



VILLAGE OF MAPLE BLUFF

neighborhood news

April 2023



THE VILLAGE CENTER GYM RECEIVED A FACELIFT

Calendar of Events

April

- 4 Spring Election
- 10 Parks and Recreation
- 11 Building Board
- 11 Village Board
- 11 Zoning Board of Appeals
- 20 Municipal Court
- 25 May Building Board Materials Due
- 29 Arbor Day/Bird City Celebration

May

- 9 Building Board
- 9 Village Board
- 30 June Building Board Materials Due
- May 30 – June 1 Beach House Closed

Trash/Recycling

Trash pick up is shaded, recycling dates are circled

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Village Board

- President** Kevin O'Driscoll..... 298-7102
- Trustee** Lindsay Campbell 770-7718
- Trustee** Kristine Jaeger 217-1919
- Trustee VACANT**
- 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 Administrative Office**..... 244-1430
- Police Non-Emergency** 235-2345
- Public Works**..... 244-3048
- Fire & Rescue**..... 244-3390



EVENT DATES SET FOR OUR 2023 SEASON!

Mark your calendars for upcoming events with Maple Bluff's very own car enthusiast group. All events originate at Burrows Park.

- MAY 13 SATURDAY | 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM**
Drive Event – Baraboo / Driftless Glen Distillery
- JUNE 11 SUNDAY | 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM**
Gran Tour de Maple Bluff VII
- JULY 23 SUNDAY | 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM**
Cars and Coffee – Barriques in Fitchburg
- AUG 12 SATURDAY | 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM**
Drive Event – Mt. Horeb / Skäl Public House
- SEPT 24 SUNDAY | 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM**
Gran Tour de Maple Bluff VIII
- OCT 21 SATURDAY | 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM**
Drive Event – New Glarus / Glarner Stube

Additional events and details at GT-MB.NET

ATTENTION CLASS OF 2023 FAMILIES...



JUNE 4th – VILLAGE GRADUATION PARTY

Graduation of our high school students is approaching. Each year, the senior parents host a village grad party at Beach Park. It is held the Sunday after bocce—this year, June 4. We're in planning stages now and want to be sure we haven't missed anyone. **Be sure your grad is included!** If you haven't received an email yet, please contact Laura Verhoff at LSVerhoff@charter.net.

It's Been Great! By: Carl Vieth, Village President

As many of you know, I will not be running for re-election, so this will be my last newsletter as your Village President. First of all, I want to express my sincere thanks to you, the Village residents, who have trusted me to lead and to those who have supported me in the effort. I also want to thank our extremely talented Village Staff for their support, advice, and leadership. They are remarkable. Finally, I want to thank my colleagues on the Village Board, the many people who volunteer on our committees and who plan special events. Maple Bluff would not be the wonderful community it is without each and every one of you.

In the past two years we have accomplished a great deal, despite the COVID 19 pandemic. We've enhanced staffing for our police and fire/rescue services. This has enabled an expansion of services, including better police coverage and the addition of a dedicated Maple

Bluff ambulance. Our Public Works Department has responded to a series of "100-year" storms promptly effectively, while minimizing the impact to our residents. Our Parks and Recreation Department and Committee managed the significant challenges of COVID 19 and have rebounded with a tremendous portfolio of programs. Finally, a huge shout out to our administrative staff, finding ways to make it work in challenging budget and labor shortage times.

So, as I pass the torch to a new Village President and Board, I give you my best wishes for continued success. Your volunteerism and service to this wonderful place is greatly appreciated!

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Sincerely Appreciative! By Tanner A. Nystrom

As we hold another election cycle, I want to take a moment to thank all elected and appointed officials in the Village! Our Board and Committee members are consistently among the most talented and thoughtful a community could hope for, and I feel very fortunate to work for such a professional group of individuals. The time and energy your volunteer representatives commit to our community is noteworthy, and the Village would not be what it is without their contributions. I welcome our new Trustees and look forward to working with them!

I am also very appreciative of those who have served the Village in the past. Foremost, I want to express my gratitude to Carl Vieth for his service to the Village as a Trustee since 2015, and as Village President for the past two years. Carl has served on numerous Committees and Boards, as well as dedicated countless volunteer hours to keep the Village of Maple Bluff an independent and distinguished community. During my short time here, I was taken back by Carl's consistent support of staff, willingness to mentor others, and authentic leadership style of Village government. His demonstration of integrity, compassion, and dedication quickly earned my trust, and I will miss his contributions to our team. On behalf of all staff, I wish you and your family well Carl - thank you for everything!

Additionally, I would like to extend a thank you to George Brown. Over the past two years, George served as a Trustee and on five Village Committees. I want to thank George specifically for his thoughtful and supportive approach toward staff, as well as counsel and expertise to our leadership team. Thank you, George - we wish you well as you pursue other adventures!

Of course, whenever given the opportunity, I like to acknowledge the commitment of our staff. I want to publicly thank Deputy Administrator Sarah Danz for 10 years of service to the Village. Sarah is, without question, the most valuable member of the Maple Bluff team. I also want to thank Public Works Foreman Paul Elliott for 10 years of service to the Village. Paul manages countless projects, and he leads a team that is undoubtedly the hardest working crew around. Finally, I want to thank Fire Chief Kris Loy for 20 years of service to the Village. Under Kris' leadership, our Fire Department has improved their service potential to a standard that the residents of our community deserve. Kris is also instrumental in our public information initiatives, and I would be remiss not to thank him for his commitment to keeping the residents of Maple Bluff informed of what is happening in their local government. Thank you for everything you do Sarah, Paul, and Kris!

On a final note, I am excited to announce that we have yet another new part-time officer to welcome to our team - Dan Furseth. Dan recently accepted an offer to join us and started the onboarding process in late March. He comes with 37 years of law enforcement experience and is retired out of the Town of Madison Police Department. Dan's extensive experience will be a wealth of knowledge for our team, and we are all very excited to see the contributions he brings to our Maple Bluff family and community. Please join me in congratulating and welcoming him to Maple Bluff!

I wish you all well and, again, on behalf of all village staff I thank you for your support!

Sincerely,

Tanner A. Nystrom



Dan Furseth being sworn in by Chief of Police Tanner Nystrom

Department of Public Works By Tom Schroeder

Looking at the calendar and wishing, has not had the effect I would like to have; spring is an elusive time of year. Perhaps it's a state of mind? We want it so bad...the proverbial instant gratification...why isn't it 70 degrees and sunny? Spring will get here on its' schedule, not ours. The weather this time of year can impact what we do and when we do it. After all the years that I have been a part of this department, we have always managed to get the collections done, the trees planted, the piers installed...etc. On occasion with a touch of winter bullying spring for the king of the hill in-between.

Recently we were able to get a contractor in the village for some preventive maintenance for specific areas of the sanitary sewer. For all accounts it was a beneficial activity as significant root masses were removed. The sanitary lining project, which will take place later this year, will help prevent ground infiltration and tree roots from entering the main lines. We will provide more information when a schedule has been set by the contractors.

As yard work starts to take place, please remember that it is a requirement to place materials on the terrace for collection and not in the street. Yard waste that is placed in the street can contribute to high phosphorus organics being washed into the storm system which goes directly to the lake. We make weekly collections thru-out the entire village; your grass will survive. Again, please be a good steward and use the terrace and not the street for the collection process. Placing material away from mailboxes, poles, hydrants, trees, vehicles, and equipment is a must for timely collection.

A tree order will be placed soon! A Tree City/Bird City celebration will take place on April 29th. We will have Paul Noeldner with a great program and displays at the Beach House. I expect Henry Gill at the Beach Park with an Eagle Scout project that consists of a Purple Martin Bird House installation, do not miss it! There will also be tree planting taking place at the Veterans Memorial in Johnson Park, I'll be there, will you?

Enjoy the miracle of Spring...whenever it gets here.

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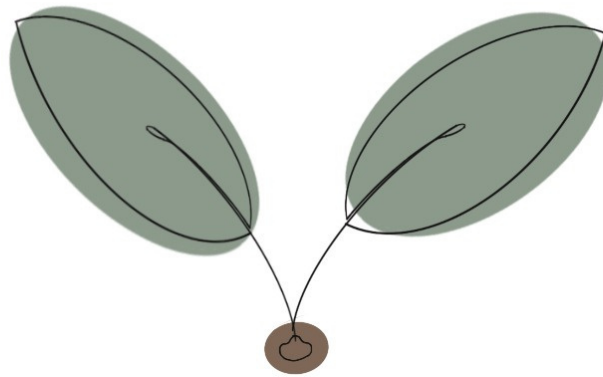
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Dirt Day



April 15-16, 2023

For a suggested donation of \$25 per hour and volunteer, workers will assist you with yard work including (but not limited to) mulching, raking, and gardening.

100% of received donations will fund the building of UW's 24th home for the next Habitat family.

For more information and to sign up, scan the QR code, visit <https://h4huw.org>, or email bubnick@wisc.edu





Seeking Hosts for 100th E Scow National Championship Regatta - September 6-10

This upcoming September, Mendota YC will be hosting the 100th E Scow National Championship on Lake Mendota. We are expecting over 150 boats, which means more than 750 sailors, crew, spectators, and volunteer Race Committee members.

It is tradition amongst E Scow sailors that we open our homes when hosting regattas. This helps defer the cost for sailors and volunteer Race Committee, but also builds a stronger sense of community and hospitality between the host club and those traveling in from as far as New Jersey and New York.

This year, given the unprecedented number of sailors, we are looking for friends and neighbors that would be willing to open their homes to some out of town guests for the weekend. All you need to provide is an open bedroom, access to a bathroom, and a warm welcome. Sailors will be on their own for all meals and gone all day, leaving early in the morning.

If you would be willing to provide one or more bedrooms, please follow the link to complete the survey. The regatta housing chair, Aaron Mann, will be in touch to confirm your availability allowing you to confirm your willingness to host.

Housing Survey - www.bit.ly/MendotaRegatta

We can't thank you all enough for helping us make this one of the biggest and most successful E Scow regattas in history!

Pat Heaney

100th E Scow Nationals Regatta Chair

Aaron Mann

E Scow Nationals Housing Lead



River Food Pantry Breakfast with the Easter Bunny Volunteers

Gym Improvements

In March the Village Center gym received a facelift which included new paint, new wall pads, new flooring, and converting the basketball hoops to power for raising and lowering. The new floor is sensitive to food and liquids. Please refrain from bringing foods and liquid (besides water in an enclosed container) into the gym.



RecDesk

Are you experiencing problems with your online account for registration, key fob membership or rentals? Many residents have expressed concerns their email account is already in use when an attempt to login for the first time. Please reach out to Curt Erickson for a username and password should you receive this message. Your email address was most likely manually entered into the software by Village staff if you had previously signed up for the 2023 key fob program or had reserved a facility.

Marina

The pier at the Marina will be installed at/near the end of April, weather permitting. The summer lease term will begin on May 1st. The Village had several land storage openings for the summer this year and we have exhausted the wait list. If you would like to be placed on the wait list for 2024 storage, please contact Curt Erickson.

Seasonal Employment

The application deadline for CYGW Counselors and Beach Lifeguards was March 31st. The Village will be conducting interviews in April for these positions, and we are confident we have a great group of candidates to fulfill summer recreation program offerings.

Upcoming Programming: Youth Enrichment League Programs (YEL!)

Open Pickleball Play

Weekdays 11:00am - 1:00pm
Gym

Drop-in for some pickleball at the Village Center. The Village will deploy a portable net in the gym and residents and their guests are welcome to play. Participants must be members of the key fob program (\$60 fee) or must pay \$2.00 for each visit. The Village has a limited supply of paddles and balls. Open Pickleball will be cancelled if Madison Area Schools are off.

Music Together

Tuesdays, April 11 - June 6
9:30am - 10:15am (FULL)
10:30am - 11:15am
Dailey Cabin
Fee: \$155.00
Ages: 0 - 5 years old
Instructor: Susan Cramer

Each Music Together class is an active music making experience designed to teach the way young children learn through play with the ones they love! In this mixed-age class each child participates at their own level through singing, moving, chanting, listening, watching, and exploring musical instruments. Classes provide a variety of adult-child activities that are engaging and developmentally appropriate and offer new ways to play musically at home.

The featured instrument is Maracas. Families will receive a beautifully illustrated songbook, a CD with the songs, and a code to access music online for each session. Spring morning classes will be held outside when weather permits.

Babysitter Training

Saturday, May 6th
9:00am - 4:00pm
Ages: 10 - 15
Instructor: Anissa Fellenz
Village Center 2nd Floor Training Room
Fee: \$110.00

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

Youth Enrichment League Programs (YEL!)

Summer Robotics

Monday - Thurs 6/12 - 6/15

9:00am - 12:00pm

Fee: \$128.00

Ages: 6 - 12 years old

Village Center Conference Room

Why are robotics important for youngsters? Robotics is the future. Robotics has seen enormous growth in the last decade and the pace is rapidly increasing. These classes keep all kids engaged with hands-on, experiential based activities. Each class, students will design, build, test, and modify different robot projects.

Registration Deadline 4/30/23

Late fees will apply 5/1/23

Arts & Athletics

Mondays - Fridays 6/12 - 8/11

2:15pm - 4:15pm

Beach Park

Fee: \$285.00

Ages: 7 - 12 years old

The Village's A/A program is available to residents between the ages of 7 - 12 (entering 2nd through 6th grade) and will provide a fun, safe environment at Maple Bluff Beach Park. Throughout the summer participants will participate in arts, crafts, games, sports, and other exciting activities.

CYGW

Tues, Wed & Thurs 6/13 - 8/3

1:00pm - 4:00pm

Firemen's Park

Fee: \$485.00

Ages: 3 - 7

This 8-week summer program meets at Firemen's Park T, W, and TH from 1:00pm-4:00pm on June 12 through August 4. Enrollment for this program is open to all Maple Bluff resident children between the ages of 3 and 7 (entering 2nd grade in fall of 2023). This afternoon playgroup will offer structured and free play opportunities, as well as arts and craft projects. Groupings will be divided based on age of the children and the parent volunteers will try their best to group your child with their friends. Parents will need to provide cell phone numbers at the time of registration. Please be sure to verify you have the correct phone number listed on your account.

Bocce



It's time to start thinking about the 2023 Maple Bluff Bocce Beach Bash taking place on June 2! This is our village's biggest fundraiser for the Maple Bluff Parks and Rec Department. We are diving into gathering donations for the silent auction portion of the event. The wild success of this fundraiser in years past is 100% due to the generous silent auction donations from neighbors like you! Please consider donating any type (party, dinner, event tickets, vacation

home, outings, lessons, services, etc) - we are here for any and all ideas (sky is the limit!).

It takes a village!

Thank you!

Trish Grant (trishLgrant@gmail.com) &
Sarah Shah (mrs.sarahrshah@gmail.com)
Bocce Beach Bash Silent Auction Co-Chairs

***Information and registration for Bocce will occur in April/May. Registration is completed through the Silent Auction Pro Software secured by the Village. All inquiries about registration, bocce tournament, food, and drinks should be directed to the Village. ***

Summer Concert Series

Sponsorships are available for the 2023 Summer Concert Series. Please contact Curt Erickson at cerickson@villageofmaplebluff.com or 230-7655 to discuss the available opportunities. Thank you for considering a sponsorship. Thank you to our current sponsors: Pelliterri Waste Systems, Kwik Trip, Festival Foods, Best Buds Landscaping, Isthmus Partners, Sprinkman Real Estate, Lake Ridge Bank, and Willy Street Co-Op.

June 12: Johnny Chimes

June 19: Sam Ness & Band

June 26: Justin Raudebush

July 10: Alyssia Dominquez

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July 17: Bascom Hill

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July 24: The Mascot Theory

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CONCERTS

- IN THE PARK -

★ ★ LIVE PERFORMANCE ★ ★

MAPLE BLUFF BEACH PARK | 6PM

JUNE 12 JOHNNY CHIMES BAND

JUNE 19 SAM NESS & BAND

JUNE 26 JUSTIN RAUDEBUSH

JULY 10 ALYSSIA DOMINQUEZ

JULY 17 BASCOM HILL

JULY 24 MASCOT THEORY

Food & Beverage will be available for purchase



Police Dept. Installing License Plate Reading Cameras To Help Solve and Reduce Crime

The Village of Maple Bluff Police Department is installing automated license plate reading (ALPR) cameras to help solve and reduce crime in our community. The cameras, built by Flock Safety, are being installed at strategic locations throughout the Village this week.

Flock Safety ALPR cameras send a real-time alerts to our officers when a stolen car or vehicle associated with a known wanted suspect from a state or national crime database is detected. The system also sends an alert to our officers if a vehicle associated with a missing person in an AMBER or Silver Alert is detected. The cameras are used to help solve and reduce property and violent crime, and not intended for minor traffic or parking violations.



What IS Flock technology:

- License plate and vehicle recognition
- Gathers objective evidence and facts about vehicles, not people
- Alerts police of wanted vehicles
- Used to solve crime
- Adheres to all state laws

What Flock technology IS NOT:

- Not facial recognition
- Not tied to PII (Personal Identifiable Information)
- Not used for traffic enforcement
- Data not stored beyond 30 days → automatically deletes every 30 days

The Maple Bluff Police Department is committed to protecting the residents and visitors of our community. Cameras won't eliminate wrongdoing, however, they're a valuable tool for gathering vital information during investigations.



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