



REFUSE AND RECYCLING FOR THE HOLIDAYS

- The Municipal Yard is closed for drop-off, its offices are closed, and refuse and recycling will not be collected on Thursday, November 22; Friday, November 23; Monday, December 24; Tuesday, December 25; and Tuesday, January 1, 2013.
- The Municipal Yard will be open to accept drop-off materials on Saturday, November 24, and Saturday, December 29.
- The Municipal Yard will not be open to accept drop-off materials on Saturday, December 22.
- 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:	Set Out Your Refuse Or Recyclables On:
Monday, November 19	Monday, November 19
Tuesday, November 20	Monday, November 19*
Wednesday, November 21	Tuesday, November 20*
Thursday, November 22	Wednesday, November 21*
Friday, November 23	Monday, November 26
Monday, November 26	Tuesday, November 27
Tuesday, November 27	Tuesday, November 27*
Wednesday, November 28	Wednesday, November 28*
Thursday, November 29	Thursday, November 29*
Friday, November 30	Friday, November 30

Christmas And New Year Holiday Schedule

If Your Regular Collection Day Is:	Set Out Your Refuse Or Recyclables On:
Monday, December 24	Wednesday, December 26
Tuesday, December 25	Wednesday, December 26*
Wednesday, December 26	Thursday, December 27*
Thursday, December 27	Friday, December 28*
Friday, December 28	Saturday, December 29
Monday, December 31	Monday, December 31
Tuesday, January 1	Monday, December 31*
Wednesday, January 2	Wednesday, January 2*
Thursday, January 3	Thursday, January 3*
Friday, January 4	Friday, January 4

*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.

FALL YARD WASTE COLLECTION SEPTEMBER 16 – NOVEMBER 11, 2012

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 16, through Sunday, November 11, 2012. 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 the above 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.

CLERK/TREASURER OFFICE NEWS

Election News NOVEMBER 6, 2012 – Presidential and General Election

Over 6,000 West Allis residents registered to vote on Election Day during the last Presidential Election. Please save yourself some time from standing in line and consider registering to vote before November 6. You can conveniently register to vote by mail or at City Hall prior to Election Day. You may still register at your polling place on Election Day, but you will need to bring proof of residence **and** your Wisconsin Driver's License number (or if you have not been issued a driver's license, provide a state-issued identification card number or provide the last 4 digits of your social security number).

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HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

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 22

Day After Thanksgiving Day

Friday, November 23

Christmas Eve

Monday, December 24

Christmas Day

Tuesday, December 25

New Year's Day 2013

Tuesday, January 1, 2013



See front page of Newsletter for P.W.-Municipal Yard holiday schedule.

See Page 7 for Library Holiday Hours.

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City of West Allis Offices are open for Columbus Day (observed Monday, October 8)



CITY SERVICE DIRECTORY

An updated version of the City of West Allis Service Directory will be available later this fall. The Directory includes a listing of the City's Mayor, Alderpersons and Officials, a schedule of regular meetings of standing Committees of the Common Council, a guide to municipal buildings and departments, an alphabetical guide to City services, a listing of other related government offices, and much more.

The directories are free and can be obtained from the Mayor or your District Alderpersons. They are also available at City Hall, the Library, and the Senior Center. Finally, the Directory can be mailed to your home by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to:

City of West Allis
City Administrative Office
7525 West Greenfield Avenue
West Allis WI 53214

CLERK/TREASURER OFFICE NEWS *(Continued from Page 1)*

The following constitute acceptable Proof of Residence if the document contains your current name and address and is valid on Election Day (unless otherwise indicated):

1. A current and valid Wisconsin driver license.
2. A current and valid Wisconsin identification card.
3. Any other official identification card or license issued by a Wisconsin governmental body or unit.
4. Any identification card issued by an employer in the normal course of business and bearing a photo of the card holder, but not including a business card.
5. A real estate tax bill or receipt for the current year or the year preceding the date of the election.
6. A residential lease which is effective for a period that includes election day (NOT for first-time voters registering by mail).
7. A university, college or technical institute identification card (must include photo), ONLY if the bearer provides a fee receipt dated within the last nine months or the institution provides a certified housing list to the municipal clerk.
8. A utility statement (gas, electric, telephone, mobile phone, internet, cable or satellite TV) for the period commencing not earlier than 90 days before election day.
9. Bank statement.
10. Paycheck.
11. A check or other document issued by a unit of government.
12. An affidavit on public or private social service agency letterhead identifying a homeless voter and describing the individual's residence for voting purposes.

Visit the Clerk/Treasurer's election page on the City's website at www.westalliswi.gov for more information about absentee voting, important deadlines, and polling place locations. Sample ballots will also be posted on the City's website once they become available. If you are unsure about your voter registration status, you can visit the State's Voter Public Access website at <https://ypa.wi.gov>. Offices to vote for on the November ballot are President and Vice President, Members of U.S. Congress, State Assembly, District Attorney, County Clerk, Treasurer, and Register of Deeds. Contact the Clerk/Treasurer's Office at (414) 302-8200 if you have any questions.

Election Officials Needed

The City needs dedicated people interested in participating in the election process to work at the polls for the Presidential Election. The pay is \$95.00 for the day of the election. General duties include: organizing the polling place before the polls open; election day voter registration; checking in voters on the poll book and assigning each voter on the poll book a sequential election day voter number; issuing ballots; processing absentee ballots; monitoring the voting equipment; and signing and assisting with necessary paperwork for the City and County. Please see the Clerk/Treasurer's election web page or contact the Clerk/Treasurer's Office for more information on serving your community as an election inspector.

Plan Ahead For Property Taxes

Prepayments on property taxes can be made anytime at the Treasurer's Office. Property tax bills for real estate and personal business property will be mailed by December 14. The due date for all tax bills is January 31 with an optional three-payment plan for the real estate tax.

Payment methods include:

- In-person payments at West Allis area Tri City National Banks including Pick N Save locations;
- Online automated checking withdrawal through our website;
- Credit card payments via our website or phone;
- Payments placed in Depository Box adjacent to the main doors on the south side of City Hall;
- Mail or in-person payments at City Hall.

Please note that City Hall is **closed** **December 24 and December 25** this year.

Online Water And Tax Payments

For both water and property tax payments, making online payments directly from our website is truly "green." The funds are wired to our account and uploaded into our system. Payments are never lost or delayed. When you make bill payments through your bank's online program, the bank cuts a check and mails it. Payments made this way can take several days to be received and posted. Also, if the memo or account information is inaccurate, posting problems occur. Call the Clerk/Treasurer's Office at (414) 302-8200 for further information.



MEET 'N TREAT

Meet 'n Treat in West Allis will be Sunday, October 28, 1-3 p.m. Extra care should be taken by all vehicular traffic during this time to provide safety for children while they are out.

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.

COMMUNITY BREAKFAST OF THANKS & GIVING

The West Allis Community Improvement Foundation is once again sponsoring a Community Breakfast of Thanks & Giving on Monday, November 19, at 7:15 a.m. The breakfast will be held at Klemmer's Banquet Center, 10401 West Oklahoma Ave. This year's Guest Speaker is Rev. Michael Parks, Pastor of St. Peter's Episcopal Church.

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 2011, over \$5,700 was raised and over 200 people attended the Breakfast.

Tickets are \$15.00 each and will be available after October 15 at West Allis City Hall or from any of the Foundation's directors. Call (414)302-8292 for further information.

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 15 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 12.

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

CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING

The City of West Allis Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Program is scheduled for Saturday, December 1, from 4 - 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, the West Allis Library, or Senior Center 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 1.

Join in the fun and help a needy cause. Items will be accepted October 1-November 2.

2012 WEST ALLIS CHRISTMAS PARADE

The 2012 West Allis Christmas Parade will be held on Saturday, December 1, following the 4:30 Christmas Tree Lighting at City Hall. This year's theme is "The Music and Magic of Christmas."

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 (414)302-8300.

C.A.A.D. NEW YEAR'S EVE FAMILY NIGHT



The West Allis/West Milwaukee Community Alliance Against Drugs (C.A.A.D.) will once again host its annual New Year's Eve Family event on Monday, December 31, at Central H.S., 8516 W. Lincoln Ave., from 6:30-11:00 p.m. This fun-filled evening will include music by Eagle Entertainment, open swim, basketball, volleyball, large and small inflatable attractions, and a large rock-climbing wall. Clowns will provide balloon art and face painting, and a family-friendly movie will be shown in the school auditorium. There will be plenty of food and refreshments for a nominal fee. Admission is free for CAAD members. Non-members can join CAAD the night of this event. For complete details and costs, please refer to the City of West Allis web site at www.westalliswi.gov or call the Crime Prevention Bureau at (414)302-8050.

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.



HEALTH DEPARTMENT NEWS



Public Health
Prevent. Promote. Protect.

West Allis Health Department

2012 Community Flu Clinics

October 2

1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
West Allis Senior Center

October 5

10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
West Milwaukee Community Center

October 15

1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
West Allis Senior Center

November 5 (By appointment only)

4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
West Allis Health Department

These clinics are open to the public. Call the hotline for fees for adults. Children are free.

Call the Flu Hotline at (414) 302-8670 to confirm fees, dates, times, and locations of other clinics. The cost of the flu shot is covered by Medicare Part B. Please bring your Medicare card to the clinic.

Attention Parents/Guardians of Two Year Olds

Two for the Show is a free, fun-filled event for all two year olds living in the West Allis-West Milwaukee School District and their parents/guardians. This event focuses on ways to help children grow and develop. Every two year old will receive a bag of goodies designed to stimulate curiosity and development. Professionals from the West Allis Health Department, WAWM School District, and other agencies will be on hand to answer questions on topics ranging from speech development to toilet training to dental care. Parents will receive helpful tips on establishing routines, lead poisoning, nutrition, dental health, safety and more.

Where: West Allis Health Department
7120 W. National Avenue

When: Monday, October 29
3:00–6:15 p.m.
Tuesday, October 30
8:30–11:00 a.m.

Please call (414) 302-8600 to make an appointment. Space is limited. Appointments are available every 15 minutes. Plan 45 minutes to enjoy the fun.

Loving Touch Infant Massage

The West Allis Health Department will hold its next scheduled Loving Touch Infant Massage Class on Tuesday, November 13, and Wednesday, November 14, at the Health Department, 7120 West National Avenue, from 10:00 to 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 give-aways.

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 (414) 302-8600 to ensure a spot for you and your little bundle. We can't wait to meet you!

Impact 211

During times of personal crisis or community disaster, there are many free, confidential resources in the Greater Milwaukee area just waiting for residents to take advantage of. Impact 211 is one of these resources, and their mission is committed to changing lives. The main focus of Impact 211 is to give callers free, confidential information and provide the names of agencies in their area that can help them with the services they seek. Their database contains over 5,500 community programs. The predominant language other than English that they can accommodate is Spanish; however, Impact 211 has the ability to work with any foreign language through a translation service.

The general public can contact Impact 211 by dialing 2-1-1 via telephone or going online to <http://www.referweb.net/ipct/>. Information and resources are available for substance abuse, food, clothing, and household needs, mental health, community disaster, volunteering, shelters, healthcare, and much more. Please call today to take that first step towards regaining health and stability.

SELLING YOUR HOME? CHANGE IN TENANTS?

The West Allis Water Utility strongly encourages all Water/Sewer Utility customers to read the meters any time there is a change in those responsible for water/sewer bills. When the Water Billing Office is given the meter readings, a final statement is prepared for charges through the change in occupancy date. This allows the occupants who are leaving to pay the portion of water/sewer charges for which they are responsible.

Obtaining a final statement is easy. Just call the Water Utility Billing Office at (414) 302-8245 (press #5 when the recording starts) within three days prior to closing (or change in occupants) with both the inside and outside meter readings. A statement will then be prepared which can be picked up, emailed or faxed (if you are selling, your realtor should tell you if they wish you to bring a receipted copy to closing or if they wish us to email or fax it to them).

Not sure what an inside water meter looks like? Here are pictures of the two types of inside water meters. The numbers are read left to right, just like a car odometer.



Having trouble locating inside or outside meters? Call the Water Billing Office for help finding location of the outside register. Anyone needing further assistance can schedule a free appointment for a Water Utility representative to meet you at the property to read the meter. Call (414) 302-8830 to schedule this appointment ahead of time to ensure an appointment during the three days prior to closing.

Obtaining a Final Reading Statement is the most accurate way to pay your Final Water/Sewer bill. It protects all parties involved from erroneous estimations/pro-rations since Water/Sewer bills are created quarterly and sent out the month after the meter is read. Please contact the Water Utility Billing Office at (414) 302-8245 with any further questions regarding the Final Statement process.

SNOW EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

- ◆ When approximately three inches of snow falls in a storm, the Department of Public Works usually plows all City streets and alleys.
- ◆ “SNOW EMERGENCY” is declared through a radio or television announcement when a full scale plowing operation is initiated.
- ◆ Once declared, **parking is prohibited on major emergency thoroughfares for the duration of the emergency.**
- ◆ In addition to the total prohibition of parking on the listed emergency thoroughfares, parking is limited to one side of all other streets.
- ◆ Parking is restricted to the odd numbered side of the street if the snow emergency is declared on an odd numbered calendar date and to the even numbered side of the street if the snow emergency is declared on an even numbered calendar date.
- ◆ Once parked on the appropriate side of the street, **VEHICLES MUST REMAIN PARKED ON THAT SAME SIDE OF THE STREET FOR THE ENTIRE DURATION OF THE SNOW EMERGENCY.**
- ◆ Snow emergency regulations shall supersede all other overnight parking regulations for the duration of the snow emergency.
- ◆ Finally, 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.

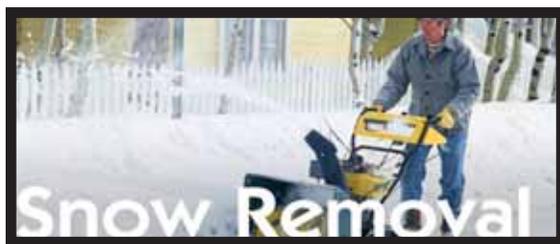


SNOW COURTESY

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

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.



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 catch basins 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.

ADOPT A FIRE HYDRANT DURING SNOWY WEATHER

Please don't let your neighborhood fire hydrant remain "undercover." In the event of a fire emergency, could firefighters find the fire hydrant near your home? Does it get buried under a snow pile during the winter?

In the event of a fire, firefighters have to locate and shovel out the fire hydrants before hooking up to them. Precious time is lost.

Keep your fire hydrant visible and accessible, because you never know when it may make the difference for yourself or a neighbor.



WEST ALLIS SENIOR CENTER NEWS

OCTOBER, NOVEMBER & DECEMBER 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, and 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 October, November, December

“Super Secret” Mystery Tour. Thursday, October 4, 8:15 a.m.–6:30 p.m. Plenty of surprises and new experiences await you! Minimal walking involved. \$45 tour fee includes motor coach transportation, secret mystery stops, and lunch. Limited seating; advance registration required.

30th Anniversary Celebration. Join us at our Open House Luncheon on Friday, October 12, 11:00 a.m.–12 Noon with a short program at 11:30 a.m. Cost is \$3.00. Advance registration and payment required. Call (414) 302-8700.

Volunteer Recognition Event. Saturday, November 10, 11:00 a.m. Pre-registration required. Current Senior Center volunteers, with 25 or more hours of service, are treated to a luncheon program, including entertainment and door prizes.

Young at Heart Choral Christmas Concert. Friday, December 7, 1:30 p.m. Event is free and open to the public. Reception follows the program.

Volunteer Christmas Party. Thursday, December 13, 1:30 p.m. for current senior center volunteers. Event includes games, light refreshments and door prizes. Pre-registration required. Call (414) 302-8700.

Christmas Luncheon Tour. Wednesday, December 19, at the Packing House, 900 E. Layton Ave. Call (414) 302-8700 for more information.

Festive Holiday Luncheon. Thursday, January 3, 11:30 a.m. Old and new friends gather to share the spirit of the season. Hot cranberry apple cider, games, music and appetizers accompany the Senior Meal Site lunch, with special treats in store for all. Limited seating; pre-registration required. Cost is \$2.50. Deadline is noon on January 2. Call (414) 302-8703.

Arthritis Foundation’s Exercise Class. Co-sponsored by the West Allis Senior Center. Ongoing sessions include gentle, low impact, joint-safe exercises to help relieve stiffness and decrease arthritis pain. Classes meet 9:00-10:00 a.m. on Wednesdays and Fridays at the Senior Center. The exercises can be performed either sitting or standing, whichever is more comfortable.

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.

Recreational Activities & Leagues. Non-sanctioned leagues started in September. Dartball, Wii Bowling, Bowling (substitute bowlers always needed) and Pocket Billiards.



WAPD - NEIGHBORHOOD PARTNERSHIP MEETING

Thursday, December 13, 6:00 p.m.
West Allis Police Department Courtroom
11301 W. Lincoln Ave.

Since January 2009, Neighborhood Partnership Meetings have been extremely valuable in addressing neighborhood concerns, while updating citizens on current law enforcement issues, crime trends, and challenges that impact our quality of life. The next Neighborhood Partnership Meeting will be held on Thursday, December 13, at 6:00 p.m. in the West Allis Police Department Courtroom, 11301 W. Lincoln Ave.

Please join Chief Michael Jungbluth as he hosts his final Neighborhood Partnership Meeting before his retirement in late December. A wide variety of topics will be discussed with a question and answer period to follow. In addition, there will be a K-9 demonstration, a station tour, refreshments, and several door prizes will be awarded.

Children's Department Information

For more information about program listings for children, please call the Children's Information Desk at (414) 302-8502.

Family Events (Fun for All Ages - No Pre-registration Necessary)

Tuesday, October 30, 6:30 p.m. – Movie Night

Showing several short movies based on children's picture books. There will be popcorn! Come in your Halloween costume!

Sunday, December 2, 2:00-4:00 p.m. – Craft Day

Craft projects and supplies will be available in the Children's Department. Make Holiday gifts for your family!

Tuesday, December 4, 6:30 p.m. – Wintertime Jammie Jam

All ages welcome. Includes a craft activity.

Story Times for Children Ages 3 and Under

Story times for children under age 3 are 30-minute sessions with an adult caretaker. The last 10 minutes of each program consists of playtime with age appropriate toys. Adults are active participants as they interact one-on-one with their child. Register in person or call (414) 302-8502.

Lapsit Story Time (for ages 9 months to 23 months)

Mondays, November 5, 12, and 19
9:30-10:00 a.m.

Toddler and Me Story Time (for 2-year olds)

Wednesdays, October 3, 10, 17, and 24
9:30-10:00 a.m. or 10:15-10:45 a.m.

Happy Endings Story Times (for ages 3 years and under with a caretaker) Tuesdays, November 6, 13, 20, and 27
6:30-7:00 p.m. Older siblings are welcome!

Story Times for Children Ages 3-4-5 Years Old

The Children's Department offers preschool story times for children ages 3, 4, or 5 years old. Programs are 30-minutes or 45-minutes with a craft. The adult who brings the child may choose to attend or not attend the story time but must stay in the library during the session. Register in person or call (414) 302-8502.

Morning Story Times

Wednesdays, November 7, 14, 21, and 28
9:30-10:00 a.m. or 10:15-10:45 a.m.

Afternoon Story Times

Mondays, October 1, 8, 15, and 22, 1:00-1:45 p.m. or
Tuesdays, October 2, 9, 16, and 23, 1:00-1:45 p.m.

Evening Story Times (for ages 4-6)

Tuesdays, October 2, 9, 16, and 23, 6:30-7:15 p.m.

Vote for Books Week

November 4-10

Vote for your favorite picture books. Daily drawing of names for free paperbacks.

Holiday Hours/Closings

The library will be **CLOSED** the following days:

- Thursday, November 22 Thanksgiving Day
- Friday, November 23 Day after Thanksgiving
- Sunday, December 23 Sunday before Christmas
- Monday, December 24 Christmas Eve
- Tuesday, December 25 Christmas Day
- Sunday, December 30 Sunday after Christmas
- Tuesday, January 1, 2013 New Year's Day

EARLY CLOSING NEW YEAR'S EVE

On Monday, December 31, the library will close at 5:00 p.m.

Fall Programming For Adults

Paranormal Milwaukee – Tuesday, October 2, 6:30 p.m.

Believe in ghosts or spirits? Skeptical about the paranormal? People of all viewpoints are welcome to come to an informational session about hauntings. The Paranormal Investigators of Milwaukee (PIM) will be on hand to discuss types of hauntings along with information on how to be an investigator. Evidence will also be showcased from prior PIM investigations. Free and in the Constitution Room.

Visiting the Beyond – Thursday, October 25, 7:00 p.m.

Just in time for Halloween, come to the library for a night of creepy entertainment. Curt Strutz will take you inside the haunted places he has personally visited. Photos, video, and testimonies will be reviewed, as well as the history behind each location. This presentation is not only great for people interested in ghosts and ghost hunting, but also for history buffs. Due to some of the material covered, the program is geared to teens and adults. Free and in the Constitution Room.

Aching Back – Tuesday, November 27, 6:30 p.m.

According to the National Institute of Health, back pain is the number two reason that Americans see their doctors, second only to colds and the flu. Back pain can be caused by many things. Please join Dr. Paul Maurer as he explains the structure of the back, causes of pain, and when more serious problems need to be addressed by medical professionals. Free and in the Constitution Room. Please call the Information Desk at (414) 302-8500 to register for this program.

Download E-Books @ an Open House Session

Learn how to download library e-books onto your e-reader at one of our walk-in Open House sessions. We'll provide the wireless and the laptops, you bring your e-reader and USB cable.

Saturday, September 22, 10:00-11:30 a.m. Constitution Room

Nook, Sony e-Reader, Kobo, and Other (non-Apple or Amazon) Devices

Saturday, September 29, 10:00-11:30 a.m. Constitution Room

Amazon Kindle

Saturday, October 6, 10:00-11:30 a.m. Constitution Room

iPad, iPhone, iPod, and Smartphone Apps

Fall Computer Classes @ The Library

The library will be offering hour-long computer classes for Milwaukee County residents who want to learn more about using computers, the Internet, email, and Microsoft Word 2010. To register, or for more information, call (414) 302-8500 or sign up at the Adult Information Desk. Registration is required, 10 patrons per class. Classes are limited to patrons ages 12 and up with a valid Milwaukee County library card. Classes include: Computer Basics, Internet Basics, Introduction to Email, Microsoft Word Basics.

An **Introduction to CountyCat** class will also be offered for users who want to learn how to use the Milwaukee County online library catalog. Learn how to search for books and other library materials, place holds, download e-books, and manage your library account online.



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Development	302-8460
Downtown Business District	774-2676
Engineering	302-8360
Farmers Market Info. Line	302-8652
Fire Non-Emergency Calls	302-8900
Health Department	302-8600
Housing	302-8430
Library Information Line	302-8520
Mayor	302-8290
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NEW BUSINESSES TO WEST ALLIS



Great Lakes Dermatology Ribbon Cutting



Pam's Paws Ribbon Cutting

VISIT YOUR STATE FAIR PARK

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION
Sept. 12-Nov. 2	Halloween Express	N Parking Lot
Sept. 25-30	Just Between Friends of Milw. County	Wis. Expo Center
Sept. 28-30	Harvest Fair & World Beef Expo	Fair Grounds
Sept. 28-30	Milwaukee County Fair (held during Harvest Fair)	Horticulture Bldg.
Sept. 29	Special Olympics Walk/Run	Milw. Mile
Oct. 7	Milwaukee Bead Show	TGThompson Center
Oct. 12-Nov. 3	Hauntfest	Cream Puff Pavilion
Oct. 12-14	Snowmobile USA	Wis. Expo Center
Oct. 12-13	Hazardous Waste Collection	N Parking Lot
Oct. 13-14	Snowmobile, ATV & Powersports Swap Meet	Central Park
Oct. 20	Small & Homebased Business Expo	TGThompson Center
Oct. 20-21	Rummage-A-Rama	Products Pavilion
Nov. 3	NAFC Cage Fighting	Products Pavilion
Nov. 9-11	TRAINfest	Wis. Expo Center
Nov. 30-Dec. 2	Badger Kickoff Classic Livestock Show	Coliseum
Dec. 8-9	Rummage-A-Rama	Products Pavilion
Dec. 9-11	Milwaukee Hmong New Year	Wis. Expo Center

Wisconsin State Fair Park Contact Information

Recorded information updated weekly	1-800-884-FAIR(3247)
Wisconsin State Fair Park Administration Office	414/266-7000
Web Site	www.wistatefair.com
E-mail Address	wsfp@wisconsin.gov
Pettit National Ice Center	414/266-0100
Wisconsin Exposition Center	414/266-7300



ORGANIZE A BLOCK PARTY!

In an effort to foster close-knit neighborhoods, the Common Council has waived the \$25 block party permit fee for year 2012. Learn more and obtain your permit by calling the Engineering Department at (414)302-8360.

HANDLING YOUR YARD WASTE IN 2012

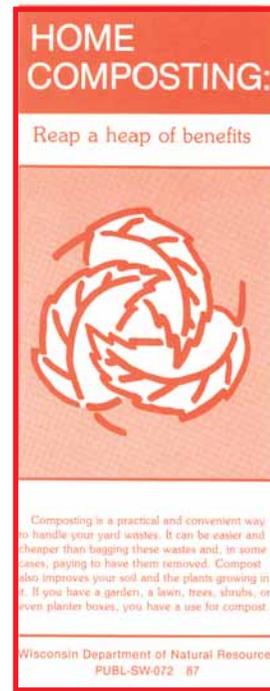
The following information provides West Allis residents with alternatives to dispose of yard waste materials which are currently banned by the state from being collected and disposed of with household waste. Alternatives available vary by item and may include free collection service, collection service 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.



*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.

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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	WEST END-MORGAN SITE South 116 Street-south of Morgan
	7:15-3:00 – Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 7:15-5:00 – Wednesday 8:00-3:30 – Saturday	<u>OPEN:</u> May 29 – August 31, 2012 7:30-2:30 – Monday 7:30-7:00 – Tuesday through Friday 8:00-3:30 – Saturday
	<u>CLOSED:</u> January 2 May 26 and 28 July 4 September 1 and 3 November 22 and 23 December 22, 24 and 25 January 1, 2013	<u>OPEN:</u> September 4 - October 12, 2012 7:30-2:30 - Monday through Friday <u>CLOSED:</u> 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, #2, #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).



**Save
The
Date!**

CHRISTMAS *on the* AVENUE

Back to Tradition *Downtown West Allis*

**Saturday, December 1, 2012
Greenfield Avenue from 70th to 76th Streets**

**1:30-3:30pm: Downtown Activities
4pm: Community Sing (Centennial Plaza)
4:30pm: Tree Lighting**

West Allis Community Christmas Parade to follow!

Activities include:

- Artwork of WA/WM School children
- Ice Sculpting Competition
- Music
- Games
- Hay rides
- Hospitality Hosts
- Veterans' Giving Tree
- Bring your camera and capture the memories
- Free Family Fun!



 **Craft Fair/Bake Sale Call (414) 302-1700 for more information**

 **Breakfast With Santa @ Mis Suenos Call: (414) 763-5150 for information**

 **Lunch With Santa @ Steakhouse 100 Call: (414) 727-2222 for information**

 **Community Sing / Tree Lighting (Centennial Park Plaza-City Hall)**

 **West Allis Community Christmas Parade "The Music and Magic of Christmas"
Parade Route: Greenfield Avenue from 81st to 66th Street**



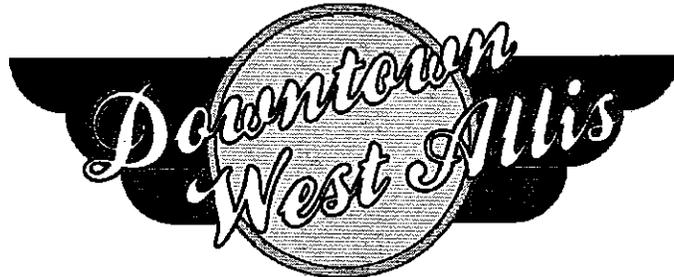
 For more information, log onto www.DowntownWestAllis.org or call us at (414) 774-2676

Downtown West Allis Business Improvement District

414-774-2676

www.DowntownWestAllis.org

22nd Annual



**SUNDAY,
OCTOBER 7, 2012**

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

Classic Car Show

Greenfield Avenue from 70th to 76th Streets
(This section of Greenfield Avenue will be closed from 5am to 5pm)

Over 400 Classic Cars – Music - Food

Fun for the Whole Family!! Free Admission!!

1:30pm: Hot Wheels® Race Time

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

**SATURDAY,
OCTOBER 27, 2012
10 A.M. – 12:00 Noon**

Greenfield Avenue from 70th to 76th Streets

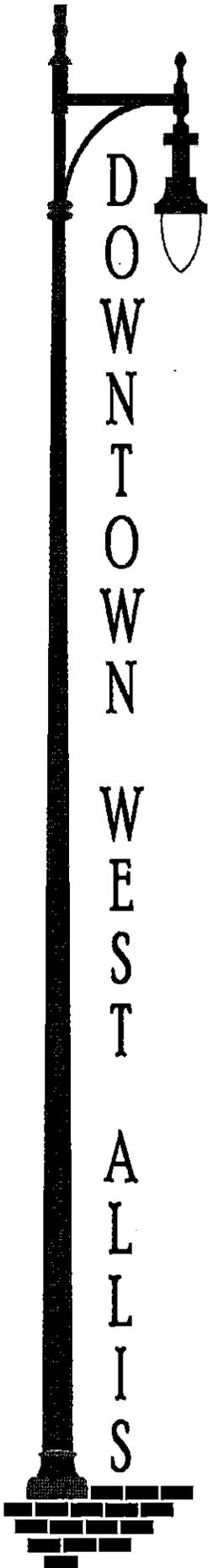
- Come in costume and receive treats from the Downtown West Allis merchants!
- Donations of non-perishable food items will go to a local food pantry
- Registration and food item drop-offs at various locations along Greenfield Ave.
- Open for ages: infant – 12 year olds.
(Accompanied by an adult)



**DOWNTOWN
WEST ALLIS
MEET & TREAT**

Please visit only merchants who have indicated that they are participating by the orange pumpkin on their front door.

For more information on either event or future events,
check our website @ www.DowntownWestAllis.org,
email us at director@downtownwestallis.org, or call (414) 774-2676.



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

The 2012-2013 School Year is off to a Great Start



If you have any questions about our *Building Our Future One Child at a Time* theme, please consult with your school's principal. The West Allis - West Milwaukee School District is dedicated to being child-centered and "Putting Children First."
We are off to a great start this school year!

WAWM Schools Received Numerous Awards in the Spring of 2012

In the spring of 2012 the West Allis-West Milwaukee School District was honored with numerous awards and recognitions. In March Milwaukee Magazine rated the WAWM School District as the **Number One Overperforming School District in the Milwaukee area**. Our District earned this ranking at both the K-8 and High School levels. This is an outstanding award that reflects all of the hard work that our entire teaching staff, support staff, and entire school community have done is paying off with positive results and recognition.

The WAWM School District also received awards from the Business Journal and Wisconsin Lawyers Association Daily Reporter. These two awards had the WAWM Schools recognized as First Place Award Winners for the purchase out of receivership, renovation, consolidation and repurposing of the former Allis-Chalmers Tractor Executive Office Buildings located at 1135 and 1205 South 70th Street into revenue generating facilities. These two facilities now house our Learning Center, Administration Offices, as well as the Recreation and Community Services Offices and programs. The WAWM Schools leases space in these two buildings which allows an additional \$600,000 into our budget. These monies are used to help support our educational programs in the West Allis-West Milwaukee School District.

The West Allis-West Milwaukee School District has also received numerous visits from agencies at the local, state and national levels for the cutting edge work we've been doing in our Next Generation Learning Communities. Our District is leading the way in this new innovative way of learning which is helping bring the students of the WAWM School District into a 21st Century of learning skill set with personalized learning opportunities.

Students Rights & Responsibilities Handbook

The "*Student Rights and Responsibilities Handbook*" provides students and parents with the District's mission statement, building information, school calendar, student expectations at school, parent(s)/guardian(s) expectations from school, school expectations of student/parent(s)/guardian(s), guidelines to student rights and responsibilities, the District's code of conduct, unacceptable conduct, School Board policies, and a form for parent(s)/guardian(s) to complete and return to their child's school office. The verification form indicates that they have not only received the handbook but also have discussed the content with their child/children.

Our goal is to partner with the entire school community as we work together to provide a SAFE, RESPECTFUL, and FOCUSED learning environment where ALL children CAN SUCCEED and ACHIEVE. You can find the Handbook online at: <http://www.wawm.k12.wi.us/>.

iPad and Bring Your Own Device Initiatives New to the WAWM Schools

The West Allis-West Milwaukee School District is implementing two new initiatives for students this year. These initiatives are the *Bring Your Own Device* and *iPad Initiatives*. The changing landscape of the world's information to digital form will require today's student to have a different set of skills than what was required just ten years ago. Future graduates must be equipped with not just the three R's of Rigor, Relevance, and Relationships but also with 21st Century skills that will allow them to be able to quickly find, synthesize and communicate information and collaborate with colleagues, not just in their own office, but within a global community of colleagues and customers.

The West Allis-West Milwaukee School District wants to ensure students develop the skills and knowledge necessary to responsibly navigate this emerging modern world. The WAWM School District is using a layered approach to provide this digital access and increase our computing power. Beginning in the 2012-2013 school year, the School District will provide iPads to students enrolled in identified courses at the high schools or students identified classrooms in the intermediate and elementary schools in place of or in addition to certain textbooks and other learning tools. In addition, students are able to bring their own personal mobile learning devices (i.e., laptops, tablets, smart phones, etc.) to school for educational use as directed by their school, classroom or subject area teachers. The goal is to allow access to a 1:1 personal learning device for all staff and students by the 2014-2015 school year.

By putting a personal learning device in the hands of students, the West Allis-West Milwaukee School District will:

- Enhance and accelerate learning
- Leverage technology for personalized instruction
- Promote collaboration, increasing student engagement
- Strengthen the 21st century skills necessary for future student success
- Increase access to digital curriculum, in place of traditional print like textbooks and classroom equipment such as graphing calculators
- Prepare students for the on-line administration of the new SMARTER Balance State Assessment, replacing the WKCE in 2014-2015 assessment
- Provide access to anywhere, anytime learning in classrooms, in schoolyards, at a cyber café and at home

With the use and access to mobile learning devices internet safety and appropriate use will be expected of each student.

WAWM Staff Works Hard During Summer Months *Many Things Accomplished in June, July and August*

During the summer months many staff members in the West Allis-West Milwaukee Schools worked extremely hard in many areas in preparation for the 2012-2013 school year. In June both teaching and administrative staff participated in the Wisconsin Education Innovations professional development. WAWM administration also participated in the Wisconsin State Leadership Academy in Madison where the Department of Public Instruction presented information on the new state requirements regarding the state waiver of the Federal No Child Left Behind regulations. Students were also provided the opportunity to increase their knowledge at the Summer Adventures Program and Playground activities which is operated through the WAWM Recreation Department. Also, high school students had the ability to participate in credit recovery programs which allows them to catch up on any outstanding credits so that they will be on course to graduate.

Teaching staff had another opportunity to voluntarily take an iPad training course in which instruction occurred on the use of iPads, what apps are useful and available, and how to make the best use of these devices in their classrooms.

August was a busy month for all of our staff members as we had an Administrative In-Service week the first week of the month. The school Board participated as well in a workshop interfacing with the administrative team. New teachers had their own week of professional development followed by an all-staff in-service week which was held the week prior to classes beginning.

The summer months are also a busy time for our Maintenance Department as this is the time of year when they get all of our facilities in working order for the upcoming school year. This department spent the summer months painting, waxing floors, cleaning, and many other tasks in order to keep our facilities second to none. I would like to thank all of our staff for their hard work over the summer months. It is these types of things that make the West Allis-West Milwaukee Schools a great school district and one in which you as a community member can be proud of.

West Allis-West Milwaukee Fall Recreation Guide Now Available

We would like to remind you that the West Allis-West Milwaukee Fall Recreation Guide is now available on-line at: <http://www.wawmrec.com/>. If you have any questions please call 414-604-4900.