



# VILLAGE OF MAPLE BLUFF

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

July 2019



## VETERANS MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

Daily Service Award Recipients June 7, 2019



TIM JACKMAN, SANDY THOMAS, DAVE BRUNS, RICK APFEL, JULIE CORNELIUS & ELLIS WALLER

## Calendar of Events

### July

- 4 Fest on the Fourth  
Veterans Memorial Dedication
- 9 Village/Building Board Meeting

### August

- 13 Village/Building Board Meeting

### September

- 2 Labor Day
- 10 Village/Building Board Meeting

### Trash/Recycling

Trash pick up is in gray, recycling dates are circled

July							August							September						
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## Village Board

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- Trustee** Kristine Jaeger.....217-1919
- Trustee** Eric McLeod.....244-1371
- Trustee** Jim Schuler.....249-1696
- Trustee** Carl Vieth.....249-4647

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## Thanks By Tim Krueger

I would like to extend my thanks to each of you for the past 18+ years of shared experiences. I have heard that some residents have been concerned with how abrupt my departure from the Village came about. Honestly, it was not really that abrupt as I have been considering retirement and talking about it with Village Leaders for several years. But let me answer a few questions. Health: My health is excellent! I have dropped 15 pounds since the first of the year and I am actually quite fit and healthy. Attack: Was I attacked by one of those infamous Village Cougar's? Nope, I wish! And it also was not anything to do with the other end of the spectrum, with any type of interlude with an acronym based resident that I should not use in this article!

The simple truth is, I recently had an opportunity presented to me which was really too good to pass up. I will begin work for my new employer in July but I had to retire as quickly as I did to meet other deadlines which were important for me in future considerations. This abrupt change was for me and my family.

I have spent the past several years working to develop other Village Staff to take over leadership roles within the Village. My guess is, that with my departure, you will see no noticeable change in services or staff responsiveness.

It has been a great experience being with the Village. I will miss so much about this job and this community and with the family of co-workers we have at the Village Center. I can't say you will never see me again as I plan to stop by for the Memorial dedication on July 4th and who knows, maybe I will show up back on staff again some day!! I will be keeping my cell number (608-209-2017) and my email (tjkrueger67@hotmail) if you ever need to reach me. Please take care and good luck in your future!



## Dailey Service Award Winner: Veterans Memorial Committee

On Friday, June 7th, a group of neighbors and friends, otherwise known as the Veterans Memorial Committee, were presented with this year's Dailey Service Award. Committee Members consist of: Rick Apfel, Patty Carroll, Julie Cornelius, Tim Jackman (2 time winner), John Schmid, Sandy Thomas and Ellis Waller.

Named after Warren and Ann Dailey, the award's first recipients in 2004, the Dailey Service Award recognizes residents whose village volunteerism and leadership is both extraordinary and inspiring.

The Veterans Memorial Committee are those things and more. The Committee was formed in July 2014 with a vision to erect a Memorial in Maple Bluff to remember residents who have served their country. After several preliminary meetings

the Committee began to understand the daunting task of making this project a reality.

The Committee spent countless hours in meetings and worked through fundraisers, door-to-door solicitation and worked with other Village Committees for approval. Once the project received the go ahead financially and strategically, construction would soon follow. Construction began in July 2018 and was finished June 2019. The Committee is proud to have obtained over 330 Veteran's names, funding for the entire project through donations and have had the ability to provide the Village with a Memorial that is both elegant and timeless. At the end of the project, this Committee has spent hundreds, if not, thousands of hours volunteering their time to make this project what it is today.

Congratulations to the entire Veterans Memorial Committee on this honorable award.

Dailey Service Award Winners	2011: Jeff Feinblatt
2004: Ann & Warren Dailey	2012: Sally Lehman
2005: Tim Jackman	2013: Dan & Mary Albrecht
2006: Arbor & Garden Volunteers	2014: Dave Bruns
2007: John Weston	2015: John Larson
2008: Bill Chatterton	2016: Dave Easton
2009: Don & Dolly Warren	2017: Mary & Peter Duff
2010: Mary Jane Carpenter	2018: Veterans Committee





Maple Bluff's start of the summer was welcomed in with wonderful food, tough competition and most importantly great company.

The night kicked off with the recognition to the Veterans Memorial Committee and their receipt of the Dailey Service award.

Congratulations to our 2019 Bocce champions Paige Haldeman and Jake Davie. Strong tactics, unusual counter balance techniques and home field advantage saw them victorious under the center court lights

Bidding was focused as residents gathered around the silent auction sheets. Reaching a crescendo at 9:00 our organizers sounded the whistle and the sheets were ripped from the tables. Winners celebrating their deft use of the pen, those who missed out wondering what they could do next year to secure their desires. Most just wondering how big that number on the text message tomorrow would be when the total of the "winnings" would be revealed.

As the party continued neighbors visited, came up with brilliant ideas for next year and supported the bar crew by lightening the trailer load significantly. As time was called and I headed home, I was left with one resounding thought – how lucky am I to part of this great community!

Bocce - Thank you

Bocce was an outstanding success again this year. Thanks to your generous donations of events and bids we reached a new record this year of over \$60,000. Based on the age of equipment and volume of use the Parks Committee is recommending to the Village Board that we focus on Firemen's Park to replace the playground in the fall of 2019.

There are so many people who come together to make this event possible. Thank you to all and in particular I would like to recognize a few people:

Auction planning starts in January and I would like to thank Sarah Shah and Trish Grant for all their work in getting donations together, organizing dates, planning, and follow-up after the event to winners and hosts. It was a smooth event, and that is due to all the preparation that you both put in – Thank you.

All of the Village Staff play a role, but I want to highlight

Curt Erickson, the recreation team and Tom Schroeder and Public Works team for the coordination and effort in getting Beach Park ready.

To the Parks & Rec Committee – Thanks for your support, evaluation and direction as we continue to look at ways at making this awesome event better.

To Jason Potter for his bracket management, emcee skills and keeping Bocce moving.

To those that donated auction items... without you this event would not be the fundraising success it is. The majority of the money raised is on group events, which further contributes to our sense of community.

Finally to those that mark your calendar year after year, invite new neighbors, win auction items and keep Bocce - Maple Bluffs kick off to summer – a great big Cheers!!!

Patrick Grant, Parks and Recreation Chair





## Next Chapter. By Tom Schroeder

It was bound to happen...it was inevitable...if there is a beginning there is also an ending...and we knew it was coming!!! Timothy J. Krueger has retired after 18+ years of dedicated service to the Village of Maple Bluff. The subject had been discussed numerous times over the last several years without an actual target date. The suddenness of this event caught all of us off guard even though...we knew it was coming. Tim was our leader; mentor; councilor and co-worker. There was not a job he could not or would not do....he was not afraid to roll up his sleeves or work around the clock. He could be fatherly with thought; wisdom and wit. I never told him so, but I occasionally thought of Tim as a younger brother that I never had...albeit a more educated and talented younger brother. He was also known to be a cutie pie. No longer a co-worker...but a friend forever. We love you Tim.

I love you Tim.

The past couple of years or so Tim had been preparing staff for this inevitable change in our professional lives. His mentoring process was wide and varied and clearly identified in house front runners for the Administrator position; Clerk/Treasurer Sarah Danz and the Police Chief Position; Sgt. Jay Sugden. They have our full support as they occupy these positions on an interim basis and would continue to receive our support in their quest for a permanent appointment.

The Veterans Memorial Committee should be congratulated for their steadfast efforts and vision for a beautiful monument in the park. It shall be a destination for many. The dedication is this July 4<sup>th</sup>.

Fest on the Fourth will have the aforementioned dedication as well as parade/run-walks/food/drinks/fireworks...a day of celebration. See you there.

We still have trees to plant as this spring to summer has had its challenges is so many ways.

We also have trees to remove! Several on Kensington; Lakewood; Cambridge. Feel free to contact me with tree concerns.

As always give us a call with your questions and concerns! Have a safe and enjoyable summer!



## Parks & Rec Information

July has historically marked the halfway point of the summer, however, if you are like me you maybe wondering when summer will actually start? The weather has provided us some unusual curveballs with highs in the mid 60's until late in the month of June. This has provided for limited desire for many at the beach to this point. The water temperature on Lake Mendota has just barely tickled the 70's making for those dips in the water to be short lived. July is also a great month, in that, we get to celebrate America's Independence. This year's Fest on the Fourth is sure to be a huge hit, complete with the annual 5K run, walk, Veterans Memorial Dedication, festival games at Johnson Park, Upper Bluff vs. Lower Bluff softball game and Fireworks to cap off the evening.

## Veterans Memorial Dedication

The Veterans Memorial Committee, Rick Apfel, Patty Carroll, Julie Cornelius, Tim Jackman, John Schmid, Sandy Thomas and Ellis Waller would like to extend a welcome to all to attend the dedication ceremony beginning at 11:00am at Johnson Park at the Fest on the Fourth. The Veterans Memorial Committee began working on plans and the creation of this project in July 2014. The finished project is quite impressive and the collection of past and present resident veterans tops over 330 names.



## Beach Closures

We often will get several phone calls throughout the summer inquiring about the status of the water at the beach. The Village utilizes Dane County Public Health and their labs to complete weekly sampling of the water. DCPH tests the water quality for E. Coli and will provide the Village with results the next day. If the water has a high concentration outside of the safe levels for swimming, DCPH will return in a day or two to retest. The Village will reopen the beach when levels have returned to safe levels.

DCPH does not test the water at the beach for blue-green algae or cyanobacteria as this is an ever-changing occurrence. Blue-Green Algae can form quickly based on past rain events, wind directions and temperatures. For more information regarding blue-green algae visit: <https://dnr.wi.gov/lakes/bluegreenalgae/>.

If you see that the Lifeguard Staff has closed the beach, please adhere to this warning and keep yourself, your children and your pets from entering the water. These closures are to prevent illnesses. We have had 4 instances this year already that we have closed the beach for high levels of E. Coli and/or blue-green algae blooms.

## Upcoming Programs

### Destination Mars

Monday – Thursday

July 15 - 18

Ages: 7 - 11

9:00am – 12:00pm

Fee: \$110.00

Location: Village Center

Instructors: YEL!

Launch and watch your very own rocket speed 300 feet into the air! Then it is yours to take home! Students will make and take home multiple rockets of varying difficulty throughout this session. We will use these rockets and airplanes to investigate basic aeronautical concepts including: propulsion, thrust, lift, drag and more. We will also hypothesize and travel in outer space, how to get a United States astronaut to Mars and life on Mars.

**Classes**

**Project Runway**  
**Monday – Friday**  
**August 5 - 9**  
**Ages: 9 - 14**  
**9:00am – 12:00pm**  
**Fee: \$120.00**  
**Location: Village Center**  
**Min. / Max.: 8 / 14**  
**Instructors: YEL!**

Get ready for your very own Project Runway Fashion Show exhibiting sewing projects (a sun dress, satchel, sunglasses case and more), designs and flair made with your own hands! The YEL! Project Runway Sewing Camp follows four basic principles: 1. Teach It - students are taught multiple hand and machine sewing techniques; 2. Practice It - students practice those techniques on basic projects; 3. Sew It - Students increase their skill and sew more complicated projects; 4. Own It - students showcase their projects on the last day of class (family and friends are invited), then take everything home with them.

**Junior League Robotics**  
**Monday – Thurs**  
**July 8 - 11**  
**Ages: 6 - 12**  
**9:00am – 12:00pm**  
**Fee: \$100.00**  
**Location: Village Center**  
**Min. / Max.: 8 / 20**  
**Instructors: YEL!**

Build it, program it, play with it and learn from it using LEGO Mindstorms WeDo software and LEGO bricks! Students will build race cars, a forklift, boat and more, then program them to complete various tasks. In this YEL! Summer Camp, students are challenged to build, test, program and modify multiple projects, then use those projects to investigate basic robotics concepts as well as introductory computer coding. Restrain summer brain, drain, sign up today. Visit: [youthenrichmentleague.com](http://youthenrichmentleague.com) for sample pictures.

**Noah's Ark**  
**Wednesday, July 17**  
**Ages: 7-15 years old**  
**9:00am - 5:00pm**  
**Fee: \$55.00**  
**Supervisors: Recreation Staff**

Join the Maple Bluff Recreation Department on this exciting trip to Noah's Ark. The MBCC Swim Team will also be traveling to Noah's Ark this same date. This is not a joint trip, however. If participants would normally sign up with the MBCC Swim Team they are asked to do so. Registration prices are the same between each group.

**Pickleball League**  
**Monday, July 22 & Monday, July 29**  
**Ages: 18 +**  
**Fee: \$40.00 per meeting**  
**Supervisor/Instructor: Jeanne Burgess**  
**Fee: \$40.00**

Pickleball is a sport in which two, three, or four players use solid paddles made of wood or composite materials to hit a perforated polymer ball, similar to a wiffle ball, over a net. The sport shares features of other racquet sports, the dimensions and layout of a badminton court, and a net and rules similar to tennis, with a few modifications. Pickleball was invented in the mid 1960s as a children's backyard pastime but quickly became popular among adults as a fun game for players of all levels. Games will be played at the Beach Tennis Courts.

**Pickleball League Play**  
**Dates: Monday, June 10 & 24**  
**Time: 5:00pm – 7:00pm**  
**Location: Beach Park**  
**Fee: \$15.00/date**  
**Instructor: Jeanne Burgess**  
**Maximum: 16 participants**

Participants will play a round robin style tournament with new partners and matchups each game. Pre-registration is required.

Register at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040B-4BADAE2DAB9-pickleball>

Or search for [cerickson@villageofmaplebluff.com](mailto:cerickson@villageofmaplebluff.com) on [signupgenius](http://www.signupgenius.com).



## Fall Programs

### After School Spanish Classes

**Monday's 9/9 – 10/28**

**Ages: 4 – 5 years old Times: 3:30pm – 4:00pm**

**Ages: 6 – 8 years old Times: 4:00pm – 4:30pm**

**Ages: 9 – 10 years old Times: 4:30pm – 5:00pm**

**Fee: \$160 for 8 weeks**

Luis Varela will be teaching play to learn Spanish classes on Mondays at the Dailey Cabin. These classes will provide activities to learn and understand the Spanish language. Activities will involve music, movement, acting and dance. Every activity/lesson has been designed to be meaningful to the specific age group.

### NFL Flag Football (K – 2nd)

**Dates: Saturdays 9/7 – 10/19**

**Ages: Kindergarten – 2nd Grade**

**8:00am – 9:00am**

**Fee: \$60.00**

Learn the game of flag football in this fun NFL Flag program. Each participant will receive a replica NFL jersey and a set of flags. The program will focus on developing skills each week and then put the skills to use each week in a shortened 10 minute game. Parent volunteers are needed.

### NFL Flag Football (3rd – 4th)

**Dates: 8/19 – 10/14 Practices Mondays 4:30pm – 5:30pm**

**Games: Saturdays 9/7 – 10/19**

**Ages: 3rd grade – 4th grade**

**\*\*Practice times may change based on coaches availability**

**\*\*\*Game times will be determined in August**

**Fee: \$70.00**

Learn the game of flag football in this NFL Flag Football program. Each participant will receive a replica NFL jersey and a set of flags. Practices will be held once a week with games played on Saturday. This is a traveling team playing other Madison Area communities. This team will not be playing in the end of the year tournament. Volunteer coaches are needed.

### NFL Flag Football (5th – 6th)

**Dates: 8/20 – 10/15 Practices Tuesdays 4:30pm – 5:30pm**

**Games: Saturdays 9/7 – 10/19**

**Ages: 5th grade – 6th grade**

**\*\*Practice times may change based on coaches availability**

**\*\*\*Game times will be determined in August**

**Fee: \$70.00**

The Rec. Dept. is offering the NFL Flag Football program this fall. Kids will receive an official NFL replica jersey. All divisions are coed. Mouth guards are required and must be purchased on your own. All games are on

Saturdays with a practice held at Johnson Park during the week that is scheduled by the coach.

\*\*\*The 5th -6th grade league is a traveling league so there will be travel required to road games. Traditionally, this traveling league includes teams from Fitchburg, Verona, Stoughton, and Mt. Horeb. This team will not be participating in the end of the year tournament.

### NFL Flag Football (7th – 8th)

**Dates: 8/21 – 10/16 Practices Wednesdays 4:30pm – 5:30pm**

**Games: Saturdays 9/7 – 10/19**

**Ages: 7th grade – 8th grade**

**\*\*Practice times may change based on coaches availability**

**\*\*\*Game times will be determined in August**

**Fee: \$70.00**

The Rec. Dept. is offering the NFL Flag Football program this fall. Kids will receive an official NFL replica jersey. All divisions are coed. Mouth guards are required and must be purchased on your own. All games are on Saturdays with a practice held at Johnson Park during the week that is scheduled by the coach.

\*\*\*The 7th -8th grade league is a traveling league so there will be travel required to road games. Traditionally, this traveling league includes teams from Fitchburg, Verona, Stoughton, and Mt. Horeb. This team will not be participating in the end of the year tournament.

### Restaurant Etiquette

**Saturday, November 16th**

**Ages: 6 – 12**

**Time: 5:00pm – 6:15pm**

**Location: Benvenuto's (Northside Town Center)**

**Instructor: Carrie Calkins**

**Fee: \$50.00**

This is a 75 minute course providing hands-on instruction on proper restaurant etiquette and table manners. The skills are applicable to the home and restaurant dining experience. Is this my glass of water or yours? Elbows off the table! Which fork am I supposed to use? Stay in your seat! Use your inside voice. Chew with your mouth closed please. Children will also learn and discuss the importance of dining with family and friends, proper table conversation and respecting ones self and others.



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Dear Dr. Marc,

My neighbor just told me that grain-free diets could cause heart issues in dogs. Is this true? I've been feeding Bear a grain-free kibble for years!  
-May L

Hi May,  
Thanks for this question. You're not alone - many dog parents have similar concerns.

To answer your question, yes, there is growing evidence that grain-free dog foods are linked to a heart condition called Dilated Cardiomyopathy (DCM). Unfortunately, there is a lot we still don't know. Here are the facts:

- DCM is a serious disease that causes the heart to enlarge and beat with less force, potentially causing heart failure.
- DCM has been found to be associated with dogs fed a grain-free diet, usually with peas and/or lentils. However, all grain-free diets put your dog at an increased risk.
- The cause remains a bit of a mystery. A deficiency in the amino acid taurine has been suspected, but there seems to be more to the disease than a simple nutritional deficiency
- The disease is reversible if caught in time.

Signs of heart disease include: weakness, lethargy, shortness of breath, and coughing. If you notice any of these symptoms, take your pet to a veterinarian right away. Your vet will listen for a heart murmur and/or an abnormal heart rhythm and possibly perform additional testing.

I would also like to add my two-cents regarding grain-free diets. Grain allergies are very rare in dogs. Many clients ask me why dog foods contain grains when wolves don't eat grains in the wild. My answer to this is always the same: dogs are not wolves. Dogs have been evolving with humans for tens of thousands of years and their stomachs have also been evolving to be able to digest our food. Grains are full of nutrients and are perfectly safe for dogs to eat.

Fortunately for our canine companions, veterinary researchers and the FDA are busy investigating this disease and more information should be available in the near future.

Marc Siegel, DVM  
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