

Newsletter



July, August & Sept. 2012



HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

The West Allis City Hall, Municipal Yard, Health Department, and Senior Center will be closed for the following holidays:

Independence Day

Wednesday, July 4

Municipal Yard and Morgan Site closed for drop-off on Wednesday, July 4. No refuse and recycling collection on Wednesday, July 4.

Labor Day

Monday, September 3

Municipal Yard and Morgan Site closed for drop-off on Saturday, September 1, and Monday, September 3. No refuse and recycling collection on Monday, September 3.

Collection crews may work ahead or fall behind their normal collection during these weeks.

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2012 NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

National Night Out (NNO) is an annual crime prevention event designed to strengthen neighborhood spirit, show support for local crime prevention efforts, and send a message to the criminals that neighborhoods are organized and will not tolerate crime.



Community Festival – July 23

Farmers Market, 65th & National Ave., 5-9 P.M.

Once again, Aurora West Allis Medical Center is the major sponsor of National Night Out. Many family-fun activities are offered at a low cost, including DJ music from Eagle Entertainment, clown balloon art and face painting, a bicycle safety program (free bike helmets for bicycle registration), several large inflatable attractions for children/teens, a rock climbing wall, train rides for small children, and many children's challenge games.

The Police Department will display its Harley Davidson motorcycles, Segways, graffiti abatement pressure washer, and other attractions. The Fire Department will be on hand with its interactive hose spray challenge, several City departments will offer informational displays and interactive demonstrations, and a large health and wellness fair offering for those who wish to speak in person with healthcare professionals at no cost. Food items will be available for a low cost, and the West Allis Police Reserves will host their very popular Chicken BBQ. Event held rain or shine.

Neighborhood Block Parties – Tuesday, July 24

Neighborhood activities are held from 7-9:30 p.m. The Police Motorcycle Unit, McGruff the Crime Dog, and Fire Department personnel will visit over 60 block parties.

Remember, think about crime prevention on a daily basis -- be aware, be alert, and report all suspicious activities to the Police Department. For more information, please call the Crime Prevention Bureau at 302-8050.

West Allis Police Reserve Chicken BBQ

On Monday, July 23, the West Allis Police Reserve will hold its 39th Annual Chicken BBQ in conjunction with the National Night Out event at the West Allis Farmers Market. The dinners consist of ½ spit roasted chicken, baked beans, potato salad, roll & pickle for \$8.00. Drive-thru service starts at 4 p.m., and walk up sales run from 5 p.m. until all dinners are sold. Come early as these dinners sell out EVERY year! Tickets available at the West Allis Police Dept. or at the event starting at 4 p.m.



Block Watch Captains Wanted

The West Allis Police Department is looking for additional Neighborhood Block Watch Captains. For additional information, please contact the Crime Prevention Bureau at (414) 302-8050. All new Block Watch Captains receive a free family membership to CAAD (Community Alliance Against Drugs), a \$20 value.

CLERK/TREASURER NEWS

Partisan Primary

Tuesday, August 14, 2012, is election day for the Partisan Primary.

Pay Taxes and Water Utilities by E-Check or Credit Card

Pay your tax bill by e-check (*automated checking withdrawal*) or credit card (Internet or telephone 855-288-0677). On www.westalliswi.gov, choose Property Search, enter your address or tax key, and select Pay Tax from the drop down box. For credit card payments, enter the 9 digit tax ID with the leading zeros in the payment entry screen. A 2.5% processor fee applies.

Pay your water utility bill by e-check (*automated checking withdrawal*) or credit card (Internet or telephone 855-288-0678). On www.westalliswi.gov, choose Property Search, enter your address or tax key, and select Water/Sewer billing from the drop down box and pay water bill online. A \$4.95 processor fee applies for up to \$400.

Pay Parking and Other Citations by Credit Card with lower fees

Pay parking or other citations by credit card (Internet or telephone 855-288-5238). On www.westalliswi.gov, choose E-Services and select pay parking and other citations online. Fees starting at \$3.95 go to the processor, Paymentus.

FREE MULCH

Mulch, which is ground up tree branches, is available on a self-serve basis when the gates are open at the City's Morgan Site. Bring your own shovel and container.

NEWSLETTER

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TUESDAYS MUSIC IN THE PARK

Sponsored by C.A.A.D.

The Community Alliance Against Drugs (C.A.A.D.), in cooperation with the West Allis Police Department, will host four *Tuesdays Music in the Park* events on June 26, July 10, August 7, and August 21. These events are free, family friendly, and are hosted at the West Allis Police Department Satellite Station, 6900 W. National Ave., 6:30-8:30 p.m. Pizza and soda available for a nominal fee. Call (414)302-8050 for more information.

2012 SUMMER BAND CONCERTS

Generous sponsors have allowed the summer band concert tradition to continue in West Allis, and for this the City and community are sincerely grateful.

All concerts will be held at Veterans' Memorial Park, South 70 Street and West National Avenue. Concerts begin at 7:00 p.m. and last until approximately 8:30 p.m. Bring your own lawn chair.

DATE	BAND	SPONSOR
June 21	Jeff Winard - Polka	Summit-City Realty, LLC
June 28	North Country – 50s and 60s, rock and roll, rockabilly and country	Tri City National Bank
July 12	Steve Meisner – Polka	Chr. Hansen, Inc.
July 19	Ed Hause – Polka	Quad/Graphics, Inc.
July 26	Keith Gennerman – Polka	Unit Drop Forge Co., Inc.
August 2	Mike Schneider – Polka	The Landmark of West Allis
August 9	Rain Date	
August 16	Rain Date	

- Please remember, the concerts can be cancelled at the last minute in the event of foul weather or other conditions beyond the City's control.
- Information regarding concert status will be posted each Thursday afternoon on signs around the park.
- Please see the City's web site (www.westallwi.gov) or call (414)302-8833 for information on band concert rain dates.
- Do not park in the auto shop's parking lot. Use the lot by Police Sub-Station or street parking.

THIRD THURSDAY ART CRAWLS

Third Thursday Art Crawls in the Downtown West Allis Business Improvement District (DWA-BID) started in May and June and will continue in July, August, and September. Thursdays--July 19, August 16, and September 20--will have at least twelve stops along Greenfield Avenue where you can enjoy artwork and/or music. The Art Crawls are a monthly event through the summer mixing artwork, artists, music, shopping, and fun.

Businesses within DWA-BID, located on Greenfield Avenue between 70th and 76th streets, will offer drink specials, hospitality, prizes, and most importantly, local art. For more information, contact the DWA-BID office at (414) 774-2676.

BREAKFAST OF CHAMPIONS

The West Allis Community Celebrations Committee cordially extends an invitation to the citizens of West Allis to join a special event to honor West Allis high school senior scholars, musicians, and athletes.

Date: Tuesday, July 3, 2012
Time: 8:00 a.m.
Where: City Hall Centennial Park Plaza
Cost: \$8.00 by June 26 (tickets may be purchased at City Hall or Recreation Dept.)
Sponsor: City of West Allis

See the white insert for the complete Independence Day Celebration Schedule.



7TH ANNUAL SETTLERS WEEKEND

Saturday, August 25, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Sunday, August 26, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

The Historical Commission of the City of West Allis is hosting the 7th Annual Settlers Weekend at the Historical Society grounds, 84th & National Avenue. This annual event highlights the history of West Allis up to becoming a city in 1906.

Visit with mountain men, trappers, and Civil War re-enactors. Enjoy the food, entertainment, local craftspeople, and the 1848 log schoolhouse. Admission and parking are free.

For further information, call (414)545-7679.
Come join us. It'll be fun!



Contacting Diggers Hotline to locate buried lines before beginning an excavation project is free to homeowners. State law requires homeowners and professionals to contact Diggers Hotline at least three working days (not Saturday, Sunday, or legal holidays) before doing any excavation work. Plan ahead! The call center is open 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. If you damage a buried line without calling Diggers Hotline, you are responsible for the damage caused plus a fine of up to \$2,000.

For more information, visit www.diggershotline.com or call 811 or 800-242-8511.

If the homeowner must excavate in the walk to curb area, they should also contact the Department of Public Works' Water Division at (414) 302-8830 and request that all City utilities in the walk to curb area in front of their property be marked.

DIAL BEFORE YOU DIG. It could save your life.

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT NOTICE

Upon reasonable notice the City will furnish appropriate auxiliary aids and services when necessary to afford individuals with disabilities an equal opportunity to participate in and to enjoy the benefits of a service, program or activity provided by the City.

NON DISCRIMINATION STATEMENT

The City of West Allis does not discriminate against individuals on the basis of race, color, religion, age, marital or veterans' status, sex, national origin, disability or any other legally protected status in the admission or access to, or treatment or employment in, its services, programs or activities.

LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY STATEMENT

It is the policy of the City of West Allis to provide language access services to populations of persons with Limited English Proficiency (LEP) who are eligible to be served or likely to be directly affected by our programs. Such services will be focused on providing meaningful access to our programs, services and/or benefits.

POLLUTED URBAN RUNOFF - EVERYBODY'S PROBLEM

Concern over urban runoff in recent years has resulted in the City of West Allis increasing its efforts to minimize the problems associated with runoff. What is runoff? Quite simply, runoff is rain water or water from melting snow that flows off a surface rather than being absorbed. Since urban areas are highly developed and therefore have a high amount of paved and other impervious surfaces, there is a disproportionately high amount of water runoff in urban areas when compared to rural areas. The problem with all of this runoff water is that it frequently contains a variety of pollutants that eventually end up in streams, rivers, and lakes. Typical urban pollutants include sediment, nutrients, oxygen demanding materials, bacteria, and toxic pollutants such as heavy metals.

To minimize the amount of pollutants entering into the storm sewer system and eventually being transported to Lake Michigan, the City has implemented a rather intensive street sweeping program. Using both mechanical sweepers and vacuum sweepers, major thoroughfares are swept weekly and residential streets are swept biweekly. In addition, the City has stepped up its efforts to remove debris that collects in the sumps at the bottom of street catch basins. Finally, a recently passed ordinance requires larger scale developments and/or redevelopments in the City to prepare and have approved a stormwater management plan for the parcel.

While these types of large-scale activities undertaken by the City will make some impact, every resident can also assist in dealing with this problem. Here are some ways an individual can help: recycle oil; direct home downspouts onto lawns where the water can be absorbed; rather than hosing down a driveway, sweep paved areas to keep waste and debris out of street catch basins; keep your car tuned and repair leaks; limit fertilizer and pesticide use; leave grass clippings on your lawn; clean up your pet waste; dispose of toxic waste properly; wash your car on the lawn or at a car wash to prevent the soapy water from entering street catch basins; and, consider constructing a rain garden.

Urban runoff pollution is something that each and every one of us must make a conscious effort to control. Our efforts today will ensure clean water for years to come.



Public Health
Prevent. Promote. Protect.

West Allis Health Department

HOW DOES YOUR GARDEN GROW?

Do you love planting flowers or watching vegetables sprout from tiny little seeds? If you have any interest in gardening whatsoever, the West Allis Community Garden Committee wants to hear from you!

Gardens have an amazing ability to bring people together for a common good. Whether you want to help plan a garden or actually help install one, we have a spot for you.

The West Allis Community Garden Committee meets monthly on the first Tuesday of the month from 3:30 to 5:00 p.m. in the West Allis Library's Constitution Room. The Committee exists to create and support school and community gardens in both West Allis and West Milwaukee. Soon, we will see a rainbow of beautiful fruits, vegetables, and flowers adorning our city streets, yards, and green spaces. So, let's get growing!

Volunteers are always needed, so please consider joining the West Allis Community Garden Committee. If you are interested or have any further questions, please call (414) 870-0554 or email Rebstock13@gmail.com. Monetary donations are also gladly accepted.

LOVING TOUCH INFANT MASSAGE

The West Allis Health Department will hold its next scheduled Loving Touch Infant Massage Class on Wednesday, September 12, and Thursday, September 13, at the Health Department, 7120 West National Avenue from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Participants will learn the many benefits of infant massage while practicing this gentle art in a very supportive, relaxed atmosphere. The class is facilitated by a certified infant massage instructor. Class fees to be collected at the first class are \$10 for West Allis-West Milwaukee residents and \$20 for non-residents. Fees include both days of instruction as well as all hand-out material and surprise giveaways.

Bring a mat or blanket and dress comfortably as class is held sitting on the floor. Infants must be no more than 6 months of age. Class size is limited, so please register early. Call the West Allis Health Department at 302-8600 to assure a spot for you and your little bundle. We can't wait to meet you!

SECOND ALDERMANIC DISTRICT LISTENING SESSIONS

Second District Alderpersons Cathi Probst and Marty Weigel will host three Listening Sessions on Wednesday, August 1, Thursday, September 6, and Thursday, November 8. Sessions begin at 7:00 p.m. and will be held in the West Allis Public Library's Constitution Room.

Those interested in receiving email notices about "2nd District Happenings" should email Ald. Probst at cprobst@westalliswi.gov.

For further information, please contact Ald. Probst at cprobst@westalliswi.gov or (414) 687-3129.

RAT PREVENTION TIPS



Signs of an Infestation

- Live or dead rats spotted on the property.
- Burrows - Rats usually live in nests underground (see picture above).
- Rodent droppings: rat droppings are one-half inch and pointed at both ends. They are found near the burrow opening.
- Gnawing: signs of gnawing or irregular holes in plastic, wood, or rubber materials.

Rat Prevention Tips

- Eliminate food sources outside: Rats will eat cat, dog, and bird food, dog feces, garbage, and rotting/fallen produce from gardens or fruit trees.
- Don't give rats a home: keep junk and debris out of the yard, keep yard free of overgrown brush, weeds, grass, etc.
- Cut off their water supply. Dump pails, unused flower pots, toys or equipment in which water can accumulate (standing water also provides a breeding area for mosquitos during the summer months).
- Seal all access points to keep them out of your home: holes and cracks larger than 1/2 inch in walls, roofing, garage doors, foundations, etc.

For more information, contact the West Allis Health Department at (414)302-8600.

2012 HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

Remaining mobile collection sites for household hazardous waste include:

State Fair Park, Gate 8 (off 76th Street)
Friday, October 12, 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Saturday, October 13, 8 a.m. - 2 p.m.



Permanent sites open year around include:
Milwaukee:

City of Milwaukee Self Help Station, 3879 West Lincoln Avenue
(Open to all Milwaukee County residents for Household Hazardous Waste)

Hours:
Thursday, Friday and Saturday - 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Closed: August 31, November 22 and 23

For more information on other mobile and permanent collection sites, call (414)225-2066 or visit www.mmsd.com.

RESIDENTIAL WATER USER CROSS-CONNECTION HAZARDS

Maintaining the integrity of your public drinking water system.

Did you know...

Your water can become contaminated if connections to your plumbing system are not properly protected! The purpose of the local Cross-Connection Control Program, as required by State Plumbing Code and Regulations, is to ensure that everyone in the community has safe, clean drinking water.

Public Health & Safety...

To avoid contamination, backflow preventers are required by state plumbing codes wherever there is an actual or potential hazard for a cross-connection. The Wisconsin DNR requires all public water suppliers to maintain an on-going Cross-Connection Control Program involving public education, onsite inspections, and possible corrective actions by building owners if required.

What is a Cross-Connection?

A cross-connection is an actual or potential connection between the safe drinking water (potable) supply and a source of contamination or pollution. State plumbing codes require approved backflow prevention methods to be installed at every point of potable water connection and use. Cross-Connections must be properly protected or eliminated.

How does contamination occur?

When you turn on your faucet, you expect the water to be as safe as when it left the treatment plant. However, certain hydraulic conditions left unprotected within your plumbing system may allow hazardous substances to contaminate your own drinking water or even the public water supply.

Water normally flows in one direction. However, under certain conditions, water can actually flow backwards; this is known as Backflow. There are two situations that can cause water to flow backward: back siphonage and backpressure.

Backsiphonage

May occur due to a loss of pressure in the municipal water system during a fire fighting emergency, a water main break or system repair. This creates a siphon in your plumbing system which can draw water out of a sink or bucket and back into your water or the public water system.

Backpressure

May be created when a source of pressure (such as a boiler) creates a pressure greater than the pressure supplied from the public water system. This may cause contaminated water to be pushed into your plumbing system through an unprotected cross-connection.

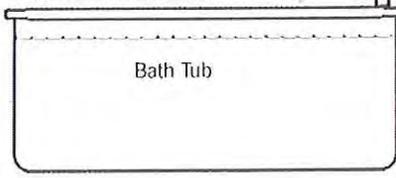
In the Bathroom - Hand Held Shower Fixture

The hand held shower fixture is compliant if:

- When shower head is hanging freely, it is at least 1" above top of the flood level rim of the receptor (tub)
- Complies with ASSE #1014
- Has the ASME code 112.18.1 stamped on the handle



1" Minimum AIR GAP Above Tub From Fixture Outlet

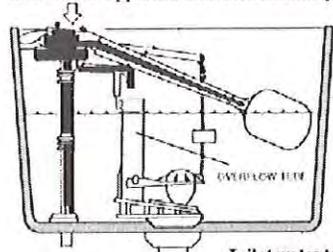


In the Bathroom - Toilet Tanks

There are many unapproved toilet tank fill valve products sold at common retailers which do not meet the state plumbing code requirements for backflow prevention.

- Look for the ASSE #1002 Standard symbol on the device and packaging
- Replace any unapproved devices with an ASSE #1002 approved anti siphon ball-cock assembly. Average cost is typically \$12 to \$22 at home improvement stores
- Verify overflow tube is one inch below critical level (CL) marking on the device

ASSE #1002 Approved Ball Cock Assembly



Toilet water tank

Insights to protect your drinking water

Do...

- Keep the ends of hoses clear of all possible contaminants.
- Make sure dishwashers are installed with a proper "air gap" device.
- Verify and install a simple hose bibb vacuum breaker on all threaded faucets around your home.
- Make sure water treatment devices such as water softeners have the proper "air gap", which is a minimum of one inch above any drain.

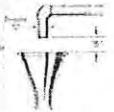
Hose bibb Vacuum Breaker



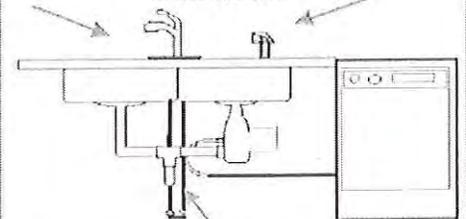
Don't...

- Submerge hoses in buckets, pools, tubs, sinks or ponds.
- Use spray attachments without a backflow prevention device.
- Connect waste pipes from water softeners or other treatment systems directly to the sewer or submerged drain pipe. Always be sure there is a one inch "air gap" separation.

Air Gap



In the Kitchen



Hoses and water treatment devices may create a potential backflow hazard if not properly isolated with backflow prevention methods.

WEST ALLIS MEDIATION CENTER

The West Allis Mediation Center is designed to assist individuals in the City of West Allis in settling disputes as an alternative to the legal system. The Center also helps to relieve the caseload burden placed on the courts and Police Department, thus enabling individuals to settle disputes faster. The Center helps resolve disputes between neighbors, friends, and family members. The mediation process is a voluntary process in which people with a dispute meet with a trained mediator. Types of cases handled include:

- Neighbor/neighborhood disputes
- Noise complaints
- Child/child disputes
- Landlord/tenant disputes
- Child/parent disputes
- Barking dogs
- Boundary disputes

Since the Mediation Center began in 1992, it has given the Police Department a place to send civil complaints or disturbance calls. The Mediation Center gives residents a speedy alternative to taking their complaint to court. Court cases can take several months, even years, while the Mediation Center is able to schedule the first meeting within two weeks.

For more information, contact the West Allis Mediation Center at (414)302-8064.



WEST ALLIS SENIOR CENTER NEWS

JULY, AUGUST & SEPTEMBER 2012



The West Allis Senior Center is located at 7001 W. National Avenue. Hours are Monday–Friday, 9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m. Closed Holidays and weekends. Phone: (414)302-8700, Fax: (414)302-8701.

Membership at the West Allis Senior Center is open to anyone age 55 or older. The new membership year begins September 1 and runs through August 31. Membership fees are \$12 for residents and \$17 for nonresidents. The Senior Center offers a wide variety of weekly classes and activities, along with many special events and informational programs throughout the year.

2012 S.A.F.E. Books. The West Allis S.A.F.E. Book (Senior Awareness, Focus on Help and Enrichment) contains a wealth of information for elders in the community. The books are free and available at the Senior Center, Library, or City Hall.

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

Transportation for Senior Citizens. The Lilac Bus transports area senior citizens to and from social events, entertainment, and local shopping areas. Group trips are planned monthly. Riders pay a nominal fee. Call (414) 302-8715 for more information.

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, 7001 W. National Ave., Phone: (414) 302-8703, and St. Aloysius Parish Center, 1441 S. 92 St., Phone: (414) 840-1704. Suggested donation is \$2.50 per meal. Advance reservations are required to guarantee your meal. For more information, contact the senior meal sites directly or call the Area Agency on Aging at (414)289-6995.

Selected Events for July, August, September
"Stay Strong, Stay Safe" - Two Senior Safety Seminars featured at this year's annual **Senior Government program.** Join us not once but twice on Tuesday, August 21, and Thursday August 23, at 1:30 p.m., for two important and timely programs. The August 21 seminar focuses on Falls Prevention and Medication Safety. The August 23 seminar will feature Fire Safety in Your Home and the best ways to protect your personal safety. Both seminars will educate and empower the audience to stay strong, stay safe, and avoid situations that can send you spiraling in the opposite direction. The public of all ages invited. Refreshments and door prize drawings included at both seminars. Call (414) 302-8700 for reservations.

Foxy Lady Yacht Cruise Tour. Cruise the Fox River in the Bay of Green Bay on Wednesday, August 22, aboard an 85 ft. luxury yacht. Enjoy the open air on the upper deck and front bow, or relax in the climate controlled comfort of the interior salons. After this relaxing cruise, it's off to Pine River Dairy for the best homemade ice cream. Tour cost is \$55 per person (includes motor coach, lunch, dessert, tours, and admissions). Motor coach is equipped with onboard restroom. Seating is limited; advance reservations required.

Huge Indoor Rummage & Bake Sale. The Senior Center will host an indoor rummage and bake sale Thursday and Friday, September 20 and 21, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Donations of "quality" rummage items accepted September 17-19. Indoor rummage space available for rent (\$12 per 6-foot table); please reserve your space in advance.

Arthritis Foundation's Exercise Class. Co-sponsored by the West Allis Senior Center, the class is an 8-week series of gentle, low impact, joint-safe exercises to help relieve stiffness and decrease arthritis pain. Classes meet for one hour, once a week at the Senior Center. Specific class dates and times vary; preregistration required. Call (414)302-8700.

Living Well With Chronic Conditions. This self-management workshop is for people with chronic illness. Empower yourself with the information and skills needed to increase the quality of your life. The workshop meets for 2 ½ hours once a week for six consecutive weeks. Call (414)302-8700 or (414)289-6352 for information on upcoming classes.

Support Groups: You Are Not Alone is a group for older adults who want to remain alcohol and drug free. Meetings are on Tuesdays, 1:00 p.m. **Depends on You—AA for the Older Adult** group meets Thursdays, 2:00 p.m. **"Beat the Blues,"** a weekly support group for individuals coping with grief, meets Wednesdays, 1:00 p.m.

JOIN US!

Come to the West Allis-West Milwaukee Coalition Meetings to:

- **Learn** about alcohol and drug abuse issues in the community.
- **Inform** the Coalition about your concerns regarding youth.
- **Eat** great food from Culver's West Allis.
- **Enter for a chance to win** a \$10 gift certificate from Antigua's Mexican and Latin Restaurant - 2 certificates raffled at each meeting.
- **Network** with our community partners and members.



Powerful Voices,
Positive Choices

Upcoming Coalition meetings will be held July 18, September 19, and November 21. Please call the Coalition Coordinator at (414) 604-3506 for more information. Hope to see you there!

FIRE SAFETY FOR OLDER ADULTS

The relative risk of Americans over the age of 65 dying in a fire is 2.6 times greater than that of the general population. The risk worsens as age increases. People age 85 and older die in fires at a rate 4.4 times higher than the rest of the population.

The leading cause of fire deaths in older adults is smoking, and the leading cause of fire injuries in older adults is cooking.

There are a number of precautionary steps older Americans can take to dramatically reduce their chances of becoming a fire casualty, including:

- Don't leave smoking materials unattended, and never smoke in bed.
- Never leave cooking unattended. Use a timer to remind you that you are cooking.
- Keep anything that can burn at least three feet away from heat sources, like portable space heaters, wood burning stoves, and fireplaces.
- Place a smoke alarm on every level of your home, including the basement, and both inside and outside bedrooms.
- Know at least two exits from every room. Make sure all doors and windows that lead outside open easily.

Children's Department Information

2012 Summer Reading Program
DREAM BIG, READ!, the summer reading program, continues through August 25. By reading library books and/or magazines, children can earn some or all of the following prizes: coupons to area attractions such as the Zoo, the Planetarium, the Public Museum, the Pettit Ice Center, and Wisconsin State Fair. After every 10 books or 200 minutes, participants receive a puzzle sheet, a grab bag raffle slip, and a sticker for the match game. Collect three matching stickers and turn the game card in for a chance to win one of the big prizes at the end of summer. The prize packages will be on display in the Children's Department.

Read 100 books or read for 2000 minutes and earn a paperback book and more. Sign up for the Summer Reading Program in the Children's Department. Read at your own pace. Children who are read to can also join.

Wednesday Programs

Numbers are available at the Children's Information Desk starting one hour before each program. A maximum of 100 numbers are given out per program. Preschoolers, with supervision, are welcome to attend the programs where all ages is indicated. All programs are free and are held in the Constitution Room.

See the Library Calendar for program times. Programs and performers this year include:

July 11 - Fox and Branch!

All ages.

July 18 - Magic Morgan & Lilianna All ages.

July 25 - Atwood Players "Good Night Stories" All ages.

August 1 - Kohl's Wild Theater "Reach of the Rain Forest"

All ages.

August 8 - Mary Tooley's Art in a Suitcase - "Going Batty"

Ages 4 and up.

August 15 - Ken Baron's Music Extravaganza! All ages.

Tuesday Evening Programs

All start at 7:00 p.m. Numbers are available starting one hour before the program at the Children's Information Desk. A maximum of 100 numbers are given out per program. Free.

July 10 - David Stokes "Creatures of the Night"

All ages.

July 17 - Kathy Luck "Small Creatures, Great Deeds"

All ages.

July 24 - Walt Smith Magic

All ages.

July 31 - Incredible Bats Are Here! Ages 4 and up.

Recyclable Craft Contest

Enter the recyclable craft contest and make your own original night animal using all recycled materials such as boxes, cans, foil, paper,

packaging, etc. It's okay to use markers, paint, tape, and glue. Recycle and add your imagination! Children ages 3 to 12 are eligible to participate and the entries are divided into 5 age categories. An official summer reading tee shirt is awarded to the top winners. Contest entries are accepted August 1-15. See the contest entry form for more details.

September Story Times

Advance registration is required for story times. Register in person or by calling (414)302-8502.

Lapsit Story Time for ages 9 months through 23 months

Mondays, September 10, 17, 24 9:30-10:00 a.m. Each 20-minute session consists of rhymes, fingerplays, books, and children's music. There will be an additional 10 minutes afterwards to play with age appropriate toys.

Happy Endings Story Time for ages 3 and under

Tuesdays, September 4, 11, 18, 25 6:30-7:15 p.m. Children under age three must be accompanied by an adult companion.

Morning Story Times for 3-4-5 year olds

Wednesdays, September 5, 12, 19, 26 9:30-10:00 a.m. OR 10:15-10:45 a.m. Caretakers may choose to attend or not attend story time but must remain in the building.

Teen Events

Summer reading is in full swing! Stop by the library to pick up your reading log and program information and start reading to win awesome prizes. Reading logs will be available through August 13. All teen events are open to Milwaukee County teens ages 12-18 or those students going into grades 6-12. For more information, check our blog @ www.waplteens.blogspot.com.

Do you babysit or have younger sisters and brothers? Then enter our **Read-to-Me Contest**. Read 20 picture books to a younger child and get an extra entry into our Teen Summer Reading grand prize drawing. Contest runs through August 13.

Trivia

Starting June 18, we'll have trivia about teen books and some fun Mad Libs for you to fill out. Then come back July 27 to test your Olympicknowledge. You'll have until August 13 to turn in these trivia teasers.

Programs

For every teen summer reading program you attend, you get an extra entry into our Teen Summer Reading drawing.

Craft-stravaganza

Thurs., July 12, 2:00-3:30 p.m. Make and take fabric bookmarks, marble magnets, and other fun crafts. We'll provide the supplies, you bring the creativity!

Wii Open Play

Sat., July 28, 2:00-4:00 p.m. Stop by the library to test your Wii skills in Super Smash Bros. Brawl, Mario Kart, and other Wii games.

Teen Summer Reading Finale and Silent Auction

Thurs., August 16, 6:30-8:30 p.m. You've done the reading, now it's time to be rewarded! Stop by and use the points you earned during summer reading to bid on books, movies, and other prizes. Winners will also be picked from all the summer reading contests—from the reading to all the trivia.

Adult Programming

2012 Adult Summer Reading Program

This summer everyone can once again take part in a summer reading program at the library. The Adult Summer Reading Program is open to individuals 18 and over. The program continues through Friday, August 31. Read four books and be entered into an end-of-summer drawing for gift cards from City of West Allis businesses.



Holidays/Closings

The library will be **CLOSED**:

Wednesday, July 4

Independence Day

Saturday, September 1

Labor Day Weekend

Monday, September 3

Labor Day

The library is **CLOSED** on **SUNDAYS** May through September.



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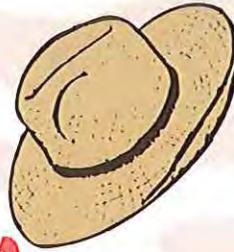
VISIT YOUR WI STATE FAIR PARK

DATE	EVENT	
July 4	City of West Allis Fireworks	Milw Mile Infield
July 6-7	Millers at Milwaukee Vintage Indy Car Event	Milw Mile Speedway
July 11	Wednesday Night Live Free Concert – Love Monkeys	Budweiser Pavilion
July 14	Diverse Music Tour	Cousins Subs Amphitheater
July 16-22	ASAW Summer Fun Horse Show	Coliseum
July 18	Wednesday Night Live Free Concert – The Toys	Budweiser Pavilion
July 25	Wednesday Night Live Free Concert – Bella Cain	Budweiser Pavilion
July 28-29	Rusty Wallace Racing Experience	Milw Mile Speedway
August 2-12	WISCONSIN STATE FAIR	
Sept. 5-9	Growing Power Urban & Small Farm Conf.	Expo Center
Sept. 8-9	4-H Horse Show-Gymkhana	Coliseum
Sept. 8-9	Rusty Wallace Racing Experience	Milw Mile Speedway
Sept. 12-	Halloween Express	North Parking Lot 4
Nov. 3		
Sept. 13-16	4-H Horse Show - Expo	Coliseum
Sept. 21-23	Milw/NARI Fall Home & Remodeling Show	Expo Center
Sept. 22-23	Rubber Stamp Show	Products Pavilion
Sept. 27-30	Just Between Friends Consignment Sale	Expo Center
Sept. 28-30	World Beef Expo	Coliseum
Sept. 28-30	Harvest Fest	Park Grounds

All events are subject to change without notice. Please visit the Wisconsin State Fair Park website at www.wistatefair.com for further details on any event.

Wisconsin State Fair Park Contact Information

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Hats off to you - the Red, White and Blue!

City of West Allis Independence Day Celebration

MONDAY, JULY 2ND

YOUTH JUDGING

6:00 P.M.

Centennial Park Plaza - City Hall

Coaster Wagon, Costume, Hat and Bicycle Competition - open to all children 12 years and younger as of July 4, 2012.

Judging and awards.

PARADE

7:00 P.M.

The area's finest bands including the UW-Madison Marching Band, drill teams and children of all ages.

Step-off at Wisconsin State Fair Park (77th and Greenfield), ending at Veterans' Memorial Park (70th and National Avenue).

- Brookfield Civic Band
- Daley Debutantes Baton & Drum Corp
- Greenfield High School Band
- Madison Scouts Drum & Bugle Corp
- Midwest Drum & Bugle Corp
- Milwaukee Pioneer Drum & Bugle Corp
- Milwaukee Scottish Pipe Band
- Tripoli Shrine Band
- UW-Madison Band
- West Allis Lancer Band
- Whitnall High School Band

Special post parade performance by the UW-Madison Marching Band



TUESDAY, JULY 3RD

BREAKFAST OF CHAMPIONS

8:00 A.M.

CITY HALL, CENTENNIAL PARK PLAZA

■ Honoring Scholars, Musicians and Athletes

■ Silent Auction

Sponsored by the City of West Allis.

\$8.00 per person, purchase tickets in advance at West Allis City Hall or WA-WM Recreation Department.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 4TH

GRAND FINALE SHOW

7:30 P.M.

STATE FAIR GRANDSTANDS

■ Special performance by the Kids from Wisconsin

■ Star Spangled Banner and Flag Ceremony

■ 4th of July remarks - Mayor Dan Devine & Alderperson Rosalie Reinke

■ Patriotic music performed by the West Allis Lancer Band

FIREWORKS SPECTACULAR

9:30 P.M.

Sponsored by: The City of West Allis



POST PARADE COMMUNITY CELEBRATION

8:00-10:00 P.M.

Veterans' Memorial Park, 70th and National Avenue
ENTERTAINMENT FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY!

Volunteer support provided by West Allis-West Milwaukee Recreation Department.

Join us for.....

- Live Music
- Concession Stand: Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Brats, Nachos, Cotton Candy & Snow Cones
- Recreation Department: Children's Carnival Games
- Fire Department: Water Games
- Police Department: Moon Walk
- Inflatables
- Rock Climbing Wall



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Independence Day Coordinator Shelly Strasser
Independence Day Asst. Coordinators Linda Gritzmacher and Dustin Smith
Grandstand Program Alderperson Rosalie Reinke

This is a Non-Alcoholic Event

HANDLING YOUR YARD WASTE IN 2012

The following information provides West Allis residents with alternatives to dispose of yard waste materials which are currently banned by the state from being collected and disposed of with household waste. Alternatives available vary by item and may include free collection service, collection service with a fee, free drop-off service, drop-off service with a fee, and on-site composting. Please **REMOVE** and save this page for future reference.

YARD WASTE COLLECTION

- Yard waste includes leaves, weeds, thatch, flowers, vines and other non-fruit or vegetable matter.
- **Spring** collection of yard waste is April 8 through April 22, 2012.
- **Fall** collection of yard waste is September 16 through November 11, 2012.
- Yard waste should be placed in the curb-line of the street only during the designated dates listed above.
- **DO NOT MIX BRUSH INTO THE YARD WASTE PILES.**
- Yard waste can be composted on-site* or disposed of, without charge, at a drop-off center. (Please see locations and operating hours on reverse side.)
- **REMOVE POTS AND SOIL FROM POTTED PLANTS BEFORE PLACING IN THE CURB-LINE.**

GRASS CLIPPINGS

Grass clippings should be left on the lawn after mowing or the clippings may be added to an on-site compost pile*. **NO GRASS CLIPPINGS ARE COLLECTED OR ACCEPTED BY THE CITY.** Grass cannot be raked or allowed to blow into the streets where it can clog storm sewers and contaminate run-off water.

HOME COMPOSTING:

Reap a heap of benefits



Composting is a practical and convenient way to handle your yard wastes. It can be easier and cheaper than bagging these wastes and, in some cases, paying to have them removed. Compost also improves your soil and the plants growing in it. If you have a garden, a lawn, trees, shrubs, or even planter boxes, you have a use for compost.

Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources
PUBL-SW 072-67

*Brochures on home composting and the benefits of grass clippings left on the lawn are available at various Municipal Buildings. Call the Recycling Office at **302-8831** for additional information.

2012 BRUSH* COLLECTION

NO brush collection during BOXED holiday weeks.

MARCH						
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APRIL							MAY							JUNE						
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JULY							AUGUST							SEPTEMBER						
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OCTOBER						
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* Brush is defined as branches from trees and trimmings from bushes.

- The City will provide every other week collection of small amounts of resident-generated brush, up to 1½ cubic yards, from March 12 through October 5. A separate truck will pick up brush on your recycling pick-up day according to the recycling schedule as shown in the color coded calendar. **NO BRUSH COLLECTION WILL BE MADE DURING THE HOLIDAY WEEKS OF MAY 28, JULY 2 AND SEPTEMBER 3, 2012.**
- Residents should place their brush at the curb on the same day as their recycling collection. Large pieces of brush, up to five feet in length, should be bundled and stacked between the sidewalk and the curb, not in the street. Small pieces of brush must be contained in boxes or cans marked "BRUSH" and the address called in to ensure collection. Do not use plastic bags.
- Amounts larger than 1½ cubic yards require special handling and charge. Please call the Sanitation and Street Division at **302-8800**. Permits are available at no charge for residents to take brush to a drop-off site.

Any questions regarding the yard waste information provided above may be referred to the Sanitation and Street Division at **302-8800** weekdays between 7:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

2012 WEST ALLIS DROP-OFF MATERIALS

MUNICIPAL YARD 6300 West McGeoch Avenue

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

CLOSED:
January 2
May 26 and 28
July 4
September 1 and 3
November 22 and 23
December 22, 24 and 25
January 1, 2013

WEST END-MORGAN SITE South 116 Street-south of Morgan

OPEN: May 29 – August 31, 2012
7:30-2:30 – Monday
7:30-7:00 – Tuesday through Friday
8:00-3:30 – Saturday

OPEN: September 4 - October 12, 2012
7:30-2:30 - Monday through Friday

CLOSED:
July 4
September 1 and 3
October 13, 2012 through May 27, 2013

Yard Waste (weeds, thatch, garden debris, leaves, etc.) NO GRASS CLIPPINGS	ACCEPTED	ACCEPTED
Motor Oil and Antifreeze	ACCEPTED	NOT ACCEPTED
Recyclables •Newspaper, Magazines, Corrugated Cardboard •Aluminum, Glass, Plastics #1 and #2, Plastics #4 and #5 (containers and lids-no bags), Steel/Tin •Mixed paper (voluntary)	ACCEPTED	NO RECYCLABLES ACCEPTED
Brush	PERMIT REQUIRED* (no charge)	PERMIT REQUIRED* (no charge)
Household Refuse (including old furniture) NO TELEVISIONS OR ELECTRONICS ACCEPTED AFTER SEPTEMBER 1, 2010	PERMIT REQUIRED* (no charge)	NOT ACCEPTED
White Goods (appliances)	NOT ACCEPTED	NOT ACCEPTED
Asphalt	PERMIT REQUIRED CHARGE**	CHARGE** (must be prepaid)
Concrete	PERMIT REQUIRED CHARGE**	CHARGE** (must be prepaid)
Ground and Sod	PERMIT REQUIRED CHARGE**	CHARGE** (must be prepaid)
Stone	PERMIT REQUIRED CHARGE**	CHARGE** (must be prepaid)
Construction Debris	PERMIT REQUIRED CHARGE**	NOT ACCEPTED
Roofing Materials	PERMIT REQUIRED CHARGE**	NOT ACCEPTED
Tires	CHARGE***	NOT ACCEPTED

*Permits are required (except for quantities less than 1½ cubic yards). Homeowner generated material only is accepted - no contractor generated material. Call Sanitation and Street Division for permit: **302-8800**.

**Homeowners must obtain a permit and prepay prior to disposal.

***At the time of this printing the charge for tires (must be off the rim) is \$3 per tire 16" and under, \$14 per tire over 16", \$57 per tractor tire. Exact change is necessary.

NOTE: The Municipal Yard and the West End-Morgan Site do not accept car batteries. At the time of this printing car batteries are accepted at Batteries Plus (456-9400), National Salvage (453-6677) and Remy Batteries (384-0340).

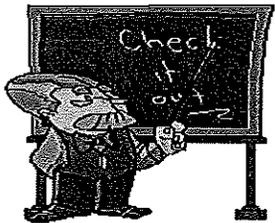
West Allis-West Milwaukee Recreation Department



Something for Everyone!

Your West Allis-West Milwaukee Recreation Department is inviting you to race over and get registered for a Summer 2012 program. Whether you are looking for fitness, enrichment, athletics, or fine arts, the West Allis-West Milwaukee Recreation Department is sure to have something for everyone. The benefits of recreation programs are endless!

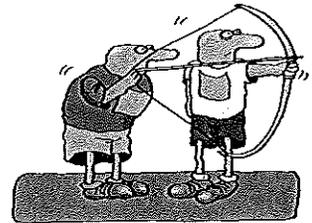
The Summer 2012 Activity Brochure has been delivered to all school district residents. Additional copies are available at the West Allis City Hall, West Allis Public Library, West Allis Health Department, West Milwaukee Village Hall, WA-WM School District Administration center and online at www.wawmrec.com. Registration is underway so do not delay and get signed up today! We welcome you to call us at (414) 604-4900 or email us at recware@wawm.k12.wi.us.



Come and check out what new programs we are unleashing this summer!

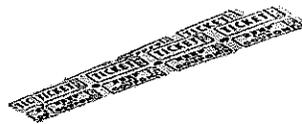
New this summer for adults!

- Beginning Archery
- Making Kefir
- Butz and Gutz Fitness



New this summer for kids!

- Art Party
- Bicycling Camp
- Check Mates Chess Club
- Rock Climbing
- Silly Science
- Cooking with Mom and Dad



Discounted Tickets for Sale

Did you know that the WA-WM Recreation and Community Services Department sells tickets to major attractions at a discounted rate. Purchase your tickets for Great America, Noah's Ark, Mt. Olympus Water and Theme Park, Green Bay Packers Hall of Fame, and Dells Army Ducks and save money today. All ticket sales are cash, credit card, or money order only!

In addition to our new programs, we will continue to offer our traditional summer programming consisting of :Tennis Instruction, Summer Playground Programs, Summer Adventures, Baseball & Softball, SAFE Camp, Adult Exercise, Arts & Crafts, Athletic Camps, Early Childhood Music and Fitness, Adult Softball, Swim Lessons, and much more. Don't forget about our special events such as the Hershey Track and Field Meet, McCarty Park Fun Run/ Walk and Pool Party, Movies in the Park, Independence Day Celebration, Annual Dance Festival and many more!



Visit us on the web at www.wawmrec.com



What's Happening at Your West Allis-West Milwaukee Schools

WAWM Schools Receives Numerous Awards

This spring the West Allis-West Milwaukee School District has received three awards from area publications. In March **Milwaukee Magazine** recognized the WAWM Schools as the *Number One Overperforming School District*. This recognition says that the result is a ranking that identifies school districts making the most of what the **Milwaukee Magazine** states are "the cards they've been dealt." The West Allis-West Milwaukee Schools earned this top ranking in both the K-8 and High School levels and proved that all of the hard work that our entire administration, teaching staff and support staff have done for children is paying off with positive results and recognition.

Additional recognitions have been garnered by the West Allis-West Milwaukee Schools. One of these is First Place by the **Wisconsin Business Journal** as *Best New Development or Renovation – Elementary/Secondary Education*. The other award is from the **Wisconsin State Law Journal** state-wide commercial construction publication called **The Daily Reporter**, and they presented the WAWM Schools an award for "*Top Projects of 2011*." These print publications recognized top architectural and construction projects throughout Wisconsin. The West Allis-West Milwaukee Schools were one of thirty projects state-wide to receive the **Law Journal** award and one of only sixteen to receive the **Business Journal** award from throughout the State. The WAWM Schools are in exclusive company, as other projects to receive the award this year were The Chazen Museum of Art at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, the Marquette University Engineering Hall, the Summerfest South End Development project, the UW-Parkside Rita Tallent Pickens Regional Center for Arts and Humanities, and the new Union South Construction at the University of Wisconsin-Madison to name a few.

These last two awards stem from the District's purchasing out of receivership (bankruptcy), and then renovating, consolidating, repurposing, and creating revenue-generating facilities. These buildings are the former Allis-Chalmers Executive Office Building and Tractor Manufacturing Office Building located on South 70th Street in the heart of downtown West Allis, the Center of the WAWM School District, in close proximity to many K-12 campuses, and the center of the community businesses.

The South 70th Street facilities now house the School District offices, programs, and departments as well as the Recreation Department, Maintenance, MIS, Food Service, professional development, community meeting rooms, and the District Learning Center. A community room was also established, called the Allis-Chalmers Room, and is dedicated to the original builder and tenant of the facility and has a number of photos depicting the history of Allis-Chalmers in West Allis. In addition, the lower floors of each of the facilities are leased out to agencies and businesses with a similar mission to the School District. The revenue generated from these rentals covers the total operational costs of the entire facility and in addition also generates over \$600,000 in additional revenue which supports programs. This is extremely important especially during these very challenging financial times for education.

Next Generation Learning Highlights From This Year and Projections for 2012-13

The West Allis-West Milwaukee School District is offering a number of cutting-edge initiatives that support next generation learning, personalized learning, inquiry based instruction and 21st Century employability skills. These include the creation of Next Generation Learning Community classrooms at the elementary school and courses in blended and digital learning in the intermediate and high schools.

Next Generation Learning communities at the elementary are multi-age groups of students who work with a team of teachers to personalize learning. These classrooms utilize personalized learning paths to guide students learning through a progression in all academic areas. Technology and inquiry based learning are used as tools for personalization and engagement. Building positive connections with students, parents, family and community is an important part of the program.

At the intermediate level, two courses were designed specifically to teach students to become on-line learners. In sixth grade, students are introduced to on-line learning through a course in financial literacy. While exploring this 21st century theme, students develop the skills to be effective on-line researchers, collaborators and thinkers. In eighth grade students continue in this blended digital format and have another opportunity to further develop the skills necessary to effectively be on-line learners in an Inquiry class.

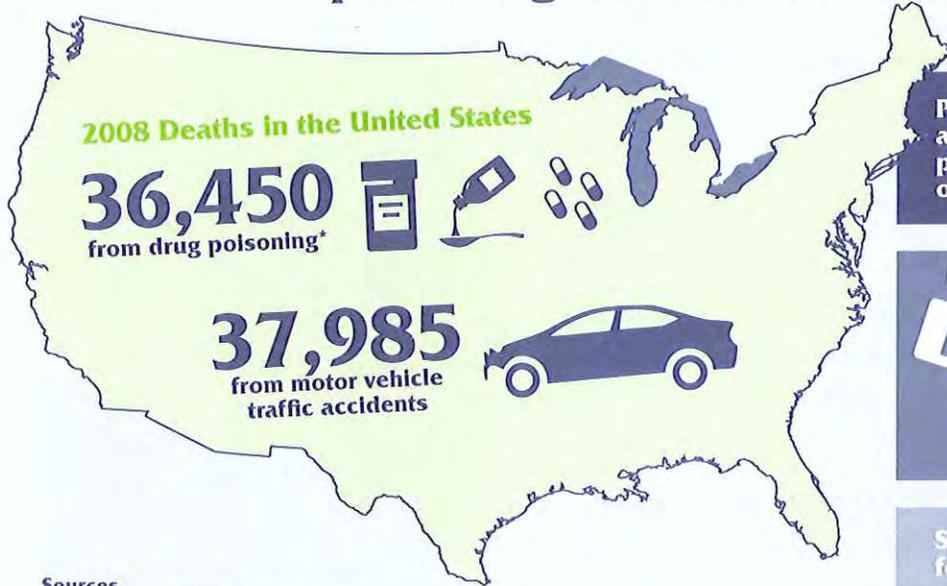
Classes at the high school prepare students for the option of hybrid or blended learning classes in Biology and Chemistry. In addition to classroom participation in labs and discussion groups, students use a computer-based curriculum on a platform called Moodle to research, collaborate and complete assignments on-line. Course material and content is available to students on-line 24 hours a day, seven days a week without having to carry around a textbook, notebook or even pens and pencils.



Focus on Prescription Drugs

Nearly as many people die each year from drug poisoning* as from motor vehicle traffic accidents¹

*From illegal, prescription and over-the-counter drug misuse



Prescription drug abuse means taking a prescription medication that is not prescribed for you, or taking it for reasons or in dosages other than prescribed.

Most widely abused prescription drugs²



- **Pain relievers:** Hydrocodone, Vicodin and OxyContin
- **Sedatives and tranquilizers:** Valium, Xanax, Ambien
- **Stimulants:** Adderall and Ritalin

Sources to obtain prescription drugs for nonmedical use. Averages from 2009-2010³

60.1%	27.1%	11.2%
from friend or relative for free	from a doctor	took from friend or relative without asking

Sources

¹Cesar Fax - January 23, 2011 Vol. 21, Issue 3
²NIDA Research Reports: Prescription Drugs: Abuse and Addiction, Revised Oct. 2011
³Cesar Fax - October 31, 2011 Vol. 20, Issue 41
⁴2011 WAWM Youth Risk Behavior Survey
⁵CDC Vital Signs - November 4, 2011
⁶Office of National Drug Control Policy <http://www.whitehouse.gov/ondcp/prescription-drug-abuse>



Non-medical use of prescription pain relievers costs insurance companies up to **\$72.5 billion dollars annually⁵**



16% Youth Ages 13-18 took prescription drugs like Ritalin, Adderall, or Xanax without a prescription at least once in their lifetime.⁴



Unfortunately, youth mistakenly believe that drugs prescribed by a doctor are safer than illicit drugs.



Nearly one-third of people aged 12 and over who used drugs for the first time in 2009 began by using a prescription drug non-medically.⁶

WAWMCC Snapshot Focus on Prescription Drugs



Did you know...

- ▶ Prescription drug abuse is the fastest growing drug problem in the United States.¹
- ▶ Results from the 2010 National Survey on Drug Use & Health showed 6,600 Americans per day start to misuse prescription drugs.²
- ▶ The West Allis - West Milwaukee Community Coalition is a group of community leaders and partners working together to prevent underage alcohol use and substance abuse in our community.
- ▶ **YOU** make a difference in our community whenever you support and encourage a teen to make positive and healthy decisions.

Sources

¹CDC Morbidity and Mortality Weekly, January 13, 2012 / 61(01):10-13 <http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/mm6101a3.htm>.
²NIDA Research Reports: Prescription Drugs: Abuse and Addiction, Revised Oct. 2011

What can you do?

- Lock up your medicine.
- Dispose of your medicine properly at the West Allis Police Department* 24 hour drug drop-off box.

Amount collected in 2011:

OVER 300 lbs! of misc. medications



*Located at 11301 West Lincoln Avenue.

Become one of the powerful voices encouraging positive choices to create a safer and healthier community

West Allis • West Milwaukee
Community Coalition



Powerful Voices, Positive Choices

1135 South 70 Street, Room 406
West Allis, WI 53214

Phone: 414-604-3506
Email: coalition@wawm.k12.wi.us

www.wawmcc.org

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Become Informed

- Receive email updates from the Coalition about underage substance abuse issues.
- Visit the Coalition's website (www.wawmcc.org) for Important News, Community Resources and Parent Tips.
- Join the Forum on the Coalition's website.

Become Involved

- Read the Parent brochure for ways to talk with your children about alcohol and drugs.
- Sign the Family Pledge.
- Host alcohol-free parties and attend alcohol-free family events.
- Voice your ideas and concerns at Coalition meetings.
- Spread the word by sharing the Coalition's mission with others.
- Attend bi-monthly Coalition Meetings in 2012 – July 18th, September 19th and November 21st.

Become Invested

- Know where your children are at all times.
- Meet your children's friends and introduce yourself to their parents.
- Look for signs of drug use or suspicious activity in your neighborhood.
- Join your neighborhood block watch.



2012 HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION



For Milwaukee County Residents ONLY

ITEMS WE ACCEPT

Acetone	Metal polish, solvent-based
Aerosol cans, full	Mothballs
Antifreeze	Nail polish
Artist's paints and media	Nail polish remover
Autobody repair products	Non-automotive oils
Batteries, button	Oil-based paint
Batteries, rechargeable	Oil filters
Battery acid	Oven cleaner
Brake fluid	Paint stripper
Car wax, solvent-based	Paint thinner
Cleaners, solvent-based	Parts cleaner
Contact cement	Pesticides
Disinfectants	Photographic chemicals
Driveway sealer	Pool chemicals
Dry cleaning solvent	Rat poison
Fertilizer (with pesticides)	Rust remover
Fiberglass epoxy	Shellac
Floor care products	Shoe polish
Fluorescent light bulbs	Spot remover
Fungicide	Stain
Furniture polish	Stump remover
Gasoline/oil mixtures	Thermometers
Glue, solvent-based	Thermostats (Mercury)
Glue, water-based	Transmission fluid
Hair remover	Turpentine
Insect spray	Varnish
Joint compound	Weed killer
Kerosene	Wood filler
Light ballasts	Wood preservative
Lighter fluid	
Mercury	

THINGS YOU SHOULD NOT BRING

Ammunition
Car batteries
Carbon monoxide detectors
Compressed gas cylinders
Containers larger than 15 gallons
Explosives
Fireworks
Latex paint
Medical waste
Prescription drugs
Propane cylinders
Smoke detectors
Tires of any type

ALSO DO NOT BRING

All appliances & electronics including:
Clothes dryers
Computers
Microwaves
Refrigerators
Stereos
Televisions
Washing machines

DON'T BRING US LATEX PAINT

It's ok to dry it out and throw it in the garbage.

Pour a thin layer in a box lined with a garbage bag. Newspaper or kitty litter will help absorb more paint in the box. When the paint in the box is dry, pour in another layer of paint until the can is empty. Discard the dried paint in the garbage.

Make sure to take the lid off before throwing the empty can in the garbage.

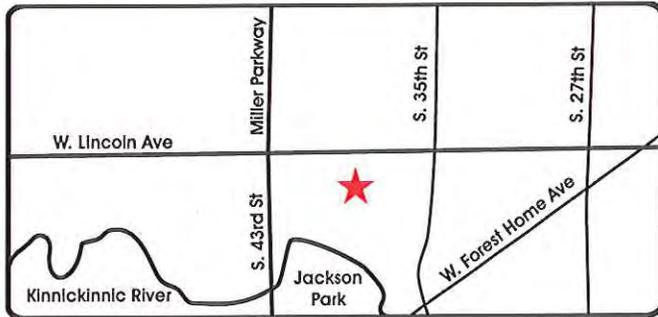


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Facilities Open Year Round



 **MILWAUKEE SELF HELP FACILITY-**
City of Milwaukee Self Help Station
Milwaukee 3879 W. Lincoln Avenue

Thursday, Friday and Saturday 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.
CLOSED: 4/6, 5/25, 8/31, 11/22, 11/23



NORTHERN FACILITY - MENOMONEE FALLS

Veolia Environmental Services
W124 N9451 Boundary Road (124th Street)
Monday and Wednesday 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Saturday 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

CLOSED: 5/26, 5/28, 7/4, 9/1, 9/3, 11/24, 12/24, 12/31



SOUTHERN FACILITY - FRANKLIN

Veolia Environmental Services
10518 S. 124th Street
Tuesday 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Saturday 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

CLOSED: 5/26, 9/1, 11/24, 12/25, 1/1/2013

2012 Mobile Collections

Date	Time	Location
Friday, April 13	11 a.m. – 6 p.m.	State Fair Park, Gate 8 (off of S. 76th Street)
Saturday, April 14	8 a.m. – 2 p.m.	
Saturday, June 23	8 a.m. – 2 p.m.	Cudahy High School, 4950 S. Lake Drive South parking lot, enter on E. Pulaski Ave. off Lake Dr.
Saturday, July 21	8 a.m. – 2 p.m.	Shorewood High School, 1701 E. Capitol Drive
Saturday, September 15	8 a.m. – 2 p.m.	Wauwatosa City Hall Lot, 7725 W. North Avenue
Friday, October 12	11 a.m. – 6 p.m.	State Fair Park, Gate 8 (off of S. 76th Street)
Saturday, October 13	8 a.m. – 2 p.m.	

For more information please call (414) 225-2066 or visit www.mmsd.com