VILLAGE OF MAPLE BLUFF

neighborhood news

November 2026



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RESIDENT REFERENCE GUIDE

Important Phone Numbers

Village Administration	(608) 244-3048
Parks & Recreation	(608) 230-7655
Public Works	(608) 230-7656
Police Emergency	911
Police Non-Emergency	(608) 255-2345
Fire Rescue	(608) 244-3390
Municipal Court	(608) 244-3069
Building Inspector	(608) 697-7771

Online Services & Resident Resources

Village Homepage	https://villageofmaplebluff.com/
Administration	https://villageofmaplebluff.com/administration/
Parks & Recreation	https://villageofmaplebluff.com/parks-recreation/
Public Works	https://villageofmaplebluff.com/public-works/
Police Department	https://villageofmaplebluff.com/police/
Community Calendar	https://villageofmaplebluff.com/events/
Special Events	https://villageofmaplebluff.com/parks-recreation/special-events/
Village Staff Directory	https://villageofmaplebluff.com/i-want-to/village-staff/
Utility Bill Payments	https://www.paymentservicenetwork.com/Login.aspx?acc=RT17918
Property Tax Information	https://villageofmaplebluff.com/administration/
Building Permits	https://villageofmaplebluff.com/i-want-to/
Pet Licensing	https://villageofmaplebluff.com/administration/
Water Meter Requests	https://villageofmaplebluff.com/public-works/
Refuse & Recycling	https://villageofmaplebluff.com/public-works/
Yard Waste & Brush	https://villageofmaplebluff.com/public-works/
Snow Removal	https://villageofmaplebluff.com/public-works/snow-removal/
Public Records Requests	https://villageofmaplebluff.com/administration/
Recreation Registration	https://maplebluff.recdesk.com/Community/Member/Signup
Facility Rentals	https://villageofmaplebluff.com/parks-recreation/facility-rentals/
Marina Information	https://villageofmaplebluff.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/12/2026-Marina-Application-final-12.15.25.pdf
Beach Park Water Quality Reports	https://publichealthmdc.com/home-environment/beaches
Meeting Agendas & Minutes	https://villageofmaplebluff.com/boards-committees/
Village Newsletters	https://villageofmaplebluff.com/newsletter/
Employment Opportunities	https://villageofmaplebluff.com/

Calendar of Events

November 2026

4	Parks & Rec Committee Meeting, 12:00pm
10	Building Board, 5:15pm
10	Village Board/ Budget Public Hearing, 7:00pm
19	Municipal Court, 5:00pm
26 & 27	Village Office Closed
29	Holiday Parade & Tree lighting Event, 3:30pm

December 2026

2	Parks & Rec Committee Meeting, 12:00pm
8	Building Board, 5:15pm
8	Village Board, 7:30pm
17	Municipal Court, 5:00pm
24-25	Village Office Closed

Village Board

President Kevin O'Driscoll
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Trustee Jim Schuler
jschuler@villageofmaplebluff.com

Trustee Kristine Jaeger
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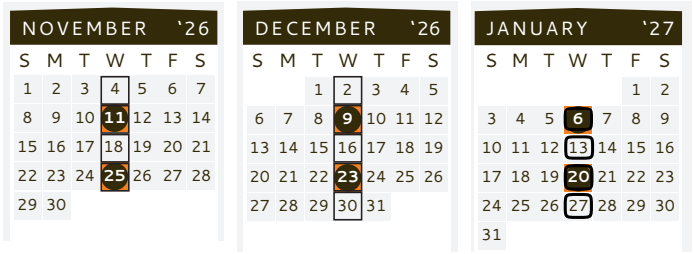
Trustee Eric McLeod
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Trustee Lillian Bickers
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Trash/Recycling



COMMUNITY CONNECT ONLINE PAYMENTS

Dear Residents,

We will be launching our new online payment portal Caselle Community Connect in October 2026. This will replace PSN (Payment Service Network) for utility billing and payments for building permits, court fees, pet licenses, etc.

If you'd like to familiarize yourself with our new service before we officially switch over, please visit **https://maplebluffwi.ourcommunityconnect.com/**

We encourage residents to register and create accounts to set up auto-pay for utilities, enroll in paperless billing, and view historical payments and bills. These can be linked to your Google and Apple accounts and utility accounts can be linked to more than one email address.

We will be sending out notifications of this with the 3rd quarter water bills as well. If you have any questions, please give reach out to us at 608-244-3048 or send us an email at **info@villageofmaplebluff.com**

Thank you,
Village Staff

A Season of Preparation

By Tanner A. Nystrom, Village Administrator / Chief of Police

November is always a transition point in Maple Bluff. Leaves are coming down, snow equipment is being prepared, holiday plans are taking shape, and before long we will be gathering again for some of the traditions that make this time of year special in our community.

Preparation is also a good description of much of the work happening throughout the Village.

Our Public Works team is busy with leaf and debris collection while preparing vehicles, equipment, and operations for winter. Residents can help by following collection guidance, keeping streets and collection areas accessible, and being mindful of where vehicles and other obstructions are placed. Once snow arrives, those small considerations become even more important.

October also brought continued progress on several longer-term priorities. Our work around organizational stability, succession, leadership development, financial planning, and regional coordination is moving from planning into implementation as we prepare for 2027.

That work is already becoming very practical. As many residents may not yet know, our Deputy Clerk / Deputy Treasurer, Brenda Xiong, recently left her full-time role with the Village to pursue the next step in her career. We are sorry to see her go, very appreciative of her service to Maple Bluff, and happy for her as she moves forward professionally. Please join me in thanking Brenda and wishing her the very best.

We are also grateful that Brenda has agreed to continue helping the Village on a part-time basis during the transition. That gives us some continuity while we recruit for a long-term fit. The position itself is intentionally structured as a development and succession opportunity rather than simply filling a vacancy. More broadly, we are working to develop capable people before transitions become crises.

Our Strategic Plan work is progressing on the financial side as well. We are beginning to look further ahead at revenues, expenditures, staffing, capital needs, and levy impacts so that future decisions can be made with more information and less urgency. Those discussions will become increasingly important as we move into 2027.

Public safety follows much the same philosophy. Our officers continue to work proactively and strengthen our capabilities through training, equipment, technology, information sharing, and strong partnerships with neighboring agencies. Residents can help us considerably through some simple habits: keep exterior areas reasonably well lit, lock homes and vehicles, remove valuables from sight, and report suspicious activity when you see it.

Shorter daylight hours also make walking and driving more difficult. Drivers should slow down and remain alert for pedestrians, runners, and cyclists, particularly in poor weather or low visibility. Pedestrians and cyclists can help by making themselves visible with lights or reflective clothing.

The holiday season also brings travel and visitors. If you will be away, please consider submitting a vacation check so our officers know your home will be unoccupied and have appropriate contact information if something occurs. Please also be mindful of overnight parking and keeping streets clear as winter weather approaches.

We are looking forward to the holiday tree lighting, Winterfest, and the other gatherings that bring neighbors together this time of year. These events are an important part of what makes Maple Bluff special, and we appreciate everyone doing their part to keep them safe, welcoming, and enjoyable.

There is a common thread through much of this work: preparing before the need becomes urgent. Whether that means maintaining equipment before the snow falls, developing leaders before a vacancy occurs, understanding financial pressures before decisions become difficult, or taking simple steps to keep our neighborhoods safe, those efforts help position Maple Bluff well for 2027 and beyond.

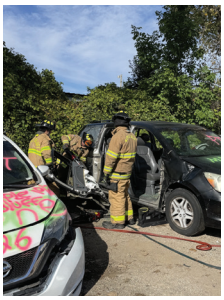
Thank you, as always, for the opportunity to serve Maple Bluff.

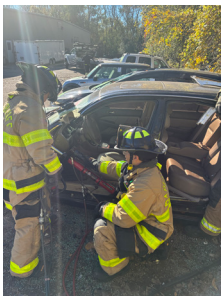


Maple Bluff Fire Rescue

By Ethan Nelson

Fire Chief / EMS Director







Response Information

During October, our crews continued to demonstrate strong preparedness and professionalism. We maintained an average response time of 4 minutes and 36 seconds, ensuring rapid support for both fire and EMS incidents.
So far this year, Maple Bluff Fire Rescue has responded to 148 calls for service, ranging from medical emergencies and fire incidents to mutual aid support for our neighboring communities. This diverse call volume highlights the adaptability and dedication of our team.

Personnel

We are excited to share that three new Paid-on-Call members are currently onboarding. Their training and integration into the department will further strengthen our ability to serve the Village with reliability and care. Please join us in welcoming them as they begin their journey in public safety.

Training

In September, Maple Bluff Fire Rescue completed extrication training focused on developing and reinforcing the skills needed to remove patients safely and effectively from damaged vehicles. The hands-on training provided members with valuable experience using extrication equipment, reviewing operational procedures, and working together to improve coordination during motor vehicle crashes. This training helps ensure our personnel remain prepared to safely manage complex vehicle rescue incidents and provide effective patient care.

Public Outreach

We look forward to connecting with residents throughout the fall season.



WSLO
WE SUPPORT LOCAL OFFICERS
MAPLE BLUFF

WSLO Foundation

2026 Campaign — Protect. Train. Support.

STRONG OFFICERS. SAFER COMMUNITY.



Help us reach our $50,000 goal.

We are approaching **$40,000** raised. **$50,000**

Your support helps close the final gap.

Why We Exist

The WSLO Foundation strengthens the Maple Bluff Police Department by funding programs that **protect, train, and support** officers. Village budgets sustain core operations — **your donations create excellence**, ensuring Maple Bluff remains one of the safest, most professional communities in Wisconsin.

Our Keystone Programs

THREE PILLARS. A SAFER, STRONGER COMMUNITY.

PROTECT

Provide officers with essential safeguards not covered by normal budgets.

- Ballistic vest replacements
- Identity and data-protection services
- Department cell phones for secure communication.

TRAIN

Fund advanced professional development and leadership education beyond required training.

- Specialized instruction from national experts
- Accredited leadership and command schools

SUPPORT

Enhance morale, wellness, and resilience through:

- Annual wellness visits and retreats
- Compassionate support grants
- In-service meals during training days

Why It Matters

- **100%** of donations go directly to officer safety, training, or wellness.
- These programs boost morale, retention, and professionalism.
- *Your contribution* is tax deductible and sustains Maple Bluff's high standard of public safety.

STRONG OFFICERS. SAFER COMMUNITY.

How to Donate

1. Visit: **www.wslomaplebluff.com**
2. Learn more about how we support our officers.
3. Join us in accomplishing our goal this year and beyond.
4. We accept stock donations — email us at **wslomaplebluff@gmail.com**

Scan to Donate

www.wslomaplebluff.com

Protecting those who protect our community.



Understanding Village Finances | Article 2 – Levies and Mill Rates

This series is intended to help residents better understand property taxes, Village finances, the factors that influence revenues and expenses, and the steps being taken toward long-term financial sustainability. All articles will be posted on the Village's website, under the Strategic Plan button, for future reference.

If there is a specific topic you would like the series to address, please send your question or suggestion to the Village Clerk at sdanz@villageofmaplebluff.com

In October we introduced property assessments. The next two factors in calculating your property tax bill are school district levies and mill rates. In Maple Bluff we are subject to four levies – Madison Metropolitan School District, the Village of Maple Bluff, Dane County, and Madison Area Technical College. Each jurisdiction sets its own levy based on budget needs. The State Department of Revenue determines the percentage of Madison Metropolitan School District, Madison Area Technical College and Dane County levies assigned to the Village of Maple Bluff. The total of the assigned levies plus the Maple Bluff levy is divided by the total assessed value of the Village to derive a mill rate.

WHAT IS A MILL RATE?

In Wisconsin, a "mill" is one tenth of a cent ($0.001), and the mill rate is the amount of tax per $1,000 of a property's taxable assessed value. The total mill rate each year is multiplied against your individual property assessment to determine a gross tax amount. This amount is reduced by state credits to determine your net annual property tax.

HOW DO REFERENDA AFFECT YOUR TAX BILL?

Voter approved referenda can increase your tax bill. Referendum costs are built into the levy and appear as part of the normal school or Village tax line. They are not listed as separate charges.

WHAT STATE CREDITS REDUCE YOUR BILL?

- School Levy Tax Credit – Reduces school taxes.
- First Dollar Credit – For all properties with improvements.
- Lottery & Gaming Credit – for primary residences only.

WHY DOES THE MILL RATE CHANGE?

The Mill rate is adjusted annually based on changes to levies and property assessments. The annual process follows.

- The Village and other jurisdictions set a budget for the property tax revenue they need.
- The mill rate is calculated by dividing the required tax revenue by the total assessed value of all properties in Maple Bluff.
- If the total assessed value of properties in the Village increases, the mill rate may go down even if your home's assessed value increases.
- During years when no Village-wide assessment revaluation is completed, the total assessed property value can only increase through net new construction.

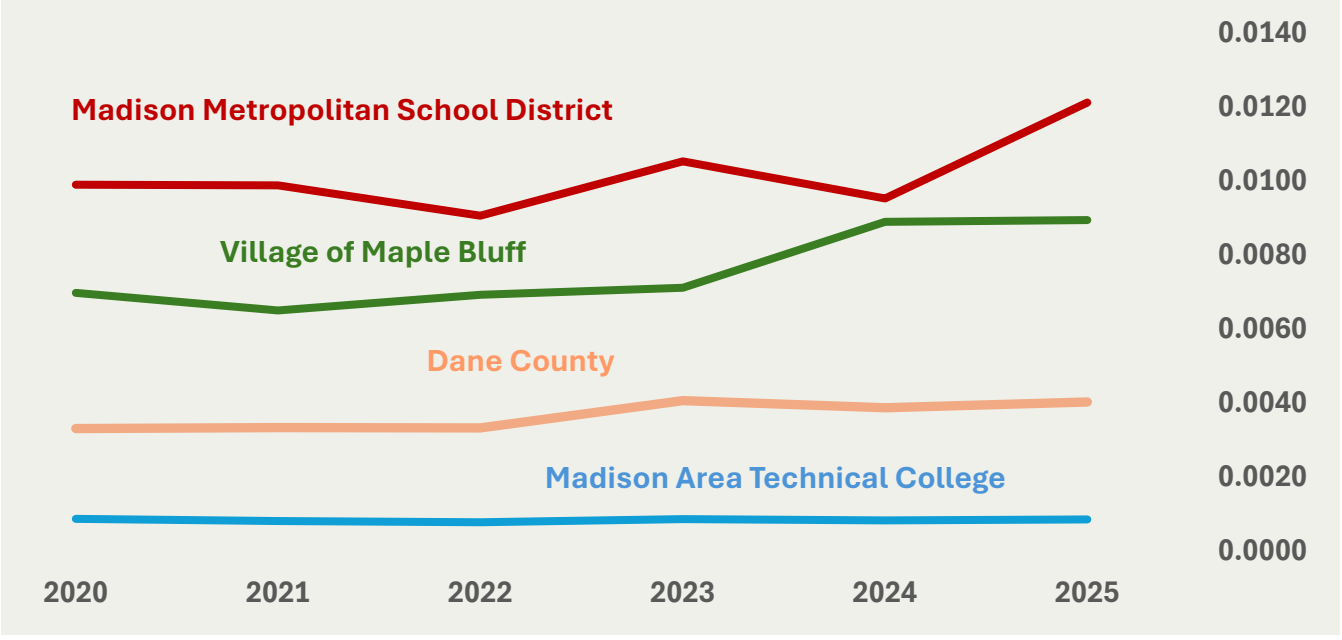
MILL RATE TRENDS AND OBSERVATIONS FOR THE VILLAGE OF MAPLE BLUFF

The table below shows the specific mill rates from 2020 to 2025 along with overall percentage changes, a percentage distribution of the total mill rate, and percentage changes in local government mill rates. The voter-approved referendums for Madison Metropolitan School District resulted in a significant increase from 2024 to 2025, yet the overall percentage remained within past norms. The 2024 Village increase was a result of the voter-approved referendum.

Annual Mill Levy By Local Tax Jurisdiction	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Madison Metropolitan School District	0.009901807	0.009885467	0.009065168	0.010528230	0.009534294	0.012119206
Village of Maple Bluff	0.006980283	0.006507394	0.006932103	0.007120328	0.008903430	0.008947054
Dane County	0.003319225	0.003343164	0.003339873	0.004072895	0.003877821	0.004038860
Madison Area Technical College	0.000881456	0.000823023	0.000789712	0.000871013	0.000840428	0.000867185
Total Levy	**0.021082771**	**0.020559048**	**0.020126856**	**0.022592466**	**0.023155973**	**0.025972305**
Annual Percent Change	**N/A**	**-2.48%**	**-2.10%**	**12.25%**	**2.49%**	**12.16%**

Annual Percentage of Total Mill Levy	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Madison Metropolitan School District	47.0%	48.1%	45.0%	46.6%	41.2%	46.7%
Village of Maple Bluff	33.1%	31.7%	34.4%	31.5%	38.4%	34.4%
Dane County	15.7%	16.3%	16.6%	18.0%	16.7%	15.6%
Madison Area Technical College	4.2%	4.0%	3.9%	3.9%	3.6%	3.3%

Annual Percentage Change in Mill Rate	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Madison Metropolitan School District	N/A	-0.17%	-8.30%	16.14%	-9.44%	27.11%
Village of Maple Bluff	N/A	-6.77%	6.53%	2.72%	25.04%	0.49%
Dane County	N/A	0.72%	-0.10%	21.95%	-4.79%	4.15%
Madison Area Technical College	N/A	-6.63%	-4.05%	10.30%	-3.51%	3.18%



PICK UP SCRATCH-MADE THANKSGIVING SIDES
11/13-11/26



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Department of Public Works

By: Paul Elliott, Director of Public Works

Fall Greetings from Public Works!

Leaf Collection Update & Seasonal Reminders

As the leaves begin to turn and the crisp autumn air settles in, we're excited to welcome another beautiful fall season! Our Public Works team has been hard at work preparing for leaf collection, and we're happy to share that both leaf trucks are up and running and ready to serve our community.

A special thank-you goes out to Tom, Brendan, and the entire crew for their hard work and dedication in converting our old garbage truck into a leaf hauler. This project is a great example of the teamwork, resourcefulness, and commitment that help keep our community running smoothly.

With both trucks ready to roll, we're hopeful for a great leaf season and plan to continue collecting leaves for as long as conditions allow, extending our efforts as far toward the end of the year as possible. Your cooperation and a little seasonal preparation will help us make the most of this year's collection season!

Help Us Make Leaf Collection a Success!

As you tidy up your yards and prepare for the colder months ahead, please keep these important reminders in mind:

Keep leaves out of storm sewer flow lines. Please do not rake or blow leaves into the street's drainage flow lines or near storm drains. Leaves can clog drains, contribute to drainage issues, and carry phosphorus into our lakes. Excess phosphorus can fuel unwanted algae growth and negatively affect water quality. Keeping leaves out of the stormwater system helps protect our lakes and our environment.



Keep leaf piles clear of parked vehicles. Please do not block leaf piles with personal vehicles, contractor trucks, trailers, or other equipment. Our crews need clear access to collect leaves efficiently, so please keep vehicles and work equipment away from the piles.

Choose accessible locations for leaf piles. Avoid placing leaves near obstacles that make it difficult for our trucks to maneuver, such as closely spaced trees, utility structures, mailboxes, or other obstructions. Placing piles in accessible locations helps our crews collect leaves safely and efficiently.

Keep sticks and branches separate from leaves. Please create separate piles for leaves and woody debris. Sticks and branches can jam or plug our leaf collection equipment, leading to delays and additional maintenance. Keeping them separate helps our leaf machines run smoothly and keeps collection moving.

A little extra care when preparing your leaf piles goes a long way toward helping our crews work safely and efficiently. Thank you for doing your part to keep our community clean, our streets clear, and our lakes healthy!

A New Dog Waste Station at the South Triangle

We're also pleased to share that a new dog waste station has been installed at the South Triangle, located at Butternut Road and Farwell Drive!

This addition is intended to make it easier for residents to clean up after their four-legged friends while enjoying the neighborhood and surrounding public spaces. We encourage dog owners to take advantage of the station, properly dispose of pet waste, and help keep this area clean, welcoming, and enjoyable for everyone.

Picking up after our pets is a small gesture that makes a big difference. Pet waste left on the ground can wash into storm drains during rain or snowmelt, contributing bacteria and excess nutrients to our waterways. By using the new station and disposing of waste properly, we can help protect our environment while keeping the South Triangle looking its best.

Thank you to all our responsible pet owners for helping maintain a clean and pleasant community for residents, visitors, and our furry companions alike!

Wishing You a Wonderful Fall Season!

As autumn brings colorful trees, cooler temperatures, and plenty of yard work, we want to thank our residents for their continued patience, cooperation, and community pride. We are grateful for the dedication of our Public Works crews and for everyone who helps make our leaf collection efforts successful.

Enjoy the beautiful fall colors, stay safe as you work outdoors, and remember that every properly placed leaf pile helps our crews keep things moving!

Happy Fall from your Public Works team!



YOU'RE INVITED

FALL GALLERY NIGHT

SPRINKMAN REAL ESTATE

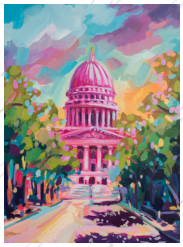
MMoCA
MADISON MUSEUM OF CONTEMPORARY ART

Join us for an evening of art, community, and creativity, featuring two inspiring artists, light bites, drinks + good vibes.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6TH
5-9 PM

SPRINKMAN OFFICE
622 W. WASHINGTON AVE, SUITE 100

FEATURED ARTISTS



RACHEL CHRISTOPOULOS



MELISSA PAPINEAU

VILLAGE OF
MAPLE BLUFF

Seasonal Safety in Maple Bluff

Simple steps residents can take to help keep our community safe, visible, and well cared for.

Crime Prevention

- **Keep exterior areas** reasonably well lit.
- **Lock** homes, garages, and vehicles.
- **Remove valuables** from sight.
- **Report suspicious activity** when you see it.



Walking & Driving Safety

- Shorter daylight hours and poor weather make travel more difficult.
- Drivers should **slow down and remain alert** for pedestrians, runners, and cyclists.
- Pedestrians and cyclists can help by **using lights or reflective clothing**.



Travel & Winter Readiness

- If you will be away, consider submitting a **vacation check** so officers know your home will be unoccupied.
- Please also be mindful of **overnight parking** and keeping streets clear as winter weather approaches.



Need Assistance?

Emergency: 911

Non-Emergency Dispatch:
(608) 255-2345

Vacation checks and overnight parking requests can be submitted at
villageofmaplebluff.com/police/

Our officers work proactively throughout the Village. As a small department, we also work hard to strengthen their capabilities through training, equipment, technology, information sharing, and strong partnerships with neighboring agencies. Residents help our officers considerably through simple everyday habits.

Village of Maple Bluff Police Department

Parks & Recreation

By: Mark Benishek, Director of Municipal Services & Recreation

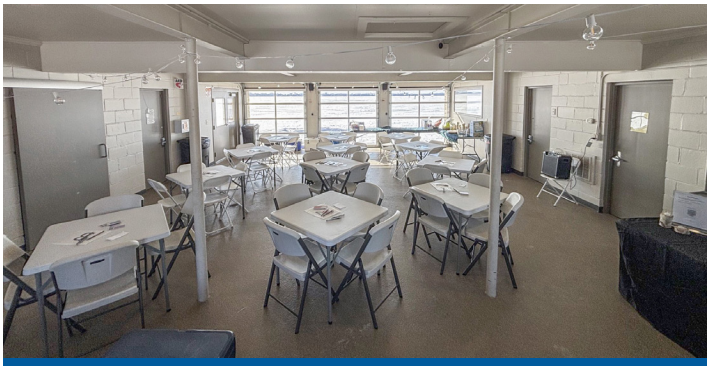
As we move into November, we look forward to continuing our community traditions with the annual Holiday Parade & Tree Lighting on Sunday, November 29. Planning is also underway for Winter Fest and the Euchre Tournament in January. These events provide wonderful opportunities for residents, families, and friends to come together, enjoy the winter season, and strengthen the sense of community that makes Maple Bluff special. We appreciate everyone's continued support and participation and look forward to creating more opportunities to connect, celebrate, and make lasting memories in the months ahead.

2026 Halloween Parade

Thank you to everyone who joined us for the 2026 Halloween Parade! It was a wonderful morning filled with creative costumes, candy, and community spirit. Your enthusiasm and participation helped make this year's event a memorable success.

We extend our sincere appreciation to the Maple Bluff Fire Department and Police Department for their continued support and for helping keep everyone safe. A special thank-you goes to our dedicated volunteers and coordinators, Kristen Froncek and Aleigha Bangart, for their time and behind-the-scenes efforts in organizing this beloved community event.

Events like these remind us how fortunate we are to be part of such a connected and caring community. Thank you to everyone who helped make the 2026 Halloween Parade a success!



Rentals

Looking for the perfect place to gather? The Village of Maple Bluff offers welcoming, well-maintained facilities available for rent year-round. Our spaces are ideal for birthday parties, family celebrations, meetings, workshops, and community events of all sizes. Conveniently located and easy to reserve, Maple Bluff facilities provide a comfortable setting with flexible rental options to fit your needs.

Make your next event memorable—support your local community and rent with the Village of Maple Bluff. Check out the Village website for facility availability.







Key Fob Program

The Village Key Fob Program provides access to the Village Center Gym, Beach House, and Dailey Cabin. The program allows access to the Village Gym for Toddler playtime, Open gym time, and access to each facility's restrooms. Please check the facility calendar found on the village website to verify availability.

If you need to purchase or renew your key fob membership, please visit the Village website or stop by the Village Hall front desk during office business hours. If you have misplaced your fob, please notify the Village Center as soon as possible so that it can be deactivated to safeguard our facilities.

New Recreation Registration Software

The Village of Maple Bluff will be transitioning to a new recreation registration software, CivicPlus, at the end of 2026.

This new system will support our recreation program registration, events, facility rentals, and registration process, helping us continue to provide a convenient and user-friendly experience for residents.

As we approach the launch date, we will share additional information about the transition, including instructions for accessing your account and logging in to the new system.

We look forward to providing an improved registration experience for our community!

Fall Recreation Programs

3rd & 4th Grade Boys & Girls Traveling Basketball League
Practice starts in late November
Games: TBA
Fee: $90.00
Ages: 8-10
This traveling basketball team will practice inside the Village Center gym one day a week and compete in games against surrounding Madison teams. The league focuses on skill development and provides more opportunities for all players through competitions. Each player will receive a Maple Bluff jersey. ***Volunteer coaches needed.***



5th & 6th Grade Boys & Girls Traveling Basketball League
Practice starts in late November
Games: TBA
Fee: $90.00
Ages: 10-13
This traveling basketball team will practice inside the Village Center gym one day a week and compete in games against surrounding Madison teams. The league focuses on skill development and provides more opportunities for all players through competitions. Each player will receive a Maple Bluff jersey. ***Volunteer coaches needed.***

Co-ed Volleyball - 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th leagues
Tournament Dates: Sundays, 2/7-3/7
Practice Times: TBA when coaches are in place for each team
Location: Village Center Gym
Cost: $90
Co-ed Rec Volleyball League is open to boys and girls in grades 5-8 who are interested in learning fundamental skills, building confidence, and enjoying friendly competition with players of similar ability. The rules have been adapted to support skill development and ensure a positive, rewarding experience for all participants, regardless of experience level. Practices will be announced once we have volunteer coaches in place. Teams will compete in Sunday tournaments against neighboring communities. Tournament dates are scheduled for February 7, 14, 21, 28, and March 7, typically running between 12-3:30 p.m. ***Volunteer Coaches are needed.***



GYROKINESIS (Adult)
Time: Thursday, 9:15-10:30am
Dates: Always meeting
Location: Village Center Gym
Cost: $110 Full Session or Drop-in Enrollment ($11.00 per class/invoiced at end of session)
Gyrokinesis classes focus on whole-body movements for functional use and breathwork to address the whole human system and restore balance. By taking this class, individuals will learn how to decompress all their joints while performing the exercises so that the body can expand and increase the range of motion in a safe and healthy manner. Gyrokinesis is performed on chairs, mats, or standing. Gyrokinesis is designed for any age or ability and allows each student to move within their comfort range.

Village Center Open Gym

Open Gym Reminders:
- Access to Open Gym time is gained through participation in the Village's Key Fob Program.
- Key fob members may bring up to 3 guests per use.
- Key fob members that wish to bring more than 3 guests must reserve the gym online up to 48 hours in advance.
- No food or beverages are allowed inside the gym
- Put all equipment away and notify Village staff of any problems or broken equipment.
- Hours: Open Gym time will vary depending on the day of the week, programming, and rentals. The gym will close daily at 9:00pm. To check on availability, visit the Village's website. If there are no programs or rentals, the gym is available for Open Play.

Toddler Time Drop-in: Mon – Wed & Fri from 9am-11am
Pickleball Drop-in: Mon – Friday from 11am-1pm


HOLIDAY PARADE
& TREE LIGHTING
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2026
Santa Parade: 3:30pm
Parade Route:
See the Park & Rec Website for Route Map.
Santa Arrives at Johnson Park: 4:15pm
Tree Lighting: 5:00pm
Community Traditions
Shine Brighter Together
MAPLE BLUFF





Shop with a Cop – Dane County, Inc.

PO Box 1442
Madison, WI 53701

For the past 25 years, a group of law enforcement agencies have collaborated on an event called "Shop With a Cop". In 2014, we joined together to form an incorporated, 501c3 non-profit organization, called "Shop With A Cop – Dane County, Inc." Participating Police departments include; Dane County Sheriff's Office, City of Fitchburg, City of Madison, City of Middleton, City of Verona, Village of Cross Plains, Village of DeForest, Village of Maple Bluff, Village of Marshall, Village of Mt. Horeb, Village of Oregon, Village of Shorewood Hills, Village of Waunakee, University of Wisconsin, Wisconsin State Capitol Police and Wisconsin State Patrol. This charitable event assists economically disadvantaged families within Dane County during the Holiday Season.

We work with school districts and other local human service agencies to identify children of families in need. We look for children that are working to full capacity in school and have no discipline issues. This event gives the children the opportunity to interact with law enforcement in a positive environment. It also allows law enforcement to give back to their communities, and it gives the children a sense of satisfaction to be able to provide gifts for their families.

In early December 2026, approximately 100 children will be brought to a local Target store where they will be paired with a law enforcement officer. They will shop together for gifts for the child's family. Each child will be provided with $275 to spend. After shopping, the children are treated to a Little Caesars Pizza party at the VFW, and they will also spend time with their officer wrapping gifts.

In order to continue the success of this program, we need the ongoing support and monetary contributions from area businesses, along with personal donations. Our goal is to increase the number of families we can help; however we can only do so through generous public donations. If you would like to make a contribution to Shop With A Cop – Dane County, Inc., donations may be mailed to the above address, or Maple Bluff Police Department, ATTN: Shop With A Cop (Abbi Linde), 18 Oxford Pl., Madison, WI 53704. **Please make checks payable to: Shop With A Cop – Dane County, Inc**.

If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact Abbi Linde at 608-230-7664. All donations to the program are tax deductible.

Thank you for your generosity,

Abigail Linde

Maple Bluff Police Department
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