

City of Wauwatosa Newsletter

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Spring 2017

Drop-Off Center Hours & Fee Structure

As of 1/18/2017

- \$20 annual yard waste only permit (LEAVES, SMALL BRANCHES, SOFT PLANTS ONLY) NOT GARBAGE, RECYCLING, CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS OR OTHER HOUSEHOLD REFUSE
- NEW-\$5 PER VEHICLE, \$5 PER TRAILER AXLE permits will be sold- one time use
- Example: A loaded pick-up and a 2 AXLE trailer would require THREE permits (3 axles x \$5 = \$15)
- Scales will only be available on Tuesday
Scales will not be available on Saturdays
- No refunds of unused permits
- The City will not be responsible for lost permits
- A valid Wisconsin Driver's License with a current Wauwatosa Address will be required to enter the Center and to purchase permits.

Disposal of Electronics "E-Waste"

Computers, televisions, and all peripheral devices must be recycled. By State Law they cannot be put in the garbage and taken to a landfill. In Wauwatosa you can take these items to the City Yard, 11100 W. Walnut Road. Some retailers also take electronics for recycling – check with your favorite retailer. For more information go to: <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/Ecycle/wisconsin/html>.

Mayor's Corner

Spring Fever: Out and About

Warm weather and sunny skies makes us eager to get outside. I encourage you to rediscover The Village. At the heart of it, you'll find a new pedestrian plaza finished with pavers, no curbs and illuminated bollards at crosswalks. New overhead festoon lighting has been added and a new water feature is in the works to replace the fountain at the bridge. Still to come this year: kiosks, directional signs, additional patio seating, bike racks and landscape plantings. If you enter The Village from the Menomonee River Parkway, check out the new threshold sign. The lights flicker like fireflies. Five more "firefly" threshold signs will be coming to mark the entrances to The Village. If you haven't seen The Village lately, please stop by and visit your favorite businesses and try new ones.

Construction of Phase 3 will begin this spring and include Root Commons (green space in front of Yo Mama) and Pocket Park (in front of St. Bernard). There will be some detours as contractors work on utilities and roads on the perimeter of The Village. Let's get out there and enjoy our City, our parks and our neighborhoods.

Mayor Kathy Ehley

Wauwatosa Crime Stoppers

The Wauwatosa Crime Stoppers/Wauwatosa Police Department acquired new technology called Tipsoft. It allows citizens to anonymously text a tip or submit a web tip about crimes in our community and schools. If you have information regarding a crime text your tip to "crimes" (274637) and include the word "tosa" in the body of the text. You can also send an email tip in via the Wauwatosa Police Department's Facebook page. All tips remain completely anonymous and the Police Department can respond via text or email and have a two way conversation with the tipster. Anonymous tipsters are eligible for a reward of up to \$1,000.00.

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Library Hours



Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m.-9 p.m.

Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

through May 20

Sunday: 1—4 p.m. through May 21

except as noted below.

Closed on May 27—29

Overdue fines, renewals (414) 471-8484
Reference and adult services (414) 471-8485
Children's services (414) 471-8486
Administration (414) 471-8487

Email: library@wauwatosalibrary.org

Website: wauwatosalibrary.org

For Children

- 1st and 3rd week of every month. Tuesdays & Wednesdays @ 9:30 or 10:30: **Rhyme Time**
- 2nd and 4th week of every month. Tuesday @ 1:30, Wednesdays @ 9:30 or 11:00: **Story Time**
- April 4th through May 3rd: **Public Elementary Art Show**, enjoy our youngest artists--on display in the Children's Library
- Monday, June 12 @ 10:30 or 1:30: **Summer Reading Kick-Off**, Magic Morgan & Liliana will engage the family in a fun and inspirational magic show. Come ready for loads of magic, fun and audience participation!
- Thursday, June 1st in the Children's Department. **Summer Reading Program**, Summer Reading Logs may be picked up. Please see the children's calendar at wauwatosalibrary.org for daily programming.

Adults

Library Book Sale

Saturday, April 29 and 30. Don't miss it. Hundreds of books, CDs and DVDs for sale.

What's all the Hoopla?

Wauwatosa Library is pleased to announce the availability of thousands of movies, television shows, music albums and audiobooks, all available for mobile and online access through a new partnership with hoopla digital.

Access to hoopla digital requires only a Wauwatosa Public Library card.

To get registered, visit www.hoopladigital.com

Would you like to learn how to download free e-books and audiobooks from Wisconsin's Digital Library?

Sign up for a 30-minute session with a member of the Reference staff. Register at the Adult Information Desk or call 471-8485.

Make sure you have a valid library card, a pin number and an e-mail address attached to your library record.



Health Department News

Remodeling? Beware of Lead!

Many Wauwatosa homes were built before 1979 and may contain lead-based paint. It is important to test for the presence of lead before starting any home remodeling project. Lead poisoning can cause reduced intelligence, hearing, and kidney function especially in children under the age of 6 years. It is important to practice safe methods to contain lead paint dust and debris when remodeling. Make sure any contractor you hire is lead certified and taking the proper precautions. Wauwatosa Health Department Public Health Nurses and Registered Sanitarians can answer your questions about safe lead practices. Call the Health Department Information and Referral Nurse Line at 414-479-8939 for more information.

Remembering When: A Fire and Fall Prevention Program for Older Adults

The Wauwatosa Health Department (WHD) and the Wauwatosa Fire Department (WFD) have teamed up to present the Remembering When Program to Wauwatosa residents. This program involves a free joint home visit from a WFD and a WHD representative. The WFD will make sure your home is safe from fire hazards and install smoke alarms (free of charge) if needed. The WHD will assess your home for fall or tripping hazards and provide information on how to make your home safer, including a free motion sensor night light. To schedule your home visit or to learn more about the program, please contact Lori Murphy at the WFD at 414-471-8457.

Be a Responsible Pet Owner

City ordinance requires pet owners to periodically clean up animal excrement on their property. A pet owner/walker is responsible for the animal's actions on public and private property. Pets must be on a leash that does not exceed 10 feet while being walked. A feces scoop or dog waste bags must be carried and used. It is illegal to discard feces in the street, sewer, or on property other than your own. Wrap the animal waste and place it in with your garbage.

Critter Control

Animals are waking up from their winter slumber and will soon be running around looking for food, water and a new home. To prevent wildlife from taking over your backyard, you'll need to eliminate one of these three items.

- Remove food sources: Make sure that garbage cans are in good condition and properly secured, pet food is stored in rodent proof containers and that birdfeeders are at least 2 feet off the ground. Do not ground feed animals.
- Remove water sources: Make sure there are no standing puddles, upturned cans, or other water sources in your yard.
- Remove shelter sources: Keep landscaping well maintained and away from building foundations so that unruly shrubs do not become perfect hiding places. Tightly stack wood piles away from buildings.

Please visit the Wauwatosa Health Department's website, www.wauwatosa.net/health, for additional information on keeping your property pest free this year.

Nurse Line for Wauwatosans

A Wauwatosa Public Health Nurse staffs the Information and Referral Nurse Line Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm. The registered nurses answer health related questions, connect people to needed resources in the community, and begin investigating public health concerns. The types of calls the public health nurses answer are varied, from low cost clinic resources to discussing a child's growth and development to concerns about a restaurant. Don't worry if you are unsure if your question is public health related...we'll connect you to the right place!

Call the Information and Referral Nurse Line at 414-479-8939 or email us at publichealthnurse@wauwatosa.net.

Volunteers Needed

Are you interested in assisting the Wauwatosa Community during a public health emergency? The Wisconsin Emergency Assistance Volunteer Registry (WEAVR) is an online database for volunteers willing to help out in an emergency in their community. WEAVR is part of a nationwide effort to ensure volunteers are registered prior to an emergency so they can be utilized quickly. Sign up today at <https://weavrwi.org/> or call the Wauwatosa Health Department at 414-479-8939 for more information.



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Yard Material Pick-up

Yard Waste is collected on the opposite week as your recycling week on the same day of the week.

April 16th thru October 15: Leaves and brush must continue to be separated from other household garbage. **DO NOT** include grass clippings, root balls, vegetables, stumps or branches over 6 inches in diameter. Please remember to:

- **Mark** reusable containers with "Yard Waste" or "Yard Materials" in letters that are 2" or larger. You may also use paper bags. Please **do not** place your yard materials in plastic bags.
- Bundle brush with string/twine. Please do not use wire or plastic. Your bundles may not be longer than 4' and heavier than 50 lbs. If they exceed this load a special pick-up is required.

Holiday Collection

Date	Day	Schedule
Good Friday, April 14	Friday	Regular Collection
Memorial Day, May 29	Monday	No Collection
May 30	Tuesday	Pick up Monday, May 30 routes
May 31	Wednesday	Pick up Tuesday, May 31 routes
June 1	Thursday	Pick up Wednesday, June 1 routes
June 2	Friday	Pick up Thursday, June 2 routes
June 3	Saturday	Pick up Friday, June 3 routes
Independence Day, July 4	Tuesday	No collection
July 5	Wednesday	Pick up Monday, July 4 route
July 6	Thursday	Pick up Tuesday, July 5 routes
July 7	Friday	Pick up Wednesday, July 6 routes
July 8	Saturday	Pick up Thursday, July 7 routes

2017 Drop-off Center Schedule (Beginning 1/3/2017)

Tuesdays	7:30 a.m.—4:00 p.m.
Tuesdays (4/4/17 – 8/29/17)	7:30 a.m.—7:00 p.m.
Saturdays (Year-Round)	7:30 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

Don't Become a Victim

Spring has sprung and warm weather has already arrived. With the warmer weather new opportunities are presented to the criminals that want to make you their next victim. Soon enough windows will be opened to let fresh air in. Never put items of value just inside those open windows. There have been instances of screens being cut, someone reaching in and taking money, jewelry, a purse, even car keys. The Community Support Division recommends putting window slide stops on the track preventing windows from being opened wider allowing a hand space to reach in.

With the advent of keyless vehicle start/stop buttons, we have seen a drastic increase in people leaving key fobs in their vehicles. Thieves are aware that people do this and have been stealing these cars. Never leave a primary or spare key fob or key in your vehicle. A majority of the auto thefts in Wauwatosa are taken with keys and are completely preventable.

If you would like an officer to complete a security survey of your home or business, contact the Community Support Division during normal business hours at 471-8430. We will provide you with easy, cost effective options to help secure your home.

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