



VILLAGE OF MAPLE BLUFF

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

December 2016



Welcome

Calendar of Events

December

- 25 Christmas
- 31 New Year's Eve

January 2017

- 1 New Year's Day
- 16 Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- 20 Inauguration Day
- 27 & 28 Winterfest

February

- 2 Groundhog Day
- 14 Valentine's Day
- 20 Presidents' Day

Village Board

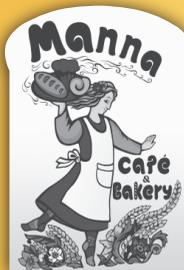
President Jim Schuler.....	249-1696
Trustee Peter Duff.....	249-0565
Trustee Cynthia Johnson.....	230-5080
Trustee Kristine Jaeger.....	217-1919
Trustee Eric McLeod.....	244-1371
Trustee Timothy O'Brien.....	246-0321
Trustee Carl Vieth.....	249-4647

Village Departments

Administrator/Police Chief Tim Krueger...	244-3048x111
Clerk/Treasurer Sarah Danz.....	244-3048x102
Deputy Clerk/Clerk of Court Rene Dopkins...	244-3048x100
Rec. Dir./Deputy Treasurer Curt Erickson...	244-3048x106
Police	244-1430
Public Works	244-3048
Fire & Rescue	244-3390

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Be Safe

We are now in the middle of the Holiday Season, so please remember that crime does not stop during this time of year. In fact, I would encourage you to be ever more vigilant regarding personal safety for you and your family. Be especially aware while shopping, leaving packages in your car, or leaving your home unattended that there may be greater interest in what kind of stuff you have around you!



Roxbury Development Site

The Village does not have any proposals for the development site at the corner of Roxbury and Sherman Avenue. However, there have been meetings to discuss the entire North Sherman Avenue corridor from the RR tracks near the Village Center, south towards the N Sherman Ave/Sherman Ave split. The purpose of these meetings is to conduct more detailed planning about how the Village would like this corridor to be developed regarding the street and other streetscape components. We created a vision for this area when we created the Gateway Plan several years ago, but now this planning will be more specific to how to refine and implement some of those visions.

Building Resumes/Restaurant License Approved

At the Village Board meeting held on November 8th, the Village Board approved an alcohol license for a restaurant that has now been signed to a lease in the new building at the corner of North Sherman Ave and Commercial Avenue. If you drive by the building, you can see that the construction has been active for the past 6 weeks or so and it is anticipated that the restaurant will be opened in late spring. There is also a strong push by the leasing agent for additional tenants. If you were looking for a retail space, give them a call!

All City Swim Meet July 27-29, 2017

We are now another month closer to the All City Swim meet scheduled for July of 2017. The MBCC recently adopted the site plan for the event and the Village is working on our traffic plan. The traffic plan will likely include parking on most streets throughout the Village, one way streets to maximize our parking storage, drop off zones for swimmers and a defined route for you to access your home and to leave the Village. Both the site plan and the traffic plan will start to get disseminated in early 2017. I beg for your patience and cooperation as that event draws near. You may want to consider volunteering for the event as there will be many ways that you can help. Or, you can consider being a sponsor of the event. I am sure the MBCC will have more information about that available in the coming months. As the new year approaches, planning will get more detailed and information will flow more frequently. Please stay in touch with any questions that you may have.

Holiday Wishes

Finally, I extend to you and your family all the best holiday wishes. Please take the time to enjoy family and other people that are a significant part of your life. See you soon.

By: Tim Krueger, Village Administrator/Chief of Police

Notice of Spring Election April 4, 2017

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an election to be held in the Village of Maple Bluff, on Tuesday, April 4, 2017, the following offices are to be elected to succeed the present incumbents listed. The term for village trustees will begin on April 18, 2017. All terms are for two years unless otherwise indicated.

Office	Incumbent
Village President	Jim Schuler
Village Trustee	Eric McLeod
Village Trustee	Tim O'Brien
Village Trustee	Carl Vieth

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that a village caucus for the purpose of nominating candidates to appear on the spring election ballot for the above listed offices will be held on January 10, 2017 at 7:00pm at the Village Center, 18 Oxford Place.

Sarah Danz, Village Clerk 244-3048

Property Tax Bill Information

December 19th, 2016 is the statutory deadline for property tax bills to be mailed. If you have not received your property tax bill by December 20th, please call the Village Center.

Payments can be mailed or dropped off at the Village Center, 18 Oxford Place, Madison, WI 53704. Office hours are 7:30am-4:30pm Monday through Friday. There is a payment box located in the vestibule of the Village Center if you are dropping off a payment after hours.

First installment payments are due by January 31, 2017 to the Village of Maple Bluff to avoid interest and penalties. Second installments are due to Dane County by July 31, 2017. If you want to include your property tax payment on your 2016 income taxes, that payment needs to be made on or before December 31, 2016. Please include the bottom portion of your tax bill when making payment.

By: Sarah Danz, Village Clerk/Treasurer

Employee Gift Giving Policy

The Village of Maple Bluff has an established policy regarding the acceptance of gifts by village employees. Over the years, village residents have been generous over the holidays in expressing their thanks for the hard work of our employees throughout the year. In light of potential liabilities stemming from the acceptance of certain types of gifts, restrictions are placed on what gifts employees may accept. The policy directly prohibits any village employee from directly accepting alcoholic beverages and or receiving monetary gifts from village residents.

After the holiday season, a party is held for all village employees in appreciation of their hard work. Residents who wish to contribute to the village employee holiday party are asked to direct their gifts to the Clerk/Treasurer to ensure that the gifts can be shared equally by all employees. All gift money collected will be used to pay for the holiday party. A sincere Thank you to those who have contributed to date. The employees of the Village of Maple Bluff take pride in their work and thank residents for their cooperation and support throughout the year.

Dog & Cat Licensing

The Village of Maple Bluff requires licensing of all dogs and cats kept within the village. Licenses will be available for purchase beginning December 19th and are valid for the 2017 calendar year. The cost is \$12.50 for spayed or neutered pets and \$18.50 for un-spayed or un-neutered pets. You will also need to provide a copy of your pet's current rabies vaccination, with expiration date, when obtaining a license.



Fire Department

Vehicle Extrication By: Kris Loy, Fire Chief

The MBFD conducts training sessions each Monday evening at the firehouse. In addition to putting out fires, our members perform a wide variety of life saving functions. One of those functions is performing motor vehicle extrication. Vehicle extrication is the process of removing a vehicle from around a person who has been involved in a motor vehicle accident, when conventional means of exit are impossible or inadvisable. Usually this entails the use of heavy duty cutting and spreading tools, otherwise known as the “Jaws of Life.” While the tools we use are a different brand name, TNT Rescue Tools, they serve the same purpose. During the months of October and November, our members performed numerous extrication scenarios to help ensure readiness for future emergencies.





Happy Trails To You

By: Jim Schuler, Village President

Now that the weather has turned and we're expecting winter snow, don't forget about the great trails we groom on the golf course: there's one for walkers, and one for cross country skiers. Both are guaranteed cures for cabin fever.

If you're a walker or a snowshoer, please make sure not to walk on any part of the ski trail. Footprints on the parallel tracks used by classic skiers or on the smooth area between the tracks used by skate-skiers can cause falls. Of course, your well-behaved dog is welcome to join you. Just make sure to pick up after them.

If you want to try snowshoeing or cross-country skiing, both Rutabaga and Fontana offer daily rentals. Aside from the hill between holes 6 and 7, our trails are perfect for beginners.

So layer up (but not too much—you'll work up a sweat) and enjoy whatever snow we get. There's nothing like gliding across the frozen landscape on a sunny day or moonlit night to make you appreciate the change of seasons—and all the ways we have to enjoy them in the Bluff.

Want to learn more about your neighborhood public elementary school, Lake View?



Join both current and past Maple Bluff Lake View families for pizza and casual conversation about their experience at Lake View.

Children Welcome!

Stop by anytime on Tuesday, January 10th from 6pm-7:30pm at the Dailey Cabin in Fireman's Park.

Please RSVP to

Trish Grant (trishgrant@gmail.com) Ellen Reyerson (elle4379@gmail.com) or Katie Waterman (kam1635@aol.com)
If you'd like to join us!

This event is not sponsored by the Madison Metropolitan School District.



Winter Weather By: Tom Schroeder, Public Works Director

Here we are once again in the middle of the Holiday Season...I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving with family and friends enjoying a meal or two with all the trimmings! I have yet to hear my first Christmas Carol of the season...what radio station are they on this year? So much to do and so little time to do it this time of year...take it one step at a time and embrace the spirit.

With winter weather on its way, I would like to encourage everyone to think preventative maintenance for your autos, homes and businesses. Underestimating what winter can deliver along with the impact it can have on us and our homes and or cars is something to avoid. So tune up the SUV, get a set of all season radials and have a service tech test the furnace...test the snow blower before it's needed as well!

When the snow comes and it's time to shovel or snow-blow the driveway and sidewalk, please place the snow upon the terrace or your yard, not in the street. There is an ordinance that covers this concern; 192.6. Most residents are very mindful of this topic. Also, advise your service provider if you do not clear your own driveway or sidewalks. Please do not have snow plowed from your driveway across the street onto a neighbor's terrace and or park/golf course terrace and pathways. Our intent is to clear the roads and intersections of snow and treat the intersections and steeper grades as necessary before, during or after the snow fall. We make every attempt to minimize the amount

of snow that is placed on corners of intersections. We also do our best to evenly divide two way streets with snow removal to each side of the road. We do not have a wet pavement/bare roads policy. However, we do treat intersections and approaches, as well as, hill ways so that they do melt off to be wet pavement and bare intersections.

We have recently flushed fire hydrants in the village. We like to perform this maintenance before winter's arrival for overall water quality and hydrant performance.

There are some tree trimming and removal needs that will be addressed during mild periods this winter. We will conduct an assessment of tree needs and remove trees that are of a hazardous condition that would warrant removal and trim others that just need a little attention. There will be additional inspections of ash trees to identify health issues that would warrant removal due to EAB concerns.

We wish you a warm and wonderful Holiday Season. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Trash/Recycling
Trash pick up is in gray, recycling dates are circled

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Parks & Recreation

Basketball Programs

INSTRUCTIONAL

Pre-K and Kindergarten

Saturdays: 12/3, 12/10, 12/17, 1/7, 1/14, 1/21

Time: 8:00am-9:00am

Fee: \$33.00

This co-ed basketball program will provide participants skills and drills necessary for early learning of basketball. This program will focus on dribbling, passing, shooting techniques and teamwork.

1st – 2nd Grade Boys

Saturdays: 12/3, 12/10, 12/17,

1/7, 1/14, 1/21

Time: 9:15am-10:15am

Fee: \$33.00



This instructional skill-development program will work on various drills to improve or teach dribbling, passing and shooting. Near the end of each session, participants will play a scrimmage working on the various skills learned that class.

1st – 2nd Grade Girls

Saturdays: 12/3, 12/10, 12/17, 1/7, 1/14, 1/21

Time: 10:30am-11:30am

Fee: \$33.00

This instructional skill-development program will work on various drills to improve or teach dribbling, passing and shooting. Near the end of each session, participants will play a scrimmage working on the various skills learned that class.

Conceal & Carry

Conceal and Carry Course

Saturday December 17

8:00am-12:00pm

Village Center Training Room (2nd floor)

Fee: \$53.00 Age: 21+

This course will be taught by the Maple Bluff Police Department and participants will obtain a conceal and carry permit. Participants will need to bring writing materials for note taking.

American Red Cross Babysitter Training

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Wednesday, December 28th

9:00am-4:30pm

Village Center Conference Room

Fee: \$93.00 Age: 10-14

American Red Cross will be conducting a one day training on the Babysitter Course. Participants will learn skills in child care, basic first aid and other important aspects of babysitting. Participants will be given a lunch break.

Trips

Cascade Mountain Ski/Snowboard trip

Monday, January 16

8:30am-5:30pm

Age: 8+

Fee: \$55.00



The Cascade Mountain ski/snowboard trip is scheduled for Monday, January 16th. The bus will leave the Maple Bluff Village Center at 8:30am and will return at approximately 5:45pm. Cost of the trip includes bus transportation, lift ticket and lunch. All participants are eligible for free lessons and free equipment rentals. Registration is due no later than Monday, January 9th.

Engineering For Kids

Engineering for Kids: Jr Mechanical Toys

Wednesdays 01/11/2017-02/15/2017

5:00pm-5:45pm

Village Center Conference Room

Kindergarten through 1st Grade

Fee: \$90.00

In the Junior Mechanical Engineering: Let's Make Toys classes, EFK youngest engineers will be introduced to fundamental concepts of energy, materials and movement. Students will explore and construct six different toys throughout this unit, including spinners, magical boomerang cans, wind-up whirligigs and more.

Engineering for Kids: Mechanical Engineering:
Master Machines

Wednesdays 01/11/2017-02/15/2017

6:00pm-7:15pm

Village Center Conference Room

2nd Grade through 5th Grade

Fee: \$120.00

During the Mechanical Engineering classes, students use the engineering design process to design, create, test and refine a variety of machines and mechanical systems. Students learn basics of fluid mechanics, simple machines and other design and engineering concepts while constructing roller coasters, egg-drop vehicles and an incredibly fast air powered dragster that students will keep at the end of the course.

Pancake Breakfast

The Maple Bluff Fire Rescue Association will be holding its 11th annual pancake breakfast on Sunday, December 11, 2016 from 8:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. The event will take place in the gymnasium at the Village Center.



Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, December 11th, 2016

8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

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