

# City of Wauwatosa

## Newsletter

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### Overnight Parking

There is no parking on city streets between 3 AM and 6 AM including holidays and weekends. Special permission for each night of overnight parking can be obtained by calling 1-900-388-2800. The 900 number is \$1.50 per call. For more information call the police non-emergency number 414-471-8430.

### Yard Material Disposal

**DO NOT RAKE YARD MATERIALS INTO THE STREET.** Leaves, brush, and small branches, **but not grass clippings** should be in reusable containers clearly marked "YARD MATERIALS" (or "yard waste") in letters two inches or larger. Paper yard bags may also be used, but cardboard boxes should NOT be used. **Plastic bags of any kind must NEVER be used for yard materials.** **Yard Materials should be put out biweekly** for collection by 7:00 a.m. Veolia Environmental Services, the City's contractor, collects yard materials from the curb/alley every other week, according to the **C & D "2011 Schedule"** distributed in the Winter newsletter and available under Public Works /Dept./ Operations at [www.wauwatosa.net](http://www.wauwatosa.net).

Up to 5 bundles of brush not in containers will also be picked up curbside if **tied with string or twine** into bundles no more than four (4) feet long and less than fifty (50) pounds. Larger amounts of unbundled brush and/or branches will also be picked up by the City for a minimum \$55.00 charge after a written estimate is received, or without a signed estimate. It may also be picked up and billed **immediately** if it creates a hazard at the curb. **The Drop-Off Center** at the Public Works yard, 11100 W. Walnut Rd., also accepts brush, leaves, and other yard materials from residents from 7:30 a.m. through 4:30 p.m. **Tuesday through Saturday. GRASS CLIPPINGS are not allowed.** It is closed on Sundays, Mondays and holidays. A \$20.00 annual permit is needed for residents to use the center.

### Street Paving

For information on this year's street and highway paving refer to the Public Works Engineering Section at [www.wauwatosa.net](http://www.wauwatosa.net) or the recorded Project Hotline at 414-479-8987.

### Holiday Refuse Collections

**4th of July** ALL COLLECTIONS of garbage and recycling normally collected on Monday, July 4th, will be picked up on **Tuesday, July 5th.**

**Labor Day** ALL COLLECTIONS of garbage and recycling normally collected on Monday, September 5th, will be picked up on **Tuesday, September 6th.**

All collection days for the weeks before and after those holidays remain the same without any changes. **PLEASE REMEMBER**—The City website has your collection day schedule for garbage, recycling, and yard materials.

### Secret Gardens of Wauwatosa Tour

The Wauwatosa Beautification Committee will be honoring properties for outstanding landscapes with our Yard of Distinction awards. We are kicking off a new program, Planters of Distinction this year! WBC will also be replacing the Welcome-to-Wauwatosa sign, formerly at 60th & North, and renovating some of our existing, large boulevard gardens. The **17th Annual Secret Gardens of Wauwatosa Tour** is scheduled for July 9. For more information on all our programs, visit our website at [www.WBC-wi-org](http://www.WBC-wi-org).

### Household Hazardous Waste

The Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District (MMSD) will again hold a mobile HHW collection at Wauwatosa City Hall Civic Center Parking Lot on September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2011. The hours will be 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. See [www.wauwatosa.net](http://www.wauwatosa.net) or [mmsd.com](http://mmsd.com) for other information.

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## Library Hours



Monday through Thursday, 9 AM-9 PM  
Friday, 9 AM-5 PM, Saturday 9 AM-1PM  
Closed on Sundays  
Summer hours begin June 11. *The library*

*will be closed on July 4, September 3, 4, and 5.*

Telephone reference 414-471-8485  
Children's services 414-471-8486  
Over dues, etc. 414-471-8484  
Administration 414-471-8487

Email: [library@wauwatosalibrary.org](mailto:library@wauwatosalibrary.org)

Website: [www.wauwatosalibrary.org](http://www.wauwatosalibrary.org)

## For Children

**LIBRARY STORY TIME** for 3, 4, and 5 year olds who are able to attend story time independently begins

Wed/Thurs, July 6/7; 4 week series, 30 minute sessions.

**Rhyme Time** for children 3 and under accompanied by an adult, older siblings welcome begins Wed/Thurs, July 6/7; 4 week series, 20 minute sessions.

**Dog Training Club** for K5 - 8<sup>th</sup> grades; Monday, July 11

**Reader's Theatre** for ages 8 and up; Tuesday, July 19;

**Registration is required.**

**Talent Show** for all ages; Thursday, July 21; **Application is required.**

**Latin Dance** for K5 - 8<sup>th</sup> grades; Monday, July 25

**Movement to Music** for all ages; Wednesday, August 3

**Story & Craft** for ages 3 and up with an adult; Thursday, August 4

**One Butterfly, 3 Countries** "Nature in the Parks" for ages 5 and up; Monday, August 8

**Movie & Books** for all ages; Thursday, August 11 & Wednesday, August 17

**Sewing Workshop** for ages 8 and up; Monday/Tuesday, August 22/23

*Registration is not required for July and August programs, except for Reader's Theatre, the Talent Show and Sewing Workshop.*

**LIBRARY STORY TIME** for 3, 4, and 5 year olds who are able to attend story time independently begins

Wed/Thurs, September 14/15; a five-week-series, 30

minute sessions. *Register in person or by phone beginning Saturday, August 13<sup>th</sup>.*

## Basement Backup? Call Us First!

Do you have water in your basement? Before calling a plumber for a basement sewer backup, call the public works department at 414-471-8422 for an around the clock emergency response to verify the backup is a homeowner's responsibility.

## Your Thoughts on Tosa's Health

All health departments are required by law to conduct a community-wide health assessment every 5 years to identify health needs and programs for their communities. In 2010, residents provided their thoughts on issues concerning reproductive health, mental health, and breastfeeding. These survey results may be found at [www.wauwatosanet/health](http://www.wauwatosanet/health) under Data & Reports, Topic Specific Surveys.

The Wauwatosa Health Department is interested in hearing more from you, the community. We would like to know your perceptions of health, the barriers to health services you've experienced, and your vision of what health services are needed in the community. The health discussions, or focus groups, will be a 2-hour commitment this summer and fall. Dates, times, and locations will be posted on the health department website soon. Residents will be given \$20 for their time. We are seeking residents to discuss the following topics:

Issues affecting pregnant families, newborns, and children through age 8 years

Issues affecting youth (school-age thru teens)

Issues affecting adults

If you are interested in voicing your thoughts and opinions, call us at (414) 479-8939 to register for the discussion groups. You must be a Wauwatosa resident to participate.



# Health Department News

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



## Summer Food Safety Basics

Summertime brings picnics and outdoor grilling. Food warms up in summer temperatures allowing food bacteria to multiply rapidly. It is important to take extra precautions and practice safe food handling in warm weather.

**CLEAN:** Wash your hands for 20 seconds before and after handling food. Soap and water is best or use a hand sanitizer.

**COOK:** Heat and maintain hot foods at 135°F or above using a food thermometer.

**CHILL:** Keep cold foods at or below 41°F. Refrigerate foods within one hour when the temperature is above 90°F or within 2 hours when the temperature is below 90°F. Always thaw foods in the refrigerator.

**SEPARATE:** Do not put cooked food items back on the same plate that held raw food, especially meats. Wash cutting boards and other food preparation items with warm soapy water and sanitize with 1 tsp bleach per 1 quart water. Allow items to air dry for sanitizing.

For more information call the Information and Referral Nurse Line at 479-8939 or log on to [www.wauwatosa.net/health](http://www.wauwatosa.net/health).

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## IMMUNIZATION CLINIC CANCELLATION

The July 28th afternoon immunization clinic is cancelled. It is being re-scheduled to Thursday, August 4 from 4:00 pm to 6:30 pm. If you have any questions, please call the Wauwatosa Health Department at 479-8936.

### Free Health Screenings for Women

You may be eligible for a **FREE** mammogram, Pap smear, or other women's health services through the Wisconsin Well Woman Program. For more information, call the Health Department's Information & Referral Nurse Line at 479-8939.

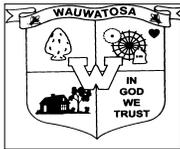
## Take the Bite Out of West Nile Virus

You can protect yourself from West Nile Virus in the following ways:

- Avoid outdoor activities when the mosquitoes are most active
- Wear long pants, long sleeved shirts, and socks if outside during the evening, night time and dawn hours
- Use insect repellent products with no more than 35% DEET for adults and <10% DEET for children
- Repair or replace all door and window screens
- Eliminate standing water that collects on your property
- Dispose of discarded tires, tin cans, plastic containers, ceramic pots or other water-holding containers
- Ensure roof rain gutters drain properly—clean gutters when clogged
- Clean and chlorinate swimming pools and hot tubs or keep them covered when not in use
- Drain water from pool covers
- Change bird bath water every 3—4 days
- Turn plastic wading pools and wheelbarrows over when not in use
- Encourage neighbors to eliminate mosquito breeding sites on their properties

## New 2010-2011 School Immunization Requirements

Students entering grades 6 through 12 will need a Tetanus booster (Tdap) if it has been 5 years or more since their last dose. Also, students entering grades K5 through 2, 6 through 8, and 12 who did not have chicken pox disease will need 2 doses of Varicella (chickenpox) vaccine. Students who do not meet this requirement may be excluded from school or fined by the District Attorney. For children attending day care, they must have 2 doses of Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine (PCV) if they are aged 5 to 15 months and 3 doses of PCV if they are aged 16 months to 4 years. Immunize your child in summer before the busy fall season. **The health department offers free childhood immunizations.**



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## Tips for a Fire Safe Summer

The following tips come from the City of Wauwatosa Title 14 Fire Prevention Code.

**14.28.100** – Barbecue Grills, Kettles and Outdoor Hibachis:

It is unlawful to ignite or burn inside any building any type of barbecue grill.

They must not be ignited or burned within twenty four (24") of any combustible material or on a combustible floor. They may not be used on any balcony within five (5') feet of any opening into a dwelling or apartment.

The storage of 20# gas cylinders to fuel cooking appliances must not be stored in multi-family residential buildings. They must be stored outside of the building at ground level and away from exits, windows or heating / air conditioning intake vents.

**14.24.020** - Burning flammable and combustible materials outdoors.

Flammable and combustible material, exclusive of those items listed in Section 14.24.030, below, or otherwise prohibited by applicable state, federal or local laws, may be burned outdoors on private property, under constant supervision by a competent person, but not within twenty-five feet of any building or structure, trees or shrubbery nor near an area containing dry grass, weeds or other combustible material within the city. Such burning should be confined to manufactured portable fireplaces or fireplaces meeting the requirements of **Section 14.24.050**, below, designed to prevent the escape of sparks or burning embers.

**14.24.030 Unlawful use of outdoor fireplaces.**

**A. It is unlawful to utilize a manufactured portable fireplace or an outdoor fireplace described in Section 14.24.050, below, in a manner or for purposes other than the manner in which it was designed.**

**B. It is unlawful to create or permit any fire to continue in such manner as to permit the escape of any sparks or burning embers. (Ord. O-03-7 § 2 (part), 2003)**

## ATC continues to evaluate power line route options for western Milwaukee County

American Transmission Co. and We Energies hosted a second informational open house in March for a project that will enhance the electric delivery system serving western Milwaukee County to meet growing demand for electricity. The utilities are proposing to construct a new We Energies substation, adjacent to the existing Milwaukee County Substation, which would be fed by ATC's 138,000-volt electric transmission system.

"The first step was to identify preliminary corridors that might be suitable for a new transmission line, which were presented at an open house in October 2010," says Mary Carpenter, ATC local relations representative. "At the open house and during the weeks following, we received input used to further evaluate the corridors and determine which areas warranted further consideration."

"We continue to work to identify recommended routes, which we will present this fall in a third and final open house before filing a project application in early 2012 with the PSC," says Carpenter. "If approved by the PSC, construction activities on this project would begin in 2014 to meet an in-service date of 2015."

For more information and a project map, visit [www.atc-projects.com](http://www.atc-projects.com) or contact Mary Carpenter, ATC local relations representative, at 262-506-6922 or [mcarpenter@atcllc.com](mailto:mcarpenter@atcllc.com).

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Dear Friends

Summer, 2011

**WAUWATOSA  
BEAUTIFICATION  
COMMITTEE, INC.**



On June 4<sup>th</sup>, the Wauwatosa Beautification Committee distributed thousands of annuals to our volunteers, the Gardening Angels. These 200+ fantastic citizens then prepared WBC's adopted boulevard gardens and street planters and planted them to the brim! The Wauwatosa Beautification Committee is proud to provide all of these lushly colored plants to our community. As you move around Wauwatosa this season we hope you will take pleasure in these gardens tucked into neighborhoods and lining the boulevards. Be sure to wave to our Gardening Angels who will be decked out in our brand new, bright yellow safety vests!

The Wauwatosa Beautification Committee will be honoring properties, both residential and business, for outstanding landscapes with our Yard of Distinction awards. We are kicking off a new program, Planters of Distinction this year! WBC will also be replacing the Welcome-to-Wauwatosa sign, formerly at 60<sup>th</sup> & North, and renovating some of our existing, large boulevard gardens. The **17<sup>th</sup> Annual Secret Gardens of Wauwatosa Tour** is scheduled for July 9 and will feature 7 residential properties along with the Kneeland-Walker House, with a special presentation by our favorite horticulturist, Melinda Myers. For more information on all of our programs, visit our website at [www.WBC-wi.org](http://www.WBC-wi.org).

Because the Wauwatosa Beautification Committee is a non-profit, we continue to rely on the generosity of individual citizens and Wauwatosa-based businesses to keep our projects on course. Please consider the Wauwatosa Beautification Committee as you plan your charitable contributions this year. If you wish you can make a contribution via the Pay Pal account you will find at our website. If you would like to join us in our mission either as a Gardening Angel or another capacity, please call Mary, 414-915-4148.

Thank you very much and have a Happy Summer!

Matt Stano, President  
The Wauwatosa Beautification Committee, Inc.  
<http://www.WBC-wi.org>

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Donation (Tax Deductible) \$25\_\_\_ \$50\_\_\_ \$75\_\_\_ \$100\_\_\_ Other\_\_\_

Name/s\_\_\_\_\_

Address\_\_\_\_\_ City\_\_\_\_\_ State/Zip\_\_\_\_\_

Phone (\_\_\_\_)\_\_\_\_\_ e-mail\_\_\_\_\_

Please make check payable to **Wauwatosa Beautification Committee, Inc.**  
**P.O. Box 13401, Wauwatosa, WI 53213**

The Wauwatosa Beautification Committee, Inc.

**Volunteers Wanted**

[call Susan 453-0555 or Mary 915-4148]

- Are you a regular attendee at the “Secret Gardens of Wauwatosa” Tour?
- Do you like what we’ve done with the plantings at City Hall & the Library?
- Have you enjoyed all those median & neighborhood plantings when you drive through Wauwatosa?
- And, do you love our Blue “Welcome to Wauwatosa Signs?”

If you do, and you can spare some time from spring through fall, the Wauwatosa Beautification Committee could use your help with these and other projects!

Gardens which need additional Gardening Angels include:

- City Hall & Library Gardens
- Milwaukee Ave @ 83<sup>rd</sup> Street (triangle)
- Welcome-to-Wauwatosa sign at 122<sup>nd</sup> & Bluemound

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**\*17<sup>th</sup> Annual Secret Gardens of Wauwatosa Tour, July 9, 2011\***

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The Wauwatosa Beautification Committee is seeking Secret Gardens whose owners would welcome being on our 18<sup>th</sup> annual 2012 Tour. We especially welcome do-it-yourself gardens as well as professionally designed gardens. Secret means secret, your garden must be mostly hidden from street view. Fair warning: you will be visited by Committee members who include a landscape architect and a retired Latin teacher/horticulturist who preview potential tour gardens so please contact us only if you are a serious gardener! If you think your garden shines please give us a call or e-mail and we will contact you to set up a “garden interview”. (We also welcome recommendations from friends of persons with “secret gardens”.) Contact info below.

**YARD OF DISTINCTION AWARDS**

[call Kathy at 257-1819]

Every year WBC awards 3 Yard of Distinction awards within each Aldermanic District and up to 5 YOD awards to qualifying businesses. Criteria is posted on our website. The Yellow Door Hanger award is for residents or businesses who catch our eyes with something we think beautifies Wauwatosa. Spring flowers are on our minds now! Please contact us if you see someplace which deserves recognition.

E-mail us at [wauwatosa.beautification@yahoo.com](mailto:wauwatosa.beautification@yahoo.com) or check out our website [www.wbc-wi.org](http://www.wbc-wi.org) to find out more about WBC. Call Marge at 414-807-5652.