



VILLAGE OF MAPLE BLUFF

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

November 2022



Fire Interns from left to right: Anthony Edge, Elijah Vance, Francisco Nava, and Fire Chief, Kristopher Loy

Calendar of Events

November

- 6 Daylight Savings
- 8 Election Day
- 8 Village/Building Board Meeting
- 17 Municipal Court
- 24 Thanksgiving
- 27 Holiday Tree Lighting

December

- 8 Municipal Court
- 13 Village/Building Board Meeting
- 25 Christmas

January 2023

- 8 New Years Day
- 10 Village/Building Board Meeting

The Village Office & Public Works Department
will be closed Nov 24 & 25

Trash/Recycling

Trash pick up is shaded, recycling dates are circled

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Village Board

- President** Carl Vieth.....249-4647
- Trustee** George Brown.....246-8422
- Trustee** Kristine Jaeger.....217-1919
- Trustee** Kevin O'Driscoll.....298-7102
- Trustee** Ellen Reyerson.....(651) 890-6093
- Trustee** Mike Wittenwyler.....358-1800
- 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
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Month of November! By: Carl Vieth, Village President

November isn't usually the month that pops into one's mind as their favorite. Though it is important to note many of history's game changers were born in November. King Charles of England, Marie Antionette – Queen of France, General George Patton, and Rodney Dangerfield! All November babies! Even yours truly, ME! I'm a November baby too; and I'll be celebrating on November 8, election day! I realize that I may not be a game changer to the level of other November peeps, but I needed a way to make a smooth transition to election day, and admittedly, toot my horn a bit. My apologies.

Yes, election day is November 8th - and a very important election it is - but aren't they all? This month we will be choosing elected officials on the national, state, and local level. Almost every race is contested, and most are very close; many are too close to call. That is why it is critical for each and every registered voter to exercise their civic responsibility and vote. This year's ballot will likely set the policies that will guide how our government operates for the foreseeable future. And the future is in your hands.

I will not be formally endorsing any candidate or platform. What I will do is vote for the people who best represent my interests and vision at the national, state, and local levels. My interests and priorities are likely different from yours, and I urge you to carefully review the candidates' positions on issues important to you. The Village website contains detailed information on voting, including absentee in-person voting, voting on election day, and voter registration. It also has contact information so you may have any questions answered. As an FYI, absentee in person voting (i.e., early voting) is now open

and available to all qualified voters.

I would be remiss if I did not address the issue of election integrity. Our Village, led by Village Clerk and Deputy Administrator Sarah Danz, provides safe, secure, and ACCURATE election results. We follow rigorous election security policies, procedures, and protocols. Our vote count tabulations are accurate and reproducible, and our voting machines are secure and rigorously tested. Similarly, our poll workers are well trained and supervised; all while making our voting experience pleasant and convenient. They deserve our upmost respect and appreciation.

But November 8 will not be the end of important elections (and hopefully, not the end of Birthdays). For the Village, we will have our Village Caucus in January. The caucus process is our method for selecting candidates for the Village Board and Village President. This coming year, the presidency as well as three Village Board seats will be on the April ballot. The President and Village Board are instrumental in setting the course for the Village. I would urge everyone to consider putting their name in the hat. Serving our Village as a Trustee or President is rewarding and important to maintaining the quality of life here in Maple Bluff. This is a place where you can, and will, make a difference. I urge you to strongly consider this tremendous volunteer opportunity. See you at the polls!

Walk, Ride, and Drive Safely (Vote too!)
Carl



November 8th Election Information

General Election means a regularly scheduled local, state or national election in which voters elect officeholders.

Registering to vote or checking registration status Please visit myvote.wi.gov to verify registration status. Mail-in and online registration is closed. Please visit the Village Center in-person, during regular office hours, to register. Registration on Election Day is also available.

Requesting an absentee ballot If you are a registered voter and wish to request an absentee ballot, please visit myvote.wi.gov to complete your request.

Before returning your ballot Verify that there are two signatures, both voter and witness, and the witness address on the absentee envelope. Your ballot can not be counted if these are missing.

Returning your absentee ballot The use of drop boxes and hand delivering someone else's ballot are NOT allowed. Voted ballots should be mailed back via USPS or hand delivered by the voter directly to a staff member during regular business hours or on Election Day.

Election Day Polls at 18 Oxford Place will be open from 7:00am until 8:00pm on Election Day.

Regular Office Hours 8:00am-4:00pm Monday – Friday

Please feel free to call 608-244-3048 with questions.

It's Holiday Season Already! By: Tanner Nystrom, Village Administrator/Police Chief

Where did the time go that the Holidays are already upon us? They say "time flies when you are having fun" I suppose. Fun aside, we have been busy, and I am very grateful to our village staff and elected officials for their continued hard work and perseverance. For small teams in a competitive labor market, fluctuations in staffing are an ever-present reality that makes our seasonal obligations challenging. The hard work demonstrated by all keeps our community safe and beautiful as we prepare for another wonderful holiday season. Thank you!

I am excited to announce that we have yet another new part-time officer to welcome to our team – Jennifer Beckett. Jennifer recently accepted an offer to join us and started the onboarding process in late October. She comes with 9 years of law enforcement experience and currently works full-time for the Capital Police Department. Jennifer has leadership and administration experience, as well as a history of proven character. We look forward to Jennifer's contributions to our team, so please join me in congratulating and welcoming her to Maple Bluff!

With the holidays come some friendly reminders. As you travel out of town or have overnight visitors, please submit vacation requests and overnight parking requests on our police department's page of the village website (<https://villageofmaplebluff.com/home/departments/police-department/>). Vacation requests allow our officers to be even more watchful of your home while you are away and allow them to contact you should there be a need. As for parking, we generally prohibit vehicles from parking on the street overnight which ensures our Public Works crew can remove leaves, snow, and other debris. Off-street parking also ensures that emergency response

vehicles can travel safely, while also arriving at any potential incident in the timeliest manner. Additionally, vehicles in the roadway during hours of darkness limits visibility of drivers, decreases safety of pedestrians, and enables cover for criminal activity.

The holiday season can bring much joy to families but can also present unforeseen challenges. We are here to assist wherever we can and are always open to helping those in need. Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have questions about resources for yourself or others. On the behalf of all village staff, I wish all a safe and enjoyable holiday season!

Sincerely,

Tanner A. Nystrom



November at our Door Step! By: Tom Schroeder, Director Public Works

A seasonal change is upon us as November is at our doorstep, knocking softly for now. We know full well that we are likely to see all manner of weather over the coming weeks, so use the good days that are available and take care of those outdoor things requiring your attention.

As the garden and yard materials are gathered from every nook and cranny from your great outdoors, please be mindful to separate like materials on to the terrace and not in the street. This is a very simple act to perform, and it is a necessary action to avoid polluting our natural resources...Lake Mendota. We will make, at minimum, one full circuit of yard waste collection every week (excluding Thanksgiving week) until weather conditions prevents our ability to do so. Realize too, that placing materials for collection near or around obstacles like mailboxes; utility poles; street signs; trees and vehicles and equipment will delay or prevent collections. Your contractors and other service providers should be made aware of this. We stay on route and when the circuit is done, we start all over again.

AT&T is still on site with their fiber build out. They

to are another service provider that is taking up space as the many phases of their project unfolds.

The piers are stacked at the beach and marina.

Tree maintenance/removal will take place when opportunity allows.

Recently we were able to apply a newly learned maintenance procedure to 3 of our oldest hydrants; they now perform extremely well.

Our 2003 LTC 650 ODB leaf loader was taken out of service. It was determined that a fuel issue was the culprit. Long story short, we removed the fuel tank and cleaned it to our satisfaction, and we now have a well running ODB leaf loader once again.

The Public Works Department has been short a full-time and part-time team members. We have provided offers of employment for both positions. The part-time position will be filled in early November. The full-time position is pending.

Have a safe start to the Holiday Season!

Tom Schroeder

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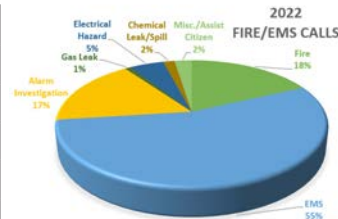


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Fire Rescue Department! By: Kristopher Loy, Fire Chief

Information: As of October 26, 2022, the Maple Bluff Fire Rescue Department had responded to 122 calls for service in 2022 with an average response time of 5 minutes and 14 seconds within the Village. Here is a list of the calls we've responded to.

Call Description	#Calls
Fire	22
EMS	67
Alarm Investigation	21
Gas Leak	1
Electrical Hazard	6
Chemical Leak/Spill	2
Misc/ Assist Citizen	3
Total	122



MBFD Open House Recap: Sunday, October 16, 2022 our department held our annual fire prevention open house. Thank you to everyone who attended. We are always interested in hosting group activities and providing fire and EMS safety presentations to the public. If you'd like to schedule a safety presentation with the MBFD, please contact Assistant Fire Chief Thane Westermeyer at 608-244-3390 or twestermeyer@villageofmaplebluff.com.



CPR Classes: The Maple Bluff Fire Rescue Department is hosting CPR classes throughout 2022. These classes are being held at no cost to Village residents. The last class of 2022 is scheduled for November 12, 2022: Heartsaver First Aid/CPR/AED.

Please e-mail Lt. Doug Dietzen, ddietzen@villageofmaplebluff.com to reserve a spot today.

Recent Responses: In the past month, the MBFD has responded to several large-scale incidents in Dane County.

On October 5, 2022 the MBFD responded as part of a Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MABAS) request into the Village of McFarland for a working structure fire. The McFarland Fire Department encountered flames issuing through the roof of the Maple Tree Restaurant upon arrival and requested assistance from 14 different fire/EMS agencies. Thankfully all the occupants were able to exit the supper club safely and no one was injured. A cause has not yet been determined.



On the morning of Friday, October 21, 2022, the MBFD responded into the Village of Oregon as part of a multi-alarm MABAS response for a home explosion. Our crew arrived on scene and assisted with fire suppression and neighborhood evacuation. Nearly 20 agencies responded to the incident and thankfully nobody was injured. The cause is still under investigation.



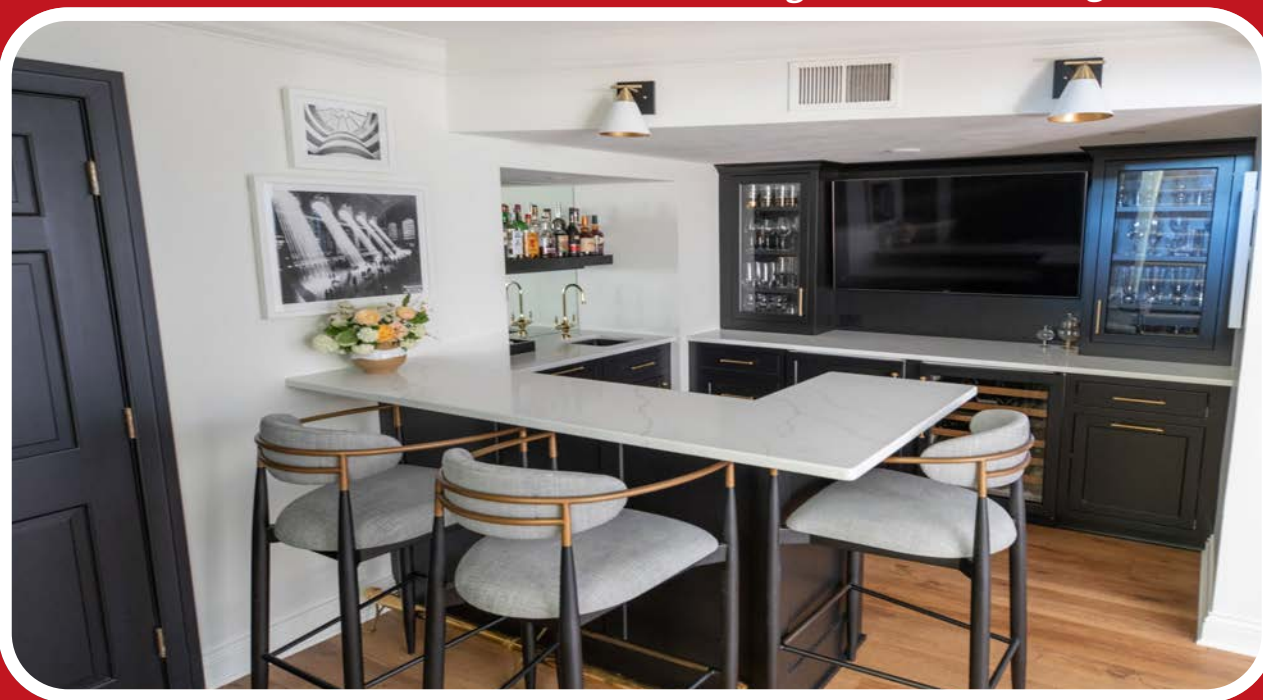


2022 HOLIDAY PARADE of LIGHTS & TREE LIGHTING

The Village of Maple Bluff is excited to present our Annual Holiday Parade of Lights and Tree Lighting on Sunday, November 27, 2022. Santa will tour the Village amongst a parade of decorated fire trucks beginning at 5:00pm and will arrive at Johnson Park at approximately 5:45pm. He will then accept letters from children, enjoy a cookie (or two), sing songs, and light a beautifully decorated holiday tree. Light refreshments will be served by the Maple Bluff Fire Rescue Department. A detailed parade route will be posted on the Village of Maple Bluff Website (www.villageofmaplebluff.com) and Facebook Page. Happy Holidays and we hope to see everyone on November 27th!

We know how much the kids enjoy telling Santa all the things they would like for Christmas, so this year we have again arranged for a letter drop box to be placed at the Maple Bluff Firehouse. Children and adults alike can drop a letter to Santa off at the Maple Bluff Firehouse from November 28th until Christmas Eve and we'll be sure they make it to the North Pole.

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Johnson Park Improvement Project

Over the past two years the Parks and Recreation Committee has received feedback through community surveys, public forums, meetings, and displaying of a draft at the Block Party in September. During the October Parks and Recreation meeting, the Committee made a recommendation to the Public Works Committee and Finance Committee for review before proceeding to the Village Board. If you have questions about the plan, please reach out.



5th - 8th Grade Flag Football

The Maple Bluff Packers season concluded on Saturday, October 15th. The team was coached by Bob Gingras, Ryan Stephenson, and Bob Rozmiarek. Maple Bluff was the only team in the league that had to field 5th & 6th graders to complete a full roster. Overall, it was a great learning experience for the team, and they were able to pull out 1 win on the season. Thank you again to the coaches for their dedication in volunteering.



Facility Reservation

If you are interested in reserving the Beach House, Gym, or Dailey Cabin, please contact Curt Erickson at cerickson@villageofmaplebluff.com or call 608-230-7655. The facility reservation request form can also be found on the Village's website under the Parks and Recreation page. Looking forward into 2023, the Village is entertaining the possibility of an online reservation system for these facilities. More information will be available in the December newsletter.

Parks Key Fob Program

The Key Fob program is available to Village residents on an annual basis (January 1 – December 31). We currently have 88 families that have enrolled in 2022. The key fob program allows for access to the Village Center gym during open gym hours and allows access to the Dailey Cabin and Beach House for bathrooms during non-staffed hours. The program is a \$60 annual fee. Renewal applications will be distributed to residents in late December.

Programming: Youth Enrichment League Programs (YEL!)

K – 2nd Basketball

Dates: October 26 – November 16

Days: Wednesdays

Time: 4:30pm – 5:30pm

Location: Gym

Ages: 5 - 8

Fee: \$50.00



This program teaches players new skills each class, practices those skills in kid-friendly games, and then encourages students to use those skills in introductory basketball games. Emphasis is placed on basic basketball skills such as dribbling, shooting, passing, sportsmanship, and teamwork.

Youth Enrichment League Programs (YEL!)

PreK & K Soccer

Dates: October 26 – November 16

Days: Wednesday

Time: 5:45pm – 6:45pm

Location: Gym

Ages: 4 – 5

Fee: \$50.00



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Basketball Programs

* Practice schedules are subject to change based on coach availability.

3rd/4th Grade Boys

Dates: 11/14 – 3/6

Days: Mondays

Time: 4:45pm – 6:00pm

Fee: \$85.00

Coach: James Bickers



3rd/4th Grade Girls

Dates: 11/15 – 3/7

Days: Tuesdays

Time: 4:45pm – 6:00pm

Fee: \$85.00

Coaches: Hannah Hau,
Tim Sugar, & Annie Sugar

5th/6th Grade Girls

Dates: 11/15 – 3/7

Days: Wednesdays

Time: 6:00pm – 7:15pm

Fee: \$85.00

Coaches: Bob Gingras

6th/7th/8th Grade Boys

Dates: 11/17 – 3/9

Days: Thursdays

Time: 7:15pm – 8:30pm

Fee: \$85.00

Coaches: Patrick Grant

Practice will begin in November with games beginning in January. Game locations will be determined later. Area communities involved in the league are Middleton, Cross Plains, Monona, Waunakee, Verona, Fitchburg, DeForest, and Cottage Grove. All players will receive a jersey.



Programs

Babysitter Training Course

Date: December 17

Day: Saturday

Time: 9:00am – 4:00pm

Location: Village Center

Fee: \$105.00

*** 5 spots remaining**

Become a capable, confident babysitter that families want to hire. When you enroll in one of our Madison babysitting classes, you'll learn from the experts how to provide care to the kids in your neighborhood. From choosing age-appropriate activities, to keeping kids safe, handling a range of behaviors to building your babysitting business, our courses can help you become an in-demand sitter who can handle virtually any situation.

This class will not certify participants in CPR.

Trip

Cascade Mountain Trip

Day: Monday (MLK JR Day)

Date: January 16, 2023

Time: 8:45am – 5:00pm

Fee: \$70.00

Age: 7 – 16

***24 spots remaining**



Hey kids, join the Monona, Cottage Grove & Maple Bluff Recreation Departments for an awesome day or night of shredding down the slopes of Cascade Mountain. Enjoy the mountain on your skis or snowboard. There will be a separate waiver form for rental of equipment. Fee includes bus transportation, lift ticket (if you have a season pass, discounted rate is available), supervision, lunch ticket and rentals (if necessary).



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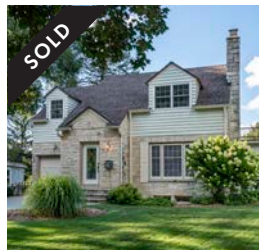
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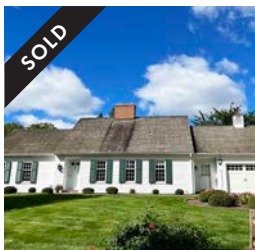
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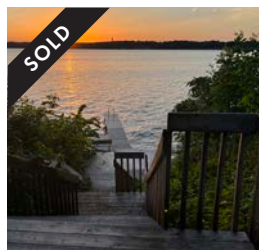
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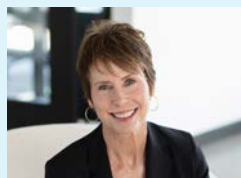
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Holiday Tree Lighting

Please register to join the festivities with Governor Tony Evers and First Lady Kathy Evers as they kick off the holiday season. Enjoy musical performances, a sing-along, merriment by Santa Claus, hot chocolate and cookies, the lighting of the tree, and a walk through the decorated public rooms. The tree lighting ceremony will be held outdoors from 4:30p.m. to 5:00p.m. Afterward, guests may walk through the public rooms of the Executive Residence to enjoy the festive decorations from 5:00p.m. to 6:00p.m.

Guests are encouraged to bring a new, non-perishable food item which will be donated to Second Harvest Food Bank of Southern Wisconsin,

The annual Christmas tree lighting ceremony at the Wisconsin Executive Residence

Sunday, December 4, 2022.
4:30 pm - 6:00pm

or a new Children's Book (ages 0-12) to support the First Lady's Holiday Children's Book Drive, which will be distributed to non-profits across Wisconsin.

This event is free to the public however, capacity is limited. All guests must be pre-registered by December 2, 2022 in order to attend and unregistered individuals may not be admitted. General admission seats and general admission standing. Once registration reaches capacity, registration will be closed. Please register to attend today.

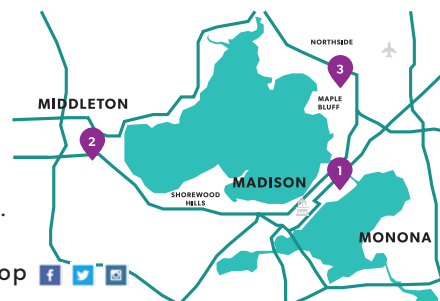
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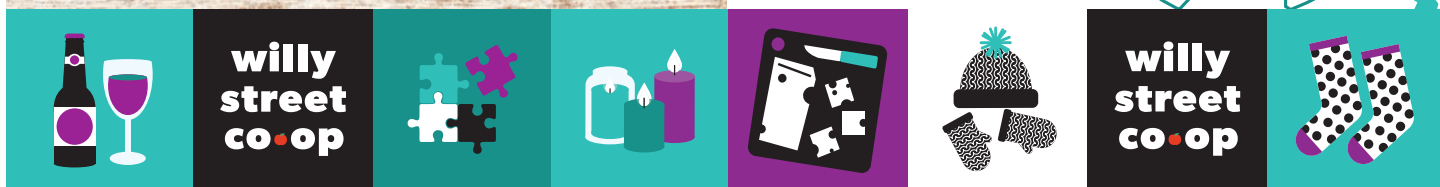
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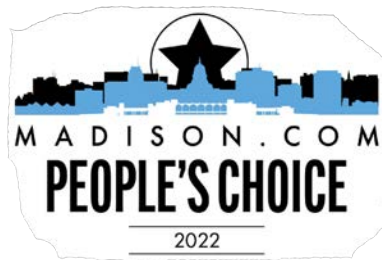
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