City of West Allis

# Newsletter

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WEST ALLIS

January, February & March 2012

## Refuse And Recycling For The Holidays

- DPW offices are closed and refuse and recycling will not be collected on Friday, December 23; Monday, December 26; and Monday, January 2, 2012.
- The Municipal Yard will not be open to accept drop-off materials on Saturday, December 24, and Saturday, December 31, 2011.
- 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.

### Christmas And New Year Holiday Schedule

| If Your Regular Collection Day Is: | Set Out Your Refuse Or Recyclables On: |
|---|---|
| Monday, December 19 | Monday, December 19 |
| Tuesday, December 20 | Monday, December 19* |
| Wednesday, December 21 | Tuesday, December 20* |
| Thursday, December 22 | Wednesday, December 21* |
| Friday, December 23 | Thursday, December 22 |
| Monday, December 26 | Tuesday, December 27 |
| Tuesday, December 27 | Tuesday, December 27* |
| Wednesday, December 28 | Wednesday, December 28* |
| Thursday, December 29 | Thursday, December 29* |
| Friday, December 30 | Friday, December 30 |
| Monday, January 2 | Tuesday, January 3 |
| Tuesday, January 3 | Tuesday, January 3* |
| Wednesday, January 4 | Wednesday, January 4* |
| Thursday, January 5 | Thursday, January 5* |
| Friday, January 6 | Friday, January 6 |

***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.**

## Christmas Tree Collection

REMINDER: Christmas trees should be placed **where refuse is collected**, either at the alley if you have alley collection or at the curb if you do not have an alley. Please do not place the trees in the street.

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## C.A.A.D. New Year's Eve Family Night

The WA/WM Community Alliance Against Drugs (CAAD) will host its annual New Year's Eve Family Night on Saturday, December 31, at Central H.S., 8521 W. Lincoln Ave., 6:30-11:00 p.m. The 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. Food and refreshments available for a nominal fee. Admission is free to CAAD members. Non-members can join CAAD the night of this event. For complete details and costs, please see the City's web site at www.westalliswi.gov or call the Crime Prevention Bureau at 414/302-8050.

## Polling Place Changes

**Election Dates in early 2012**
February 21, 2012 - Spring Primary, if needed
April 3, 2012 - Spring Election and Presidential Preference Primary

There are a number of changes to expect beginning in 2012 relative to elections and voting. Voters will be required to show a photo ID such as a driver license or state-issued ID in order to receive a ballot and vote. Voters will also need to sign the poll book before receiving a ballot. In order to save everyone time when voting on Election Day, please be prepared. Detailed information on Voter Photo ID can be found on the Government Accountability Board's (GAB) website, http://gab.wi.gov/. The name on your voter photo ID must conform to the name on the voter list (name variations are allowed). You can verify your voter registration status at https://vpa.wi.gov/.

**Other changes include:**

- The residency requirement has changed from 10 days to 28 consecutive days prior to an election when registering to vote.
- Voters can no longer use a corroborating witness when registering to vote.
- Voters can register to vote at the Clerk's office until 5 p.m. the Friday before an election (voters can still register at the polls on Election Day).
- In-person absentee voting at the Clerk's office will begin no earlier than the third Monday before an election.
- In-person absentee voting at the Clerk's office will end at 5 p.m. the Friday before an election.
- In-person absentee voters will be required to show a photo ID.

For rules on absentee voting by mail, please see the GAB's website, http://gab.wi.gov/, or call the Clerk/Treasurer's Office at 414-302-8200.

Also, redistricting in West Allis is now complete. Your ward, polling place, and the various election districts representing your area may have changed. Postcards highlighting these changes will be mailed to residents in early 2012.

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# Clerk/Treasurer News

**2011 Real Estate & Personal Property Tax Bills Available In Early December**

The Treasurer's office mails approximately 22,000 real estate and personal property tax bills each December. The detailed bill with property valuations is the first page. The second page of the real estate tax bill has square codes printed on 3 coupons. Please submit coupons with your payments. The first coupon is for a full payment or first installment.

The property tax bills for current and several prior years are also available online at www.westalliswi.gov. Choose e-services or property search.

Refunds at City Hall will be limited to **$25** cash when funds are available.

**Lottery Credit**

The lottery credit is applicable only to qualified primary residences. The property owner as of January 1, 2011 must use the property as their primary residence for more than six months. Most properties that qualify are pre-certified. The lottery credit appears as a deduction on your real estate tax bill.

If the lottery credit is not shown on the real estate property tax bill and the property was a qualified primary residence, you may pick up a Late Claim Lottery form at the Treasurer's office or download the form from the WI Department of Revenue link on our website. The Late Claim Lottery forms are processed by the Treasurer's office only through January 31, 2012 for 2011.

**Pay Your Taxes Timely**

Please comply with the January 31 due date for the entire bill or full first installment (Real Estate Tax only). The subsequent installment dates are March 31 and May 31. Reminder notices for installments are not sent. Wisconsin law requires our office to collect interest and penalty of 1.5 % per month for late payments. Please note that **failure to receive a property tax** bill does not affect the validity of tax or the collection of delinquent taxes per Wis. Stats. 74.09.

**Business Owners**

If you are a business owner who receives a personal property tax bill in addition to a real estate tax bill, please remember that any payments received must be applied first to the personal property tax bill. Paying both bills together avoids receipt complications.

**Tri City National Bank Accepting Tax Payments at the following locations through January 31.**

Receipts will be provided. Also, refund checks are given immediately if your mortgage check is larger than your tax bill.

- Tri City National Bank: 67th & Greenfield
- Tri City National Bank: 109th & Greenfield
- Tri City National Bank: 76th & Oklahoma Hours: M-F 9-6 & Sat 9 – 12 (12/24: 9 - 12 & 12/31: 9 – 12, closed 12/25, 12/26, 1/1)
- Pick N Save Tri City National Bank: 67th & National
- Pick N Save Tri City National Bank: 108th & Cleveland, Hours: Mon – Sun 10 - 8 (12/24: 10 – 2 & 12/31: 10 - 8, closed 12/25, 1/1)

Take advantage of this convenient service and avoid lines at City Hall.

The majority of taxes are paid through the mail. Please mail payments at least one week before the due date. Mailed payments allow the taxpayer to avoid a trip to City Hall with its long lines. If you mail your payment, be sure to include the **payment coupon**. Receipts are only mailed back to taxpayers who include a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

You may pay your tax bill by e-check (*automated checking withdrawal*) or credit card (using the Internet or phone). Look for details when you receive your tax bill in December.

Many taxpayers have part of their monthly mortgage payment put into an escrow account for paying taxes. Contact your mortgage company to clarify when and how your escrow money will be applied to your taxes. Your taxes are not considered paid until the City Treasurer receives the money.

**24-Hour Depository**

The 24-hour depository is located near the main doors accessible from the City Hall parking lot and can be used for dropping off check or money order payments. If you cannot deliver the payment to the Treasurer's Office before 5:00 p.m. on the due date, you must mail the payment by using the U.S. Postal Service to obtain an official postmark. Be sure the postmark is applied before midnight of the due date. The official postmark will be proof of timeliness of your payment. Your payment can then be processed without interest and penalty charges (if received within five days).

# 2012 City Budget Adopted; Tax Levy & Tax Rate Set

The West Allis Common Council adopted the 2012 Budget, tax levy, and tax rate on November 15. The 2012 General Fund Expenditures were adopted at $55,604,797 and total City Expenditures were adopted at $118,218,779. The General Fund Expenditures for 2012 represent a decrease of $414,895 over last year's expenditures, or .74%. Debt, special revenue, enterprise, and other fund expenditures also increased or decreased by various amounts.

The resulting effect of the revenue and expenditure changes means that the City tax levy increased a small amount. The City tax levy was set at $38,728,403, an increase of $583,819 (1.53%) over last year's levy (not including the TIF levy).

The City tax rate was set at $9.76 for each $1,000 of assessed value, $.15 higher than last year's City tax rate of $9.61. This $.15 increase in the tax rate represents a 1.56% increase in the City portion of the total tax rate.

# It's a Wonderful Downtown West Allis

You are invited to find out more about Downtown West Allis!
Downtown West Allis Business Improvement District
Town Hall Meeting, 5 – 7pm
Tuesday, February 21, 2012
Steakhouse 100 (7246 W. Greenfield Ave.)

# MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW

FOR THE
7TH ANNUAL SETTLER'S WEEKEND

SATURDAY, AUGUST 25, 2012
10 AM – 6 PM
SUNDAY, AUGUST 26, 2012
10 AM – 4 PM

MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE SPRING 2012

## 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:

**Christmas Eve**
Friday, December 23
(PW-Municipal Yard only)

**Christmas Day**
Monday, December 26

**New Year's Day 2012**
Monday, January 2

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

See Page 7 for Library Holiday Hours.

NOTE: The Municipal Yard is closed for drop-off and there will be no refuse and recycling collection on Friday, December 23; Saturday, December 24; Monday, December 26; Saturday, December 31; and Monday, January 2, 2012 due to the holidays. Crews may work ahead or fall behind their normal collection during these weeks.

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City of West Allis Offices are Open for
**Martin Luther King Jr. Day**
(Monday, January 16)

**Presidents' Day**
(Monday, February 20)

Season's Greetings


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## Two Year Olds and Parents/Guardians

Two for the Show is a free, fun-filled event for two year olds and their parents/guardians in the West Allis-West Milwaukee School District. It 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. Parents will receive parenting tips on routines, lead, nutrition, dental health, safety and more. Professionals from the health department, school district, and other agencies will be on hand to answer questions on topics ranging from speech development to toilet training to dental care.

**Where:** West Allis Health Department
7120 W. National Avenue

**When:** Monday, March 26, 2012
3:00–6:15 p.m.

Tuesday, March 27, 2012
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.

## Community Dinner/Dance

**Lending a Hand to Improve the Community**

The West Allis Community Improvement Foundation in partnership with the West Allis Rotary Club and WA-WM Chamber of Commerce will sponsor the 23rd Annual West Allis Community Dinner/Dance on Saturday, March 31, 2012, 6-11 p.m. at Knights of Columbus-Columbus Club, 1800 South 92nd Street. The event will benefit the Aurora West Allis Medical Center Family Consultation Room.

Lending a hand to improve the community is a key component in support of this project. Proceeds from the event will help to continue our own community hospital's tradition of patient-centered care through the construction of a new family consultation room. The family consultation room will give doctors and an estimated 33 families a day a more relaxed and private area to discuss the status of patients. Space will be carved out of an existing work area to create this comfortable family room, directly across from the Surgical Waiting Area. It will accommodate large families in a private, convenient location for discussion with surgeons following procedures in the main Operating Room. Currently, families must walk to smaller rooms or use a corner of the Surgical Waiting area, which may not offer the appropriate comfort and privacy.

The evening will feature a buffet dinner by the Columbus Club, the "Taste of West Allis" sweet table, entertainment, and exciting Silent Auction.

Tickets are $45/person, or $320 for table of 8, and are available at West Allis City Hall, WA-WM Chamber of Commerce, or mail your reservation to the Foundation at 7525 W. Greenfield Ave., West Allis, WI 53214. Reservation deadline is March 20. Checks payable to the West Allis Community Improvement Foundation. For further information, call the Foundation at 414/302-8292.

**Mark March 31 On Your Calendar Now**

## Help Reduce False Alarms

The West Allis Police Department routinely responds to and handles false alarms at residences and businesses. Please help the Police Department reduce the time spent on false alarms by ensuring that you have an up-to-date alarm permit on file (with accurate key holder information) and that your alarm system is in good working order. Beginning on January 1, 2012, the Police Department will impose fees for fourth and subsequent false alarms at residences and businesses in a calendar year. A complete description of the code regarding Regulation of Alarm Systems (4.24), including a fee schedule, can be found on the City of West Allis website. Alarm permit applications can be obtained from the West Allis Police Department Records Bureau (Monday-Friday, 7am-6pm).


Powerful Voices, Positive Choices

**West Allis West Milwaukee Community Coalition**
414-604-3506

www.wawmcc.org

Visit our website to learn more about–
*the Coalition's mission, partners, community events, resources, articles, and important news about keeping WAWM youth safe.*

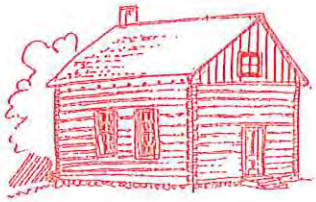
Join us in 2012
January 18th March 21st May 16th
July 18th September 19th November 21st

## Christmas In West Allis

Christmas on the Avenue, along with the City's Annual Christmas Tree Lighting and the West Allis Community Christmas Parade, was held on Saturday, December 3. The Tree Lighting Program was held at City Hall Centennial Park Plaza, and those attending enjoyed caroling by the Suburban Singers, West Allis Central Men's Choir, and the WA-WM All-City Children's Chorus. The program concluded with a community sing-along and lighting of the West Allis Christmas Tree, located in front of City Hall. The lighting of the tree signaled the start of the annual Christmas Parade, sponsored by the West Allis Community Christmas Parade Committee.

Each year a child is chosen to help the Mayor light the tree. Children are eligible to have their names placed in a drawing to light the tree when dropping off a non-perishable food item as part of the City's holiday food collection. The lucky person was John Schloss, age 4. Many thanks to those who participated in the food collection; it helps a very worthy cause. Items collected this year were included in a donation to ten West Allis food pantries.
Visit www.downtownwestallis.org to view holiday photos.

## Friendship Soup For Sale



A popular fundraiser for the continued operation of the historic Honey Creek Log School is Friendship Soup Mix. Each "log" package contains a delicious blend of herbs, spices, dried vegetables and noodles. Just add water, beef and diced tomatoes for a hearty soup that will please the palate.

Friendship soup mix can be purchased at City Hall, Clerk/Treasurer's Office or Mayor's Office, for $5.00 a package. Proceeds go to the endowment fund for the historic Honey Creek Log School for exhibits and educational programs on the pioneer history of West Allis. Call 302-8470 for further information on schoolhouse programs or volunteer opportunities.

## Community Gardening

Do you have a "green thumb" or an interest in gardening? If so, then we hope you'll join us at our next meeting.

The West Allis Community Garden Committee would like to invite interested West Allis and West Milwaukee community members and organization representatives to attend its meetings. The group meets every other month at the West Allis Library, Constitution Room, 7421 West National Avenue, from 3:30–5:00 p.m. Call 414-302-8600 for meeting dates.

At each meeting, a gardening expert speaks on a specific topic related to gardening, and the committee will also discuss plans for future community gardens and possible garden sites.

Community gardens and green spaces are important in urban environments. Community gardens provide space to grow nutritious food, and gardeners can save money on produce. Gardening is a great family activity and a way to get exercise and meet new people. It is particularly important for people with small yards or those who live in apartments and condominiums that do not have space to garden.

Bring your gardening know-how and ideas to our next meeting. Help make West Allis and West Milwaukee gardening communities. For more information on the West Allis Community Garden Committee, email Charlotte at charlottekingwi@yahoo.com or Tom at rebstock13@gmail.com.

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## Employment Opportunities For Spring Temporary Laborers

The City of West Allis is recruiting for temporary laborers for its Department of Public Works – Forestry Division, 40 hours/week (weather permitting), 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday – Friday. Work duties include cutting grass, pulling weeds, trimming, etc. 2012 hourly rate of $10.00 for applicants residing within the City of West Allis or $9.80 for applicants residing within a 30-minute drive time. Applicants must have a valid WI Drivers License and possess a good driving record, be at least 18 years of age and either a West Allis resident or live within a 30-minute drive time. (NOTE: Returning applicants must re-apply annually.)

**Spring Employment:**
**Mid-April through Mid-to Late-May**

Applications are available January 3, 2012 on-line (www.westalliswi.gov) and at the Human Resources Division, City Hall, 7525 West Greenfield Avenue, West Allis, WI 53214, 414/302-8270. DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 29, 2012, at 5:00 P.M. Applications received after the deadline will be placed on hold for future consideration.

## Summer Laborer

Attention college students residing in West Allis. The City of West Allis is recruiting for summer laborers to perform a variety of manual work for the Department of Public Works beginning on or about mid-May and ending on or about mid-August, with an hourly rate of $8.00 (first year students), $8.50 (second year returning students), $9.00 (third year returning students), and $9.50 (fourth and fifth year returning students), working 40 hours/week (weather permitting).

**NOTE:** There is also a 23.5 hours/week position at the West Allis City Dump (116th and Morgan), Tuesday through Friday, 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. and Saturdays, 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Applicants must be currently attending college or enrolled in college for the Fall 2012 Semester AND possess a valid Wisconsin driver's license.

Applications are available at www.westalliswi.gov or Human Resources Division, City Hall, 7525 West Greenfield Avenue, West Allis, WI 53214, 414/302-8270. DEADLINE: FRIDAY, MARCH 30, 2012, at 5:00 P.M.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

## 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.
- A "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.

## Don't Bury The Fire Hydrant

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

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

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

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 though 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.

**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. **NOTE:** Meal sites are closed Monday, January 16, in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

**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. S.A.F.E. Books are free and available at the Senior Center, Library and City Hall beginning the end of January.

**The Navigator** is a free transportation publication sponsored by West Allis-West Milwaukee Connecting Caring Communities. It contains information on transportation programs available to older adults in our community. Pick up a free copy at the West Allis Senior Center.

### Selected Events for January, February & March

**Gifts of Warmth.** Volunteers knit or crochet hats, mittens and scarves for the following programs: FOX 6's Vince Condella's Coats for Kids Program and West Allis Health Department's Stork's Nest. Volunteers also make 7"X 9" rectangles, which are joined to make large and colorful afghans for area shut-ins, local families in need, and for women's and homeless shelters. The Senior Center will gladly accept donations of 4-ply acrylic yarn for these projects.

**Arthritis Foundation's Exercise Class.** Co-sponsored by the West Allis Senior Center, the 8-week sessions include 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. The exercises can be performed either sitting or standing, whichever is more comfortable. Specific class dates and times vary; preregistration required. Call 414-302-8700.

**Wellness Wednesdays – Weight Loss.** 10-week group with a facilitator meets once a week on Wednesdays with a weigh-in from 11:00 – 11:15 a.m. and an informational/motivational talk from 11:15–11:30 a.m. Cost for the 10-week series is $25. Next session is January 25 through March 28.

**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.

## POLLING LOCATIONS *(Continued from page 1)*

| WARD(S) | POLLING PLACE | LOCATION |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | Liberty Heights Park Field House | 6101 W. Orchard St. |
| 2 | West Allis Police Satellite Station | 6900 W. National Ave. |
| 3 & 5 | Longfellow School | 2211 S. 60 St. |
| 4 | Fire Station No. 2 | 2040 S. 67 Pl. |
| 6 | West Allis City Hall | 7525 W. Greenfield Ave. |
| 7 | Heritage West Allis | 7901 W. National Ave. |
| 8 | West Allis Public Library | 7421 W. National Ave. |
| 9 | McCarty Park Pavilion | 2567 S. 78 St. |
| 10 & 20 | Recreation Center | 2450 S. 68 St |
| 11 | LaFollette Park Pavilion | 9418 W. Washington St. |
| 12 | Madison School | 1117 S. 104 St. |
| 13 | Marian University | 1227 S. 116 St. |
| 14 | Franklin Field House | 1964 S. 86 St. |
| 15 | Woodrow Wilson School Field House | 8710 W. Orchard St. |
| 17 | Central High School | 8516 W. Lincoln Ave. |
| 16 & 18 | Frank Lloyd Wright School | 9501 W. Cleveland Ave. |
| 19 | Village at Manor Park | 3023 S. 84 St. |
| 21 | Irving School Field House | 10230 W. Grant St. |
| 22, 24, & 25 | Nathan Hale High School | 11601 W. Lincoln Ave. |
| 23 | General Mitchell School Field House | 10125 W. Montana Ave. |

Please visit the Clerk's webpage at www.westalliswi.gov, or call 414-302-8200, if you need to register to vote or need to find out where you vote.

**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.

## CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT INFORMATION

**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 or a video. Adults are active participants as they interact one-on-one with their child. Register in person or call 302-8502.

**Lapsit Story Time (for ages 9 months to 23 months)**
Mondays, February 6, 13, and 20
9:30-10:00 a.m.
Toddler and Me Story Time (for 2-year olds)
(January Session)
Wednesdays, January 4, 11, 18, and 25, 9:30-10:00 a.m. or 10:15-10:45 a.m.
(March Session)
Wednesdays, March 7, 14, 21, and 28, 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, February 7, 14, 21, and 28, 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 or video. 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 302-8502.

**Morning Story Times**
Wednesdays, February 8, 15, 22, and 29, 9:30-10:00 a.m. or 10:15-10:45 a.m.

**Afternoon Story Times**
(January Session)
Mondays, January 9, 16, 23, and 30, 1:00-1:45 p.m. or Tuesdays, January 10, 17, 24, and 31, 1:00-1:45 p.m.
(March Session)
Mondays, March 5, 12, 19, and 26 1:00-1:45 p.m. or Tuesdays, March 6, 13, 20, and 27 1:00-1:45 p.m.

**Evening Story Times (for ages 4-6 who are not enrolled in K5 kindergarten)**
(January Session)
Tuesdays, January 10, 17, 24, and 31, 6:30-7:15 p.m.
(March Session)
Tuesdays, March 6, 13, 20, and 27 6:30-7:15 p.m.

## COMPUTER CLASSES@THE LIBRARY

Beginning in February 2012, the library will be offering hour-long computer classes for residents who want to learn more about using computers, the Internet, and Microsoft Word. Computer class schedules will be available December 15. Registration will begin Tuesday, January 3, 2012. To register, call 414/302-8500 or sign up at the Adult Information Desk. Classes are for ages 12 and up with a valid Milwaukee County library card. Registration required, limit of 10 patrons per class.

***Computer Basics***
For users new to computers. Introduction to using the mouse and keyboard, basic computer navigation and commands, and a basic overview of simple web browsing and searching.

***Internet Basics***
For users new to the Internet or who want to brush up on their web skills. Learn how to browse and search for jobs, information, and entertainment as well as how to create an email address.

***Microsoft Word Basics***
For users with basic computer skills who want to learn more about word processing for writing resumes, letters, and papers. Learn the basics of how to type and format your document starting from scratch or using a template.

## LIBRARY LEISURE TIMERS

Come to a West Allis Public Library Leisure Timers Program! The programs are for adults who enjoy viewing films and slides relating to travel, history, and other subjects of interest. Programs are held the second and fourth Monday of each month in the Constitution Room, 7421 West National Avenue. Presentations begin at 10:00 a.m. and last for about an hour. Schedule for January through March:

**January 9** Peter Lee and Karen Levy present "Teaching, Touring, Tasting: Treasures & Trials of a Month in Guatemala" (computer slides)

**January 23** West Central Interfaith presents "Awareness of Help for Seniors"

**February 13** "Bill's Excellent Adventure to Death Valley & Sequoia National Park: The Low and the Mighty" (computer slides)

**February 27** "The Crimson Wing: Mystery of the Flamingos" (DVD)

**March 12** Joan Jass presents "The Natural History of Pearls" (slides)

**March 26** "Venezuela" (DVD)

## FRIENDS' NEWS

The Friends of the West Allis Public Library continue to raise money for the library through monthly book sales held on the 2nd Saturday of every month from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. In 2011, the Friends provided over $12,000 in funding for several library "wish list" items including the various summer reading clubs, special programming for children, young adult activities, and specialty furniture for the newly created young adult area.

Please support the Friends at these upcoming Saturday sales: January 14, February 11, and March 10.

The Friends will gladly accept your donations of books, CDs, DVDs, videos, paperbacks, games, puzzles, recorded books, children's books, and young adult books. Please mark your donations "FRIENDS" and bring them to the library anytime it is open.

## HOLIDAY HOURS/CLOSINGS

The library will be **CLOSED** the following days:
Sunday, December 18-Sunday before Christmas
Saturday, December 24-Christmas Eve
Sunday, December 25-Christmas Day
Monday, December 26-Christmas Day Observed
Saturday, December 31-New Year's Eve
Sunday, January 1-New Year's Day
Monday, January 2-New Year's Day Observed

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# WHATS NEW?

Empower Credit Union incorporates several "green design" strategies to its new building in West Allis.

*Panda Express opens its first two stand alone stores in Wisconsin right here in West Allis and West Milwaukee.*

## VISIT YOUR STATE FAIR PARK

| DATE | EVENT | LOCATION |
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| Jan. 7 | Milw. County Winter Farmers Market | TGT Youth Center |
| Jan. 7-8 | Wonderful World of Weddings | WEC |
| Jan. 14 | Milw. County Winter Farmers Market | TGT Youth Center |
| Jan. 20-29 | Milwaukee Boat Show | WEC |
| Jan. 21 | Milw. County Winter Farmers Market | TGT Youth Center |
| Jan. 28 | Milw. County Winter Farmers Market | TGT Youth Center |
| Jan. 28-29 | Rummage-A-Rama! | Products Pavilion |
| Feb. 4 | Milw. County Winter Farmers Market | TGT Youth Center |
| Feb. 4 | Great Lakes Pet Expo | WEC |
| Feb. 10-12 | Milwaukee Muskie Expo | Location TBD |
| Feb. 11 | `Milw. County Winter Farmers Market | TGT Youth Center |
| Feb. 17-19 | World of Wheels Custom Car Show | WEC |
| Feb. 18 | Milw. County Winter Farmers Market | TGT Youth Center |
| Feb. 24-26 | Milwaukee RV Show | WEC |
| Feb. 25 | Milw. County Winter Farmers Market | TGT Youth Center |
| March 3 | Milw. County Winter Farmers Market | TGT Youth Center |
| March 3 | Stride & Glide | Fair Park & Pettit Ice Center |
| March 3-4 | Rummage-A-Rama! | Products Pavilion |
| March 3-4 | Wisconsin Kennel Club Dog Show | WEC |
| March 7-11 | Milwaukee Journal Sentinel Sports Show | WEC |
| March 10 | Milw. County Winter Farmers Market | TGT Youth Center |
| March 17 | Milw. County Winter Farmers Market | TGT Youth Center |
| March 23-April 1 | Realtors Home and Garden Show | WEC |
| March 24 | Milw. County Winter Farmers Market | TGT Youth Center |
| March 31 | Milw. County Winter Farmers Market | TGT Youth Center |

*Mayor Dan Devine cuts the ribbon to welcome Men's Hair House to West Allis.*

# West Allis
# 2012 Recycling Schedule

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**RECYCLING COLLECTION INFORMATION:**

- Biweekly on designated week (red or black).
- Same day as your refuse collection.*
- Put containers in PRESTO® blue bag with city logo.
- Place newspaper in paper grocery bag or bundle with heavy cord or twine.
- Locate at curbside or alley edge by 7 a.m.

* **Holiday weeks** are boxed.
Be prepared for early or delayed collection.
Winter storms may alter schedule.

**BRUSH COLLECTION**

A City truck will collect up to 1½ cubic yards of brush when placed at the curb on your recycling day from March 12 through October 5, 2012. **Do not** place brush in the street.

**No brush collections will be made on the holiday weeks of May 28, July 2, and September 3, 2012.**

**RECYCLING OFFICE: 302-8831**

State Law and City Ordinance require that all residents separate the following materials for recycling:

# How To Recycle

**NEWSPAPERS**

**MAGAZINES**

**CORRUGATED CARDBOARD**

* Place newspaper in paper grocery bag or bundle with heavy cord or twine.

* Do not use plastic bags for newspapers and magazines.

* Flatten corrugated cardboard boxes into 2' x 2'x 8" thick bundles. (Do not include mail, cereal boxes, food soaked boxes, such as pizza boxes, or other papers.)

**ALUMINUM CANS**

**GLASS BOTTLES AND JARS**

**STEEL CANS**

**RIGID PLASTIC BOTTLES #1 AND #2**

* Remove and discard lids.

* Rinse and flatten, if possible.

* Put all the above listed items in the same PRESTO® blue bag with the City logo. (No aerosol or paint cans, containers from hazardous waste or automotive fluids, broken glass or dishware.)

* Do not place blue bag in garbage can for collection.

**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR QUESTIONS, CALL 302-8831 or 302-8800**

# Handling Your Yard Waste In 2012

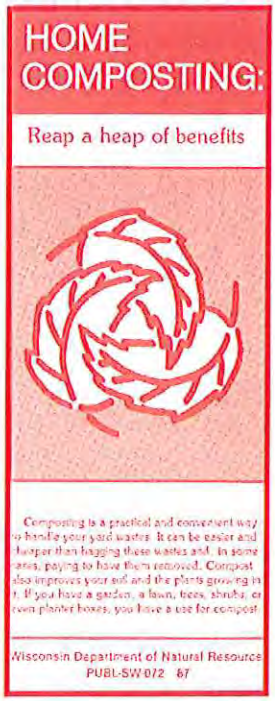
The following information provides West Allis residents with alternatives to dispose of yard waste materials which are currently banned by the state from being collected and disposed of with household waste. Alternatives available vary by item and may include free collection service, collection service 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**<br>6300 West McGeoch Avenue<br><br>7:15-3:00 – Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday<br>7:15-5:00 – Wednesday<br>8:00-3:30 – Saturday<br><br>CLOSED:<br>January 2<br>May 26 and 28<br>July 4<br>September 1 and 3<br>November 22 and 23<br>December 22, 24 and 25<br>January 1, 2013 | **WEST END-MORGAN SITE**<br>South 116 Street-south of Morgan<br><br>OPEN: May 29 – August 31, 2012<br>7:30-2:30 – Monday<br>7:30-7:00 – Tuesday through Friday<br>8:00-3:30 – Saturday<br><br>OPEN: September 4 - October 12, 2012<br>7:30-2:30 - Monday through Friday<br><br>CLOSED:<br>July 4<br>September 1 and 3<br>October 13, 2012 through May 27, 2013 |
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| Yard Waste (weeds, thatch, garden debris, leaves, etc.) **NO GRASS CLIPPINGS** | ACCEPTED | ACCEPTED |
| Motor Oil and Antifreeze | ACCEPTED | NOT ACCEPTED |
| Recyclables<br>•Newspaper, Magazines, Corrugated Cardboard<br>•Aluminum, Glass, Plastics #1 & #2, Steel/Tin<br>•Mixed paper (voluntary) | ACCEPTED | NO RECYCLABLES ACCEPTED |
| Brush | PERMIT REQUIRED*<br>(no charge) | PERMIT REQUIRED*<br>(no charge) |
| Household Refuse (including old furniture) **NO TELEVISIONS OR ELECTRONICS ACCEPTED AFTER SEPTEMBER 1, 2010** | PERMIT REQUIRED*<br>(no charge) | NOT ACCEPTED |
| White Goods (appliances) | NOT ACCEPTED | NOT ACCEPTED |
| Asphalt | PERMIT REQUIRED<br>CHARGE** | CHARGE** (must be prepaid) |
| Concrete | PERMIT REQUIRED<br>CHARGE** | CHARGE** (must be prepaid) |
| Ground and Sod | PERMIT REQUIRED<br>CHARGE** | CHARGE** (must be prepaid) |
| Stone | PERMIT REQUIRED<br>CHARGE** | CHARGE** (must be prepaid) |
| Construction Debris | PERMIT REQUIRED<br>CHARGE** | NOT ACCEPTED |
| Roofing Materials | PERMIT REQUIRED<br>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).

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

## New Graduation Expectations

The Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI) has developed new graduation requirements for those students entering their freshman year of high school. Any student who enters high school as a freshman is now placed in a four-year cohort group and is expected to graduate in four years. The West Allis-West Milwaukee School District is offering students and parents the ability to track academic progress on-line via a program called ***Graduation Planner.*** This program allows parents to track their child's progress through the parent portal on Infinite Campus. Parents have already received these details through their child's high school. Parents who have not received this information are asked to please contact the High School Guidance office.

This past summer the WAWM Schools took measures to assists students in credit recovery. We offered summer school programs aimed specifically at getting students back up to their grade level in credits. This is one example of what we as a district are doing to help put children first. All parents/guardians are encouraged to get involved in their child's path to graduation and make sure their students stay on course in regard to credits needed to complete their high school education.

To stay on track for the four-year cohort, students should have earned six credits by the end of 9th grade, twelve credits by the end of 10th grade, and eighteen credits by the end of 11th grade. The total credits for graduation attainment in the West Allis-West Milwaukee School District is 23.5. Students who are credit deficient will be required to participate in credit recovery programs, most of which will occur in the summer or beyond the traditional school day. If parents have any questions regarding this program, the should contact their child's high school counselor.

## Time to Begin Preparing Children for Outdoor Activities

The summer months and mild fall weather have quickly turned to winter and the cold weather it brings. It is extremely important that children dress as warm as possible prior to their daily departure for school. Even though some students get rides to school, they will still be spending time outdoors on the playground. This is especially true before school, during the noon lunch/recess hour, and after school. When it is not raining or when there is not a great danger of significant wind chill (according to the National Weather Service wind chill index), students play or wait outdoors at our various school levels.

Here are a few tips that might be helpful on winter apparel and how your child can stay warm for the colder winter months:

- Provide a suitable winter jacket and snow pants or snow suit. (water resistant/waterproof works best).
- Provide either a winter cap, head band, or ear muffs.
- Provide warm winter gloves or mittens.
- Provide insulated winter boots that have some type of waterproofing for playing in the snow.
- Provide long underwear or a sweater as options for colder days.
- Provide a change of socks, pants, and shoes, if possible, in the case that your child's clothes do get wet from the snow and slush that accompany winter weather.

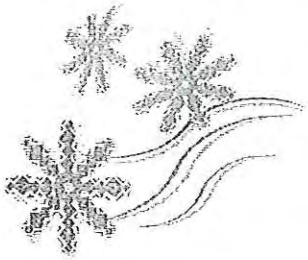
Parents who have questions or concerns regarding building access times or how your child should dress for winter, please contact your local school principal, and they will be happy to provide tips and guidance for you.

**To our community members: Our schools are always looking for hats, mittens, gloves, and coats that are new or in good condition. These items can be dropped off directly at your local school.**

## WAWM School District Education Foundation Update

In our previous newsletter, we discussed the West Allis-West Milwaukee School District Education Foundation and mentioned that through the United Way/Combined Giving Campaign it is now possible to donate directly to this Foundation. We would like to express a huge thank you to everyone in the West Allis community who was able to donate to the WAWM School District Education Foundation through United Way. It is through donations like this that the Foundation is able to fund all of the innovative classroom activities which have received grants over the past several years that go directly to support our students and teachers. If you would like to donate directly to the WAWM School District Education Foundation, please contact Susan Stuckert at (414) 604-4927, by email at ***stuckerts@wawm.k12.wi.us*** or donate via the website at: ***http://www.wawm.k12.wi.us/Education_foundation/donation.htm***

# West Allis-West Milwaukee
# Recreation and Community Services Department



Seasons Greetings from your friends at the West Allis-West Milwaukee Recreation and Community Services Department. We hope you won't let the weather keep you from staying active this winter and spring. The West Allis-West Milwaukee School District in partnership with the West Allis-West Milwaukee Recreation Department is encouraging all residents to maintain an active and healthy lifestyle. To help everyone accomplish this, the Recreation Department is offering a wide variety of programs and activities for residents of all ages. We invite you to check us out as you will be amazed at the offerings, and we hope you will decide to try a program or two! West Allis is a great place to live and our Recreation Department wants to make it even better! We look forward to you joining us this winter and spring!

**The 2012 WA-WM Recreation and Community Services Activity Guide is being delivered via US mail to all school district residents beginning December 7th!**

## Visit us on the web at www.wawmrec.com

### Be a CHAMPION for a Child!

The "Champion for a Child" campaign is a fundraising effort to provide scholarships for students in need to participate in after school programs and youth sport programs. If you are interested in becoming a CHAMPION, please contact the Recreation Department at (414) 604-4900. Every dollar donated goes to support youth in the West Allis and West Milwaukee communities and their participation in safe and active programs.

**Come and check out what new programs we are unleashing this winter-spring!**

## New for kids!

- Dance Class for 3 and 4 Year Olds
- Parent and Child Baton
- Special Needs Martial Arts
- Ceramics
- Track and Field Clinic
- G-Ball Golf for 5 and 6 year olds

## New for adults!

- Zumba Toning
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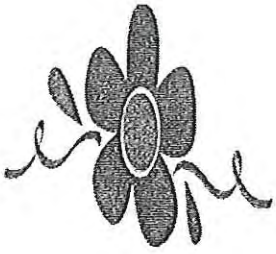
- Reiki Workshop
- Fitness Extreme
- Ceramics
- Watercolor Painting
- Cooking Classes

### NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS!!

The WA-WM Recreation Department is currently accepting applications for part-time positions. Part-time positions include American Red Cross Certified Lifeguards and Swim Instructors, After School Program Instructors, Adult and Youth Sport Officials, and Building Supervisors. Applications are available at www.wawmrec.com or in person at the Administration and Recreation Services Offices located at 1205 S. 70th St. , Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm.