

# City of Wauwatosa Newsletter

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Summer 2015

## Tosa's Night Out 2015

The Wauwatosa Police Department and Wauwatosa's Neighborhood Watch Committee (WNWC) are proud to announce that our 21<sup>st</sup> annual "Tosa's Night Out" celebration has been scheduled for **Tuesday, August 4, 2015**, at Hart Park.

We are thankful for our 2014 Major Sponsor Froedtert & the Medical College of Wisconsin and our 2014 True Blue Sponsors WaterStone Bank, ATC – American Transmission Company, and Dave & Buster's Wauwatosa. We look forward to their continued support!

Returning this year will be a children's area including games,

**TOSA'S  
NIGHT OUT**

Lighting The Way To A Better Community.

inflatables, rides, a coloring contest, Kid Care ID, and much more. Other scheduled highlights include live music, food and refreshments, safety displays, and health and wellness exhibits.

The ever popular 1.5 mile "Family Flashlight Walk" will wind through the Honey Creek Parkway, lower Harwood area, and Wauwatosa village.

The event is free and everyone is welcome. You may, however, elect to officially register for the Flashlight Walk to receive your commemorative t-shirt, flashlight, and additional sponsored items.

You may register or obtain registration forms at the **Little Read Book Store at 7603 W. State Street (telephone 774-2665)** during regular store hours. Watch for additional details in the July–August–September "Tosa Watch" newsletter.

## Mayor's Corner

Wauwatosa is a fabulous place to be in the summer. We pack a lot of fun into our summer months and I invite you to do it all. Here's a sample list of some of the activities and events: Farmers Market, Hartfest, Tosa Tonight Concerts, Windows into Wauwatosa, Grand Prix Bike Race, Fourth of July Parade and family fun at Hart Park, Secret Gardens Tour, 10 Days in Tosa, Tosafest and Chilin' on the Avenue. Check out more at the City's website: [www.wauwatosa.net/communityevents](http://www.wauwatosa.net/communityevents).

Of course, some of the best summer memories are leisurely days at Tosa Pool at Hoyt Park, family bike rides or tennis, volleyball or the playground in our parks. Another thing keeping me busy this summer will be welcoming new businesses into the area with ground-breakings and ribbon-cuttings. Watch for them. Stay safe and enjoy everything our City has to offer.

*Mayor Kathy Ehley*

## Notify Me

Stay connected to what's going on in the City of Wauwatosa. Sign up today for "Notify Me" on the city's website at [www.wauwatosa.net](http://www.wauwatosa.net). You choose from over 30 topics, like homepage news or construction projects. Next you choose how to receive notices via email or text on your phone. Sign up today.

## BASEMENT BACKUP? Call us First!

Do you have water in your basement? The Public Works Department has a service 24 hours a day 7 days a week, 52 weeks a year to make sure that the problem belongs to you before you call a plumber. Call 414-471-8422.

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## Library Hours



Monday through Thursday, 9 AM-9 PM  
Friday, 9 AM-5 PM  
Saturday, 9:00 AM-1:00 PM \*  
Closed on Sundays through September

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\*The library will be closed on July 3 & 4, and Sept. 7.

\*Starting August 29, the library will be open on Saturdays from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

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E-mail: [library@wauwatosalibrary.org](mailto:library@wauwatosalibrary.org)

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

## For Children

**EVERY HERO HAS A STORY SUMMER LIBRARY READING PROGRAM** continues until Mon, August 31, 2015. Pick up your reader or listener logs at the Children's Library Reference Desk to earn prizes and recognition. Valid Milwaukee County Library Card is required.

**HEROES IN MOVIES & BOOKS** for all ages; Thurs, July 2 (Room on a Broom) from 10:00-11:00 a.m. & July 31 (Horton Hears a Who) from 10:00-10:30 a.m. *Registration not required.*

**HEROES COME IN ALL SIZES**; appropriate for Kindergarten through 5th grade students; Wed, July 8, 2015; at 10:00 or 1:30 p.m. *Registration not required.*

**HEAP HOUSE**; book discussion for students in 6th - 8th grades; Wed, Jul 8 at 7:00 p.m. *Registration is required.*

**RHYME TIME** for newborns through 3 year-olds with adults and siblings begins on Thurs/Fri, July 9/10; 3 week-series, 20 minute sessions. This early literacy program for babies and pre-kindergarten children features rhymes, stories, songs, finger plays and dramatic movement. *Registration not required.*

**YOUR AMAZING EYES STORY TIME** for families with children 3-years-old and older will be presented by "Prevent Blindness Wisconsin" at the Wauwatosa Library in the Children's Story Room; Mon, July 13 at 10:00 a.m. *Registration not required.*

**WRITING PROGRAM (VINDICATED VILLAINS)**; July 15 at 9:30 a.m. for 1st and 2nd graders; 1:30 p.m. for 3rd through 5th graders. *Registration is required.*

**PROFESSOR MARVEL'S SUPERHERO MAGIC SHOW** for all ages; Mon, July 20 at 2:00 p.m. in the Civic Center Auditorium. Experience magic and illusion based on popular books & graphic novels. *Registration not required.*

**CLIQUEING WITH THE CLASSICS** (analyze 3 popular classics) for students in 4th - 6th grades; June 24th - **CHITTY CHITTY BANG BANG** by Ian Fleming; July 22nd - **WIND IN THE WILLOWS** by Kenneth Grahame; and August 19th - **A WRINKLE IN TIME** by Madeleine L'Engle. *Registration is required.*

**SUPERHERO MASCOTS** for children ages 4-years-old and older; Mon, Jun 27 at 1:30 p.m. Listen to a story, talk about animal superheroes and make your very own animal sidekick/mascot. *Registration not required.*

**GREAT LAKES HEROES** for children ages 4-years-old and older; Wed, Jun 29 at 10:00 a.m. or Thurs, Jul 30 at 1:30 p.m.; Learn about the Great Lakes Heroes, listen to a story and make your very own Great Lakes Superhero costume with cape and mask. *Registration not required.*

**SMOKEY BEAR'S BIRTHDAY** for all ages; Mon, August 3 at 1:30; Celebrate Smokey Bear's 71st birthday with a short film and an activity. *Registration not required.*

**LITERARY MASH-UP**; a 2 day program; Tues/Wed, August 4/5; 9:30-10:30 a.m. for students in 1st & 2nd grades; or, 1:30-2:30 p.m. for students in 3<sup>rd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> grades. Discuss genres before writing your own story, mashing two genres together. *Registration is required.*

**FAMILY STORY TIME** for all ages begins Thurs, August 6 at 9:30 or 1:30 p.m. or Fri, August 7 at 9:30 a.m.; 3 week series, 20 minute sessions; stories, songs, dramatic movement, and fun with literacy. *Registration not required.*

**LEGO CITY** for all ages; Mon, August 10 at 1:30 p.m.; in the Firefly Room; Learn about architecture from local architect, John Peine, by building a Lego City. *Registration not required.*

**STORY & CRAFT** for children 5 and under with an adult; Mon, August 17 at 10:00 a.m. Listen to a story and do a craft. *Registration not required.*

**SUMMER READING** ends Mon, August 31 at 9:00 p.m. Last day to turn in Summer Library Reader/Listener/Challenge cards.

# Health Department News

## Back-to-School Vaccines

Are your child's immunizations up to date? The Student Immunization Law requires that all children in schools and day cares must be up to date with immunizations. Additional vaccines may be required for this school year. Parents may be fined if immunizations are not current and recorded 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 Wauwatosa Health Department at 479-8939.

## Critter Control

Help prevent wildlife from taking over your backyard by eliminating one or more 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 bird-feeders 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. Wood piles should be tightly stacked and away from buildings.

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

## Medications Can Look Like Candy—Prevent Poisoning

From a small child's point of view, there isn't much difference between an open bottle of medicine and a jar of candy. If a toddler can get a hold of a small, brightly colored pill, he won't hesitate to pop it in his mouth. Safe Kids Worldwide reports that medications and dietary supplements account for 40 percent of all poisoning cases in children. Keep all drugs in a cabinet or other place far away from busy little hands.

Visit the Wauwatosa Health Department display that shows the similarities between medications and candy. We will be at the following events this summer/fall:

Wauwatosa Summer Library Reading Program Kick-off-  
June 18 at 10:00 am and 1:30 pm

Tosa Night Out – August 4

Tosa Farmer's Market – September 12 from 8:00 am to noon

For additional information, call the Wauwatosa Public Health Nurse Line at 414-479-8939.

## Dangers of Children in Hot Cars

The weather is starting to warm up and the Wauwatosa Health Department would like to remind everyone of the risks and dangers of heatstroke while leaving a child or pet unattended in a parked car. In just ten minutes, the inside of a vehicle can reach 100 degrees with an outside temperature of 75 degrees. Remember to take them with you every time and call 911 if you see a child/pet unattended in a car. Additional information about excessive heat can be found on our website at [www.wauwatosa.net/health](http://www.wauwatosa.net/health) (click on personal health resources in the left hand column and then sun and heat protection).

## 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 place 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 teaspoon bleach per 1 quart of water. Allow items to air dry for sanitizing.

## Wisconsin WINS: Reducing Youth Access to Tobacco

As part of the City of Wauwatosa's Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP), the Wauwatosa Health Department works with the Wauwatosa Police Department (WPD) to reduce youth tobacco use. Twice a year the WPD performs tobacco compliance investigations with the help of minors from Wauwatosa schools. On Saturday, May 2, 2015, minors under the supervision of WPD entered 34 local establishments attempting to purchase tobacco products. One establishment sold tobacco products to minors. Check out our website to see and support the local establishments that didn't sell to minors: [www.wauwatosa.net/health](http://www.wauwatosa.net/health) (click on personal health resources in the left hand column and then tobacco and other substance programs).

## YARD MATERIAL PICK-UP INFORMATION

**DO NOT RAKE YARD MATERIALS INTO THE STREET.** Leaves, brush, and small branches, **NOT grass clippings, root balls, vegetables, stumps or branches over 6 inches in diameter,** 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. **NO cardboard boxes or plastic bags of any kind.** Yard Materials should be put out the **opposite week of your recycling week on the same day of the week.** For collection, please put out the materials by 7:00 a.m. City of Wauwatosa crews collect yard materials from the curb/alley.

**Up to ten** bundles of brush 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. Brush may also be picked up and billed **immediately** if it creates a hazard at the curb.

## THE DROP-OFF CENTER

The Drop-off Center at the Public Works yard, 11100 W. Walnut Rd., accepts brush, leaves, and other yard materials from residents, as well as co-mingled recycling, metal, cardboard, and used motor oil. The Drop-off Center is open from 7:30 a.m. through 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday AND Saturday. **GRASS CLIPPINGS are not allowed.** It is closed on Sundays, Mondays and holidays. A \$5.00 per load/per vehicle permit is needed for Wauwatosa residents only to use the center. Trailers are limited to 8x8 in size, e.g., a resident that brings a pick-up truck load and a trailer load it would require two permits, or a \$10 fee.

## ADULT LIBRARY EVENTS

**Book Discussion Group** September 2<sup>nd</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>: *The Brief Wondrous Life of Oscar Wao* by Junot Diaz

Florentine Opera Insights

Giacomo Puccini's **Madame Butterfly**, a tale of romance and betrayal.

**Saturday, September 26, 12:30 - 1:30 p.m.**

This program contains a detailed synopsis, background on the opera and live musical selections performed by the Florentine Opera Studio Artists. Attendees are treated to arias, duets and small ensembles performed by the Florentine Opera Chorus.

## Bats

Bats are a very important part of our ecosystem and we need them outside eating mosquitoes. It is not uncommon for bats to find their way into homes and apartments. Do not panic and avoid coming into direct contact with the bat. Do not try and kill the bat with a tennis racket or broom, bats are fragile and striking them may render them unable to be tested for rabies. Only 2-3% of wild bat population carry the rabies virus and the testing is done only when circumstances warrant.

The Wauwatosa Health Department cannot assist you in capturing bats. Suggested methods are to wear heavy leather gloves and capture the bats with a towel or blanket or cover it with a box or other container and slide a lid over the opening. There are several animal control contractors in the area to assist if you are not comfortable doing this yourself. Bats should then be taken to the Wisconsin Humane Society for rehabilitation or sample preparation.

Please call the Wauwatosa Health Department Information and Referral Nurse Line (414-479-8939) if you come into contact with a bat or if you have one captured and are unsure of what to do. If you find a bat in your residence do not leave the door open and let it find its own way out. The Health Department may want to test the bat for rabies depending on the circumstances.

## Household Hazardous

Mark your calendars for the annual MMSD/City of Wauwatosa Household Hazardous Waste Collection in the Civic Center Parking Lot! From 8:00AM until 2:00PM on Saturday September 12<sup>th</sup> bring your hazardous stuff to our parking lot, we unload it and you drive away happy. Some things to bring - antifreeze, brake fluid, driveway sealer, paint thinner, varnish, solvent-based cleaners, batteries, pool chemicals, weed killer. For a complete list of what to bring please visit [www.mmsd.com](http://www.mmsd.com).

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