to provide local residents and businesses with essential services at affordable rates.

Services Online

Have you checked out our website lately? It has an all new look. Here are just a few things you can do on our website, www.waunakeeutilities.com:

- Pay your bill
- Sign up to receive online bills
- Learn more about energy and power safety
- Find current programs for saving energy
- Sign up for new service
- Report a street light out
- Find current rate information

Waunakee Utilities

Waunakee Utilities is community-owned, staffed by local employees, and located nearby. We offer reliable high-quality electric service at rates that are among the lowest in the State of Wisconsin. Generally, the rates charged to our customers are significantly lower than those charged by the neighboring investor-owned utilities.

To ensure our commitment to our customers, we share resources with other municipally-owned utilities and are co-owners of a nonprofit, Sun Prairie-based power company, WPPI Energy. Through WPPI Energy, we purchase low-cost electricity for our community and take advantage of the latest technologies to better serve your needs.

The following are a few of the programs that we offer our business customers. Please call, 849-8111, or visit our website for more details at www.waunakeeutilities.com.

1. Our renewable energy program allows customers to voluntarily purchase Green-e energy.

2. Renewable energy is sold in blocks of 300 kWh for \$3 each month. Customers can start and stop this program at any time.
2. Billing information is available online. Customers can review energy and water usage, pay bills, and sign up for e-billing.
3. Waunakee Utilities partners with Wisconsin Focus on Energy to provide rebates for energy saving projects. We can help our customers find available incentives available for equipment or building upgrades.
4. Shared Savings is a loan program which helps our customers pay for energy saving projects. The term is 60 months or less, with a 2% fee per year. Loan payments are made directly on your utility bill. Restrictions apply.
5. Request for Proposal (RFP) is a program offered 3 times per year through our power supplier, WPPI Energy. This is an opportunity to apply for incentives over and above what the standard custom or prescriptive incentive would be. Projects need to meet minimum requirements for energy and or demand savings.
6. We are committed to helping our customers find ways to save water, energy, and money. We are available to answer questions and help guide our customers' conservation efforts.



ELECTRONIC BILL PAYMENT



All customers are encouraged to take advantage of our electronic bill payment service. You can have your electric, water, and sewer bill electronically paid from any bank, credit union, or savings and loan account. Sign up today to start enjoying these benefits:

- No check to write.
- No more late payment charges.
- No postage to pay.
- No matter where you are, your bill will be paid.

When you receive your monthly bill, review it, and record the amount in your checkbook register. If you see an error on your bill call us at 849-8111.

Your bill will state "P.A.P. DO NOT PAY" (P.A.P. means preauthorized payment). The due date that appears on your bill is the date the funds are withdrawn from your account. If this day falls on a weekend or holiday, the funds are withdrawn on the next business day.

To start Electronic Bill Payment on your account, fill out the form below and return it with a **voided check attached to the form**. If you are using a savings account, please provide us with the routing and account numbers.

You can cancel your electronic bill payment at any time by submitting the request in writing.

If you have any other questions about this program, please call us at 849-8111.

APPLICATION FOR ELECTRONIC PAYMENT

Complete this agreement and mail it along with a VOIDED CHECK if using a checking or share draft account.

I authorize the financial institution named below to charge my account as noted and remit payment of my monthly utility bill to the Waunakee Utilities.

_____ Checking or Share Draft Account

_____ Savings Account Number _____
Routing Number _____

Name(s) on Waunakee Utilities Bill (Please Print)

Address for Above Customer (Please Print)

Phone Number

Financial Institution Name (Please Print)

Name of Bank Account Holder (Please Print)

Authorized Signature

PLEASE DROP OFF OR MAIL TO:

Waunakee Utilities
322 Moravian Valley Road
PO Box 70
Waunakee, WI 53597

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www.waunakeeutilites.com

Midland All Hazards Alert Weather Radio Sale

Dane County uses a combination of methods for alerting the public when severe weather threatens. While the outdoor sirens get most of the attention, the National Weather Service's all hazards radio (aka weather radio) network is one of the most timely and reliable components of the system. In fact, the county relies heavily on warnings transmitted via weather radio as the basis for sounding the sirens.

The Midland All Hazards Alert Weather Radio is a means of providing direct warning to the public for natural and man-made hazards. This radio is a viable alternative where siren coverage is not available.

Waunakee Utilities will be handling the sale of these radios. The cost is \$25.00 and there is a limit of 2 per household. Payment will need to be by separate check from your utility bill. If you have questions, please contact the Dane County Department of Emergency Management at 608-266-4387.



Who Should Purchase an All Hazards Radio?

We recommend that every household should have an all hazards radio. However, to help people decide, we are providing the following information and suggesting that people ask themselves these questions:

1. *How do you receive severe weather and other public warnings now?* Many people would say they receive these alerts from the outdoor sirens or from warnings broadcast on local television or radio. Are these sources always completely reliable?
2. *Can you always hear the sirens when they are sounded?* Indoors? At night, with the windows closed and the air conditioner on? Is the siren loud enough to wake you up when you are sleeping? Is your home even within the effective range of the siren? The sirens are an effective method of receiving warnings, but are generally intended to warn people who are outdoors. Sirens are not intended to alert people who are in cars, homes, or other buildings.
3. *Likewise, local television and radio is a great way to receive up-to-date warning information, but it works only if your radio or TV is on and tuned to the right station.* Again, what about at night when you are sleeping? Or when you happen to be watching a cable or satellite channel that does not carry the local warning information? In those cases, you are very likely to miss the warning.

4. *An All Hazards radio, on the other hand, is designed to be an indoor warning device.* It is always on and it will wake you up if you are sleeping. Do you have a smoke detector? Of course - it alerts you when it detects smoke. An all hazards radio will alert you to many other life-threatening hazards in your area, like tornados, floods, and other dangerous events. Without this device, you could miss a critical warning message that could save your life and those in your family.

Midland Weather Alert Model WR-100

(Model: WR-100 link at <http://www.midlandradio.com>) for details. Features include:

- Automatic alert warns you of hazardous conditions
- S.A.M.E. technology
- Alarm clock with snooze
- Receives over 60 alerts
- Public alert certified
- S.A.M.E. localized reception
- Continuous backlight option-keeps the LCD on
- 25 programmable counties
- Color coded alert indicators
- Alert override automatically switches over to warn you of hazardous conditions
- Silent programming
- Single, multiple or any S.A.M.E. program settings
- User selectable alert type-voice, display or tone alert types
- 10 receivable alerts
- 7 preset weather channels
- Public alert certified
- Receives over 60 alerts
- Uses 3AA alkaline batteries for emergency power back-up (*not included*)



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