

# City of Wauwatosa Newsletter

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## Fall Election



The Partisan Primary Election is on September 12 and the General Election is on November 7. Polls are open from 7 AM – 8 PM on Election Day. Call the city clerk's office at 479-8921 if you're not sure of your voting

location. Depending on pre-election activity, the Clerk's office may be open on Saturday, September 9 and Saturday, November 4 from 9 – 11 a.m. for voter registration and absentee voting. Please call the city clerk's office the week prior to each election to verify the schedule.

An elector must be a US citizen, at least 18 years of age and a resident of Wauwatosa for at least 10 days in order to vote. You may register to vote at the city clerk's office, by mail, or at the polls on Election Day. Voter registration forms may be downloaded via a link at [www.wauwatosa.net](http://www.wauwatosa.net) to the Wisconsin Elections Board website. From the city's website, click on Departments, City Clerk, and Elections/Voting. The city clerk portion of the website contains complete information about voter registration and absentee ballots.

Bring proof of residence when registering to vote. Acceptable proof of residence includes: current and valid Wisconsin driver's license; current and valid Wisconsin DOT identification card; any other official identification card or license issued by a Wisconsin governmental body or unit; real estate tax bill or receipt for the current year or the year preceding the date of the election; utility bill for the period not earlier than 90 days prior to the date of registration; bank statement; paycheck; a check or document issued by a unit of government. You do not need to register to vote every time you vote, but only if your name and/or address have changed since the last time you voted.

September's election is the debut of accessible voting equipment at all voting locations. This touch screen equipment can be used without assistance by voters with physical challenges, as well as by voters without physical limitations. The optical scan tabulators will also be in use. A piece of the touch screen equipment will be set up at the City Clerk's office beginning September 1st for voters to try with a mock ballot.

## Yard of Distinction Awards

For a complete list of Yard of Distinction Award winners visit [www.wauwatosa.net](http://www.wauwatosa.net) and check *Hot Topics* or click *News/News Bulletins* on the menu line.



## Give Kids a Brake!

Classes being at public schools on September 5 and private schools have already started. Please remember to slow down in school zones.



Fines for speeding 1—10 mph over the speed limit in a school zone are \$96.40 plus 3 points; 11—15 mph over is \$109.00 plus 4 points; 16—19 mph over is \$148.80 plus 4 points; 20 mph over is \$172.00 plus 6 points. The fine amounts double if a child is present in the school zone. Speeding in school zones is taken seriously in Wauwatosa. Slowing down can save lives.

## Holiday Refuse Pickup



**Mon. Sept 4**, Labor Day—No pickup  
**Tues. Sept. 5**—Pick up Monday and Tuesday's refuse and blue bagged recyclables and "A" yard waste

**Thurs., Nov. 23**, Thanksgiving—No pickup

**Fri., Nov. 24**—Pick up Thursday and Friday's refuse and blue bagged recyclables

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ELECTED OFFICIALS DIRECTORY

TTY: 471-8484

Mayor Theresa M. Estness Phone: 479-8915  
 Richard Baker, Municipal Judge Phone: 471-8488

<b>First District</b> George P. Becker 771-2606 Peter Donegan 259-8973	<b>Second District</b> James J. Krol 453-2904 Eric B. Meaux 258-1407	<b>Third District</b> Tim Hanson 303-3521 R. Jeffrey Krill 771-0907	<b>Fourth District</b> Jill Didier 259-1484 Bernard J. Grimm 774-1299
<b>Fifth District</b> Jerome Stepaniak 258-0709 Jim Sullivan 456-1161	<b>Sixth District</b> Brian Ewerdt 475-9658 Thomas Herzog 257-9132	<b>Seventh District</b> Donald F. Birschel 476-5971 Atis Purins 476-2468	<b>Eighth District</b> Craig S. Maher 462-3738 Tom H. Treis 462-3737

## Library Hours

Monday through Thursday, 9 AM-9 PM  
 Friday, 9 AM-5 PM  
 Saturday, 9 AM-5 PM beginning September 9  
 Sunday, 1 PM-4 PM beginning October 1  
 Closed September 2, 3, and 4  
 Closed November 23 and 24.

Overdue fines, etc. 414-471-8484  
 Telephone reference 414-471-8485  
 Children's services 414-471-8486  
 Administration, Room Reservations 414-471-8487

Website: <http://tpublib.fp.execpc.com> or search "Wauwatosa Public Library"  
 Email: [tosa.mail@mcfls.org](mailto:tosa.mail@mcfls.org)

## Children's Library Events

**After School Adventure Party** Fridays, September 1; October 6; November 3; 3:45—4:30 PM. For students in grades 1 through 6. Held in the Children's Story Room. *Register in person or by phone.*

**Library Story Time** This 5-week series is for 3, 4, and 5 year olds who are able to independently attend story time. The 30-minute sessions begin Thursday, September 21 (9:30 AM, 11:30 AM or 1:30 PM) or Friday, September 22 (9:30 AM or 1:30 PM). *Register in person or by phone with library card beginning Saturday, August 26. Enrollment is limited.*

**Fall Family Story Night** for families with children 3 years old and older. This 30-minute program begins at 6:30 PM on either Wednesday, November 15 or Thursday, November 16. *Register in person or by phone beginning Saturday, October 21.*

National Children's Book Week:

**"MORE BOOKS, PLEASE!"**

Monday, November 13—Sunday, November 19

## For Adults

**Florentine Opera Insights** Watch for an October date for the Florentine Opera Insights program on Mozart's *Don Giovanni*, including live musical excerpts.

**A Book and a Movie** Don't forget the book and a movie event at the Rosebud Theatre this fall. *All The King's Men*, Robert Penn Warren's Pulitzer Prize winning novel and the soon to be released Sony Pictures film starring Sean Penn will be the featured program. Copies of the book are available at the library and for sale at a discount at the Little Read Book store in the Wauwatosa village. For more information and to reserve tickets, call the library reference desk at 471-8485.

### Annual Fall Book Sale

Saturday, October 14, 9 AM—5 PM and  
 Sunday, October 15, 1 PM—4 PM

## Autumn Tree Care



Most people are aware that water is essential for tree survival. They are also aware that it is imperative to water trees after transplanting and during the warm summer months. But of less common knowledge is the importance of watering trees in the fall. Tree roots continue to grow even after the leaves turn color and the tree appears to be going dormant. Adequate water at this time is extremely beneficial to support this flush of root growth. This in turn helps the tree to "harden off" to withstand the approaching winter. It also provides a jump start for the next growing season. Trees under 4" in diameter need 15-20 gallons of water bi-weekly unless it is hot, dry, and windy in which case weekly would be appropriate. You can test the moisture level by digging down 5-6" with your hand. If it's dry, water the tree. A 3-4" layer of mulch around the trunk base and out from the trunk about 1—2 feet will conserve moisture. Make sure the mulch is not up against the tree trunk.



# Health Department News

For Further Information or an Appointment Call 414-479-8939



## Back-to-School Vaccines



Are your child's immunizations up to date? The Student Immunization Law requires that all school age children to have had 4 DTaP (Diphtheria, Tetanus, and Pertussis); 4 Polio; 2 MMR (Measles-Mumps-Rubella); 3 Hepatitis B, and 1 Varicella (Chickenpox) immunization. Parents may be fined if a record is not on file at the child's school.

If you have any questions about the Student Immunization Law or your child's immunization status, please contact the health department at 479-8939.

## New Vaccines Available

Whooping cough (pertussis) vaccine is now available for teenagers and adults as part of the routine tetanus booster. Due to a nationwide shortage, a limited supply of the meningitis vaccine (Menactra) is available for Wauwatosa high school and college age students at Wauwatosa Health Department on a first come, first served basis.



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## Wauwatosa Crimestoppers



If you have information regarding a crime that has been committed or is being committed on a continuous basis, please contact the Wauwatosa Crime Stoppers by dialing 771-TOSA (771-8672). You may remain anonymous and if your tip leads to an arrest you may be eligible for a cash reward

between \$25 and \$1,000. In 2005 The Wauwatosa Crime Stoppers received 12 separate tips, resulting in 10 arrests, solved 5 separate crimes, and recovered over \$5,500 worth of property. As a result the Crime Stoppers board disbursed \$300 in rewards. So please, if you have information regarding a crime, call 771-TOSA. If you witness a crime in progress dial 911.

## Hunter Safety

Hunter safety will be offered in spring 2007. For information call Terri Kobs at 471-8430, Ext. 103.

## Parenting Class: Becoming a Love and Logic Parent



The Wauwatosa Health Department, in partnership with The Parenting Network, will offer a 7 week training for parents. *Love and Logic*® is a nationally regarded parenting program and is effective for parents of toddlers to teens. The series starts September 6, 2006 at the Lutheran Home, 7500 W. North Avenue, from 6:30 PM to 8:15 PM. The cost is \$40 per person; \$50 per couple with scholarships available. Childcare is available for children birth to age 12 with a cost of \$15 per child (maximum \$45 per family) for all 7 weeks. Registration is required by September 1, 2006. To register contact Tom Weber at the Parenting Network, 414-671-5575 x14.

## Attention Pet Owners

A pet walker is responsible for the animal's acts on either public or private property and must carry a feces scoop while walking the pet. It is illegal to discard feces in the sanitary sewer or on property other than your own. It is also against the law to allow a pet to run at large. Fines usually amount to \$109.00 A pet must be walked on a leash that does not exceed ten feet. Please be a responsible pet owner.



## City Meeting Schedule

Common Council meetings are the first and third Tuesday of each month. Council Committee meetings are the second and last Tuesday of each month. All meetings are open to the public. For meeting times or more information, contact the city clerk at 479-8917.

## City Hall Night Depository



The city hall night depository can be used for communications, payments, and other business transactions. Many residents enjoy the convenience. The depository is located on the south side of city hall at the westernmost entrance. All deposited items should be sealed in an envelope that is addressed to the intended recipient at city hall.

## Leaf Collection



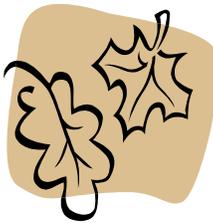
Saturday, Oct. 14—leaf rake-out begins  
Sunday, Nov. 12—leaf rake-out ends  
Leaves, weeds, and garden plants may be raked into the curb during this time. Final collection begins Nov. 13.

See [www.wauwatosa.net](http://www.wauwatosa.net) on how to “Turn Over a New Leaf” and mow your leaves rather than rake them, but if you choose to rake, here are some tips:

- Place leaves, weeds, and garden plants in the street as close to the curb as possible
- Keep storm water inlets free from leaves and debris
- Do not park over or near leaf piles to avoid car fires
- After Nov. 12 leaves can be brought to the drop-off center Tues.—Sat. between 7:30 AM—4:30 PM

## Yard Waste Collection Tips

Yard waste collection ends in early October and will begin again mid-April 2007.



Oct. 2—6 Last collection for Schedule A  
Oct. 9—13 Last collection for Schedule B

Brush and branches may be taken to the public works yard located at

11100 W. Walnut Rd. Tues.— Sat. from 7:30 AM—4:30 PM. They can also be picked up at the curb for a minimum \$40 charge by calling 471-8422. Brush and branches should not be mixed with leaves, nor should yard waste be mixed with household trash or placed in the blue recycling bags, plastic bags, or cardboard boxes.

Visit the City Website at [www.wauwatosa.net](http://www.wauwatosa.net)

## Drop Off Center Changes

As of October 1, 2006 cash payments will no longer be accepted at the public works office or the drop off center. Checks, money orders and charge cards will be accepted (not debit cards requiring a pin number). A permit can be purchased with cash at the treasurer’s office in city hall located at 7725 West North Avenue.

Computers and televisions will no longer be accepted for recycling at the drop off center. Wauwatosa residents and businesses may recycle them free at Independent Computer Engineers, 11629 W. Dearborn Avenue, Monday—Friday 9:30 AM to 6:00 PM, or with other recyclers for a fee. See <http://www.wauwatosa.net> for more information.



## Street Light Out?

To speed the repair of a flickering or burned out street light call the public works department at 471-8422 with either the number on the pole or with the location of the pole.

## Municipal Code Online



Wauwatosa’s Municipal Code is available at <http://ordlink.com/codes/wauwatosa/index.htm>

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