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CLASS OF 2024

























COME CELEBRATE WITH US MAPLE BLUFF GRADUATION PARTY SUNDAY, JUNE 9TH • 2:00 TO 4:00 PM • BEACH PARK

June 2024

Calendar of Events

June 2024

- 3 Parks and Recreation
- 7 Bocce
- 9 All-Village Grad Party
- 11 Building Board
- 11 Village Board
- 20 Municipal Court
- 24 Summer Concert
- 25 July Building Board materials due

July 2024

- 1 Summer Concert
- 4 Fest on the Fourth
- 4 Admin/Public Works Closed
- 8 Summer Concert
- 9 Building Board
- 9 Village Board
- 15 Summer Concert
- 18 Municipal Court
- 22 Summer Concert
- 29 Summer Concert

GRAN TOUR DE MAPLE BLUFF – June 15th at 10:00 AM, parade at 11:00

June 15th will be the first Gran Tour de Maple Bluff this season. Participants, spectators and anyone car-curious gather Sunday morning at Burrows Park at 10:00 AM to talk cars and to see what fellow neighbors hide in their garages. Around 11:00, vehicles will do a courtesy lap around the Bluff, then take a drive to Vintage Brewing in Sauk City for lunch.

For more information on the Gran Tour, the GT Maple Bluff interest group, and other upcoming events, visit gt-mb.net. Send an email to info@gt-mb.net with questions or to request to be added to the email list for future updates.



More events and details at GT-MB.NET



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Trash/Recycling

| JUNE '24 | | | | | | JULY | | | | | ` | `24 | | | AUGUST | | | | | `24 | | |
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BIOGRAPHY: Kristopher Loy



Chief/Public Fire Safety Director Kristopher Loy is a dedicated professional with an impressive 24 years of experience in the fire service. For the past 23 years, he has been a cornerstone of the Village of Maple Bluff Fire Rescue Department (MBFD), served in nearly having every role in the department. Kristopher's educational background includes

attending Madison College and earning an associate degree in Fire Science. In addition to his associate degree, he is a certified firefighter, advance EMT, emergency services instructor, fire officer, motor pump operator, public information officer, community based residential facilities (CBRF) fire safety instructor, along with numerous FEMA, Emergency Management, and National Incident Management System designations.

During his time as a student at Madison College, he dedicated himself to gaining valuable experience in emergency services, serving as a firefighter/EMT intern at the MBFD. His passion and commitment to the field led to a full-time position as the training officer and operations manager for the Blooming Grove-Burke-Maple Bluff EMS Ambulance District shortly after graduation. In addition,

New

Municipal

Sworn-In: On Thursday, May

16, 2024, Walter Stewart

was sworn-in as the Village

of Maple Bluff's Municipal

Judge. He has practiced

law in our community for

the past 40+ years and

holds degrees from Beloit

College and the University

of Wisconsin School of Law.

He and his wife have lived in

the Village since 1990, and

he's served on numerous

Judge

he took on the role of part-time duty officer at MBFD, ultimately being promoted to Lieutenant, responsible for overseeing the fire department's training programs. His career progression continued when he was hired as a full-time Assistant Fire Chief in 2006 and earned the opportunity to lead the MBFD as their Fire Chief/Public Safety Director in 2014.

In addition to his responsibilities within the Fire Department, he also plays another crucial role at the Village of Maple Bluff, serving as the Public Information Officer, Web Developer, and Social Media Manager. His diverse skill set and dedication to effectively communicating with the community make him an invaluable asset to the Village. He also holds various leadership positions with professional organizations, serving on the executive board of the Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MABAS) Division 115 and Dane County Fire Chief's Association. He's also a member of the State of Wisconsin Fire Chiefs Association.

Chief Loy is a resident of McFarland, where he shares a cozy home with his girlfriend, her teenage son, and his own two teenagers. Adding to the lively household are their two dogs, Pepper and Loki. Chief Loy's deep love for music shines through as he enjoys attending concerts and showcasing his musical talents on the drums. When he's not immersed in music, you can find Chief Loy embracing the thrill of motorsports and enjoying the freedom of the open road on his motorcycle.



boards and committees.

When asked about his views concerning the court, he said "The next Municipal Judge must continue the practice of dignity and respect. Many people come to municipal court with no previous legal experiences, a lack of understanding about the process, and apprehension of what might happen to them. We respect dignity by allowing each person the time to tell their story. The Court must then clearly apply the consistent and firm enforcement of our laws if we want to continue future respect for the Village's ordinances." Welcome Judge Stewart!

Thank You Judge Vogel: We would like to extend our sincere appreciation to Judge, Denis Vogel, who served 15 consecutive 2-year terms as our municipal judge. His dedication to justice and our community was unwavering. Thank you Judge Vogel!





The Maple Bluff Fire Rescue Department has responded to 63 emergency incidents in 2024. Our average response time within the Village is 3 minutes 18 seconds from the time we're dispatched until the first Fire/EMS unit arrives on scene.

MBFD 2024 Fire/EMS Calls Fire Haz-Mat/Gas (Structure/Vehicle/Outside) Leak 5% 7% Canceled En-Route 18% EMS 51% Change of Quarters/Standby 4% Fire (Structure/Vehicle/Outside) Citizen Motor Vehicle Crash Assist/Lock Out Alarm EMS Investigation 2% Alarm Investigation (Fire /CO) (Fire /CO) Citizen Assist/Lock Out 13% Electrical Hazard Change of Quarters/Standby Canceled En-Route

| Call Description | # Calls | | |
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| Fire (Structure/Vehicle/Outside | 3 | | |
| EMS | 33 | | |
| Alarm Investigation (Fire /CO) | 7 | | |
| Citizen Assist/Lock Out | 1 | | |
| Change of Quarters/Standby | 2 | | |
| Canceled En-Route | 12 | | |
| Haz-Mat/Gas Leak | 4 | | |
| Total: | 63 | | |

Maple Bluff Fire Rescue Appoints Assistant Fire Chief: The Maple Bluff Fire Rescue Department is excited to introduce Ethan Nelson as their new full-time Assistant Fire Chief. Assistant Chief Nelson comes to the Village with over 14 years of fire and EMS experience. Prior to joining the MBFD he was a career firefighter/EMT with the Volk Field Fire Department in Camp Douglas, WI.



Ethan also serves as a firefighter with the Middleton Fire District, a Fire Investigator with Dane County's Multi-Agency Fire Investigative Team (MAFIT), and an adjunct fire instructor with Western Technical College. The MBFD will be holding a Badge Pinning and Swearing-In Ceremony for Assistant Chief Nelson on June 11, 2024 during the Village of Maple Bluff Board of Trustees Meeting at 7:30pm. We are excited to welcome Ethan and embrace the wealth of knowledge, experience, and leadership that he brings to our community!



Ryan Thomas

Fransisco Nava

Congratulations Interns: In a heartwarming celebration of dedication and hard work, we are thrilled to extend our most sincere congratulations to Francisco Nava and Ryan Thomas for their completion of the Maple Bluff Fire Rescue Department's Internship Program. Their steadfast commitment to both personal growth and our communities' betterment over the last two years is nothing short of inspiring. Francisco's exciting transition to a full-time wildland firefighter in Arizona and Ryan's recent elevation to the position of Lieutenant at the Endeavor Fire Department stand as shining testaments to their unwavering dedication to serving others. Their accomplishments not only fill us with pride but also serve as a beacon of motivation for everyone around. We eagerly look forward to witnessing the continued positive influence they will undoubtedly bring to the fire service in the future.

villageofmaplebluff.com/fire-rescue

If you have any questions concerning the MBFD, please contact me at your convenience. As always, we look forward to continuing to serve the Village of Maple Bluff.

kloy@villageofmaplebluff.com or call 608-244-3390

Department of Public Works By Paul Elliott, Public Works Foreman

Spring collections have been considerable as many in our village have taken advantage of the weather conditions. The traditional yardwork, cleaning of basements and garages have been high on agendas. While completing these to-do's, keep in mind that placing materials in the street is not permitted; please keep it on the terrace. Placing the material on the terrace and not on the road surface, will help prevent waste from getting into the storm infrastructure which leads to our lakes. All materials for collection should be placed in like piles but separated. The Village will not collect grass clippings. Co-mingled items may not be collected in a timely manner as well as materials that are covered by parked cars or equipment.

A special request for those who use service providers. Ask them to park in line with one another on the same side of the street. All too often service contractors park trucks/ trailers/ equipment (not to mention dumping of materials that require a permit) on both sides of the road making it very challenging for Public Works and Emergency vehicles to navigate. Thank You in advance.

As a reminder, Village Ordinance §186-3 limits the size and weight of refuse containers not to exceed 50 gallons or 50 pounds in weight. Some of the carts being used by our residents are 65-95 gallons that allows for total weights to be well over the limit. We tip these containers by hand, not with mechanical arms. For those who have made the necessary changes, we thank you! For those that have not...Please do!

The Village celebrated Arbor Day and Bird City on April 27th at 9:00am at Beach Park. Paul Noeldner had a great display of Bird City information that he enthusiastically shared with attendees. We appreciate everything that Paul does for the Village and the bird population. Tom Schroeder also planted a tree during the celebration at Beach Park. This tree will help replace the lost shade from 2022 when the storms took down those 2 pine trees.







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Parks and Recreation

By: Curt Erickson, Recreation Director/Deputy Treasurer

Another summer season is upon us...

Please be cognizant of the increase in bike and pedestrian traffic throughout the Village as summer programs, events, swim, tennis and golf programs ramp up. Be especially aware of the MBCC entrance on Lakewood Blvd, as kids often travel the wrong way down the one-way driveway shooting out into traffic on Lakewood Blvd. In addition, be aware of the Kensington-Cambridge-Woodland Circle intersection on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays as this area gets congested with CYGW pick-up and drop-off.

While we all wish to enjoy Lake Mendota during the warm months, I would be remiss not to remind you of the potential presence of E. coli and blue-green algae blooms. The Village has contracted with PHMDC to test for E. coli at least once a week. Should high levels of E. coli be present, the beach is required to be closed until levels return to safe levels. The Village does not test for Blue-green algae, as blooms may occur may appear and disappear suddenly. Be on the lookout for an increased smell and discoloration of the water which would resemble pea-soup. When in doubt, please stay out. This would also be recommended for your pets.

Let us all have a safe and enjoyable summer in Maple Bluff!



2024 Dailey Service Award

The annual Dailey Service Award Winner will be presented at Bocce. Please join us in congratulating Jim Yeager as the recipient. Jim's been an instrumental part of shaping the Village into what it is today. Look for a more detailed article in the July newsletter.



Tennis Courts at Beach Park

If you wish to reserve the courts for exclusive use or to guarantee access, you can do so online through the Village's website. The fee per court is \$5.00/hour plus tax.

Community Event Dates

- June 7 Beach Bash & Bocce June 9 - All-Village Graduation Party
- June 16 Father's Day Parade
- June 24 Summer Concert at Beach Park
- July 1 Summer Concert at Beach Park
- July 4 Fest on the Fourth
- July 8 Summer Concert at Beach Park
- July 15 Summer Concert at Beach Park
- July 22 Summer Concert at Beach Park
- July 29 Summer Concert at Beach Park

WE'RE HIRING

Applications available at Villageofmaplebluff.com

Parks and Recreation (continued)

By: Curt Erickson, Recreation Director/Deputy Treasurer



Seasonal Employment

The Village completed the hiring and training process for the 2024 Recreation staff at the end of May. The Beach staff will be supervised by Charlotte Krez. Charlotte's been a long-time Village resident who attended CYGW, A/A, and has been employed the past 3 summers at the Beach. The Beach House will be staffed Monday - Saturday from 9:00am - 8:00pm and Sundays from 12:00pm - 5:00pm. In the event of inclement weather, low staff, or the presence of blue-green algae, staff may be dismissed for the day and the Beach House will not have a lifeguard on duty.

CYGW will be managed by Anna Moore. Anna has been Village resident for a little more than 2 years. She's been employed as a CYGW Counselor and Lifeguard since moving to the Village. CYGW will occupy Firemen's Park Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 1:00pm - 4:00pm. In the event of rain, the program may move into the Village Center gym or be cancelled for the day.

Johnson Park Project

After more than 3 years of planning, the design process has come to fruition. During the month of May, contractors battled rain events to prep the site for the new playground and walking paths. When a window of opportunity presented itself, contractors diligently worked to complete a majority of the project. The new playground will provide many years of fun for kids of all ages and abilities. The addition of a picnic area will also allow users to enjoy the Veteran's Memorial while their grandkids play at the park. Thank you to the community for all the input over the past few years. Village of Maple Bluff Presents:

The 20th annual Boocce 2024

Benefit for the Parks and Recreation Dept.



Friday June 7th, 5pm

Bocce Tournament *Dinner * Drinks * Auction Doors open 5pm Auction: 5-9 Bar: 5-10 Bocce: 5:30-9:30



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