



# VILLAGE OF MAPLE BLUFF

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

*February 2022*



## **5th/6th Grade Boys Basketball**

Traveling Basketball February Game Schedule: Page 8

## Calendar of Events

### February

- 8 Village/Building Board Meeting
- 10 Municipal Court
- 14 Valentine's Day
- 21 President's Day

### March

- 8 Village/Building Board Meeting
- 10 Municipal Court
- 13 Daylight Savings
- 17 St. Patrick's Day

### April

- 12 Village/Building Board Meeting
- 14 Municipal Court
- 17 Easter
- 22 Earth Day

## Trash/Recycling

Trash pick up is shaded, recycling dates are circled

February							March							April						
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## Village Board

- President** Carl Vieth.....249-4647
- Trustee** George Brown.....246-8422
- Trustee** Patrick Grant.....217-1815
- Trustee** Kristine Jaeger.....217-1919
- Trustee** Kevin O'Driscoll.....298-7102
- Trustee** Ellen Reyerson.....(651) 890-6093
- Trustee** Jim Schuler.....249-1696

## Village Departments

- Administrator/Police Chief** Tanner Nystrom.....244-3048
- Clerk/Treasurer** Sarah Danz.....244-3048
- Deputy Clerk/Clerk of Court** Rene Dopkins.....244-3069
- Rec. Dir./Deputy Treasurer** Curt Erickson.....230-7655
- Police** .....244-1430
- Public Works**.....244-3048
- Fire & Rescue**.....244-3390



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## **Winter Activities!** By: Carl Vieth, Village President

As we enter the most extreme part of winter, I am reminded of the tremendous number of outdoor activities available to us; as well as the need to take appropriate safety precautions. Village residents have a myriad of recreational activities immediately available and accessible to them.

The Village provides groomed cross country ski trails on the golf course. The groomed tracks are conditioned for skate skiing as well as traditional skiing (diagonal style). These tracks are for the exclusive use of skiers, and are not for walking or snow shoeing. Snow shoers and walkers are welcome and encouraged to avail themselves of the winter beauty the golf course has to offer. Similarly, our furry residents are also welcome – as long as their human companions maintain control and clean up waste deposits.

Thriving in winter also means adjustments to our lifestyle and daily activities. Lawn mowers and garden tools have been replaced by snow blowers and snow shovels. Winter driving requires a heightened level of attention and caution.

Pedestrians and cyclists must be ever vigilant with ice and snow on the sidewalks and streets. Compounding the navigation challenges are risks associated with frostbite, hypothermia, and dehydration. When venturing out, make sure that you are dressed for the weather, in warm layers with hats, gloves, and footwear appropriate to conditions. Make sure someone knows where you will be going and when you will return. Carry a mobile phone as well as high energy food and water. When operating snow removal equipment, follow the manufacturer's safety guidelines. Never operate equipment indoors or in a garage as you risk carbon monoxide poisoning.

Finally, if you have an elderly or infirmed neighbor, please take the time to check on them, making sure they are safe, warm, and well fed. Winter weather can be especially hard on seniors – limiting their mobility and ability to socialize.

Take care, stay warm, watch out for pedestrians, cyclists, and drivers.

Carl

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## **Fundamental to all we do!** By: Tanner Nystrom, Village Administrator/Police Chief

Although winter seems to have taken time getting here the past weeks demonstrated that, even with a slow start, the snow and cold eventually come. As usual, our Public Works crew are ensuring the streets and sidewalks are clear of snow, keeping village facilities and equipment operational, and doing their best to stay warm in the process! Their talents are integral to the services provided by all our departments, and I am sincerely appreciative of their contributions – especially as they work among the elements and at odd hours, both day and night. They are a reminder that our staff are fundamental to all we do.

Attracting, training, and retaining exceptional team members can be difficult for many reasons. In 2022, this is especially true in Law Enforcement. So, I am very happy to share that over the past couple months, we have grown our Police Department's part-time officer ranks significantly. Officer Cody Woods completed field training in January and is now on solo patrol. Part-time Officers Tim Dostalek and Matthew Dammen are undergoing field training and we look forward to mentoring them as they orient themselves to Maple Bluff. We are also onboarding three new part-time officers and hope to see them become valuable additions to our team in the coming months. Ultimately, I want to thank Jessie Knops, Sergeant Sugden, Detective Sergeant Knoeck, and all our Field Training Officers for the hard work, energy,

and professionalism they continue to demonstrate as our department grows.

Our team's core mission is to deliver exemplary public services and responsible governance. Like last year, we have done our best to address contemporary challenges in governance by balancing the delivery of services with our responsibility to promote safety. Although a surge of Covid-19 cases made it necessary to postpone Winterfest festivities, we remain hopeful that we will be able to hold events on February 25th-26th. Similarly, although Village Center office hours remain 9am to 3pm on weekdays, we regularly take appointments and walk-ins outside of business hours when we are here. In addition to programming and events planned by staff, officials, and volunteers, we now have open gym hours that can be found on our website in the Parks and Recreation Department page.

Our vision is grounded in keeping Maple Bluff exceptional through unparalleled service, exceptional care, ubiquitous protection, and consistent citizen engagement. We appreciate the ever-present community support we receive. Thank you once again and stay warm!

Sincerely,

Tanner A. Nystrom





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## Winter Conditions By: Tom Schroeder, Director Public Works

Our new year is well underway with a more traditional January providing the type of winter conditions one would expect this time of year. As one month ends and another begins the sub-zero chill is on. What would winter be without weekend snowfalls to test everyone's resolve for removal efforts? Our department will remain flexible yet diligent in our deployment of equipment and materials that meets the needs necessary to maintain the streets and pathways for safe usage for all. We are an equal opportunity snow plowing operation...everyone will get some! We plow from center to the roads edge and clear intersections with minimal stacking of snow. We do our best to reclaim the entire width of road...this is challenging when its trash/recycle day and or vehicles and equipment are present. Intersections/hills/hairpins get treatment. We review our effectiveness and respond accordingly with additional and or extended treatment areas. There are a few locations where contractors, or residents snow blow the driveway into the street or stack snow across the street or drag the snow down the street to the nearest neighbor. I have always felt the streets edge (right-of-way) is for the municipality to use, all others should store snow on property of origin. PS if you are snow blowing...be sure to use premium gas for both 2 stroke and 4 stroke.

Also, this year we have started up with a new recycle collection provider. Pellitteri Waste Systems is a local family operation. Should you have questions, their number is 608-257-4285. They also have a great website that you can find most answers to questions you may have, from our community collection schedule to helpful tips on how and what to recycle along with what isn't recyclable – [www.pelletitteri.com/pages/village-](http://www.pelletitteri.com/pages/village-)

[of-maple-bluff](#). Continue using the carts that you have and anticipate a spring swap out for new.

We have been seeking voluntary compliance with a village code that limits the size of trash containers and the total weight amount of container and contents. We still collect trash by hand with a rear loading garbage truck. With the onset of hydraulic tipping collection vehicles that use 65-96 gallon carts, some of these same carts have migrated into the homes of Maple Bluff, near 35 at last count. Currently our ordinance allows a maximum of 50 gallon for size and 50 lbs for maximum weight of cart and contents. We have scaled a cart with trash at 128 lbs.! We need the size and weight to be reasonable for our staff...I should say reasonable and safe. I need to draft a notice letter for residents that currently are using a non-conforming container for trash. I applaud the many residents that have already made the change, Thank You!!!

We are nearing completion of preliminary sanitary system inspections. There will also be a more in-depth inspection that will include video for determining the conditions of sanitary that is located off street.

There will be an updated urban forest inventory of ash trees needing removal; other hazard trees; areas that need maintenance pruning; and identify open space for new plantings.

We are somewhere near the half-way point of winter, I expect plenty of winter yet to come. Drive safe





## Fire Rescue Department! By: Kristopher Loy, Fire Chief

**Internship Program:** The Maple Bluff Fire Rescue Department is currently accepting applications for our prestigious two year, live-in, Firefighter/AEMT Internship Program.

Internships have been used as a steppingstone to help individuals get an edge in their chosen career. Our internship provides the opportunity to receive EMS certification to the Wisconsin Advanced EMT Level, State of Wisconsin

Firefighter II Certification, Motor Pump Operator – Pumper, and Fire Inspector while achieving their Associates Degree in Fire Science from Madison Area Technical College.

Please visit the MBFD's page at [www.villageofmaplebluff.com](http://www.villageofmaplebluff.com) to download an application today. Applications will be accepted until 4:00pm on February 25, 2022.



**Firefighters Helping Firefighters:** The Mineral Point Fire Department suffered an immeasurable tragedy on January 6th, 2022, when they lost two of their members (Capt. Busch & FF Ludlum) in the line of duty. Without hesitation, fire departments from across the state, including Maple Bluff, stepped up to help a community in need. For 11 days after the incident, firefighters and EMTs staffed an engine, tender, squad, and chief to help provide fire services to the residents of Mineral Point and the surrounding townships. The fire service is a very tight knit community, and we were happy to help our brothers and sisters in Mineral Point as they work toward healing.



**Training:** On January 11 and 18, 2022 our firefighters joined the Monona Fire Dept. in conducting ice rescue training at Lottes Park on the Yahara River. Drills like these not only help our firefighters become more proficient, but also improve interdepartmental communication and teamwork. We thank the Monona Fire Department for hosting this wonderful training event.



**CPR Training:** CPR is essential in helping people who suffer sudden cardiac arrest. Properly performed CPR (Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation) can dramatically improve someone's chance of survival. The Maple Bluff Fire Rescue Department's Community Outreach and EMS Prevention Division is offering American Heart Association (AHA) CPR classes throughout 2022.

We are offering two different classes to suit the needs of our community. The AHA's Heartsaver First Aid CPR AED course trains participants to provide first aid, CPR, and use an automated external defibrillator (AED) in a safe, timely, and effective manner. We're also offering the AHA's BLS Course, which is designed for healthcare professionals and



other personnel who need to know how to perform CPR and other basic cardiovascular life support skills in a wide variety of in-facility and prehospital settings.

March 5, 2022: Heartsaver First Aid/CPR/AED

June 9, 2022: Heartsaver/ First Aid/CPR/AED

August 11, 2022: BLS Provider CPR

October 15, 2022: BLS Provider CPR

November 12, 2022: Heartsaver First Aid/CPR/AED

Please e-mail Lt. Doug Dietzen, [ddietzen@mapleblufffire.com](mailto:ddietzen@mapleblufffire.com), to reserve a spot in any of these classes. For additional information, please visit the Maple Bluff Fire Department's page at [www.villageofmaplebluff.com](http://www.villageofmaplebluff.com).

# Make 2022 Your Year for Emergency Preparedness

By: Michael O'Driscoll, Troop 5 Life Scout

It seems that almost every day, we see headlines about some climate-related disaster around the country. Just this month, wind speeds in the hundreds spread fire through the city of Boulder, Colorado, tornadoes destroyed homes and people in the South, and heavy rains caused evacuation orders in Washington State. Here in the temperate midwest, it is easy to get lulled into thinking disasters like these happen elsewhere. But they can – and do – happen here, too. In 2021, there were 36 tornadoes in Wisconsin, 4 of which were in Dane County. Nearby Burlington, Wisconsin suffered a historic flood in 2019, leaving thousands without power for days. And most of you probably recall the torrential rains of August 2018, which led to flooding at Tenney Park and threatened many waterfront homes as well. Natural disasters, severe storms, and power outages are becoming more relevant in our day to day lives due to extreme weather, rising water levels and other effects of global warming. Scientists who study extreme weather and climate events say there's reason to expect more extreme weather disasters this year.

Knowing this, the question must be asked: how can we be prepared for climate-driven disasters and other emergencies? As Scouts, we follow the simple phrase "Be Prepared" when planning activities like camping, hiking or boating so that we can respond to any possible adversity, but that same phrase doesn't resonate in our daily lives as well as it should. When I started thinking about this topic and doing research via websites like [fema.gov](https://www.fema.gov) and [ready.gov](https://www.ready.gov), I realized how underprepared I was. For example, I didn't have the slightest idea where my family kept a fire extinguisher, I didn't have an emergency kit in my car or even standard first aid supplies. In addition, my family never made a plan for how we would contact each other or where we would go in the event of a fire, flood, or other disaster. Unfortunately, my family is not alone: according to FEMA's 2021 National Household Survey, fewer than half of all households say they are prepared for a disaster. Are you?

If you are, congratulations. But if you are among the greater than 50 percent who are not, that's where I can help. As part of my Eagle Scout project, I and other



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scouts in Troop 5 will be writing articles about different things you can do to prepare for emergencies, both weather-related and those that occur in the home. Look for articles on these topics in this newsletter in the coming months. In the meantime, I encourage you to visit [ready.gov](https://www.ready.gov) for lots of helpful information on how you and your loved ones can prepare for emergencies.

FEMA's research shows that those who take at least one action to prepare for an emergency are more likely to take other actions. So, to get started, I offer two, easy things you can do – today. First, ensure that your home's address numbers are clearly visible from the street. According to Maple Bluff Fire Chief Loy, not being able to see address numbers is a major challenge that the department encounters when responding to emergency calls. Second, consider notifying the fire department if you have any chronic medical conditions for which you take medication. This information would save valuable time and potentially save lives because emergency medical technicians working with the fire department would have a better idea of how to assist you. You can contact the fire department at [kloy@villageofmaplebluff.com](mailto:kloy@villageofmaplebluff.com).

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## Parks & Recreation

### Traveling Basketball February Game Schedule:

#### 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys

2/5: Glacial Drumlin 10:30am  
2/12: Monona Nichols School 11:00am  
2/19: Monona Nichols School 11:00am

#### 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls

2/5: Bye  
2/12: Cottage Grove School 1:00pm  
2/19: Cottage Grove School 12:15pm

#### 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys

2/5: Stoughton High School 10:00am  
2/12: Cross Plains Glacier Creek 10:00am  
2/19: Fitchburg Savannah Oaks 9:00am  
2/26: Cottage Grove - Tournament



## Youth Enrichment League Programs (YEL!)

### YEL! March Madness

Days: Wednesdays  
Dates: 3/2 – 3/23  
Time: 4:15pm – 5:15pm  
Location: Village Center Gym  
Fee: \$58.00  
Ages: 5 – 9

March Madness is here! Join us in this fast-paced development program. Participants will continue to work on dribbling, passing, shooting in kid-friendly games.

### YEL! Extreme STEM: Catapults & Dragons

Days: Monday  
Dates: 3/21 – 5/16 (skip 3/28)  
Time: 4:15pm – 5:15pm  
Location: Dailey Cabin  
Fee: \$100.00  
Ages: 5 – 12

Participants will build their own dragons, railroad crossing, and design their own catapult using LEGO bricks. Then use those projects to investigate basic engineering concepts.

## Trip

### Milwaukee Bucks vs Phoenix Suns

Day: Sunday  
Date: March 6, 2022  
Time: 11:30am – 6:00pm  
Location: drop-off and pick-up at the Village Center  
Fee: \$85

**Ages:** Anyone under the age of 12 must be accompanied by a parent

Want to catch the rematch of the 2021 NBA Finals? Trip-off is at 2:30pm. Trip price includes ticket and bus transportation.

Deadline: 2/2/2022





## Seasonal Employment

### CYGW Counselors

Minimum of 14 years of age or older  
Previous experience working with children  
Successful completion of a Babysitter Training Course (preferred, but not required)

#### Description:

The Village of Maple Bluff is seeking multiple individuals who are eager to provide a fun, safe and educational Camp to youth between the ages of 3-7. Individuals will need to be available to work from 8:30am – 11:30am or 12:30pm-4:30pm, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday beginning June 14<sup>th</sup> through August 12<sup>th</sup>. Camp Counselors will be assigned specific groups of up to 6 participants to provide small group activities. For a complete job description, contact Curt Erickson at [cerickson@villageofmaplebluff.com](mailto:cerickson@villageofmaplebluff.com).

Pay: Pay range is \$9.50-11.00/hr, depending on experience

Deadline to Apply: Applications are available at: <http://villageofmaplebluff.com> and can be mailed to Village of Maple Bluff, 18 Oxford Place, Madison, WI 53704. Applications are due Friday, April 8th at 3:00pm.

### Lifeguards

#### Qualifications:

Current Lifeguard Certification or will complete the course by the end of May  
Minimum of 16 years of age or older

#### Description:

The Village of Maple Bluff is seeking multiple individuals who are eager to provide a fun and safe environment at the Maple Bluff Beach Park. Interested candidates will need to have current Lifeguard certification through the American Red Cross or equivalent. Applicants must work well with others, be a self-motivator and willing to engage summer program participants in activities. For a complete job description, contact Curt Erickson at [cerickson@villageofmaplebluff.com](mailto:cerickson@villageofmaplebluff.com).

Pay: Pay range is \$11.00 - 14.00/hr., depending on experience

Deadline to Apply: Applications are available at: <http://villageofmaplebluff.com> and can be mailed to Village of Maple Bluff, 18 Oxford Place, Madison, WI 53704. Applications are due Friday, April 8<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm

## Open Gym

The Village Center gym will be available for open gym times on the following days and times:

Fridays 6:00pm – 8:00pm

Saturdays 10:00am – 8:00pm

Sundays (5 and under) 9:00am – 11:00am

Sundays 12:00pm – 3:00pm

Reservations will not be available during established Open Gym Hours.

#### Rules to participate in open gym:

All users must be residents of Maple Bluff (non-resident guests are prohibited) and be a member of the Key Fob Program.

All users must wear a face covering while inside the Village Center, including use of the gym.

Participants that are 12 and under must be accompanied by a parent/guardian.

Open Gym is limited to a maximum of 15 people at a time.

If using the gym while at max capacity of 15 people and others are waiting, be courteous and limit the amount of time you are using the gym.

\*Open Gym Hours are subject to change in the event a previously established rental or program has been booked in the gym.

## 2022 Summer Concert Series

#### Sponsorship opportunities:

The 2022 Summer Concert series has been booked and we are looking for sponsors to help fund the events. If you are interested in sponsorships, please reach out to Curt Erickson at [cerickson@villageofmaplebluff.com](mailto:cerickson@villageofmaplebluff.com) or call 608-230-7655.

#### 2022 Summer Concert Lineup:

6/13 – American Scarecrows

6/20 – Madtown Mannish Boys

6/27 – Gin, Chocolate, and Bottle Rockets

7/11 – Small Blind Johnny

7/18 – The Mark Croft Band

7/25 – Finding North



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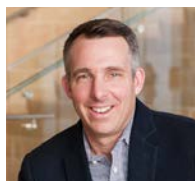


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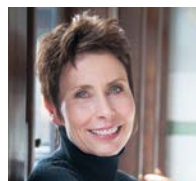
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