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WISCONSIN VOTER PHOTO ID RULES

Plan now to make sure you have an acceptable photo ID to vote beginning with the next Election. Election dates in 2016 are February 16, April 5, August 9, and November 8.

Election Day

On Election Day, voters must show one of the following photo IDs before they can cast a ballot:

- Wisconsin Driver License
- Wisconsin State ID Card
- Military ID Card
- U.S. Passport Book or Card

These IDs are still valid if expired after the date of the most recent general election, which was November 4, 2014.

These forms of photo ID are also acceptable:

- A Certificate of Naturalization, within two years of issuance.
- Driver License Receipt or an ID Card Receipt issued by the WI DOT, within 45 days of issuance.
- ID issued by a federally recognized Wisconsin Indian Tribe.
- A photo ID issued by a Wisconsin accredited university or college, or technical college along with an enrollment verification document. Valid for two years from date of issuance. (Please contact your local clerk, the Wisconsin Government Accountability Board, or your college or university for specifications.)

An acceptable photo ID is not required to include a current address.

If you do not have a valid Wisconsin Driver License or State ID, you can receive a free State ID from your local DMV if you specifically request a free ID for voting purposes. If you do not have a birth certificate, the DMV can help with that, too. Please contact your local DMV for more information.

Absentee Voting

During in-person absentee voting, voters must present photo ID just like on Election Day. In-person absentee voting begins the third Monday before the election and ends at 5 p.m. the Friday before the election.

When voters request an absentee ballot by mail, they must include a photocopy of their photo ID with the request or the ballot cannot be mailed. However, voters who are "indefinitely confined" because of age, illness, infirmity or disability and voters in care facilities do not need a photo ID. Instead, the absentee witness verifies the voter's identity. Active members of the U.S. Armed Services who are away from home are also exempt from the photo ID requirement. Please contact the City Clerk's office at (414) 302-8220 for more information.

Voters are also encouraged to visit the Wisconsin Government Accountability Board's Photo ID website, www.bringit.wisconsin.gov for information about the new law.

Election Day Voting for Ward 13

The polling place for West Allis Ward 13 has changed from Marian University to Lane Intermediate School located at 1300 S. 109 St. Voting will take place in the south gym. The voter entrance is on the west side of the school. Parking is available on and off the street.



October, November & December

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**TRI CITY
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More than 22,000 2015 property tax bills will be mailed to West Allis taxpayers. While many taxpayers prefer to pay their taxes in person at City Hall, it may surprise you to know that there are more convenient alternatives to paying in person.

Avoid long lines at City Hall through these convenient payment methods to make tax payments:

- At any one of the Tri City National Bank locations in the City of West Allis, including inside Pick 'n Save stores. Tri City Bank accepts tax payments through January 31, 2016. With five Tri City locations in West Allis, there is certainly a branch convenient to you.*
- By mail using the return remittance envelope enclosed with your tax bill.
- By using the electronic payment options on the city website (full or installment payments). E-checks are processed at no cost; fees apply to other payment options.
- Use the overnight drop box. Your payment will be credited the next business day.

*The best option is paying at any of the Tri City Bank locations. Lines are shorter and hours are longer, with Pick 'n Save branches open until 8:00 p.m. The Bank also makes immediate refunds from tax escrow checks; whereas, if you make payment at City Hall with an escrow check, refunds are mailed and can take several weeks to receive.

Due dates for tax payments are:

- 1st Installment (or payment in full): January 31, 2016
- 2nd Installment: March 31, 2016
- 3rd Installment: May 31, 2016



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REFUSE AND RECYCLING FOR THE HOLIDAYS

The Municipal Yard will be closed for drop-off, DPW offices will be closed and refuse and recycling will not be collected on

- Thursday, November 26, and Friday, November 27
- Thursday, December 24, and Friday, December 25
- Friday, January 1, 2016

The Municipal Yard will be open to accept drop-off materials on

- Saturday, November 28
- Saturday, December 27

Please note the holiday schedule below and plan ahead to set out your refuse and, if appropriate, recyclables by 7:00 a.m. according to this modified schedule.

Be aware that a snowstorm may further alter this collection schedule.

Thanksgiving Holiday Schedule

If Your Regular Collection Day Is

Monday, November 23
Tuesday, November 24
Wednesday, November 25
Thursday, November 26
Friday, November 27

Set Out Your Refuse and/or Recyclables On

Monday, November 23
Monday, November 23*
Tuesday, November 24*
Wednesday, November 25*
Monday, November 30

Monday, November 30
Tuesday, December 1
Wednesday, December 2
Thursday, December 3
Friday, December 4

Tuesday, December 1
Tuesday, December 1*
Wednesday, December 2*
Thursday, December 3*
Friday, December 4

Christmas and New Year Holiday Schedule

If Your Regular Collection Day Is

Monday, December 21
Tuesday, December 22
Wednesday, December 23
Thursday, December 24
Friday, December 25

Set Out Your Refuse and/or Recyclables On

Monday, December 21
Monday, December 21*
Tuesday, December 22*
Wednesday, December 23*
Saturday, December 26

Monday, December 28
Tuesday, December 29
Wednesday, December 30
Thursday, December 31
Friday, January 1

Monday, December 28
Monday, December 28*
Tuesday, December 29*
Wednesday, December 30*
Thursday, December 31

*Refuse and recycling collections are affected by weeks with a holiday. Crews may work ahead or fall behind the normal route schedule during these weeks. Any refuse or recyclables not collected should be made available on the next scheduled work day.

As always, questions regarding your collection may be directed to the Sanitation and Street Division at (414) 302-8800 or the Recycling Office at (414) 302-8831, weekdays from 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. or by viewing information on the City's website at www.westalliswi.gov.



The West Allis City Hall, Public Works-Municipal Yard, Health Department, and Senior Center will be **closed** on the dates noted below in observance of the following holidays:

Thanksgiving Day

Thursday, November 26

Day After Thanksgiving Day

Friday, November 27

Christmas Eve

Thursday, December 24

Christmas Day

Friday, December 25

New Year's Day 2016

Friday, January 1, 2016

See Page 7 for Library Holiday Hours.

NOTE: The Municipal Yard is closed for drop-off and there will be no refuse and recycling collection on the dates noted above. Crews may work ahead or fall behind their normal collection during these weeks.

City of West Allis Offices are **open** for:

Columbus Day

(observed Monday, October 12)

Veterans Day

(Wednesday, November 11)

PROPERTY TAX ASSISTANCE

Assistance is available from the agencies listed below for those that may struggle to make their tax payments.

- **Property Tax Deferral Loan Program** (WHEDA – PO Box 1728, Madison WI 53701-1728). This program allows low and moderate income elderly homeowners and veterans to convert home equity into income to pay property taxes. Call 1-800-755-7835 for more information.
- **Homestead Credit** (Wisconsin Department of Revenue – PO Box 8949, Madison WI 53708-8949). This program allows low or moderate income earners a tax benefit. Qualifying persons can get back some or all of their state taxes withheld. Call (608) 266-8641 for more information.

Call the Wisconsin Department of Revenue at (608) 266-2486 to see if you qualify for these credits or others. Contact the agencies listed above for a list of the full requirements and if you qualify. These programs are not administered by the City of West Allis.

FALL NEIGHBORHOOD CLEAN UP

Saturday, October 10, 2015

9:00 a.m. to Noon

West Allis Police Department Substation
6900 W. National Ave.

This year's fall, citywide cleanup is taking place on Saturday, October 10, at 9:00 a.m. Volunteers meet at the West Allis Police Department's Substation and are provided with supplies and assignments. After the cleanup, all are invited back to the Substation for lunch. In addition to volunteers, we are in need of cleanup supplies, such as paint, paint rollers, work gloves, and environmentally-friendly graffiti removal chemicals. If you are able to donate your time or supplies, please contact the Community Services Bureau at (414) 302-8050.

Lastly, if you know someone responsible for graffiti (or any other crime), the WA-WM Crime Stoppers offers rewards of up to \$1,000 for information leading to their arrest. You do not have to give your name when providing information on the Crime Stopper Tip-Line, (414) 276-CASH (2274).

Come out and enjoy a fun-filled morning while helping clean up West Allis. Your participation is greatly appreciated!

2015 FALL YARD WASTE COLLECTION

Residents may place yard waste materials such as flowers, vines, weeds, thatch, garden debris and leaves into the curb line of the street for collection from **Sunday, September 13, through Sunday, November 8, 2015**. Do not place materials in the curb line at any other time.

- Do not place materials for collection in drainage ditches, alleys, refuse containers, ash boxes or piles in your yard or driveway. Rake them into the street along the curb line forming a windrow (long low pile).
- If you do not have a curb on your street, place your materials along the roadway in a windrow.
- Open air burning of yard waste is not permitted in West Allis.
- To help prevent materials from blowing around, wet them down.
- Do not park vehicles along the curb line near or over yard waste piles.
- Do not place brush, woody plants and grass clippings in the yard waste windrows.
- Remove pots and soil from plants before placing in the curb line.

Help City workers help you. Following these guidelines will provide residents of West Allis with better, faster and more efficient yard waste collection service. If you have any questions about this collection service, call the Sanitation and Street Division at (414) 302-8800, Monday through Friday, from 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

PACE CAR PROGRAM

The West Allis Police Department's Community Services Bureau is piloting a new program called "The Pace Car Program." The Pace Car Program is a citizen-based traffic calming initiative that promises to slow traffic and reduce car use. The mission of this program is to make West Allis a safer place to walk, drive and bike within our neighborhoods and on city streets.



By joining the Pace Car Program, you voluntarily sign up and pledge to:

- Drive within the speed limit.
- Stop for pedestrians.
- Stop at all stop signs.
- Stop at all red lights.
- Drive courteously.
- Reduce car usage and explore alternative methods of transportation.
- Display a Pace Car Sticker on your vehicle.

Not only do Pace Car participants set the example by adhering to the speed limit, they literally set the pace for other vehicles driving behind them. Citizens who commit to the Pace Car Pledge agree to display the West Allis Pace Car Program sticker on the back window of their vehicle. This sticker is designed to alert other motorists to be mindful of the designated speed limit.

For more information about the Pace Car Program, contact the Community Services Bureau at the West Allis Police Department's Satellite Station at (414) 302-8050.



ELECTRONICS RECYCLING PROGRAM

It has become increasingly difficult to properly dispose of electronics such as computers, televisions and cell phones that are banned from Wisconsin landfills. In an effort to help West Allis residents, the City began a PILOT program to dispose of these items.

There is a \$20 fee for certain items. This program may be discontinued at any time, so you may wish to call before loading your items and bringing them to the Municipal Yard.

For more information about the program, visit the City's website at www.westalliswi.gov or call the Recycling Office at (414) 302-8831 or the Sanitation Office at (414) 302-8800 weekdays from 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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CITY BEAUTIFICATION AWARDS

See the City's web site at www.westalliswi.gov for this year's video highlighting the winners of the Commendable Property, Patriotic Display and Best Porch awards. The video is available from the home page of the web site.



HALLOWEEN IN THE PARK

Saturday, October 24, 2015

4:00-8:00 p.m.

Area 3 of Greenfield Park
(Enter park from Lincoln Avenue)

The Community Alliance Against Drugs (C.A.A.D.) and the WA/WM Recreation Department, in cooperation with the West Allis Police Department, are sponsoring Halloween in the Park, a family event with hayrides, campfires, music and more. There will be hot dogs, hot chocolate, soft drinks, popcorn and S'more kits available at very reasonable prices.

Call the Community Services Bureau at (414) 302-8050 for more information.



MEET 'N TREAT

Meet 'n Treat in West Allis will be Saturday, October 31, 4-7 p.m. Parents are reminded to closely supervise their children's activities, inspect all treats carefully, and take precautions in areas of vehicular traffic.

As a reminder, all residents are encouraged to light their porch/post light if they are participating in Meet 'n Treat. Parents and children are asked to respect those places where the light is not lit by not stopping at that location.

REMEMBER THE VETERANS

The City of West Allis Celebrations Committee is once again sponsoring a "Remember the Veterans" project for the holidays. The project honors veterans from the VA who do not have families by satisfying their modest gift requests.

The process is simple. Stop by City Hall beginning November 18 and pick a star from the Veterans' Christmas Giving Tree in the main lobby, purchase the requested gift, and return the unwrapped gift to the Mayor's Office by Wednesday, December 16.

For more information, call (414) 543-0587.

COMMUNITY BREAKFAST OF THANKS & GIVING

The West Allis Community Improvement Foundation is once again sponsoring a Community Breakfast of Thanks & Giving on Monday, November 23, at 7:15 a.m. Location and Speaker to be announced.

This event is an expression of the community's spirit of thanks and giving and is an opportunity to help the less fortunate in our community. Proceeds from the breakfast are donated to West Allis food pantries. In 2014, over \$2,300 was raised and 200 people attended the Breakfast.

For further details, visit www.westalliswi.gov or call (414) 302-8292.



CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING

The City of West Allis Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Program is scheduled for Saturday, December 5, 4:00-4:30 p.m., at City Hall, followed by the West Allis Christmas Parade. Come join us for Christmas carols, a community sing along, and lighting of the Christmas Tree.

HOLIDAY FOOD COLLECTION

BENEFITS FOOD PANTRIES

Once again, the City is sponsoring a holiday food pantry collection as part of its Christmas Tree Lighting Program. West Allis children are invited to drop off a non-perishable food item at City Hall or the West Allis Public Library and put their name in the entry box for a chance to have it drawn as the child who will light the Christmas Tree with the Mayor on Saturday, December 5.

Join in the fun and help a needy cause. Items will be accepted October 19-November 11.

WEST ALLIS CHRISTMAS PARADE

The 2015 West Allis Christmas Parade will be held on Saturday, December 5, following the 4:30 p.m. Christmas Tree Lighting at City Hall.

Volunteers are needed to help with the parade line up and along the parade route. Convertibles for the parade are also needed. If you are interested in helping out or if you would like more information, call Barb at (414) 302-8300.

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NEW YEAR'S EVE FAMILY NIGHT

The Community Alliance Against Drugs (CAAD), in cooperation with the West Allis Police Department, invites you to a New Year's Eve Party!

Ring in the New Year with us at West Allis Central High School, 8516 W. Lincoln Ave., on Thursday, December 31, from 6:30-11:00 p.m. for a fun-filled evening of concessions, raffles, inflatable attractions, basketball, swimming, music and a balloon drop at 11:00 p.m.

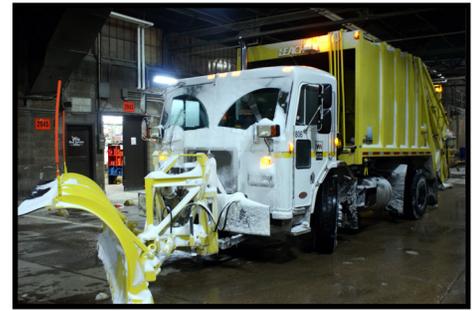
The event is free for CAAD members, and there will be a small entrance fee for non-members and guests. All concessions will be at very reasonable prices.

To learn how to join CAAD, or for more information, call the Community Services Bureau at (414) 302-8050.

SNOW EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

****Revised September 2013****

- When approximately three inches of snow falls in a storm, the Department of Public Works usually plows all City streets and alleys.
- A "SNOW EMERGENCY" is declared through radio or television announcement when a full scale plowing operation is initiated.
- Once declared, **all parking is prohibited on major emergency thoroughfares only for the duration of the emergency.**
- For residential parking, normal alternate side parking would be allowed during declared snow emergencies. Past practice of staying on the same side of the street for the duration of a declared snow emergency has been **eliminated**. Regular residential parking restrictions would apply for all overnight parking.
- Snow emergency regulations shall supersede all other overnight parking regulations for the duration of the snow emergency.
- On certain streets other than emergency thoroughfares where one side of the entire block is permanently posted NO PARKING AT ANY TIME year-round, parking will be allowed on the opposite side during the declared snow emergency regardless of the calendar date on which the emergency is declared.



EMERGENCY THOROUGHFARES

- S. 60 St. from South City Limits to North City Limits
- S. 66 St. from W. National Av. to W. Burnham St.
- S. 67 Pl. from W. Beloit Rd. to W. Rogers St.
- S. 68 St. from South City Limits (South of W. Arthur Av.) to W. National Av.
- S. 69 St. from W. Becher St. to W. Lincoln Av.
- S. 70 St. from W. Mitchell St. to North City Limits
- S. 76 St. from North City Limits (North of W. Pierce St.) to W. Oklahoma Av.
- S. 81 St. from W. Greenfield Av. to W. National Av.
- S. 84 St. from W. Oklahoma Av. to W. Schlinger Av.
- S. 88 St. from W. Lincoln Av. to 500 feet south of W. Lincoln Av.
- S. 90 St. & W. Hayes Av. from W. Lincoln Av. to S. 92 St. (includes Hospital Emergency Intersection)
- S. 92 St. from W. Oklahoma Av. to North City Limits
- S. 100 St. from W. Madison Pl. to W. Schlinger Av.
- S. 101 St. from W. Madison Pl. to W. Greenfield Av.
- S. 108 St. from North City Limits to W. Morgan Av.
- S. 113 St. from W. Greenfield Av. to W. Lapham St.
- S. 116 St. from W. Lincoln Av. to S. Curtis Rd.
- S. 124 St. from North City Limits to W. Morgan Av.
- W. Becher St. from S. 67 Pl. to dead end west of S. 99 St.
- W. Becher Pl. from W. Burnham St. to S. 67 Pl.
- W. Beloit Rd. from East City Limits to W. Oklahoma Av.
- W. Burnham St. from East City Limits to S. 66 St.
- W. Cleveland Av. from S. 84 St. to S. 124 St.
- S. Curtis Rd. from S. 116 St. to North City Limits (W. Fairview Av.)
- W. Electric Av. from W. Lincoln Av. to East City Limits
- W. Greenfield Av. from S. 56 St. to S. 124 St.
- W. Lapham St. from S. 108 St. to S. 113 St.
- W. Lincoln Av. from East City Limits to S. 124 St.
- W. Madison Pl. from S. 100 St. to S. 101 St.
- W. Mitchell St. from East City Limits to S. 71 St.
- W. National Av. from East City Limits to S. 124 St.
- W. Oklahoma Av. from East City Limits to S. 116 St.
- W. Schlinger Av. from S. 100 St. to S. 84 St.
- W. Theo. Trecker Way from S. 116 St. to S. 108 St.

SNOW COURTESY
 As a courtesy to your neighbors, please do not blow, plow, shovel or otherwise deposit snow or ice from your property onto their property. It is a small request, but a greatly appreciated one.

DON'T BURY THE HYDRANT

The Water Utility requests that when shoveling snow, don't bury the fire hydrant. Instead, be sure to open a substantial area around it to make it accessible in case of an emergency.

A fire hydrant is a silent sentry constantly at the ready in case of a building fire. The Fire Department has maps showing the location of each hydrant. Should an emergency arise, the Fire Department is able to locate the hydrant nearest the fire and relay this information to the responding trucks.

Unfortunately, maps do not show whether or not a hydrant is buried in snow. Therefore, for your own protection, as well as your neighbors, don't bury the hydrant in a snow bank.

TIPS FOR SNOW REMOVAL FROM YOUR PROPERTY

- Snow should be removed from the public sidewalk to a width of at least three feet within 24 hours of the ending of a snowfall.
- The area around fire hydrants and catchbasins should be cleared.
- Curb ramps, the portion of the public sidewalk that leads to the street crosswalk area, are considered a portion of the public sidewalk and therefore should also be cleared.
- If ice has formed, sand, salt or other abrasive materials should be applied to prevent slipping hazards.
- Failure to remove snow from the public sidewalk and curb ramp can result in a municipal citation and the property owner paying all expenses associated with the City removing the snow.
- Shoveling, plowing or blowing snow or ice from your property onto the roadway or alley is subject to a fine.

The West Allis Senior Center is located at 7001 W. National Ave. Hours are Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. Phone: (414) 302-8700.

Membership at the West Allis Senior Center is open to anyone age 55 or older. Fees are \$15 residents, \$20 nonresidents.

Hunger Task Force's Stockbox Program is dedicated to providing healthy foods to low-income older adults who meet residency, age, and income guidelines. Call "211" to see if you qualify for this monthly box of nonperishable foods.

Area Agency on Aging – Senior Nutrition Programs. For West Allis residents age 60 and over. Nutritious, balanced hot lunches are served weekly at 11:30 a.m. at the West Allis Senior Center, (414) 302-8703; and St. Aloysius Parish Center, (414) 840-1704. Suggested donation is \$2.50 per meal. Advance reservations required. Contact the senior meal sites directly or call the Area Agency on Aging at (414) 289-6995 for more information.

Senior Nutrition Program Gift Certificates Available. Certificate entitles bearer (age 60 or older) to one free lunch. Call (414) 302-8703 for more information.

Selected Events for October, November, December

Huge Indoor Rummage & Bake Sale. Thursday and Friday, October 8 and 9, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Donations accepted. Space available for rent (\$12/6 ft. table). Call (414) 302-8700 for further details.

Painting Parties. Learn basic acrylic painting techniques in these once a month Friday sessions. Held October 16, November 20, and December 11 from 12:30-3:00 p.m. Cost: \$10 Members/\$15 Nonmembers. All supplies provided; pre-registration required.

Dance, Dance, Dance. Tuesdays, 10:00-11:00 a.m. Move and enjoy music from the 40's, 50's, 60's and 70's!

Folk Dance Group. Ongoing beginner's sessions meet Wednesdays, 10:00-11:00 a.m. Wear comfortable clothing, and smooth non-rubber soled shoes recommended.

Arthritis Foundation's Exercise Class. Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings, 10:00-11:00 a.m.

Knit & Crochet Group. Wednesdays, 12:30-2:00 p.m. Learn how to knit or crochet, or bring in a project you've already started.

Volunteer Opportunities. Fitness Room check-in, Computer Lab Assistants, Greeters, Newsletter Collators, Craft Instructor, Piano Player, Chorus Director, special event helpers, etc.

Gifts of Warmth Program accepting donations of acrylic 4-ply and baby yarn used to make knitted and crocheted items for a variety of community projects and programs. Yarn donations may be dropped off at the Senior Center.

Learn Computer Solitaire, Spider and Mahjong. Wednesdays, Noon – 1:45 p.m.

Open Computer Labs. Monday (times vary); Tuesday/Wednesday, Noon-2:00 p.m.; and Thursday/Friday, Noon-3:00 p.m. Call (414) 302-8700 for more information.

Quilting Groups. Intermediate/Advanced Quilting Group meets Tuesdays, 9:00-11:00 a.m. 'Quilty' Pleasures Group for beginners meets Tuesdays, 12:30-1:45 p.m. Participants provide their own materials; sewing machines, rotary cutters and mats provided.



Public Health

Prevent. Promote. Protect.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE FLU SHOTS

A community flu clinic will be held on Friday, October 2, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at the West Milwaukee Community Centre, 1345 S. 47 St.

Extra evening flu clinic hours will be held at the West Allis Health Department, 7120 W. National Ave., from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. on October 6 and November 2. **Appointments are required.**

New this year! Additional opportunities to receive flu shots will be available on a walk-in basis at the West Allis Health Department, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. on Wednesdays, October 7, 14, 21, and 28.

Call the West Allis Health Department Flu Hotline at (414) 302-8670 for updates and additional scheduled clinics.

For any appointment, please bring your Medicare Part B card.

For additional information, please call the West Allis Health Department at (414) 302-8600.

COMMUNITY HEALTH ASSESSMENT

The West Allis Health Department is in the midst of developing the 2015-2016 West Allis-West Milwaukee Community Health Assessment. Using a process called MAPP (Mobilizing for Action through Planning and Partnerships), a community-driven strategic planning process for improving community health, the Health Department is gathering data to determine the health status of the community.

Four different assessments are included in the process:

1. Community Themes and Strengths – provides an understanding of the issues residents feel are important.
2. Local Public Health System Assessment – assesses the Health Department and entities that contribute to the public's health, specifically the Board of Health.
3. Community Health Status Assessment – identifies priority issues related to community health and quality of life.
4. Forces of Change Assessment – analyzes the positive and negative external forces that may impact the promotion and protection of the public's health within the next five years.

The purpose of the WAWM Community Health Assessment is to provide the City of West Allis and the Village of West Milwaukee with information regarding the health status of its residents. The assessment will serve as the basis for developing a five-year Community Health Improvement Plan.

WEST ALLIS FARMERS MARKET IS ON FACEBOOK

- The West Allis Farmers Market is now on Facebook.
- Up and running since June 2015, the site has over 1,600 likes!
- Please like us @ West Allis Farmers Market for great information and awesome recipes. Invite your friends to do the same.
- We have an award-winning Market and hope to make the Facebook page equally outstanding.
- Market hours are Tuesday and Thursday from 12:00-6:00 p.m. and Saturday from 1:00-6:00 p.m.
- Thanks for your support—see you at the Market!

LIBRARY NEWS

ALL AGES PROGRAMS

Star Wars Celebration

December 10, 6:30-8:30 PM

Come celebrate the release of the new Star Wars movie! This event will include a costume contest, trivia, crafts and more. Further information available in November.

International Games Day

Saturday, November 21, 1:30-4:30 PM

Board, card and video games in the Constitution Room.



CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Stop in the library for more details on any of the Children's programming.

Wonderful Ones, 9-23 months, Wednesdays, 9:30 AM

Toddling Time, 24-35 months, Wednesdays, 10:30 AM

Mother Goose at Night, 1-2 years old, Tuesdays, 6:30 PM

Storytime, 3-5 years old, Mondays, 10:00 AM OR

Tuesdays, 1:30 PM

These programs go through November 25; call or stop in to register.

Pajama Jam Storytime

Tuesday, December 1, 6:30 PM.

Book Club, Grades 1-3

October 22 and November 19, 7:00-7:45 PM

Books are available 3 weeks before the scheduled date at the check-out desk. Read the book before the meeting, and come for a discussion, snack and craft. Registration not required.

Tween Programs, Grades 3-5

October 8 and November 12, 4:00-4:45 PM

Kids do something new and exciting each month. Registration not required.

Lego Club, K5 and Older

Held the first Saturday of each month from 2:00-3:00 p.m.

Registration not required.

TEEN PROGRAMS

Friday Fun

September 25, October 23, November 20, December 18

3:30-5:30 PM

The Constitution Room is open after school for teens to hang out. Snacks, games and crafts offered.

Minute to Win It!

October 15, 7:00-8:00 PM

Are you up for a challenge? Stop by the library to stack pennies or knock down cups. You'll only have a minute to do the task.

Teen Events are open to teens, ages 12-18 or those students in grades 6-12, living in Milwaukee County. Unless otherwise noted, programs are drop in without registration. Check out the blog for more information about teen events @ the library: www.waplteens.blogspot.com

ADULT PROGRAMS

Getting Crafty

Mondays, October 19, November 16; Tuesday, December 8, 7:00 PM

Projects include Book Page Bracelets, Destination Sign Book Ends and a Holiday Gifts session. Free sessions limited to 25 participants, ages 18+. Register at the Reference Desk or call (414) 302-8500.

Free T'ai Chi Class with Jim Beyer

Tuesday, October 6, 6:30 PM

Medicare/Extended Care Basics

Thursday, October 8, 6:30 PM

Join presenter Mike Huff for an informational program about Medicare and Extended Care programs.

Budgeting 101 Presented by the Wisconsin Women's Business Initiative

Tuesday, October 20, 6:30 PM

Learn practical ways to create a saving and spending plan.

Five Ways to Make Exercise a Part of Your Life

Tuesday, November 3, 7:00 PM

Personal trainer Ricky Grabow discusses real life strategies to help develop healthy habits.

Film and Discussion: Wisconsin's Nazi Resistance--the Mildred Fish-Harnack Story

Monday, November 9, 6:30 PM

This 2011 documentary takes a provocative look at a Milwaukee-born University of Wisconsin graduate who became the only American woman ever executed on the direct order of Adolf Hitler for her involvement in the Berlin resistance movement.

Recipe Exchange: Holiday Edition

Tuesday, November 17, 6:30 PM

Bring your favorite recipes to swap and share with others. Attendees are invited to bring samples of their favorite recipes though it's not required.

FALL/WINTER COMPUTER CLASSES @ THE LIBRARY

The library is once again offering computer classes ranging from Computer Basics, Resume Writing and Online Job Searching to an eBook class. If you're new to computers or just need help brushing up on some computer skills, be sure to check out our list of classes.

HOLIDAYS/CLOSINGS

The library will be CLOSED the following days:

Thursday, November 26

Friday, November 27

Sunday, December 20

Thursday, December 24

Friday, December 25

Sunday, December 27

Friday, January 1, 2016

Thanksgiving

Friday after Thanksgiving

Sunday before Christmas

Christmas Eve

Christmas Day

Sunday after Christmas

New Year's Day

The library will close at 5:00 PM on Thursday, December 31.



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For further information, call 414/302-8292 or visit website at www.westalliswi.gov

A CONNECTED NEIGHBORHOOD IS A SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD

Residents are encouraged to take an active role in their neighborhood.

The City of West Allis and West Allis Police Department (WAPD) have presented several opportunities in recent years to work toward greater engagement with citizens and strengthen neighborhoods throughout our community. We have an active Block Watch Program and rolled out a Neighborhood Association Program last year. Most recently, a program was started for those with security cameras on their property to connect to the WAPD. To most effectively identify and prevent criminal activity in our community, it is critical for residents and police to work together in any way possible. The national slogan "see something, say something" is supported in our city, and all residents and visitors are encouraged to contact the police if they see anything or anyone suspicious.

The City of West Allis is a very safe community for both residents and visitors; however, like any urban area, crime does occur and we are dedicated to doing everything within our control to reduce/prevent crime and disorder in the city while continuing to make West Allis a great place.

Contact the WAPD Community Services Bureau at (414) 302-8050 to learn about the various programs available or to provide suggestions for how we can further serve our community and increase engagement between residents, city officials, and the police. Also check out the city website www.westalliswi.gov, nextdoor.com, and the WAPD and City Facebook pages.

Information provided by Mayor Devine and Police Chief Padgett

CHRISTMAS TREE DONATION PROGRAM



Do you or someone you know want to have an evergreen tree removed from a property in West Allis? The City of West Allis is looking for donations of Christmas trees to be used as displays in boulevards, as well as for boughs in the City Hall Christmas display and in other planting beds throughout the city. Donated trees will be removed at no cost to the homeowner.

The City's Forestry Division will remove the tree and grind the stump (if location is accessible by City equipment). There are no height requirements for the trees, but they must be accessible by either the street or alley with no overhead utility conflicts. Property owners will be required to sign a release if the City has to use the driveway to access the tree.

Selected trees will be harvested the week of Thanksgiving, weather permitting. Only a handful of trees will be selected, but trees can be placed on a waiting list to be used in future years or as an alternate.

Help the City create a memorable display this holiday season. To submit your tree for consideration, call the Forestry Division at (414) 302-8811 or go to the City's web site at www.westalliswi.gov/treedonation and complete the online form.



The West Allis – West Milwaukee Community Coalition wants WAWM youth to have a SAFE homecoming celebration and school year! Go to www.wawmcc.org to join the Coalition or for more information and Resources.

The West Allis Celebrations Committee would like to thank the following sponsors for their generous support of this year's Independence Day Celebration.

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| Bevsek-Verbick Funeral Home | Schaff Funeral Service |
| Community Alliance Against Drugs | Waukesha County Community Foundation/WaterStone Bank |
| Dawes Crane Rental | West Allis Animal Hospital Inc. |
| Empower Credit Union | West Allis Auto Club |
| Heritage-West Allis | West Allis Dental Care, LLC |
| John Stibal | West Allis Woman's Club |
| Judge Paul Murphy | West Allis Woodworkers Club |
| Landmark Credit Union | |

Thanks to everyone that contributed to the success of our Parade, Post Parade Party and Grandstand Show and the people who attended these events. Your support is greatly appreciated!

- VISIT YOUR STATE FAIR PARK**
- State Fair Park holds many events and activities throughout the year.
 - Visit www.wistatefair.com for real time event information.

West Allis D O W N T O W N

Greenfield Avenue from 70th to 76th Streets

414-774-2676

www.WestAllisDowntown.com

**SUNDAY,
OCTOBER 4, 2015**

**SHOW TIME:
10 A.M. - 3 P.M.**



Over 450 Classic Cars – Music - Food
Non-perishable Food Drive “Help Us Fill the Van”
50/50 Raffle raising money for Two Lives, One Heart

Fun for the Whole Family!! Free Admission!!

12:30pm: Hot Wheels Race Time

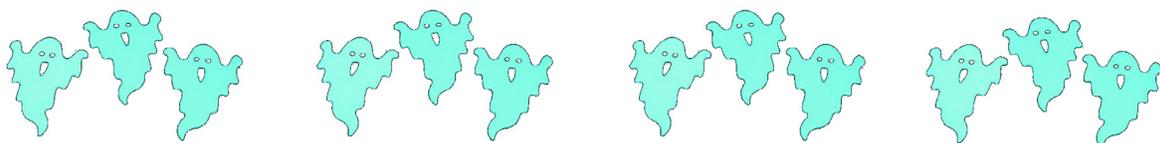
(Bring your favorite “Hot Wheels” car and race against the best)



**SATURDAY,
OCTOBER 31, 2015
10 A.M. - 12:00 NOON**

- Come in costume and receive treats from the Downtown West Allis merchants!
- Donations of non-perishable food items will go to a local food pantry.
- Registration and food item drop-offs at various locations along Greenfield Ave.
- Open for ages: infant – 12 year olds, accompanied by an adult.

For more information on either event or future events,
check our website @ www.WestAllisDowntown.com,
email us at promotions@downtownwestallis.com, or call 414-774-2676.



West Allis D O W N T O W N

*Greenfield Avenue from 70th to 76th Streets
Saturday, December 5, 2015*



CHRISTMAS *on the Avenue*

1:30-3:30pm: Downtown Activities
4-4:30pm: Community Sing / Tree Lighting
West Allis Community Christmas Parade to follow!

West Allis Downtown Activities include:

- Artwork of WA/WM School children
- Crafts, Games and Door Prizes
- Music
- Hay rides
- Veterans' Giving Tree
- Bring your camera and capture the memories
- Free Family Fun!

*Start the Holiday
Season in
West Allis
Downtown!*

Breakfast or Lunch With Santa @ Mis Suenos: Call: 414-763-5150 for information

Community Sing / Tree Lighting (Centennial Park Plaza-City Hall: 7525 W. Greenfield Ave.)

West Allis Community Christmas Parade

*This year's parade theme is: "A Picture Perfect Christmas"
Parade Route: Greenfield Avenue from 81st to 65th Street*



CITY OF WEST ALLIS

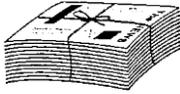
"Recycling for the Future"

HOW TO RECYCLE

(Suggestion: Post on your refrigerator or next to your garbage can.)

State Law and City Ordinance require that all residents separate the following materials for recycling. Prepare recyclables as shown below.

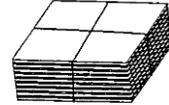
NEWSPAPERS AND MAGAZINES



- Bundle or put in separate paper bags
- Flattened cereal boxes or other boxboard
- Only put out full bags for collection

CORRUGATED BOXES

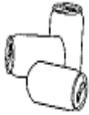
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- FLATTEN
- Cross-tie in 2'x2'x8" bundles with heavy cord or twine
- No pizza, food-soaked or waxed boxes*

ITEMS FOR OFFICIAL PRESTO® BLUE BAG-place all of these items in the same blue bag

ALUMINUM



- Rinse thoroughly
- FLATTEN cans
- Clean foil and trays accepted

*NO FOOD RESIDUE ON FOIL OR FOIL TRAYS

GLASS



- Rinse thoroughly
- Discard lids, caps and rings
- Bottles and jars only
- Avoid breaking

*NO WINDOWS, MIRRORS, BROKEN GLASS, DISHES OR LIGHT BULBS

PLASTIC



- Rinse thoroughly
- #1, #2, #4 and #5
- Containers and lids-no bags

*NO USED OIL CONTAINERS, PLASTIC BAGS OR HAZARDOUS WASTE CONTAINERS

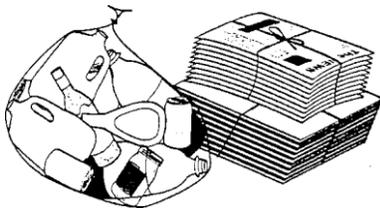
STEEL/TIN CANS



- Rinse thoroughly
- FLATTEN, if possible

*NO HAZARDOUS WASTE, AEROSOLS OR PAINT CANS

*These items may still be put in the regular trash.



- Do not place blue bag in garbage can for collection.
- Place blue recycling bag and recycling bundles at the curb or alley edge by 7 a.m. on your regular refuse collection day, every other week, according to the recycling schedule.
- Keep recyclables separate from the regular refuse.
- Do not use the blue bags for refuse.
- Set out recyclables only when necessary.

To find out your collection day or for more information, see the City's web site at www.westalliswi.gov or call the Sanitation Office at 302-8800 or the Recycling Office at 302-8831.

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CITY OF WEST ALLIS - RECYCLING INSTRUCTIONS

WHY BAGS INSTEAD OF BINS OR CARTS?

The bag-based recycling system is the most cost-effective method of collecting recyclables. Bags provide these benefits:

- More efficient to collect
- Expandable to handle excess recyclables
- Protect materials from blowing away
- Easier to carry than bin
- No need to distribute/maintain inventory
- Cost of carts would have been over \$1 million

WHERE CAN I BUY THE BAGS?

At the time of this printing these retail stores carried the official "blue bags" in Presto® brand cardboard boxes. You may wish to call before traveling to the store to make sure the bags are in stock. Ask a store clerk if you cannot locate the bags.

- Ace Hardware – 11003 West Oklahoma Avenue
- CVS – 7552 West Oklahoma Avenue
- CVS – 9220 West Greenfield Avenue
- Menards – 2535 South 108 Street
- Pick & Save – 6760 West National Avenue
- Pick & Save – 2625 South 108 Street
- Piggly Wiggly – 10282 West National Avenue
- Rupena's – 7641 West Beloit Road
- Walgreens – 6101 West Greenfield Avenue
- Walgreens – 8333 West Greenfield Avenue
- Walgreens – 10725 West Greenfield Avenue
- Walgreens – 2677 South 108 Street
- West Allis Foods – 5909 West Lincoln Avenue

HOW IS MY REFUSE COLLECTED?

Refuse and recycling are picked up by separate crews, generally on the same day of the week. Refuse is collected **weekly** at the curb or alley edge. Recycling is collected **every other week** at the curb or alley edge. Collections may be affected by holidays and snow emergencies.

WHAT IF I DON'T RECYCLE AND PUT RECYCLABLES INTO MY REFUSE?

Wisconsin Law and West Allis ordinance prohibits the landfilling of any recyclable. If your refuse has recyclables in it, the refuse will not be collected and you may be subject to a fine.

WHAT KIND OF PLASTICS WILL BE COLLECTED?

#1, #2, #4 and #5 plastic containers and lids can be recycled- no plastic bags. Look for the recycling triangle on the bottom of the plastic container; the number is inside the triangle.



CAN I RECYCLE OTHER TYPES OF PLASTICS?

Plastic containers coded #3, #6 and #7 (such as Styrofoam®) should be discarded with the regular refuse. The City is not required to collect these difficult-to-recycle materials. Do not recycle plastic store bags, toys, buckets, flower pots, or dishes.

CAN I RECYCLE ANY OTHER PAPERS?

The City also collects mixed paper curbside. Items such as unwanted mail and thin cardboard boxes (cereal boxes, soda cases, etc.) may be placed with your newspaper and magazines for pick-up on your recycling day. NO paperboard egg cartons, trays or dishes.

CAN I RECYCLE WITHOUT USING THE BAGS?

Yes. The Municipal Yard at 6300 West McGeoch Avenue (between Beloit and Becher) accepts recyclables. There are separate containers for paper and metal/glass/plastic.

Municipal Yard Hours (closed Holidays):

- 7:15-3:00 - Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday
- 7:15-5:00 - Wednesday
- 8:00-3:30 - Saturday

2015 RECYCLING CALENDAR

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2015 YARD WASTE AND BRUSH COLLECTION

Yard waste is leaves, weeds, thatch, flowers, vines and other non-fruit or vegetable matter.

PLEASE DO:

- ONLY place yard waste in the street at the curb-line during the **spring collection** from **April 5 thru April 19** and the **fall collection** from **September 13 thru November 8**.
- Remove soil and pots from potted plants before placing in the street at the curb-line.

PLEASE DON'T:

- Put yard waste in the street at the curb-line except during spring and fall collection times.
- Put grass clippings in the street.
- Put yard waste in bags, boxes or containers in the street.
- Mix brush into yard waste piles; they clog the street sweeper brooms.
- Dispose of with regular refuse.

Brush is branches from trees and shrubs and trimmings from bushes (woody material).

The City will pick up **1½ cubic yards** of brush from the curb on your recycling day from **March 23 - October 2**.

Brush **will not be picked up** during the holiday weeks of **May 25, June 29 and September 7**.

PLEASE DO:

- Cut brush into lengths of 5 feet or less.
- Bundle brush pile and place between the sidewalk and curb.
- Put smaller pieces of brush in a box or can marked "brush."
- For pick up, call the Sanitation and Street Division at **414-302-8800**.

PLEASE DON'T:

- Put brush in bags.

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NO brush collection during **BOXED** holiday weeks.

Spring Yard Waste Collection

Fall Yard Waste Collection

*****ID REQUIRED*****

Municipal Yard

6300 West McGeoch Avenue
Between Beloit Road and Burnham Street

(414-302-8800 and 414-302-8831)

- 7:15 - 3:00 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday
- 7:15 - 5:00 Wednesday
- 8:00 - 3:30 Saturday

DROP-OFF AT THE MUNICIPAL YARD

FREE

- Motor Oil/Antifreeze
- Household Refuse
- Recyclables: Paper, Glass, Aluminum, Plastics #1, 2, 4, & 5
- Brush
- Yard Waste

CHARGE

- Construction Debris
- Tires without rims
- Asphalt/Concrete
- Sod/Ground
- Stone

CLOSED

- January 1, 2015
- September 5 & 7
- May 23 & 25
- November 26 & 27
- July 4
- December 24 & 25
- January 1, 2016

*****ID REQUIRED*****

Morgan Avenue Yard
3601 South 116 Street
South of Morgan Avenue

May 26 to September 4

- 7:30 - 2:30 Monday
- 7:30 - 7:00 Tuesday through Friday
- 8:00 - 3:30 Saturday

September 8 to October 9

- 7:30 - 2:30 Monday through Friday

DROP-OFF AT THE MORGAN AVE. SITE

FREE

- Yard Waste
- Brush

CHARGE

- Sod/Ground
- Asphalt/Concrete
- Stone

NOT ACCEPTED

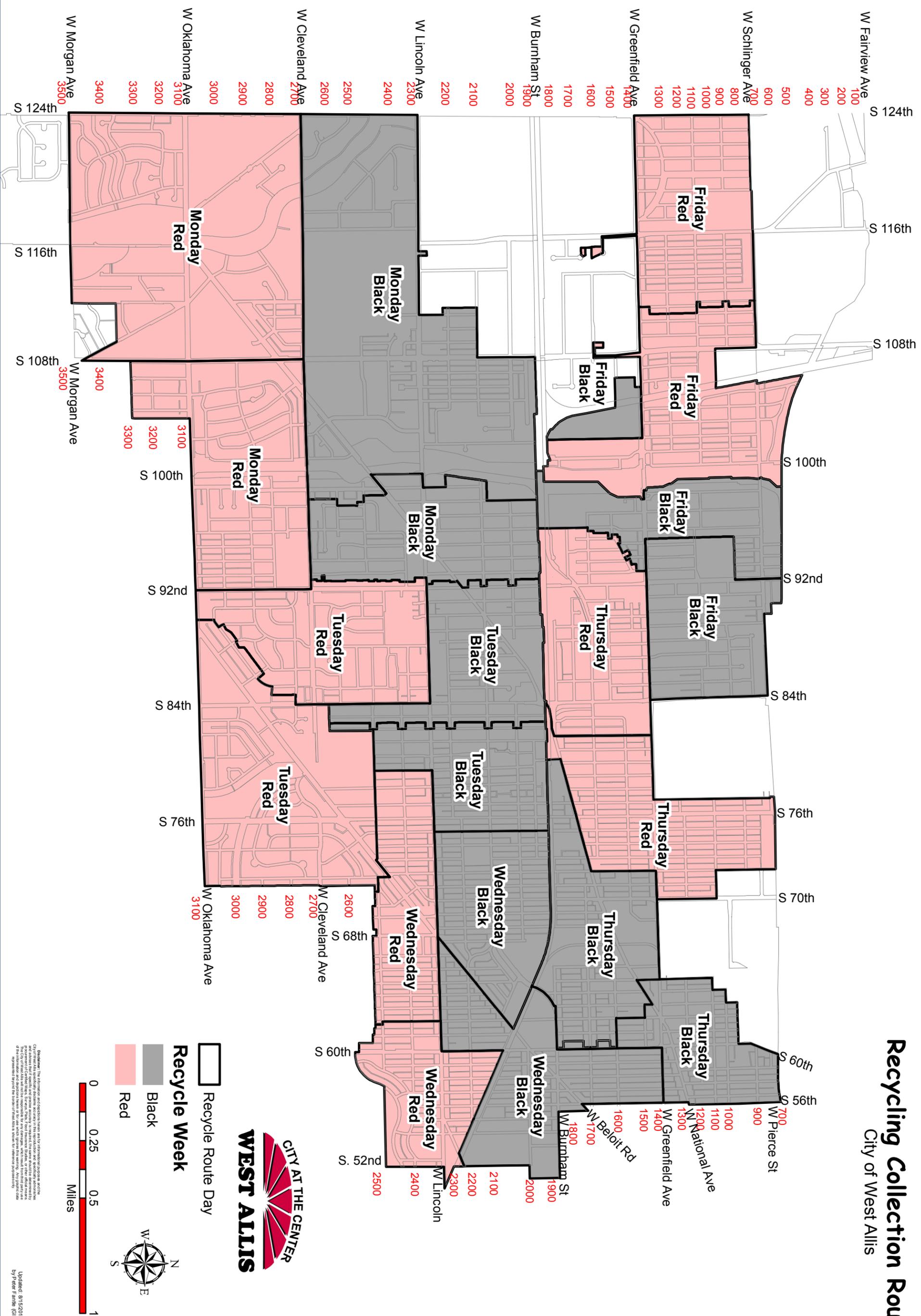
- Household Refuse
- Recyclables
- Construction Debris
- Motor Oil/Antifreeze
- Tires

CLOSED

- July 4
- September 5 & 7
- October 10, 2015 through May 30, 2016

Recycling Collection Routes

City of West Allis



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Recommended Preventative Health Screenings

BETTER HEALTH CARE



These are general recommendations, your health care provider may suggest an alternate screening schedule to meet your individual health needs.

Updated October 2015

Health Screenings (test) for healthy adults

Service	19 to 39 years	40 to 64 years	65 years and over
Routine Health Exam	Every year		
Vision screening to check for eye problems	Every 5-10 years	Every 2-4 years	Every 1-2 years
Blood pressure to check for high blood pressure	At least every 1-2 years		
Body mass index (BMI) to check for obesity	Check during routine health exams		
Cholesterol screening to check for blood fats	As your doctor suggests	Every 5 years starting at age 40	
Colorectal cancer screening to check for colorectal cancer	Not applicable	For ages 40-49, as your doctor suggests. Beginning at age 50, talk to your doctor about these tests: 1. Fecal occult blood test (FOBT) every year 2. FOBT every year with sigmoidoscopy every 5 years 3. Colonoscopy every 10 years	
Glucose screening to check for blood sugar	Screening based on risk	Every 3 years starting at age 45 and more frequently if at risk for diabetes	
Dental	Every 6 months		
<i>Your health care provider may also suggest additional screenings based on your personal health history and risk.</i>			

Health Screenings (tests) for healthy women

Service	19 to 39 years	40 to 64 years	65 years and over
Pelvic exam for Pap test to check for cervical cancer/HPV	Starting at age 21, screen every 3 years; starting at age 30, screen every 3-5 years or as your doctor suggests		As your doctor suggests
Mammogram to check for breast cancer	Starting at age 40, as your doctor suggests	Every year, or as your doctor suggests	
Breast exam by doctor	Every 1-3 years	Every year	
Self breast exam/breast self-awareness to check for breast changes	Monthly		
Chlamydia screening to check for chlamydia, a sexually transmitted disease	Every year through age 24 for sexually active non-pregnant women; every year beginning at age 24 if more than 1 sex partner		
Bone density test to check for bone loss	Not applicable	Screening based on risk	Every 2 years
Hematocrit or hemoglobin test to check for blood count	Every 5 years while menstruating, or as your doctor suggests.		

Health Screenings (tests) for healthy men

Service	19 to 39 years	40 to 64 years	65 years and over
Prostate-specific antigen (PSA/DRE) to check for prostate cancer	Not applicable	As your doctor suggests	
Abdominal ultrasound to check for abdominal aortic aneurysm (swelling of a large blood vessel around the stomach area)	Not applicable		Once, for those ages 65-75 who have ever smoked
Testicular self-exam	As your doctor suggests.		



A primary care provider helps you manage all areas of your health



A primary care provider **UNDERSTANDS YOU** and your personal medical history

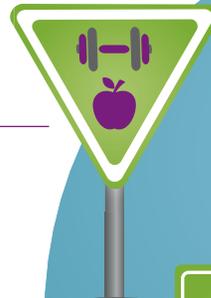


A primary care provider is **YOUR CONNECTION** to specialty care when needed

A path to **BETTER HEALTH CARE**



Take charge of your health



MAKE HEALTHY LIFESTYLE CHOICES
exercise, control your weight, quit smoking, eat healthy



UNDERSTAND what your health insurance covers



TAKE MEDICATIONS as directed – talk to your doctor if you make any changes



KEEP A CURRENT LIST of all your prescription and over-the-counter medications



Get regular health screenings and **CHECK-UPS**

CHOOSING THE RIGHT SERVICES CAN SAVE YOU TIME AND MONEY



OFFICE VISITS/PRIMARY CARE/ SAME DAY APPOINTMENTS

- provide annual check-ups and preventive care
- help manage conditions such as asthma, diabetes and high blood pressure
- treat minor medical concerns such as cuts, rashes and earaches



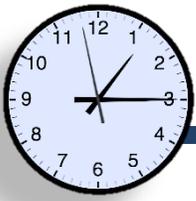
WALK-IN AND URGENT CARE CLINICS

- treat illnesses or injuries that need medical care but are not life-threatening
- offer extended morning, evening and weekend hours for when your regular doctor is not available



EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT

Emergency care is meant for serious and life-threatening medical conditions. If a situation is dire or life threatening, it's important to call 911.



Now is the Time to Plan for Emergencies

The time to plan is NOW for an emergency. Unfortunately emergencies often seem to occur most unexpectedly. So being ready ahead of the disaster makes perfect sense.

Be prepared for every season. Whether it is snow, floods, tornadoes, lightning, power outages, fires, heat, drought, chemical spills or any other unforeseen disaster, it's best to be prepared ahead of time.

Disaster Preparedness is as Easy as 1, 2, 3, 4

1. WHAT ARE THE DISASTER RISKS IN YOUR AREA?

Do you know:

- How to prepare for each type of disaster likely in your area?
- What type of community warning signals we have and what they sound like?
- How to help the elderly, people with special needs, and pets?

**Snow ■ Floods ■ Tornadoes ■ Lightning ■ Power Outages
■ Fires ■ Heat Drought ■ Industrial/Transportation Accidents**

2. MAKE A FAMILY DISASTER PLAN

- Plan what to do in an evacuation and choose a family meeting place
- Consider taking a first aid and/or CPR class. Contact the American Red Cross, American Heart Association and Children's Hospital of Wisconsin for class times.
- Know how to turn off all of your utilities.
- Prepare an Emergency Contact Information Form – downloadable forms are available at www.ready.gov.
- Plan how to take care of your pets.
- As a family, watch the Emergency Preparedness videos produced by the City of West Allis Cable Department. Find them at www.westallis.wi.gov under the City Channel icon. Are You Prepared is a series of 4 videos (Severe Weather, What Can Happen, Extremes and Fire).



Preparedness Tips for Pets

- Stockpile at least 3 days of food and bottled water for each pet
- Include the usual, everyday food to avoid stomach problems
- Two week supply of any pet medication
- Store in watertight and pest-proof container
- Water bowl – extra-long leash, litter
- Current photo of each pet

Special Needs

Ensure that you have special items packed for your family's special needs.

- Nutritional Supplements
- Special utensils/tools
- Extra tubing or equipment
- Extra medication – rotate to avoid expiration
- List of resources/people to call
- Emergency information form for children with Special Needs
- Diapers, wipes, rash ointment
- Formula

3. MAKE A KIT TO BE PREPARED

Examples of Important Documents

(Make two copies of important documents and maintain in a waterproof, portable container. Keep originals in a safe deposit box)

- Immunization records
- Prescription information
- Birth, marriage and death certificates
- Contracts, deeds, stocks and bonds
- Passports, Social Security cards
- Veterinary records for pets, as well as pet photos
- Bank account numbers, credit card account numbers and company contact information



Examples of Medical and Health Supplies

- Prescribed medicines and supplies
- Alcohol-based hand cleaner, such as Purell®
- Medicines for fever and pain, such as acetaminophen and ibuprofen
- Diarrhea remedy, such as Pepto-Bismol® or Kaopectate®
- Throat lozenges
- Cough syrup containing Dextromethorphan
- Thermometer(s)
- Vitamins
- Scissors / Tweezers
- Fluids with electrolytes, like Gatorade® and Pedialyte®
- First Aid kit and manual



Examples of Other Emergency Supplies

- Feminine supplies
- Flashlight
- Portable radio
- Batteries for flashlights, radios, games, thermometers
- Manual can opener
- Plastic garbage bags
- Tissues and toilet paper
- Entertainment – games, crafts, books, movies, etc.
- Supplies for persons with special needs – the elderly or disabled
- Some extra cash



Examples of Non-Perishable Foods

- Canned meats, such as tuna, chicken and turkey
- Canned beans, fruits, vegetables, soups
- Protein or fruit bars
- Dry cereal or granola
- Dried fruit
- Peanut butter and jelly
- Nuts and trail mix
- Crackers
- Comfort food, including cookies, candy, instant coffee, tea bags
- Canned juices
- Bottled water



4. ONCE YOU HAVE YOUR PLAN – PRACTICE AND MAINTAIN IT

- Review your family disaster plan every six months
- Test your smoke alarms every month
- Talk to children about emergencies so that do not seem quite so scary
- Rotate stock of perishable items
- Check expiration dates periodically



Resources

- Build a Kit www.ready.gov/build-a-kit
- Federal Emergency Management Association (FEMA): www.fema.gov
- Videos on Getting Ready for Disasters from Grover: www.sesameworkshop.org
- Sign up to receive monthly preparedness tips from FEMA Federal Emergency Management Agency – text PREPARE to 43362 (4 FEMA)

BUSINESS

FIRST

News from THE CITY OF WEST ALLIS

Fall 2015

Renaissance Center receives Wisconsin Economic Development Association's 2015 Real Estate Redevelopment and Reuse Award



Photos by Jim Moy, Moy Photography

On August 28, WEDA (Wisconsin Economic Development Association) presented their 2015 Real Estate Redevelopment and Reuse Award to Van Buren Management for their excellent redevelopment and reuse contribution to Wisconsin's economy. Located at 801 S. 60 St. at the city's prominent northeastern gateway, the Renaissance Center (known to many as the former Sam's Club), has undergone a dramatic architectural transformation from a vacant, underutilized 120,000 sq. ft. space into a state-of-the-art office complex. The property owner, Van Buren Management, and the City of West Allis partnered through a creative financial package to allow for drastic building improvements and the construction of a 650-vehicle parking structure in order to attract Johnson Control's Unity Division. Financing of the project came through the use of \$18 million in private investment and \$26 million in New Markets Tax Credits (NMTCs), which equates to approximately \$6.4 million in equity from FIRE, which is the City's community development regional entity. The redevelopment of the Renaissance Center contributed an astonishing \$20.8 million of new taxable value over the last two years. The renovation also brought over 1,000 new jobs to the City between Johnson Controls and other tenants.

COMING SOON TO WEST ALLIS

Ka-Bobs

Mark Lutz, owner of the West Allis Cheese and Sausage Shoppe, purchased the property at 6801 W. Becher St. and is partnering with longtime West Allis resident Bob Nicholson to create "Ka-Bobs."



Ka-Bobs will offer a menu for sit-down dining, featuring American meals with a southwest and Mediterranean influence. The restaurant is expected to accommodate around 40 patrons.

A building renovation is being conducted to enhance the long-time vacant space, which consists of approximately 3,000 sq. ft. The City recently approved the plans and liquor license and is assisting the project through a Commercial Façade Grant under the City's Community Development Block Grant Program. The storefront will include new street to ceiling windows with canvas awnings. The façade improvements will create a welcoming destination enhanced through ornamental lighting.

WHAT'S HAPPENING



- The Hampton Inn & Suites will be opening in October.
- The Ultimate Salad Bar has opened at 10922 W. National Ave.



- Four new tenants have been secured for the former HUB Chrysler site on Hwy 100:
 - AT&T
 - Pie Five Pizza
 - Jersey Mike's Subs
 - Elements Massage



West Allis DOWN TOWN

TIMES ARE CHANGING

In the past year, West Allis Downtown has not only seen a lot of positive changes, we have welcomed two new antique shops to the area. Antique shops such as **Uncle Ned's** and stores that are "Do It Yourself Friendly" are up-and-coming, and we're happy to welcome them to our community.

We recently welcomed **Marvelous Mailboxes** to our eclectic group of businesses. Previously located in Downtown Menomonee Falls, Marvelous Mailboxes creates and sells unique mailboxes and provides mailing services.

West Allis Downtown also strives to make the atmosphere on Greenfield Avenue inviting and comfortable. Numerous property owners in our Downtown, including **Freese's Candy**, have made improvements to their buildings, including new facades and outdoor dining.



*Uncle Ned's
1412 S. 73 Street*



*Marvelous Mailboxes
1412 S. 72 Street*



*Proposed new façade for Freese's Candy and Kirby
Vacuum 7308/7312 W. Greenfield Avenue*

SPOTLIGHT BUSINESS

CORVINA
WINE COMPANY



Corvina Wine Company, which opened November 2012, is a unique retail wine source located at 6038 W. Lincoln Ave. A family run business by Frank LaSusa II and Joseph LaSusa, Corvina offers a wide variety of wine, both classic and contemporary from around the world.



Frank LaSusa II



Joseph LaSusa

The LaSusa's trace their history to three generations ago, when Francesco LaSusa and his wife Mary immigrated to West Allis from Sicily and opened an Italian grocery store to pursue their American dream. The LaSusa family became well known in the community, and like many neighborhood stores, offered personalized service with a sense of family.

In the spirit of their great grandparents' hard work and perseverance, brothers Frank and Joe LaSusa transformed the store into an extraordinary fine wine boutique. Wine is their passion, and for the LaSusa's, the Corvina Wine Company is a dream realized.

The City recently approved a planned fall expansion of the business that includes a private wine tasting room, a tasting bar and additional retail space. Outside seating is being added to offer a new experience to compliment a wine offering.

West Allis West Milwaukee Chamber of Commerce



*Diane Brandt with Chris Wood,
Bob Brill & Rick Tourtillott.*

Chr. Hansen, Inc.

Chr. Hansen, Inc located at 9015 W. Maple St. in West Allis, develops natural ingredient solutions for the food, pharmaceutical, nutritional and agricultural industries. The Wisconsin Safety Council and the West Allis/West Milwaukee Chamber of Commerce were present on July 22 to re-present the Corporate Safety Award Chr. Hansen, Inc. won for their outstanding safety achievements in 2014. The Corporate Safety Awards are put on by the Wisconsin Safety Council and the Department of Workforce Development. Chr. Hansen, Inc. was originally honored for their safety excellence at the 2015 Wisconsin Safety & Health Conference and Exposition held in Wisconsin Dells on April 22.



Shop To Carry On

Carrie Lenz is a creative individual, and that is reflected in her store, **Shop to Carry On**, located at 11045 W. National Ave. This fairly new business was welcomed to the West Allis business community and has quickly impacted the area. The business was recently honored with the West Allis 2015 Beautification Award for "Most Patriotic" by the City of West Allis Beautification Committee. Carrie Lenz offers over 39 years of custom floral design for all occasions for both homes and business interiors. Shop To Carry On is a "Shop Local, Shop Small" destination boasting 25 local artisans. The store provides an array of soaps, teas, jewelry, garden art, fine pottery and many other hand-made arts. Monthly, the store hosts Girl's Nites Out and will feature home-based businesses. Carrie Lenz was thrilled with the recent beautification award and is excited for everyone to see the store's Christmas decorations.



School District News

First Week of School 2015



Dear West Allis-West Milwaukee Community,

It has been an amazing summer filled with getting to know new people and a new community. I am excited as the new school year begins and I look forward to meeting our community members whether you're a parent, an employee, or a resident/tax payer of the West Allis-West Milwaukee School

District. If you see me at an event or out in the community please take a moment to introduce yourself and say hello.

This school year we will continue to focus on building relationships with our students and parents to support learning, and use high quality teaching to personalize learning based on what each student needs. The combination of quality relationships and engaging instruction helps all of our students succeed and keep the WAWM Schools a great place to educate your children.

Even though there are many great things going on in our schools, we have some challenges. This past August the School Board was presented updated budget projections for the 2015-16 school year. Unfortunately, we are projecting just over a \$4 million shortfall for the upcoming budget. While this is not good news it is our intention to be transparent and open with our tax payers about this information and the challenges we are facing. It's also important to explain how we are working to balance the budget for 2015-2016.

Several years ago the WAWM School District participated in an investment with the intentions of using the dividends to support retirement benefits. The investment failed and our District, along with several others, filed a lawsuit to reclaim our lost investment money. We were successful in winning this lawsuit, but the judgment is still in the appeals process and we have not received the repayment of these funds. This year, we need \$2.6 million to cover these costs.

Our revenue limit this year is that same as last year but like all households, costs go up. We are projecting increased costs such as heat, electricity, which makes up that balance of our gap.

In order to help us balance the budget the following actions will take place:

- Closing the Classroom Café at the Administration Building.
- Reduce Board member salaries by half.
- Reduce school and District department budgets by five percent.
- Use grant dollars to support portions of salaries where positions include grant responsibilities.
- Freeze travel and conference participation not associated with grant requirements, compliance activities, or teacher training tied to school improvement plans.

In the coming months our administrative team and School Board will work together to identify additional areas where money can be saved and costs can be reduced.

Even though these will be tough fiscal challenges to solve, I am confident that by working together we will be able to move through this while maintain and improving all of the great learning that takes place in WAWM schools every day. This is a great place to work and learn and we thank you for sending your students to our schools and we thank our entire community for your ongoing support.

Dr. Marty Lexmond



Attendance Area Committee Progress

This summer, the WAWM Attendance Area Committee (ACC) worked to define and gain consensus regarding the placement of 4K and the configuration of grades 5-8. The committee submitted a proposal that reflects its desire to have 4K students attend their local elementary schools. In addition, it was the consensus of the committee that 5th grade students remain at the elementary level. The proposal was submitted to School District administration who will develop a detailed plan and communicate the plan with the committee prior to presenting it to the School Board. Currently, the committee is working to develop an inter-district transfer policy that ensures balanced and predictable enrollments for each school in the District.

Communicating with your School Board

The WAWM School District School Board welcomes and encourages communication with Board members. You can contact a Board member by telephone or email found on the District website. Board members may respond or forward your questions to the Board President for a response.

You can communicate with the School Board directly on the second and fourth Monday of each month during the public comment period of each board meeting. The Board does not respond to your comments during the meetings because discussion items must be publicly noticed. Questions raised at regular board meetings will be addressed in writing or at the next scheduled regular board meeting.

WAWM selected for Academic and Career Planning (ACP) Initiative

Professional educators in the WAWM School District will continue to work with students and their families this school year to help them plan academic and career exploration activities that will prepare students for the future. ACP is based on the student's interests, abilities, values, and goals. The ACP initiative honors all postsecondary routes, including military, apprenticeship, certification, technical college, and university education and recognizes that people often move in and out of different routes throughout their lives as needed.

The WAWM School District is one of 25 WI public school districts selected for the ACP pilot during the 2015-16 school year. Pilot districts are expected to implement ACP practices and processes and serve as models as all districts in the state begin providing academic and career planning services. The WAWM School District has been doing many activities related to ACP such as conferencing, career exploration, career interest inventories, etc. and will continue to integrate these services into a seamless system of ACP delivery.

ACP requires everyone to support students in the process. The WAWM School District looks forward to working together with students, parents, city officials, postsecondary administrators, local organizations, local businesses, employment agency's, and others to be successful in this initiative.

VETERANS & ACTIVE DUTY
PERSONNEL

**FREE
ADMISSION**

TO CENTRAL VS HALE
FOOTBALL & BASKETBALL
GAMES

September 18 - December 15 - February 3



Must present Military ID or Veteran ID



Registration is underway for all fall activities. We encourage all West Allis and West Milwaukee residents to try a class this fall. Please visit our website at www.wawmrec.com.

McKinley Park Update: You are invited to visit our outdoor fitness stations at McKinley Park (1000 S. 72nd St.). The outdoor fitness stations will be available starting in October for use during park hours. The stations are geared toward users age 12 and older all the way to our senior residents.

Warrens Cranberry Fest Trip, Saturday, September 26th; West Allis Players Present "Barefoot in the Park" October 2nd, 3rd, 9th, 10th at 7:30pm and October 11th at 2:00pm at West Allis Central.

