



VILLAGE OF MAPLE BLUFF

neighborhood news

May 2025



Calendar of Events

May 2025

- 5 Parks & Recreation Committee
- 13 Building Board
- 13 Village Board / Board of Review
- 14 Fire / EMS Committee
- 15 Municipal Court
- 22 Open Book 10am-noon (by phone)
- 26 Memorial Day (Office Closed)
- 27 Building Board Submissions Due

June 2025

- 6 Bocce
- 8 All Village Graduation Party, 2pm-6pm
Beach Park
- 10 Building Board
- 10 Village Board / Board of Review
- 15 Father's Day Parade, 8:30am Johnson Park
- 16 Camp-Ya-Gotta-Wanna + Arts &
Athletics Begins
- 19 Municipal Court
- 23 Concert, The Whiskey Farm, 6pm-8pm
Beach Park
- 24 Building Board Submissions Due
- 30 Concert, Foo Foo Dolls, 6pm-8pm
Beach Park

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Trash/Recycling

MAY '25	JUNE '25	JULY '25
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2025 Assessment Open Book and Board of Review Sessions

2025 Open Book sessions will be held by phone with the assessor on Thursday, May 22nd from 10:00am - noon. Please call 920-749-1995 to arrange a telephone appointment. Additional Open Book appointments can be accommodated but must be scheduled no later than 7 days prior to the Board of Review. Board of Review will be held on June 10th, 2025.

If the assessor is not available when you call to make an appointment, please leave a message and they will make every effort to return your call within 24 hours. Please provide your name, phone number, the Municipality in which the property is located, and the Parcel Number from your assessment notice or tax bill.

If, after speaking with the assessor, you wish to enter a formal appeal to the Board of Review, you must give notice of your intent by contacting the municipal clerk at least 48 hours before the Board of Review begins. Failure to provide 48 hours advance notice to the clerk may result in denial of a hearing at the Board of Review. To obtain an Objection Form and make an appointment for the Board of Review, please contact Sarah Danz, Village Clerk, at 608-230-7651 or sdanz@villageofmaplebluff.com

GRAN TOUR DE MAPLE BLUFF –

June 21st at 10:00 AM, parade at 11:00

Saturday, June 21st will be the first Gran Tour de Maple Bluff this season. Participants, spectators and anyone car-curious gather at Johnson 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



Looking Ahead While Honoring the Past *By Tanner A. Nystrom*

Spring in Maple Bluff is always a time of transformation. With the first signs of summer arriving, we are reminded not only of the changing seasons but also of the transitions taking place within our community and organization.

First, I'd like to extend sincere congratulations to Laura Peck, Lilly Bickers, and Jim Schuler on their election to the Village Board. Jim continues to serve with dedication, and I look forward to continuing our working relationship. I am equally eager to begin working with Laura and Lilly, to collaborate with them as they bring new perspectives and energy to the Board. I'd also like to extend my sincere appreciation to Eric McLeod for stepping in as interim Trustee and for his continued service on multiple committees. We are especially grateful for his recent willingness to step in as Police Commissioner, a role he assumes with integrity following the loss of a deeply valued member of our community.

It is with profound sadness that we reflect on the passing of two devoted public servants and longtime Village residents: Jim Yeager and Tim Jackman. Jim, who was serving as our Police Commissioner at the time of his passing, was a vibrant and generous individual known throughout the Madison area for his warmth, humor, and leadership. Tim was a distinguished U.S. Army Colonel and former Village Trustee whose decades of military and civic service profoundly impacted our community. Notably, Tim played an instrumental role in establishing

our Veteran's Memorial in Johnson Park—a cherished place of reflection and inspiration. The contributions and legacies of both men are immense, and they will be dearly missed.

As we move into the busier months ahead, preparations are well underway to ensure a strong summer season at the Village Center. We are excited to be onboarding new staff members across several departments. While formal introductions will follow in upcoming newsletters, we are confident that these additions will strengthen our capacity to serve residents more effectively in the months to come.

In the meantime, as our sidewalks, parks, and roadways become more active, I encourage everyone to continue demonstrating the neighborly spirit that makes Maple Bluff such a special place to live. Whether you're attending an event, volunteering for a committee, or simply sharing a greeting with a neighbor, these small acts help sustain the sense of community that defines us.

Thank you for your continued support and engagement. I look forward to a productive and positive summer season as we continue our work together for the benefit of all residents.

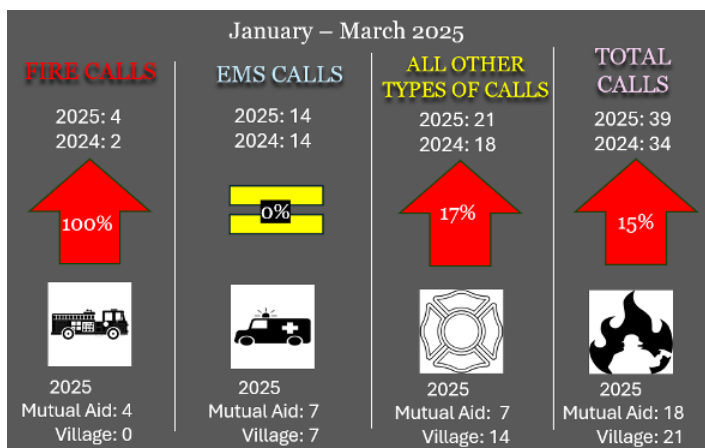
Sincerely,
Tanner A. Nystrom





Maple Bluff Fire Rescue

By the Numbers



Celebrating EMS Week: We Care. For Everyone

National Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Week is celebrated from May 18 to May 23, and this year's theme is: "We Care. For Everyone."

At the Maple Bluff Fire Rescue Department, we take great pride in serving our community by providing professional fire and EMS services. Our commitment to caring goes beyond emergency response—we are dedicated to being there during life's most critical moments and helping prevent emergencies before they happen.

Whether assisting a young victim of a car accident, helping an elderly patient to their feet, or stabilizing a worker with chest pain, our team is always ready to respond with compassion and expertise. Because **WE CARE. FOR EVERYONE.**

Join Us in EMS Week by Participating in a Free Hands-Only CPR Class

In celebration of EMS Week, we invite you to reflect on the essential role EMS professionals play in the health and safety of our community. We also encourage you to participate in our upcoming event, designed to equip you with life-saving skills.

On May 21, 2025, from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., the Maple Bluff Fire Rescue Department will host a free community training session on **Hands-Only CPR, AED use, and Narcan Administration**. This is an excellent opportunity for all community members to learn simple but effective skills that could save lives in an emergency.

- **Date:** Wednesday, May 21, 2025
- **Time:** 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
- **Location:** Maple Bluff Fire Department - Training Room
- **Cost:** Free Event
- **RSVP:** Register on Eventbrite using the QR code provided



By joining us for this event, you will gain valuable knowledge and strengthen the bonds that make our community more resilient. Let's celebrate EMS Week together by recognizing the hard work and dedication of those who are always ready to respond when needed. Because **WE CARE. FOR EVERYONE.**

Get Involved

Are you interested in serving your community as an emergency medical technician (EMT)? We welcome you to explore opportunities to join our team. Visit the Maple Bluff Fire Rescue Department or call us at (608) 244-3048 to learn more about how you can get involved.

Thank you for supporting your local fire and EMS professionals. Stay safe, and remember, we are always here when you need us. Because **WE CARE. FOR EVERYONE.**



Medical Director Maple Bluff Fire and Rescue

Over the last two years we have significantly improved our emergency response time and transport to the hospital by the addition of our own ambulance. To further improve care for the rare catastrophic medical problems such as cardiac arrest and accidental overdose, community education on initial care in these situations can make a difference. Survival from cardiac arrest is significantly improved by immediate initiation of CPR and early use of an AED. Access to Narcan in an accidental overdose can also be lifesaving. The Maple Bluff Fire and Rescue Department is going to initiate Village training in hands only CPR, AEFD use and Narcan administration. AED devices are available at several sites in the Village. The first training course will be held May 21st, 2025, at 7:00 PM at the Maple Bluff Fire Department ((18 Oxford PL, Madison, WI 53704). Other opportunities will also be made available in the future.

Patrick H. McKenna, MD

**GRAN TOUR MAPLE BLUFF**

EVENT DATES SET FOR OUR 2025 SEASON!

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

MAY 10	SATURDAY 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM Drive Event – Driftless Glen Distillery
JUNE 21	SATURDAY 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM Gran Tour de Maple Bluff XI
JULY 26	SATURDAY 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM Drive Event – Destination TBD
AUG 23	SATURDAY 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM Drive Event – Wollersheim Winery
SEPT 13	SATURDAY 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM Gran Tour de Maple Bluff XII
OCT 4	SATURDAY 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM Drive Event – Destination TBD



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Department of Public Works

By Tom Schroeder

It is humbling when the powers that be bring rain...thunder and lightning...HAIL...strong winds. Some destructive, some not. I thought the weather forecast was for a sunny 70-degree day, not quite. All of us need to be prepared to pivot in a moment's notice for the weather or so many other things that can challenge us when we may least expect it.

Our water meter reading head installation continues. Some of our messaging was redundant and a little wordy. It has been edited. No one will think of us as great secretaries, but we will do our best and a little bit of help from you to make a timely appointment for us to make the installation, all should be good.

Spring clean-up is in high gear! Please remember not to place materials onto the street where it then can be washed into the storm system that deposits into the lake. Just as important is not the co-mingled materials. We still find rocks and sticks and all kinds of stuff hidden in leaf piles. We will find old firewood lurking under yard waste. Also do not place around or over decorative rocks and other landscaping; utility poles; mailbox's; trees; cars and trucks and trailers. It will delay/prevent collection. We have made it a point to get through the village every week for yard waste collection during the growing season and beyond for many years.

We will continue our trimming of young trees, other than oak due to restrictions. We will have a few trees to plant this year. Most of our budget will go to hazardous tree removal this year.

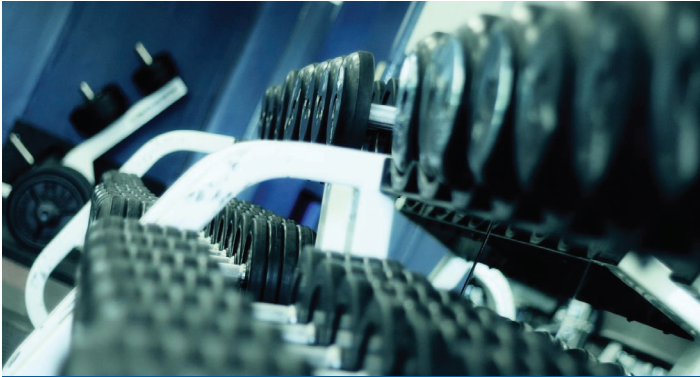
Arbor Day and Migratory Bird Day took place at Beach Park on April 26th. Pictures will follow next month with a report of the activities.

Many of the little gardens in the village will be reduced or eliminated as DPW cannot apply enough time and energy that good gardening needs. We will try to do well in the small number that we will work with. Gardening should be a shared endeavor with friends and family. Years ago... and I mean years ago, the Gardening Club thrived. Now, it seems everyone is too busy to commit to a sole altering activity like gardening in their community with good friends and family. Maybe people could slow down and enjoy getting their hands in the dirt...and enjoy the feel good that comes with it. I'm going to still get MY fix of gardening!



Parks & Recreation

By: Natalie Scheer, Programming and Event Support Specialist



Open Gym

Use of the gym is available through the key fob program or by exclusive rental. Please adhere to the below rules during your use:

- Key fob users may bring up to 3 guests per use. Users with more than 3 guests may rent the gym online up to 24-hours in advance.
- Disposal of dirty diapers is prohibited.
- Respect others and be courteous. If the gym is full, users may play games together or half court games. Limit half court games to one hour.
- **Food, drinks, and gum are not allowed in the gym.**
- Street shoes are not allowed in the gym. Please bring a change of shoes when using the gym.
- Dunking or hanging on basketball rims is prohibited.
- Users under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.
- No using foul/obscene language.
- No lowering of Basketball hoops without written consent of Recreation Department.
- Put all equipment away and notify Village staff of any problems or broken equipment.
- Failure to abide by the gym rules may result in additional fees and/or revocation of key fob privileges.

Hours: The gym is available 7-days a week from 8am - 9pm. Please check the Village's Parks and Recreation calendar for availability.

The gym offers exclusive Toddler Open Gym Monday - Friday from 8:00am - 11:00am, unless schools are cancelled or scheduled off.

The gym will also offer exclusive Pickleball Hours from 11:00am - 1:00pm Monday - Friday, unless no school. The Village gym has pickleball lines and a portable net.

Users are suggested to bring their own paddles and balls.

2025 Summer Programs

Camp-Ya-Gotta-Wanna

Enrollment for camp is at maximum capacity

Arts/Athletics

Early Registration ends 4/30/25

Days: Monday - Friday

Dates: June 16 - August 15

Time: 2:15pm - 4:15pm

Fee: \$365 Early Registration or \$415 Regular

Location: Beach Park

Instructor: Lifeguard Team

Ages: 7 - 12

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.



Upcoming Events - Volunteers Needed!

As we head into the summer season, we're excited to host a full lineup of community events. These gatherings are a great way to connect with neighbors and celebrate what makes Maple Bluff such a special place to live. To ensure each event runs smoothly, **we're seeking volunteers** to lend a hand.

If you're able to help, please visit the **Village of Maple Bluff website** and sign up under the **Parks and Recreation** tab.

- **Bocce Tournament** - Friday, June 6
- **Graduation Party** - Sunday, June 8
- **Father's Day Parade** - Sunday, June 15
- **Fest on the Fourth** - Thursday, July 4
- **Summer Concert Series**
 - o Monday, June 23
 - o Monday, June 30
 - o Monday, July 7
 - o Monday, July 14
 - o Monday, July 21
 - o Monday, July 28
 - o Monday, August 4

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With 100+ combined years of Maple Bluff living, we recognize our scenic spot is one-of-a-kind — and actively support it every day. Whether serving on the Village Board, volunteering for community projects or hosting special events, your #1 real estate team knows our neighborhood inside and out. We wouldn't have it any other way.

JOIN US AS WE SPONSOR OUR ANNUAL CONCERTS IN THE PARK - AUG 4TH / 5 PM - THE JIMMYS

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