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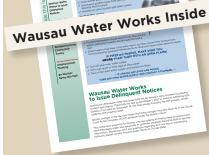
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Greetings, Wausau!

And just like that we're entering another budget season. To borrow from one of my favorite public officials, you can do a lot with \$100,000,000 but you can't do everything.

As of right now, department directors and the Capital Improvement Program Committee have submitted their requests and recommendations for the 2022 budget. Now we're working diligently to produce a budget recommendation that the city Finance Committee will slice and dice over a series of budget workshops in October.



If you've ever been curious about how the budget is made, check out the City of Wausau's meeting calendar and attend or watch some of those budget workshops. A lot of important ground gets covered in those meetings and you'll start to see the policy body's rationale for including or excluding certain projects and requests.

Then on November 9th the City Council will hold the annual budget public hearing before voting on the budget later in the month. I hope you'll take some time to understand the nearly \$100,000,000 City of Wausau budget. It's the most important policy document we consider and it's what drives everything we do for the next year.

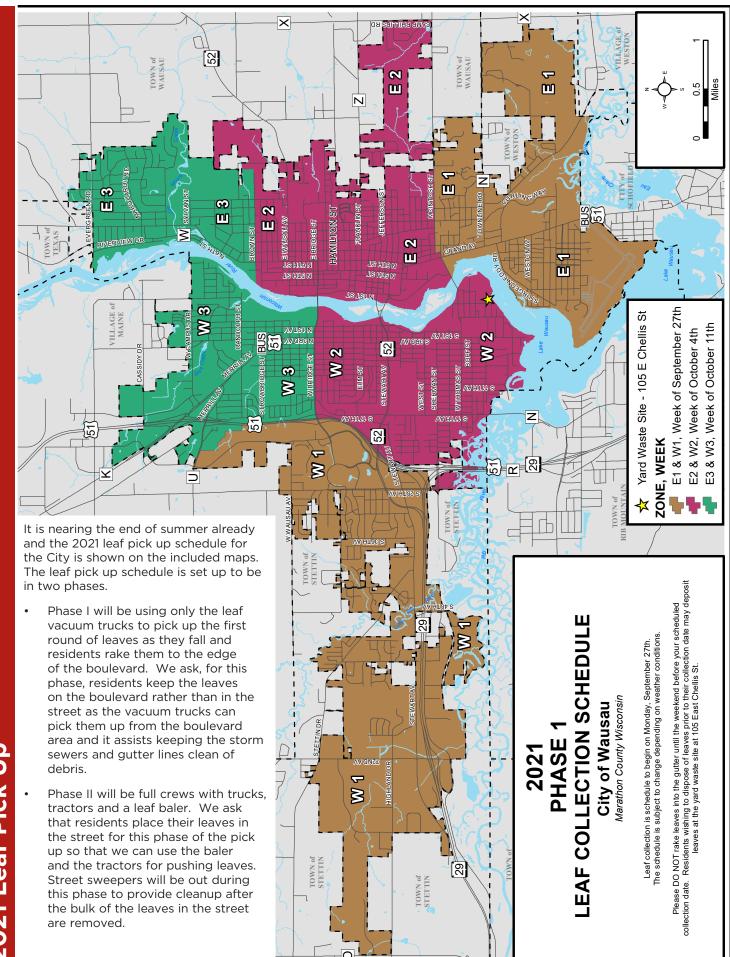
In addition to budgeting, we've begun meeting to begin the process of strategic planning. In a few months there will be several opportunities for public engagement on that plan. This City plan is really your plan and we need you to help drive the conversation on what Wausau should be focused on over the next five to seven years. You'll have opportunities to participate in person and online.

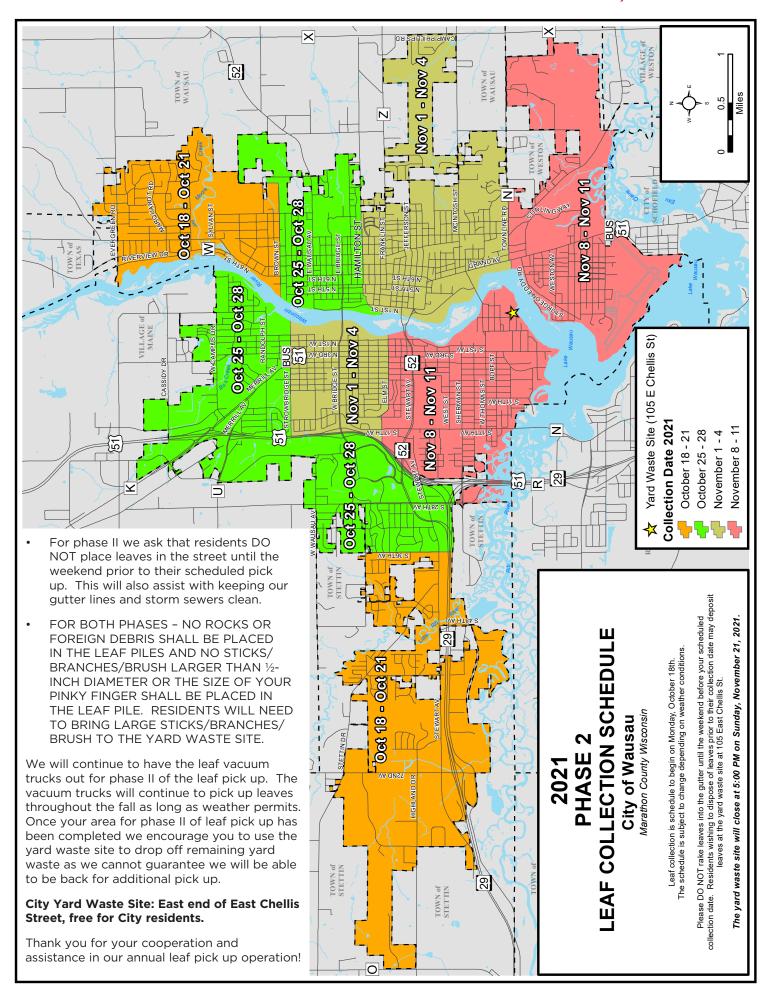
Lastly, 2022 is Wausau's sesquicentennial. It's essential to recognize the indigenous land that Wausau now inhabits. According to former Wausau Alder Gary Gisselman and local historian, Wausau is on what is known as the Menominee Strip. But Wausau actually got its name from the Ojibwe people, who hunted this land and called it 'Far Away Place.' Wisconsin granted the City of Wausau a city charter in 1872. Two years later voters elected August Kickbusch as their first mayor. Before becoming mayor, Mr. Kickbusch aggressively recruited German immigrants to move to Wausau. In fact, he brought more than 700 people in the five years before he was elected. Then 100 years later, Wausau welcomed Hmong refugees. I look forward to recognizing and celebrating our complex history as a city. I hope you'll join me in learning more about our home.

Katie Rosenberg, Mayor, City of Wausau

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Mission Statement... In response to our citizens, we will provide services in the most effective manner in order to promote and enhance our living environment. Plan and encourage positive growth. Promote a positive community image by encouraging citizen involvement and civic pride.





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Recycling carts should be set out with garbage containers between the hours of 3:00 pm the day prior to collection day and should be removed from the curbside area by 11:00 a.m. the day after pick-up. Recycling containers have a green lid and Garbage containers have a blue lid. Garbage pick-up is every week and Recycling cart pick-up is every other week. Placement of the carts at the curbside need to be placed at least 4 feet from other objects such as other carts, mailboxes and trees to accommodate the mechanical arm as it grips the cart and empties its contents. Thank you! **Keep this schedule for future reference and remember the holiday schedule of a "day delay" pick-up.**

West Side of Wisconsin River Garbage P/U Recycling P/U North of W. Wausau Avenue Monday - BLUE Monday North of Elm St, South of W. Wausau Ave, & East of USH 51 Monday - YELLOW Monday South of Elm St & North of Stewart Ave, including entire area west of USH 51 Tuesday Tuesday - BLUE South of Stewart Ave & North of Thomas St. Tuesday Tuesday - YELLOW South of Thomas Street Wednesday Wednesday - BLUE **East Side of Wisconsin River** North of Marquardt Rd & East of railroad tracks Wednesday Wednesday - BLUE North of Nina Ave & South of Marquardt Rd including homes west of the Wednesday Wednesday - YELLOW railroad tracks to Evergreen Rd. South of Nina Ave & North of Hamilton St Thursday Thursday - BLUE South of Hamilton St & North of Kickbusch St. Thursday Thursday - YELLOW South of Kickbusch St. North of McDonald St & East of Northwestern Rd. Friday - BLUE Friday South of McDonald St & entire area west of Northwestern Rd. Friday Friday - YELLOW

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Yard Waste Management / Pesticide and Fertilizer Application

Proper Use of Fertilizers:

When the nitrogen and phosphorus from fertilizer wash into lakes and streams they create harmful algae blooms and aquatic weed growth. They also lower the dissolved oxygen levels in the water and they may release ammonia, which is toxic to fish. What can you do?

- Test the soil: Prior to planting a garden or fertilizing your lawn have the soil tested to ensure that the ideal amount of fertilizer is being added. Doing so will avoid having an excess amount of fertilizer.
- Sweep up any extra fertilizer: Sweep up the fertilizer that lands
 on your sidewalk or driveway instead of hosing it off. The flowing water will wash
 the pollutants into streams, rivers, and lakes. You should also sweep up soil,
 grass clippings, and leaves which also contain nitrogen and phosphorus. This will
 keep them from washing down the storm sewers into nearby waterways.
- Fertilize in the fall: Fall is the best time to fertilize your lawn. It promotes healthy lawns with deep roots.

Onsite Reuse of Leaves and Grass Clippings:

Keep yard waste and leaves out of the street and out of the storm drains. Compost leaves and yard waste at home, take them to the yard waste site, or simply allow the grass clippings to remain on the lawn, acting as a natural mulch and keeping your grass healthy.



Pesticide Information:

A pesticide is any material (natural, organic, or synthetic) used to control, prevent, kill, suppress, or repel pests. "Pesticide" is a broad term that includes insecticides (insect killers), herbicides (weed or plant killers), fungicides (fungus killers), and rodenticides (rodent killers)

Is a pesticide the best choice?

- Verify that the organism you seek to control is really causing lasting damage, and research potential alternative management methods.
- Verify that a pest is the cause of the problem, in some instances damage can also be the result of other factors such as incorrect irrigation, poor drainage, herbicide toxicity, or physical damage.
- Can you change the conditions which have caused the pest to become a problem? Prevention is always the best way to manage a pest problem, by changing the environment to deter a pest, a pesticide may not be necessary.

Choosing a Pesticide and Application:

If a pesticide is needed, select one that is effective against your pest and also poses the least risks to human health and the environment.

APPLICATION:

- Use spot treatments where the pest is most prevalent; avoid widespread applications of the pesticide throughout your garden or home.
- Be sure pesticides are properly applied to the target plant or site and can't move onto other plants or areas. Pesticides can easily move with wind. Do not spray during windy conditions when pesticides can be carried into unwanted areas.
- Be sure the application does not run off or into drains, creeks, or other
 water bodies so you can prevent contamination of water supplies. Avoid
 applying chemicals just before irrigation or rainy weather, unless labels
 specify post-application irrigation. Also avoid applying pesticides to hard
 surfaces such as sidewalks, driveways, and foundations, because they
 can easily be washed off and go into storm drains.

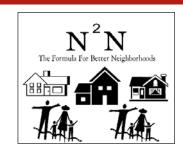
Clean It Up, Wausau

City Of Wausau

Clean It Up, Wausau! Large Item Drop-Off

Friday & Saturday, September 24 & 25, 2021 • 9am - 5pm

Location: east end of E. Chellis Street - Near the Yard Waste site



ACCEPTABLE ITEMS Bathroom plumbing fixtures Cabinets Carpeting Chairs Concrete chunks (small amount) Countertops Furniture Hot tubs Large grills (propane tanks removed) Long boards (that do not fit in a garbage container) Mattresses Metal Plastic children toys (that do not fit in a garbage container) Pool tables Remodeling waste - insulation, fiberglass (small amount) Sinks Sofas / couches **Tables** Toilets Vacuum cleaners Wash tubs

TIRES - (CASH ONLY)

Under 22" - \$5.00 22" and Over - \$10.00

CITY OF WAUSAU RESIDENTS ONLY -(proof of residency required)

The City of Wausau Department of Public Works facility is monitored by video surveillance. A citation will be issued to those who intentionally dispose of unacceptable items at their facility.

ITEMS THAT ARE NOT ACCEPTED AT THE CITY'S DROP OFF SITE

Cardboard, plastic containers - can be placed bi-weekly in a container provided by Harter's

OTHER ITEMS ACCEPTED

Appliances (examples):

FEE TO DISPOSE OF - air conditioner, dehumidifier, refrigerator, freezer NO CHARGE ITEMS - microwave, dishwasher, dryer, humidifier, stove, washer

If your appliance is gently used and in working condition - it can be donated to Habitat for Humanity's Recycled Building Materials Facility OR if in NON working order - Contact: Alter Metals, Wellers Salvage, Yaeger's or other salvage scrap vendors

Electronics (examples):

FEE TO DISPOSE OF - (based on weight)

TV's, computer monitors, computers, laptops, keyboards, cameras & recorders with video display, DVD & VCRs, printers, scanners, fax machines, cell phones with video display. *Contact: Good News Project, Best Buy, Helping Hands Recycling or Wellers Salvage*

NO CHARGE ITEMS - Lawn mowers, snow blowers, weed eaters (or any gasoline engine equipment gas and oil removed)

Marathon County Hazardous Waste Facility - Located at the Marathon County Landfill

NOTE you need to make an appointment at least 1 day in advance
There may be fees associated with specific items • 715-446-3101 ext. 100

Aerosol paint cans with paint in them empties can be recycled)	Cleaning solvents, degreasers, drain cleaners, oven cleaners
Antifreeze	Ballasts, fluorescent bulbs, tubes
Dry cleaning fluids	Ether, fuel
Floor / furniture polish	Fungicides, herbicides, insecticides
Gun cleaners	Hobby materials / chemicals
Metal cleaners	Mildew cleaners

Oil / or any gas mixtures exceeding 5 gallons

Paint (oil based), thinners, turpentine, varnish

Photography chemicals

Sharps are accepted at the landfill: Put them in a commercial sharps disposal container, or in a heavy plastic detergent or bleach bottle with a screw-on cap for sealing tightly. NO MILK JUGS OR OTHER THIN PLASTIC. Do not separate the needle from the syringe. LABEL THE CONTAINER WITH 'BIOHAZARD', INFECTIOUS WASTE / SHARPS & DO NOT RECYCLE.

ITEMS NEVER ACCEPTED	
Ammunition, explosives	Compressed fuel cylinders
Freon	Latex paint
Fire extinguishers (if empty take to landfi	ll to recycle as scrap for free)
Medical waste	Water-based stains or caulks
Radioactive material	

The Women's Community

Often in homes where there is abuse, humans aren't the only ones being hurt. The fear of pets being harmed is one common reason victims don't feel safe leaving a home where they are being abused. The Women's Community has a program to temporarily house pets while victims are transitioning to safe homes. This is important because between 18%-48% of battered individuals delay leaving a dangerous situation out of fear for their pets' safety.

We are holding our 1st Annual SafeFUR Homes Dog Walk Festival & Fundraiser on Saturday. October 2nd at Marathon Park to raise funds for this life-saving cause.

The event is open to the public at 11:00am and ends at 4:00pm. Admission can be purchased prior to the event by texting SAFEFUR to 269-89 or on the day of the event at the gate.

Activities for the day include:

- Music provided by 95.5 WIFC featuring Belky as our DJ
- · Dog Walk Scavenger Hunt
- Face Painting provided by Fancy Faces
- Business Booths/Tables/Services
- Contests every hour with community "celebrity" judges:
 - » 12:00pm-Best Dressed Dog
 - » 1:00pm-Best Trick Contest
 - » 2:00pm-Watermelon Eating (dog vs. owner)
 - » 3:00pm-Most Unique Bark/Howl (animal or human)
- Food Trucks-Newch's Eatery & Kasuns Smokehouse
- Wausau Police Department K9 "Rio" onsite
- Dog Obstacle/Agility Course with Trainer onsite
- Hydration Station (water available for pets or people)
- Instagram Worthy Photo Opportunities



Saturday, October 2nd 2021

11am-4pm

Marathon Park-Wausau, WI

You and your pets will enjoy:

CONTESTS w/ Celebrity Judges:

12:00-Best Pressed Pog

1:OOpm-Best Trick Contest

2:00pm-Watermelon Eating (Dog vs. Owner)

3:00pm-Most Unique Bark or Howl (Pet or People)

· Music provided by 95.5 WIFC's Belky

. Wausau Police Dept. K9 "RIO"

• Instagram Worthy Photo Opportunities

. Dog Games, Jumps, & Rally Course

Food Trucks:

Newch's Eatery & Kasuns Smokehouse

text SAFEFUR to 269-89 · Pog Walk Scavenger Hunt

· Face Painting by Fancy Faces

www.womenscommunity.com/events













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Stop in or call!

1106 N. Fifth St. Wausau, WI 54403 M-F 9am-4pm 715-843-5985 www.goodnewswi.com

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Wausau Curling Club starts new season, celebrates 100 years on the ice in Wausau

The Wausau Curling Club plans to celebrate 100 years of curling in Wausau when it opens its 2021-22 season in October.

Club members will gather for their annual meeting and a centennial celebration picnic Saturday, Oct. 2, at the club, 1920 Curling Way, on the city's southeast side.

Regular league curling is expected to start the last week of October and continue through next March.

Those interested in learning the game and joining the club should watch for "Learn to Curl" sessions at the club starting on weekends in mid-October.

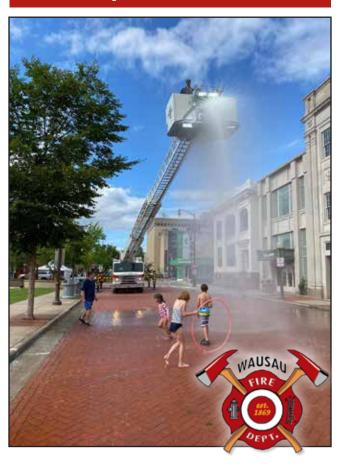
Corporate and group curling events will also be scheduled during the season. Go to www.wausaucurling.org or the club's Facebook page for details.

"We're looking forward to being on the ice again after missing last year because of the pandemic," said club president Randy Brandner. "Plus, we're celebrating 100 years of curling in Wausau, as the first recorded curling activities here took place on the Wisconsin River sometime around 1920."

Curling competition was later held on the tennis courts at the YMCA, and the club moved indoors to a barn at Marathon Park in 1925. The new curling center, one of the largest and finest in the United States, opened in 2012. The United States Curling Association held its national championships here last May.

"Curling is a great indoor winter sport and is available for young and old, said Brandner. "We'd love to have more folks participate in this Wausau tradition."

Fire Department News



The Wausau Fire Department partnered with the Wausau/Marathon County Parks Department to have three pop up splash pads around the town.

Needless to say, they made a big splash!





It is Time to Winterize

Wausau Water Works to Issue **Delinquent Notices**

Schedule of Rates

EPA - Sources of Lead in Drinking Water

Residential Cross Connection Survey

WAUSAU WORKS FOR YOU

Unidirectional **Flushing**

Be WAUter Savvy this Fall! It is Time to Winterize

OUTDOOR TIPS

- ✓ Drain excess water from sprinkler systems.
- ✓ Disconnect garden hoses from out side faucets allowing them to drain.
- ✓ Insulate our door faucets with foam covers.

INDOOR TIPS

- ✓ Make sure any pipes that are at risk of freezing are well insulated.
- ✓ Keep doors and windows in you basement closed.
- ✓ Basements should be heated to 50 degrees F
- ✓ Leave cabinet doors open under sinks that are located on exterior walls.
- ✓ Finished basements should allow for air flow around meter, especially it meters are encased be-hind a wall.
- ✓ Space heaters may keep living areas warm, but they prevent the furnace from running allowing basement temperatures to drop and cause water pipes to freeze.

IF PIPES DO FREEZE, MAKE SURE YOU

- ✓ Turn off your main water supply.
- ✓ Use a hair dryer or heat tape to thaw pipes.
- ✓ Turn on the main water supply and inspect for leaks.

** IF CRACKS OR LEAKS ARE FOUND, TURN OFF MAIN WATER SUPPLY AND CONTACT A PLUMBER. **



Wausau Water Works to Issue Delinquent Notices

Notices for delinquent water and sewer bills will be issued in early October to property owners and tenants. These bills are due by November 1, 2021 to avoid an additional 10% penalty. If not paid by November 15, the total owing, including the 10% penalty, will be added to the property taxes.

Recent changes in the law now states that these charges may also show up in the Circuit Court Access Program (CCAP) program under the tenant's name.

This could have a bearing for tenants who are looking at renting other properties and have delinquent water and sewer bills as potential landlords would be able to see that information. Should you have any questions regarding this new law or outstanding balances, please contact Wausau Water Works at 715-261-6530.



Schedule of Rates

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

WAUSAU WATER WORKS

407 Grant Street - City Hall Wausau, WI 54403-4783

Phone: 715 261-6530 • Fax: 715 261-6535 E-mail: waterworks@ci.wausau.wi.us **Office Hours:** Monday-Friday 8:00 am-4:30 pm

WATER RATES EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2021

Quarterly Service Charge (based on meter size)

5/8 Inch Meter\$24.81
3/4 Inch Meter24.81
1 Inch Meter
1-1/4 Inch Meter55.47
1-1/2 Inch Meter69.72
2 Inch Meter
3 Inch Meter174.00
4 Inch Meter264.00
6 Inch Meter
8 Inch Meter720.00
10 Inch Meter1,047.00
12 Inch Meter

Plus Volume Charge:

Residential Customers

All water used - \$2.91 per 100 cu. ft.

Non-Residential Customers

First 6,000 cu. ft. \$2.91 per 100 cu. ft. Next 54,000 cu. ft. used - \$2.71 per 100 cu. ft. Over 60,000 cu. ft. used - \$2.25 per 100 cu. ft.

Irrigation Class - All water used

\$4.35 per 100 cu. ft.

Bills for water and sewer service are issued quarterly and due the 20th of the month. A 1 % late payment charge is added to the outstanding balance after the 20th of each month and is applicable to all customers. To avoid late payment charges, all bills must be received in the **office of the City Treasurer** by the due date printed on the front of the bill. Customers who pay at remote collection sites (grocery stores) are recommended to make payments prior to due dates to ensure timely receipt by the City Treasurer.

PUBLIC FIRE PROTECTION FEES EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2021

Quarterly Service Charge (based on meter size)

5/8 Inch Meter
3/4 Inch Meter
1 Inch Meter
1-1/4 Inch Meter
1-1/2 Inch Meter
2 Inch Meter
3 Inch Meter198.00
4 Inch Meter327.00
6 Inch Meter 654.00
8 Inch Meter
10 Inch Meter
12 Inch Meter

SEWER RATES

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021

Quarterly Service Charge (based on water meter size) 5/8 Inch Meter \$29.06 3/4 Inch Meter .29.06 1 Inch Meter .39.23 1-1/4 Inch Meter .54.63 1-1/2 Inch Mete .63.35 2 Inch Meter .106.06 3 Inch Meter .191.49 4 Inch Meter .312.67

8 Inch Meter.....970.83

Plus Volume Charge

All volume, as recorded by the water meter each quarter shall be charged at the rate of \$4.73 per 100 cubic ft.

All customers are billed for sewer based on the amount of water used each quarter. Unmetered sewer rate is \$123.60 per quarter in the City and \$130.38 per quarter outside the City.



CONCERNED ABOUT LEAD IN YOUR DRINKING WATER?

Sources of **LEAD** in Drinking Water



Faucets: Fixtures inside your home may contain lead.

Galvanized Pipe: Lead particles can

attach to the surface of galvanized pines Over time, the particles can enter your drinking water, causing elevated lead levels

Lead Goose Necks: Goose necks and pigtails are shorter pipes that connect the lead service

PRIVATE FIRE PROTECTION CHARGES **EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2021**

This service is for unmetered connections to the main for the purpose of supplying water to private fire protection systems such as automatic sprinkler systems, standpipes, (where same are connected permanently or continuously to the mains) and private hydrants.

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2 Inch or Smaller Connection \$18.00
3 Inch Connection 33.00
4 Inch Connection 54.00
6 Inch Connection 105.00
8 Inch Connection
10 Inch Connection
12 Inch Connection
14 Inch Connection420.00
16 Inch Connection504.00

CHARGES FOR TURNING ON SERVICE

Turn on valve at curb (includes meter installation if needed)

During Normal Business Hours . . . \$60.00 After Hours.....100.00

LATERAL CONNECTIONS

1" Water Lateral

Connection... Based on Time & Materials

1-1/2" or Larger Water

Lateral Based on Time & Material

MISSED APPOINTMENT FEES

During Normal Business Hours . . . \$60.00 After Hours..... 100.00

MISCELLANEOUS

Payments Not Honored by Financial Institution \$45.00

Reduce Your Exposure To Lead



Use only cold water for drinking, cooking and making baby formula. Boiling water does not remove lead from water



Regularly clean your faucet's screen (also known as an aerator).



Consider using a water filter certified to remove lead and know when it's time to replace the filter.



Before drinking, flush your pipes by running your tap, taking a shower, doing laundry or a load of dishes

To find out for certain if you have lead in drinking water, have your water tested.

Replace Your Lead Service Line



Water systems are required to replace lead service lines if a water system cannot meet EPA's Lead Action Level through optimized corrosion control treatment.

Replacement of the lead service line is often the responsibility of both the utility and homeowner

Homeowners can contact their water system to learn about how to remove the lead service line

Identify Other Lead Sources In Your Home

Lead in homes can also come from sources other than water. If you live in a home built before 1978, you may want to have your paint tested fo lead. Consider contacting your doctor to have your children tested if you are concerned about lead exposure.



For more information, visit: epa.gov/safewater

Residential Cross Connection Survey

As part of a continued effort to provide safe water, Wausau Water Works performs a Cross Connection Survey at each residence within the city. These are completed during the same appointment as a water meter replacement. These inspections not only protect against hazardous connections to the water supply but are required by the EPA and DNR.

These residential surveys will consist of an inspection of the basement plumbing, as well as any plumbing located outside the home. Some of the things we will be looking at are the drains on water softeners, hose bibs, laundry tubs, boilers, toilets and other connection points including irrigation systems. This assures compliance with state cross connection plumbing code.

The most common residential non-complying plumbing fixtures are hose bibs not having back flow prevention. A simple installation of a hose bib vacuum breaker can often fix this issue.

Property owners will be responsible for any repairs or alterations to their plumbing that will be necessary to meet code compliance. If violations are found during the inspection repairs will need to be made within 30 days and a follow-up re-inspection scheduled with the utility.

The cross connection control program was set up to protect the public water supply system from potential backflow hazards which could allow "dirty" or unsafe water to get into the public water supply. Wausau Water Works would like to thank you for your participation in this program, helping us to provide safe water and meet federal and state requirements.

What is a Cross-Connection?

A cross-connection is an actual or potential connection between the safe drinking water (potable) supply and a source of contamination or pollution. State plumbing codes require approved backflow prevention methods to be installed at every point of potable water connection and use. Cross-Connections must be properly protected or

How does contamination occur?

When you turn on your faucet, you expect the water to be as safe as when it left the treatment plant. However, certain hydraulic conditions left unprotected within your plumbing system may allow hazardous substances to contaminate your own drinking water or even the public water supply.

Water normally flows in one direction. However, under certain conditions, water can actually flow backwards;

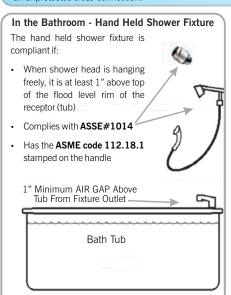
this is known as Backflow. There are two situations that can cause water to flow backward: back siphonage and backpressure

Backsiphonage

May occur due to a loss of pressure in the municipal water system during a fire fighting emergency, a water main break or system repair. This creates a siphon in your plumbing system which can draw water out of a sink or bucket and back into your water or the public water system.

Backpressure

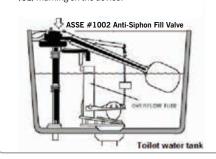
May be created when a source of pressure (such as a boiler) creates a pressure greater than the pressure supplied from the public water system. This may cause contaminated water to be pushed into your plumbing system through an unprotected cross-connection.



In the Bathroom - Toilet Tanks

There are many unapproved toilet tank fill valve products sold at common retailers which do not meet the state plumbing code requirements for backflow prevention.

- Look for the ASSE #1002 Standard symbol on the device and packaging.
- Replace any unapproved devices with an ASSE #1002 approved anti-siphon fill valve device. Average cost is typically \$12 to \$22 at home
- improvement stores. Verify overflow tube is one inch below critical level (CL) marking on the device.



Insights to protect your drinking water

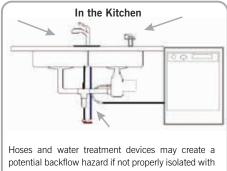
- **Do...** Keep the ends of hoses clear of all possible
- Make sure dishwashers are installed with a proper "air gap" device.
- Verify and install a simple hose bibb vacuum breaker on all threaded faucets around your home.
- Make sure water treatment devices such as water softeners have the proper "air gap", which is a minimum of one inch above any drain.

Hose bibb Vacuum Breaker

Don't...

- Submerge hoses in buckets, pools, tubs, sinks or ponds.
- Use spray attachments without a backflow prevention device.
- Connect waste pipes from water softeners or other treatment systems directly to the sewer or submerged drain pipe. Always be sure there is a one inch "air gap" separation.





backflow prevention methods.

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Unidirectional Flushing

In the upcoming month, Wausau Water Works will begin unidirectional flushing to help us continue to provide high-quality water to our customers. This is a high volume flushing where staff will open and close pre-determined valves to isolate specific sections of water main. Fire hydrants are then flushed to pull the water from one direction (hence the term "unidirectional"), the speed and volume of water create a scouring action to remove the built up of sediment from the water mains.

Post cards will be mailed to each customer with a water service that will be affected by each flush. As crews make progress they place signage ahead of them to help notify customers that we will soon be in that area. Please understand there is no way we can determine an exact time /date that we will be in a location, or the time it will take to flush out the accumulated sediment.

During the flushing process customers in the vicinity will notice some discoloration in the water and temporary drop in water pressure. Your water may be discolored for a short period of time and could stain laundry. If possible, do not use you water while flushing is occurring. To correct any discoloration, run your cold water for a few minutes to remove the discoloration from the internal plumbing.

If this does occur please understand crews are working to minimize any inconvenience to our customers. If you have any questions please contact Wausau Water Works at 715-261-7265.



SAVE WATER. SAVE MONEY.

https://www.ci.wausau.wi.us/wautersavvy

Be WAUter Savvy this Fall!

We hope you took advantage of tips on how to save water around your yard and garden this past summer, and maybe even acquired a rain barrel through our new rain barrel program.

Now, here are some suggestions for saving water inside your home this fall and winter:

- Turn off the faucet while brushing your teeth. Leaving the water running simply wastes it down the drain.
- Don't shave in the shower. While that may be appealing, it adds appreciably to the amount of water you use in shower every day.
- Taking a shower usually uses less water than filling the tub.
- Run your washing machine only when it's full.

- Run your dishwasher only when it's full. And use your appliance. It's more water-saving than washing dishes in the sink.
- Fix leaks. You can spot a leaky toilet by dropping a bit of food coloring in the tank. Wait a few minutes and if the coloring is in the bowl, the toilet is leaking.
- Watch your water bill and keep track of the amount of water you use each billing cycle. If it spikes, you probably have a leak somewhere.



Home Occupation

Home Occupation is defined as economic activities performed within a residential dwelling unit. Home Occupations are intended to provide a means to accommodate a small home-based family or professional business without the necessity of a rezoning from a residential to a business district. Home Occupations are limited to low intensity businesses and businesses with limited overlap of customer visits. A yearly permit is required. Please refer to WMC Sec 23.03.28 (4) for additional information. Applications are available online.

General Office Hours:

8am to 4:30pm

Inspector Office Hours:

8-9am and 12:30-1:30pm

715.261.6780 inspections@ci.wausau.wi.us

Fall 2021

Department of Inspections, Zoning, and Electrical Systems

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE REMINDERS

The City of Wausau has ordinances that are designed to protect the public's health and safety, and to preserve the appearance of neighborhoods. For the most part, City residents take great pride in maintaining their property in an aesthetically-pleasing condition and comply with City ordinances.

When preparing for the Fall and Winter months, please keep in mind the following regulations:

■ RECREATIONAL EQUIPMENT:

- Motor homes, camping and travel trailers, boats, boat trailers, snowmobiles, ATV's, utility trailers, etc. cannot be parked or stored in any required front yard or corner side yard, except for on a designated driveway which meets the City's hard-surfacing requirements.
- Equipment or trailers that are longer than 30' (measured from back bumper to tongue) must be parked within enclosed structures.

■ VEHICLES:

- Must be parked on established driveway/parking areas that are hard surfaced.
- Parking on the grass is not allowed.
- Vehicles that are unregistered/unlicensed, inoperable, abandoned, or in any state of major disassembly, disrepair, or undergoing overhaul are not allowed to be parked on residential properties.
- o Motor vehicle repair is not allowed on residential properties.

SIGNS:

 Rummage sale, garage sale, real estate, advertising or other such signs cannot be placed on boulevards, other public right-of-ways, or attached to public utility poles.

When Choosing a Contractor: Always ask for: Credentials/Insurance/References

Get to know your contractor before you hire them.
Contact the Department of Inspections at 715.261.6780 or inspections are inspections.



Permits Are Required for:

Siding - Roofing - Window & Door Replacement - Decks - Fences - Ramps Sheds - Garages - Remodels - Plumbing Electrical

A complete list of permit requirements is available on-line at:

<u>www.ci.wausau.wi.us/Departments/</u> <u>Inspections</u>

A monthly Building Activity report is also available on the Inspections website.

Also check out our Online Permit Portal to set up an account!



https://evolveportal.ci.wausau.wi.us/?portal=inspections

You will have the ability to apply online, request an inspection or, for certain inspections, upload photographs for an Einspection. See link below for additional information.

https://www.ci.wausau.wi.us/Portals/0/Depar tments/Inspections/Documents/Wausau_How to_Request_E-Inspection_for_Customers.pdf

Suckers and Watersprouts on Boulevard Trees

Have you ever noticed how certain species of trees can't seem to decide if they want to be a tree or a shrub? No, I'm not referring to a hybrid or some other genetic variation where different plants are exhibited from the same root stock. I am speaking of the dreaded SUCKER.

Suckers, originating from the base of a tree and watersprouts, originating from a latent bud in the trunk can be quite a nuisance or even a hazard if allowed to grow too large. These adventitious branches are prolific growers and not only become difficult to mow around, but can become a visual obstruction while exiting driveways or approaching stop signs.

Although pruning of boulevard trees is prohibited by Chapter 12.56 of the Wausau Municipal Code, removal of suckers is permitted and even encouraged. Some species (linden/crabapple/pear) often produce suckers annually, and removing the new shoots can be a quick and easy way to prevent issues in the future. These new shoots are often about the size of a pencil and can be removed with a pruning shear.

Please refer to the picture to understand the distinction between suckers (originating at the base), watersprouts (small shoots from the trunk), and low branches. Low branches are off limits for residents to prune.

If these suckers have gotten too large and need to be addressed by our staff please don't hesitate to contact us at parkforestry@co.marathon.wi.us or (715) 261-1550.





Trees Needed

The Wausau/Marathon County Park Department is looking for four trees to be donated that will be installed and decorated for the Holiday Season. These trees must be accessible by our trucks.

We are looking for conifers, preferably balsam or spruce, to install at the 400 Block, City Hall, Courthouse, and the intersection of Stewart Ave. and 1st Avenue.

Anyone that is interested in donating a tree with good form and size for those locations is encouraged to contact the Park Department at (715) 261-1550 or parkforestry@co.marathon.wi.us.





Trees and Storms

Trees are really quite amazing when it comes to ability to withstand all that nature has to throw at them. Many of the trees in Wausau's boulevards are over 50 years old, illustrating the ability to withstand high winds, heavy snow and drought year after year. However, even with a tree's capacity to adapt, failure does occur in certain circumstances.

When this failure occurs, we rely on residents to pass along crucial information to achieve a timely response. This information allows us to prioritize work and ensure public safety. Immediately after a storm event, the damage appears obvious. Limbs or perhaps trees on the ground, large cracks in the trunk, and severe lean. Additionally, we ask residents to look up in their trees following a storm event. Often, limbs are broken or cracked, but do not make it to the ground. These hazards are less obvious, but equally or perhaps more dangerous to our community members.

In the event of limb or tree failure, don't assume City staff are aware of the issue. Please contact the Park Department at parkforestry@co.marathon.wi.us or (715) 261-1550 for all tree related non-emergency issues. In the event of an emergency such as a tree blocking a roadway, contact the Wausau Police Department's non-emergency number (715) 261-7800.

With help from you, we can receive accurate information to prioritize the work to be done. Arborists from the Park Department as well as staff from Public Works collaboratively address the damage as efficiently and safely as possible.

Woodson Art Museum

Birds in Art 2021 Soars at Woodson Art Museum

Ascending to new heights, "Birds in Art" 2021 at the Leigh Yawkey Woodson Art Museum offers inspiration to persevere, endure, and thrive. Artwork from 113 artists from throughout the world comprises the 2021 "Birds in Art" exhibition.

The 46th annual exhibition includes artwork by 92 artists whose work was selected by the jury and 21 who were named Master Artists during previous "Birds in Art" exhibitions. "Birds in Art" presents original paintings, sculptures, and graphics created within the last three years by worldwide artists. "Birds in Art" 2021 remains on view through Sunday, November 28. Before visiting, please check www.lywam.org.

Presented in mediums ranging from watercolor, oil, linocut, and scratchboard to acrylic, wood, wire, and bronze, "Birds in Art" 2021 artwork also includes unusual techniques and materials. One artist's paintbrush is an open candle flame; Seven Spazuk uses a fumage technique to create images with trails of smoke. A blue parrot made from bullet and shotgun shells heralds the return of artwork by Federico Uribe. Although new to "Birds in Art" 2021, his exuberant sculptures made from everyday objects attracted visitors in record numbers during summer 2018.

Another among the thirteen first-time "Birds in Art" artists, Jamie Cassaboon depicts an Atlantic puffin via graphite. Milwaukee sculptor Don Rambadt incorporates colorful glass, along with shadows and reflections, into his bronze sculpture of a painted bunting. Among artists referencing pandemic-related themes, Karen Bondarchuk's "Tower of London" depicts "Covid Corvid," a kindred crow surveilling the area beneath a turbulent sky. Mark Collins, during five months at the easel working on his watercolor painting, endeavored to make every brushstroke a tribute to the people most affected by the pandemic. For others, specific birds provided solace and inspiration.

Conservation and environmental themes continue to motivate artists and, while constrained from traveling, some artists focused on studio work inspired by memorable forays and events. Cindy House, who incorporated a pileated woodpecker into her pastel artwork, found it reassuring to focus on a thriving species, offering hope.

In addition to artwork on view in the galleries, Rooftop Sculpture Garden, and grounds, explore varied options throughout the fall.

A residency and installation with "Birds in Art" 2021 artist Tom Hill, "Murmuration: Sculptural Studies in Movement"

San Francisco-based sculptor Tom Hill's artist residency and site-specific installation, September 28 through October 10, are inspired by murmurations – the avian aerial phenomenon occurring when large flocks of birds fly as one to create undulating cloud-like forms. During the residency, community members join Hill in

creating wire birds to contribute to a flock, which will be installed as a single sculptural work at the Woodson Art Museum. Hill also leads a workshop for teens and adults and participates in a murmuration discussion; get details about these and other fall features here: https://bit.ly/3AOIVie

For more information, visit www.lywam.org, e-mail the Museum at info@lywam.org, call 715-845-7010, check our YouTube channel, and follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.





Don Rambadt, Understory, 2021, welded bronze and glass



Woodson Art Museum

Hours: Tuesday - Friday

9am - 4pm First Thursdays

each month 9am - 7:30pm

Thursdays during Birds in Art 9am - 7:30pm

Saturday - Sunday Noon - 5pm

Closed Monday & holidays, including New Year's Day, Easter, July 4, Thanksgiving, Christmas

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Admission: Always Free Admission

Phone: 715.845.7010 **E-mail:** info@lywam.org

Location:

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Franklin and 12th Streets, Wausau, WI 54403-5007 700 North Twelfth Street

Online: www.lywam.org

Timothy David Mayhew, Ice Follies, 2021, oil on Belgian linen on panel

News You Can Use from your Community Partners at Wausau PD

Overnight Parking

ALL NIGHT PARKING: Parking is allowed on City streets (other than in designated areas in downtown—see below) on an alternate side basis between the hours of **2:30 a.m. and 6:00 a.m.** It is not necessary to call the Police Department for permission. Vehicles must be parked on the even-numbered side of the street on even-numbered calendar days and on the odd side of the street on odd-numbered calendar days.

Odd/even parking is not allowed on streets where "No Parking" restrictions are in effect. However, odd/even parking is not enforced on streets with "No Parking" on one side of the street only. Therefore, residents can legally park on the side not prohibitively posted regardless of the day unless a snow emergency has been declared.

Keep in mind that the odd/even requirement pertains to the time period of 2:30 a.m. to 6:00 a.m. If you park your vehicle on the street in the evening intending that it will be parked overnight, make sure it is on the appropriate odd/even numbered side of the street for the time period of 2:30 a.m. to 6:00 a.m.

DOWNTOWN AREA: Between the hours of 2:30 a.m. and 6:00 a.m., parking is not allowed in the area (including both sides of the streets) bounded on the north by McIndoe Street, on the west by First Street, on the south by Forest Street, and on the east by Sixth Street. Persons who live downtown (and occasional visitors) can park overnight in the parking ramp structures https://www.ci.wausau.wi.us/Services/Parking/DowntownParkingLocations.aspx. However, your vehicle must be removed from the parking structure before 8:00 a.m., Monday through Friday, to avoid being ticketed.

SNOW EMERGENCY: Overnight parking will not be allowed during snow emergencies. Residents should keep in mind that even if a snow emergency has not been declared, vehicles which are parked overnight on City streets during snowfalls may hinder snow plowing operations.

The forfeiture for violating the overnight parking ordinance is \$25.00, and is \$100.00 during snow emergencies.



Public Health & Safety Committee

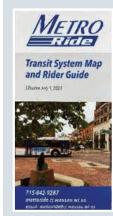
Residents are reminded to not permit domestic cats to roam loose in neighborhoods.

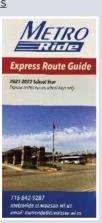
We've seen a recent uptick in the feral and stray cat population in some areas and roaming pets can contribute to growth in the unwanted cat population. Remember, strays and ferals are often unvaccinated and can carry diseases that are dangerous to your pets. Harboring or feeding feral cats can impact neighboring property owners. Please be considerate and avoid feeding activities that cause cats to concentrate in an area. Wausau encourages microchipping pets for easy identification if they are lost. All dogs and cats must be licensed with the city annually. Recently, live trapping was necessary in one neighborhood to reduce the feral cat population in a more extreme case by relocating them to a farm that was willing to accept up to ten cats. That activity could accidentally capture domestic cats if owners allow them to roam free. Please contact the City Clerk's office with questions about pet licensing and Humane Officer Ashlee Bishop with questions about animal welfare or enforcement.



New Bus Route Maps Available

Metro Ride has introduced two new route map brochures. The Transit System Map and Rider Guide features regular bus routes that operate year-round. The Express Route Guide features bus routes that operate only on school days. Brochures are available on all Metro Ride buses and at all bus pass outlets. Route and schedule information is also available by calling 715-842-9287 or by visiting www.ci.wausau.wi.us





MCDEVCO - Providing the tools for Entrepreneur & Small Business Success!

As it is beginning to feel like fall - MCDEVCO is offering an assortment of educational opportunities for entrepreneurs, small business owners, and women.

CROPS & SHOPS Marketplace

Our NEW for 2021 Crops & Shops Marketplace will finish with our last marketplace on September 23, 2021 from 3:00pm - 7:00pm. Come out and support local small businesses, enjoy the music, have your child do a make and take craft item, and enjoy the live music. There will be tours at 4:00pm and 5:00pm of the Entrepreneurial & Education Center. A COVID and flu clinic will be set up for vaccines. Plan to come with your family and/or friends to support our small businesses from throughout the County.

Entrepreneur Development Starts with Leadership

New leadership class begins on October 5, 2021 and ends with your dolphin tank presentation on January 20, 2022. Scholarships are available. Call today for more information and/or to register for this leadership management series. The leadership series will be taught by 16 business professionals from throughout Marathon County, WI.

Lunch and Learn

September 28, 2021 from 12:00pm – 1:00pm will be MCDEVCO's second quarterly informational session for new entrepreneurs on Where and How do I Start my Business! The program will be at Entrepreneur and Education Center. Bring your lunch or purchase one from KimBob's restaurant located at the EEC. Sign up today to start your future with MCDEVCO.

RE-SCHEDULED - Marketing 101- Advertising to Website Questions.

Join us for this exciting time relevant topic - Marketing!

Women's Program

November 5, 2021 we are presenting a program for women entrepreneurs, business leaders, and small business owners. The day will begin with our keynote speaker, Allison Liddle who will inspire women to achieve that next level in their lives! Watch for more information.

Watch for our women's leadership book round table scheduled for January 2022 AND a new youth entrepreneur class series! More information in the Winter issue.

COVID-19 Disaster Funds

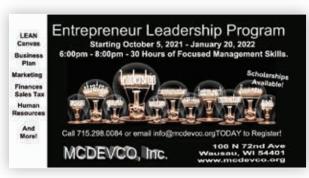
MCDEVCO continues to administer funds for the City of Wausau to assist their small businesses. COVID-19 disaster funds that are currently available are a \$1500.00 grant, \$2500.00 IT grant, and up to \$20,000.00 forgivable loan to ensure the sustainability of small businesses. Please go to our website – www.mcdevco.org/covid-19 resources/ to fill out an application(s) to see if you qualify.

GAP Financing

MCDEVCO has GAP financing for new and expanding businesses throughout the City of Wausau and Marathon County to assist entrepreneurs. We partner with your financial institution to "fill the lending gap" to help:

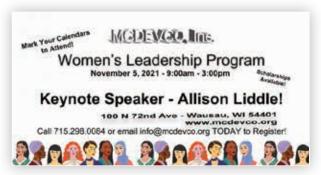
- Create new and expand existing small businesses throughout Marathon County
- Invest in larger projects that support significant community/ economic development
- Help finance projects that create and retain jobs (to include low-to-moderate income individuals)
- Improve underserved and/or distressed areas
- Develop community services











Experience the Changing Seasons at Monk Botanical Gardens

As we wrap up an exciting summer of events, we're getting ready to welcome Fall. Each day the designed gardens change, from new blooms to changing colors. You can watch it unfold with a stroll through the Wildflower Woods, Memory Garden, the Meditation Garden, the new Shade and Hosta Garden, or any of our trails. There is no fee to enter the Gardens, but donations are always appreciated since we are a private non-profit not funded by tax dollars. Monk Botanical Gardens is open to all every day. Our winter hours are 7:30 am to 4:30 pm (Oct 1-March 13th). Take advantage of a staff-led tour every Saturday at 10:00 am and 2:00 pm through September. Over the next few months, we've got a lively lineup of fall/winter programs and events.

Our Sprouts Garden Preschool for kids ages 3 to 5 years old is officially launched. Our teachers are putting nature and plants at the heart of the program with 80% of student's time spent outdoors. While the Fall session is closed, enrollment for next semester will open in November!

Do your K-5th grade kids have energy to burn after school? Give them some time away from screens and into nature during our **FREE** after-school program Tuesdays through Thursdays, from 4:00 to 6:00 pm, now through November! They'll climb trees, catch bugs, look for animal tracks, build forts, and learn about the natural world, all with the guidance of an experienced environmental educator.

Tickets are now available online for Creatures of the Night. Friday, Sept. 24th, from 7:30 to 9:30 pm, we'll take you on a night hike with experiments and games along the way!

The rest of this year, we're hosting an incredible variety of Hands-On Plants workshops led by our Horticulturist, Marissa. Relax in front of the fireplace at our pavilion or in our newly constructed yurt, with some light refreshments and a glass of wine while you create seasonal decorations for your home. You can view the entire list of workshops online and buy your tickets now. These classes include apple cider making, build your bouquet, wreath making, and many more!

Finally, Luminary Walks kick off on Friday, October 7th, and the first Friday of every month after that, from 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm. Bring your family and friends (leashed dogs are also welcome) to the gardens for a luminary-lit walk through the Gardens ending at the Kitchen Garden, where you can enjoy a bonfire and hot chocolate. No registration required.

Become a member of the Gardens for 2022! Memberships will be available for purchase beginning December 1st. Support our growing Gardens while receiving a variety of benefits throughout the calendar year!

For a complete list of events and registration information, visit our website: https://www.monkgardens.org/page/special-events









Fall back safely! Test your smoke alarms.

Change replaceable batteries at least once a year.









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Wausau Fall Events

Fireworks Family Fest: September 24th from 4 PM to 10 PM at the Downtown Wausau Airport. Join Wausau Events for the largest fireworks show in Central Wisconsin! The event includes kids games, food vendors, live entertainment and fireworks at dusk!

Wausau Events 5K: September 25th at 9 AM starting and ending at the Downtown Wausau Airport! The route will take participants through the beautiful Southeast Side neighborhood! Registration is \$25 in advance, \$30 the day of the event.

Sconnie Sampler: September 25th from 1 PM to 4 PM at the Downtown Wausau Airport. Enjoy beer & food from around Wisconsin, along with entertainment by the Spicy Tie Band! Tickets are \$10 each and include admission, along with one Beer and one food item.

Harvest Fest: October 9th from 10 AM to 2 PM - kid's activities, free pumpkins (for those 12 and older), animals, kid's tractor pulls and entertainment.

Holiday Open House: Nov. 5 - 7th
Join our participating River District
businesses as they start to gear up for
the Holiday season. This event is an
excellent opportunity to get inspired
for your holiday gift-giving and
entertaining.

Small Business Saturday: Nov. 27th
Kick-off the Holiday season and help
support your favorite local businesses!
Shop your favorite local stores for unique
finds in clothing, jewelry, gifts, accessories,
sporting goods, and so much more! Feel
good about shopping when you visit your
favorite local stores and keep the holiday
goodwill going. Did you know that shopping
local puts up to 20% more money back into
the local community than shopping at a
national chain? So when you shop Small
Business Saturday, you'll not only
find a unique gift, but you'll be
giving the gift of a sustainable

Holiday Parade: December 3rd

community.

