

Wausau Works *for you!*



Fall/Winter 2011



Greetings Wausau Residents,

Welcome to the autumn season! Another beautiful summer has come to a close and as I reflect back, I'm always amazed at how each one of us manages to pack as much as we can in a few short summer months. The festivals, concerts, kayaking, biking, camping and hiking are crammed into as many summer days as we can afford to participate in.

The city received many favorable comments regarding the completed 400 Block and I'm pleased all the events held there this summer were well attended. This jewel in the middle of our downtown is already proving to be a popular destination for a variety of celebrations and events.

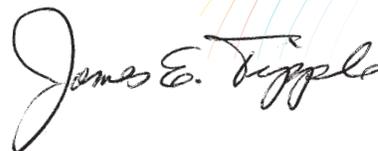
The Wausau Police Department wishes to remind everyone to slow down in school zones. Please take a moment to read the Traffic Safety Reminders enclosed in this publication. School is back in session and we value our children's safety.

Mayor Tipple's Message

Cities across America are faced with the challenges of balancing their budgets in the most cost effective manner possible. Wausau is no different. As our shared revenue sources become less, we challenge ourselves to be fiscally responsible to our taxpayers by balancing public safety and quality of life needs our community expects. I recognize and appreciate the hard work done by all city departments this budget season by implementing efficiencies, eliminating redundancies, controlling spending and reducing staff.

With the 2010 Census data, the City was required to re-draw its election district lines. Effective in the April 2012 election, the City of Wausau will move from twelve (12) aldermanic districts to eleven (11) aldermanic districts and a new map will be made available to you on line and at City Hall. Please see the inside article on what this means to you as a voter.

In closing, I wish to thank you for the confidence you show in me. The years ahead will be challenging, however, through thoughtful and thorough planning, we will continue to provide the necessary services to you in a cost effective manner. I look forward to your questions, concerns and comments. Thank you for making the City of Wausau a great place to live, work and play!



James E. Tipple

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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Halloween

Halloween Trick or Treat hours will be on **Monday, Oct. 31st from 4-7 pm.** Please have a light on if you are participating in treats.

Halloween Costume Party!

The Wausau Police Department along with the YMCA will again offer a Safe Kids Halloween Party at the YMCA – downtown Wausau. The party is free and open to the public and is geared towards preschool/elementary aged children. Party hours are from 1-3 pm on Saturday Oct. 29th.

Volunteers

This is also a great opportunity for families and with older children to volunteer together and help at the party. If you are interested in volunteering please contact Kathy Peterson at the YMCA – 715-845-2177.



East Towne Neighborhood Clean-Up

Mayor Tipple's Neighbor to Neighbor (N2N) Committee will host a 2nd East Towne neighborhood clean-up within the boundaries of Forest to Franklin and 6th to LaSalle. The neighborhood clean-up will be held from **9:00 a.m. to noon on Saturday, October 22**, which is also Make a Difference Day, a national day of volunteerism. If you live or own a business in this neighborhood, you will be receiving a postcard with additional information regarding whether you need assistance or are able to help. All are welcome and encouraged to meet at The Neighbor's Place, 745 Scott Street, then roll up your sleeves and help a family member, friend, or neighbor clean out basements, garages, backyards, and alleys. Just a few hours of your time will Make a Difference in keeping our neighborhoods clean and safe. A FREE lunch will follow the clean-up. For more information or to register to volunteer, please call Mayor Tipple's office at (715) 261-6800.



Neighborhood Sector Meetings

The Wausau Police Department will again host neighborhood sector meetings in 2012. These meetings provide citizens an opportunity to share neighborhood concerns and other enforcement issues they would like the police department to focus on. Officers can educate citizens on national and local crime trends and how best they can help improve the quality of life for residents in their neighborhood.

The EAST side sector meeting will be held in the Council Chambers at Wausau City Hall on Monday, January 23, 2012 from 6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

The WEST side sector meeting will be held at John Muir Middle School in the auditorium on Monday, February 6, 2012 from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.



ATTENTION VOTERS!!! Redistricting Has Occurred

The City is required to re-draw its election district lines following each ten year federal census. What this means for you, the voter, is the possibility your district, ward and/or polling place has changed. The City will be sending out new wallet cards to **registered voters** which will note their assigned district, ward and polling place. However, this information will be based on the addresses provided to us in the Voter Registration program. If you have moved since the last time you voted or would like information on how to register, please contact the Clerk/Customer Service Office at 715-261-6620.



HELP WANTED Election Poll Workers

Hiring Poll Workers to provide services on Election Day two - four times per year. Job Duties include: registering new voters, poll list check in, ballot issuance, counting ballots, etc. Job Requirements: good with people, detail orientated, good penmanship, ability to sit or stand for long periods of time, willing to work in any one of six polling sites located throughout the City. Polls open from 7:00 am to 8:00 pm, but we do offer half-day shifts. Training is provided. Applications are available on the City's website at www.ci.wausau.wi.us. Click on the following from the home page: *[LIVE] [VOTING & ELECTIONS] [VOTING INFORMATION]*. The application is located under 'forms & resources' and is titled: Poll Worker Application. You may contact City Clerk Toni Rayala at 715-261-6622 for further information.



Are You Interested in Running for Elected Office?

The following City of Wausau elected office positions will be open during the Spring 2012 election. Candidates may begin circulation of their nomination papers on or after December 1, 2011. The deadline to file candidacy papers with the City Clerk is by 5:00 pm., on Tuesday, January 3, 2012. To request a candidacy informational packet, email the Clerk at Toni.Rayala@ci.wausau.wi.us with your name and mailing address and the packet will be sent to you the last week of November.

Elected Office	Minimum # of Signatures	Maximum # of Signatures	Term
Alderspersons -11 Districts	20	40	2 year
Mayor	200	400	4 year
Municipal Judge	200	400	2 year

City Hall Hours Have Changed

City Hall has modified the hours of operation 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. year round. This change will be effective beginning on Monday, October 31, 2011. There may be times during the year where City Hall Hours are extended to best serve our residents. The city will notify the public of these extended hours as they become available.

Information is available 24/7 on our website at www.ci.wausau.wi.us.

Thank You!

The City of Wausau is proud to acknowledge and thank the Wausau VFW Honor Guard for donating 100 U.S. flags every 3 years to the city. These flags are flown along Stewart Avenue, River Drive and other areas during most major holidays such as Memorial Day, Labor Day, Independence Day, and Veterans Day. These flags fly freely in honor of our freedom rights and help beautify the City of Wausau. We are grateful for the VFW Honor Guards generous donation.

Wausau Fire Departments Recruitment Process

Featured in this newsletter are four of our newest Firefighter/Paramedics; Shawn Kariger, Reuben Macias, Shane Woller, and Quinn Ambrosius. We're proud to have them on our Team!



L - R: Deputy Fire Chief Phil Rentmeester, Firefighter Shawn Kariger, Fire Chief Gary Buschberger, Firefighter Shane Woller, Firefighter Reuben Macias, Mayor Jim Tipple, Former Organizational Director Don Ryder.

We're often asked "How does someone become a Firefighter?" Our requirements for Firefighter recruits have increased over the years and now bring us qualified candidates that meet national standards. By raising the bar of our candidates, we've reduced the learning curve of new members and improved upon the high-quality service we provide to the City of Wausau residents.



Firefighter Quinn Ambrosius

To begin, a fire department candidate must be at least 18 years old, have a high school diploma or General Education Development (GED) credential, and a Wisconsin Driver's License. Required fire service training includes certification from the International Fire Service Accreditation Congress (IFSAC) to the Firefighter I and II level. To obtain Firefighter II, Firefighter I must be completed first. This course is 96-hours long plus an additional 24-hour Hazardous Materials Operations course. To receive certification, the candidate must successfully pass both written and practical skills exams.

The Firefighter II course is 42 hours long and requires successful completion of a written and practical test as well. To obtain licensure as a Paramedic, a candidate must complete a paramedic course – which is about 1,000 hours with half of the hours at a clinical site – and then successfully complete the National Registry examination.

Other requirements for Firefighter/Paramedics include the ability to wear respirators such as a Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus, completion of a physical agility test, medical and psychological examination, and approval by the Police and Fire Commission.

Child Passenger Safety/Booster Seat Law and Seat Belt Law

Rear-facing child safety seat in the back seat is required when the child:

- Is less than 1-year-old
- weighs less than 20 lbs.

Forward-facing child safety seat in the back seat is required when the child:

- Is at least 1-year-old but less than 4-years-old
- Weighs at least 20 pounds but less than 40 pounds

Booster seat is required when the child:

- Is at least 4-years-old but less than 8-years-old
- Weighs at least 40 pounds but less than 80 pounds
- Is less than 57 inches (4-feet, 9-inches) tall.

Safety belt is required when the child:

- Is 8-years-old or older or
- Weighs 80 or more pounds or
- Is 57-incher or taller.

Drivers can now be stopped by law enforcement for not buckling up. Drivers may also be cited for allowing passengers to go unbelted in their vehicle.

Free car seat checks are available from 4-6 pm on the first Wednesday of each month at Aspirus Hospitals' birthing center or on the third Wednesdays of each month at Yach's Body & Custom in Rib Mountain from 11-1pm and again from 4-6 pm. (NOTE THIS IS A NEW LOCATION!) Car seat sales at reduced rates are available at the events. If you have any questions please contact Safety Officer Maureen Pilsner at 715-261-7853.

Reporting Suspicious Behavior

Have you ever been sitting in your house and suddenly noticed a strange vehicle parked in your neighborhood? Did you ever notice someone walking through the alley that seemed like they were “up to no good”? Would you notice if something at your neighbor’s house appeared abnormal while they were not at home? These are just a few of the possible scenarios in which you can assist the Wausau Police Department with crime prevention and stopping crimes in progress by reporting it as it is occurring.

By reporting suspicious behavior, you are taking an essential role in law enforcement by acting as our eyes and ears. Who would have a better understanding of behavior that is not normal for a neighborhood than the people who live in it?

When reporting suspicious behavior, be ready to provide as much information as possible. It is important to provide information such as vehicle color, make, model, license plate number, the number of people involved and their description. This will assist officers in quickly making contact with the proper individuals. Be sure to explain what it is about the behavior that you feel is suspicious so our officers can respond accordingly. We encourage you to leave your name so an officer has the option of contacting you with questions at a later time. “Anonymous” suspicious activity complaints are responded to in the same manner, but can potentially leave an officer with less law enforcement options due to having no named witness.

Never hesitate to report suspicious behavior, or wait to report it until a different day. Reporting it as it occurs allows officers to make contact with the offending parties immediately, identify them, and determine appropriate legal action for the behavior. As a department, we would much rather respond to a report of suspicious persons and find nothing of criminal nature occurring than have to respond to a complaint later after a crime has taken place. Reporting suspicious activity as it occurs also sends a message throughout the neighborhood that there are people watching out for one another and willing to immediately report suspicious behavior to the police.

Next time you see possible criminal activity in your neighborhood, please don’t hesitate to immediately report it at:

- Wausau Police Department non-emergency line during business hours (Mon – Fri 8am to 4pm) – **715-261-7800**
- Dispatch Center non-emergency – **715-261-7796**
- Emergency - **911**

School Zone Safety

With summer coming to an end and the start of the school year under way, adult crossing guards and student safety patrols are out in full force in an effort to keep our school zones safe. We want to remind parents and drivers to do their part to keep kids safe as well. Parents should be proactive and take the time to talk about safety with their kids. Adults can teach and model the following safety behaviors that all children should follow.

Here are some simple reminders for drivers:

- Slow down and be especially alert in the residential neighborhoods and school zones
- Take extra time to look for kids at intersections, on medians and on curbs
- Enter and exit driveways and alleys slowly and carefully
- Watch for children on and near the road in the morning and after school hours
- Reduce any distractions inside your car so you can concentrate on the road and your



Winter Overnight Parking Reminder

From December 1 through March 31, **no overnight parking** is allowed on city streets. Overnight parking downtown is restricted all year long.

Parking is allowed on the odd or even side of the street from April 1 through November 30. On odd calendar days, parking is permitted on the side of the street with odd house numbers. On even calendar days, overnight parking is permitted on the even side of the street.

If you intend on parking overnight on a city street, please remember that the calendar day changes at midnight. For example, if you park your car on the street on September 1 at 9:00 PM and intend to leave it overnight, you must park on the even side of the road. At 3:00 AM, the date is actually September 2 and the overnight parking ordinance restricts the parking on city streets between the hours of 2:30 AM and 6:00 AM.

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 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 much higher during snow emergencies.

surroundings. Put down your phone and don’t talk or text while driving

Reminder for your kids:

- They should cross the street with an adult until they are at least 10 years old
- Cross the street at corners, using traffic signals and crosswalks
- Never run out into the streets or cross in between parked cars
- Make sure they always walk in front of the bus where the driver can see them

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT'S PORTRAIT OF POSITIVE CHANGE



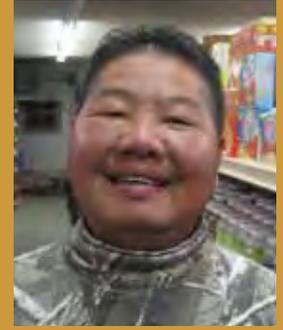
Kevin Eichelberger

**The Red Eye
Brewing Company**
612 Washington Street

Buying Local is Taken to a Whole New Level!

Kevin Eichelberger, Owner and Brewmaster of the Red Eye Brewing Company (612 Washington St.) buys his lemongrass for his beer and fresh oriental ingredients for his food entrees' from Jeff Yang, owner of the Wausau Oriental Food Market (514 Fulton Street), one of Wausau's best kept secrets. This full service market carries a wide variety of fresh fruits and vegetables uncommon to the Wausau area. Kevin makes a point to seek out ingredients from the Oriental Food Market and said "I like to keep it in the Neighborhood and Jeff's market is in my neighborhood".

Jeff Yang has owned and operated the market since 1990 with his wife, Vang L. Yang. We invite you to visit both of these establishments in our east town neighborhood. Kevin always has a new brew, as well as his long standing favorites. Jeff will introduce you to bitter melon, Thai eggplant or some gailain (chinese broccoli) and a wide variety of food items that just may become one of your new favorites.



Jeff Yang

**Oriental Food
Market**
514 Fulton Street

NEW POTENTIAL FOR THE WEST SIDE

Former Wausau Window & Wall Site
1405/1415 West Street, Wausau, Wisconsin



- **5.047 Acres**
- **2 Interstate Access Points within ½ mile (N/S & E/W)**
- **Zoning to Change from Manufacturing to Commercial**
- **Highest Traffic Counts along Stewart Ave (adjacent to site)**
- **Potential to Expand Acreage with City assistance**

The City of Wausau assisted in the process to demolish and clear the old Wausau Window and Wall site in order to expand the South 17th Ave corridor with high quality commercial developments. The Walgreens project North of the site is slated for opening October 4th 2011. The Walgreens development serves as a catalyst to new development along Stewart Ave. Abby Bank is planned for 2012 in the County Market parking lot across from the new Walgreens.

If anyone has interest in Wausau Window & Wall's former site or development going on in the City please contact the Community Development Department at 715-261-6680.

WAUSAU ON THE MOVE

Sherwin-Williams New Site in the Industrial Park



Sherwin-Williams is opening up a "job shop" in the industrial park to distribute chemical coatings for sale and purchase. The 20,000 square foot building is in the process of being built and will employ up to 10 full time employees. We wish to welcome a new employer into Wausau and the City is on-hand to accommodate any needs they may have to ensure their successful expansion.

NEIGHBORHOODS — THEY ARE A-CHANGIN'!



This past year, Community Development worked with many partners and used Neighborhood Stabilization Program funds to demolish and clear a site that was once a "drug" house into six (6) new rental units. Mudrovich Architects were selected from a public RFP (Request For Proposal). Their design took into consideration the other homes in the neighborhood. The paint color and design enhance the homes in the existing area and the site itself transformed the neighborhood.

City of Wausau Information

regarding Waste Disposal & Recycling



2011 Leaf Collection Schedule

This schedule is subject to change depending on weather conditions.

Please **DO NOT** rake leaves into the gutter until the weekend before your scheduled collection date.

The leaves may wash into the storm sewer, clogging inlets and sewer pipes. Also, the additional amount of leaves traveling through the storm sewers add to the amount of leaves in the river, thereby creating an undesirable effect on the environment by increasing the organic matter in the river. **PLEASE COOPERATE!** Residents wishing to dispose of leaves prior to their collection date may deposit leaves in the dumpsters at the yard waste site at 105 East Chellis Street. Leaves should not be raked into gutters after the scheduled collection date. After the scheduled date all remaining leaves should be taken to the yard waste site for disposal.

The yard waste site will close at 8:00 PM, on Monday, November 15, 2011.

WEST SIDE Monday, October 24 West City Limits to 28th Avenue
Tuesday, October 25 North City Limits to Randolph Street
(Bovine, Merrill Ave, Arlington, Arthur & Brandon court)
Wednesday, October 26 Randolph Street South to Union Avenue
Thursday, October 27 Union Avenue South to Bridge Street
Friday, October 28 Bridge Street South to Spruce Street
Monday, October 31 Spruce Street South to Callon Street
Tuesday, November 1 Callon Street South to West Street
Wednesday, November 2 West Street South to Rosecrans Street
Thursday, November 3 Rosecrans Street South to Chellis Street
Friday, November 4 Chellis Street South to Lake Wausau

EAST SIDE Monday, October 24 North City Limits South to Sylvan Street
Tuesday, October 25 Sylvan Street to Brown Street
Wednesday, October 26 Brown South to E. Wausau Avenue
Thursday, October 27 East Wausau Avenue South to Stark Street
Friday, October 28 Stark Street South to Franklin Street
Monday, October 31 Franklin Street South to Kickbusch Street
Tuesday, November 1 Kickbusch Street South to Single Avenue
Wednesday, November 2 Single Avenue South to McDonald Street
Thursday, November 3 Sturgeon Eddy Road South to Weston
Friday, November 4 Weston Avenue South to Kent Street
Monday, November 7 Kent Street South to the South City Limits

If collection progresses faster than anticipated, areas will be checked again on the scheduled date. Any questions should be directed to the Department of Public Works at 715-261-6960.

Woodson Art Museum Exhibition Schedule

**September 10-
Nov. 13, 2011**
Birds in Art

**Nov. 19, 2011
- Jan. 22, 2012**
Boxes and Their
Makers: Contemporary
Woodworkers

"Think Inside the Box"
**Nov. 19, 2011 -
Jan. 22, 2012**

**January 28 -
April 8, 2012**
Dinotopia: The Fantastical
Art of James Gurney

**April 14 -
June 17, 2012**
NASA | ART: 50 Years of
Exploration

Hours:
Tuesday-Friday
9 am-4 pm
First Thursday each month
and Thursdays during *Birds
in Art*
9 am-7:30 pm
Saturday-Sunday
Noon-5 pm
Closed Monday and
holidays

Admission:
Always Free Admission
Phone: 715-845-7010
Fax: 715-845-7103
Web: www.lywam.org
Email:
museum@lywam.org or
abeck@lywam.org

Location:
Franklin and 12th Street,
Wausau, WI

Mail:
700 N. 12th Street,
Wausau, WI 54403-5007

SAVE



Reduce, Reuse, Recycle in Wausau!

Your participation in the City's Recycling Program is important for Wausau. Not only is recycling valuable to the environment, it is mandated by the state and we receive financial grants based on the amount collected. If the recycling amount goes down, so does our financial assistance!

On the next page is the 2012 Recycling Calendar. Extra copies of this calendar are available at Wausau City Hall, 407 Grant Street or by calling 715-261-6620 to have one sent to you. Residents must use a recycling bin that can be identified by Veolia Environmental Services, the company contracted by the City to collect trash and recyclables. Following is the new Marathon County Solid Waste Department Recycling and Solid Waste TOLL FREE INFORMATION LINE – 877-270-3989. Please feel free to call this number for answers to all your solid waste, hazardous waste, waste reduction and recycling questions. You may also access them on-line at www.marathoncountysolidwaste.org.

Container For "Co-Mingle" (Any Color Bin)

IMPORTANT WARNING! Never Place Needles/Syringes In The Garbage Or Recycling! Call Toll-Free, 877-270-3989, For Disposal Options!

New! **#1-7 Plastics:** Rinse containers. These plastics include milk jugs, pop bottles, detergent bottles, food & beverage containers, cat litter containers, ice cream pails, 5-gallon pails, medicine/pill containers, bakery containers, flower pots or trays, yogurt or cottage cheese containers, cups & tubs, clear and rigid "clam shell" packaging, small plastic toys. **NO BROWN PLASTIC BEER OR LIQUOR BOTTLES! NO MOTOR OIL OR PESTICIDE CONTAINERS!**

New! **Aseptic Containers:** Rinse and remove caps. Cartons or boxes used for juice drinks, milk, soy milk, ice cream, broth, etc.

Glass: Rinse and remove caps. Any color glass. Only bottles and jars. **NO CERAMICS, DISHES, OR WINDOW/MIRROR GLASS!**

Aluminum Cans: Do NOT crush cans. **NO PIE PANS, ALUMINUM FOIL OR SCRAP ALUMINUM!**

Tin/Bi-Metal Cans: Rinse cans, keep lid inside, and pinch top. Labels may stay on cans.

Container For Paper Products/Fibers

Corrugated Cardboard: Look for the "wavy" middle! Flatten boxes; they DO NOT need to be tied.

Office Paper, Newspaper, Magazines - Mix Papers: Place in a paper bag and then place next to cardboard. This includes egg cartons, junk mail, nonmetallic wrapping paper, pizza boxes (remove food debris), cereal boxes, soda/beer cartons, newspapers, books, etc.

Special Waste-Recycling Used Motor Oil, Oil Filters & Lead-Acid Batteries

Motor oil should be left curbside on your scheduled recycling day in a plastic container with lid (milk jug with lid). Collection of waste oil is done according to room on the Veolia truck. Veolia has a separate bin on their truck for oil and batteries. Once that bin is filled, they cannot accept any more oil or batteries and will leave it behind. Batteries include lead acid batteries...car, lawn mower, motorcycle, etc.

Larger quantities of waste oil and lead-acid batteries may be delivered, without fee, to the Marathon Co. Solid Waste Dept (landfill) or Yeager's Salvage Yard.

Oil filters are now banned from landfills. Oil filters may be delivered to any of the following recycling drop off locations (some fees may apply): NAPA Mosinee, O'Reilly Auto Parts, Veolia ES, Yeager's Salvage Yard and Marathon Co. Solid Waste Dept.

Roof Shingle-Recycling

Please call Veolia or Tito Inc. (715-355-6841) for containers and special rates

Contact Name	Phone #	Items
Marathon Co. Solid Waste Dept	877-270-3989 (toll-free)	Service for the management of household hazardous waste, tires, appliances, electronics, Sharps, scrap metal, fluorescent lighting, rechargeable batteries, construction/demolition waste, oil filters, general household waste, recycling, confidential document destruction, composting and waste reduction.
Veolia Environmental Services	715-359-6637	Tires, Appliances, Furniture, Electronics, Fluorescent Bulbs, etc. Note: Please call for specific handling instructions
Marathon Co. Solid Waste Dept	877-270-3989 (toll-free)	Unwanted/outdated medication drop boxes @ Wausau, Rothschild, Everest-Metro and Kronenwetter police depts
Veolia Environmental Services	715-359-2317	Overflow Recycling Materials - Located at 5509 Fuller St., Weston
City Yard Waste Site	715-261-6960	Grass clippings, Leaves, Needles & Brush
Good News Project	715-843-5985	Electronics, TV's, Computers, Stereo Equipment, Etc. Charge .30/lb. for disposal.
Best Buy	715-241-0711	Electronics, TVs, Computers, etc. Call for specific information on prices

2012 Recycling Collection Calendar

Refer to the table and the calendar to determine your recycling and garbage pick-up day. If you have any questions as to whether you live in a blue or yellow collection area, call City Hall at 261-6500. Residents are recommended to use a City authorized green recycling bin for recycling to be identified by the drivers. Recycling bins should be set out with garbage containers between the hours of 5:00 pm the day before pick-up and 5:45 a.m. the day of collection, and containers should be removed from the curbside area by 8:00 a.m. the day after pick-up. Between pick-ups, bins and containers should be kept where they are not visible from the front of your property. **Keep this schedule for future reference and remember the holiday schedule of a "day delay" pick-up.**

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WEST SIDE OF WISCONSIN RIVER:		
North of W. Wausau Ave.	Monday	Blue
North of Elm St., South of W. Wausau Ave. & East of USH 51	Monday	Yellow
South of Elm St. & North of Stewart Ave. including entire area West of USH 51	Tuesday	Blue
South of Stewart Ave. & North of Thomas St.	Tuesday	Yellow
South of Thomas St.	Wednesday	Blue

EAST SIDE OF WISCONSIN RIVER:		
North of Marquardt Rd. & East of railroad tracks	Wednesday	Blue
North of Nina Ave. & South of Marquardt Rd. including homes West of the railroad tracks to Evergreen Rd.	Wednesday	Yellow
South of Nina Ave. & North of Hamilton St.	Thursday	Blue
South of Hamilton St. & North of Kickbusch St.	Thursday	Yellow
South of Kickbusch St., North of McDonald St. & East of Northwestern Rd.	Friday	Blue
South of McDonald St. & entire area West of Northwestern Rd.	Friday	Yellow

Fall & Winter Recreation Programs 2011/12

Must be 42 inches tall to ride. One rider per tube. Fee: \$6-13 & under (min. 42 inches tall); \$8.50 14 & older. Hill available to rent for private parties. Call 715 261-1550 for details.

Sledding Hills in Wausau

Open when snow cover permits.
Hours: sunrise to 11 pm Fee: FREE!
Locations:

Pleasant View-1221 Sumner St (lights)
"3M" Park-405 Park Blvd (lights)
Riverside Park-100 Sherman St
Schofield Park-606 E Randolph St

Dog-Gone Snow Stomps

Jan 15 & Feb 12, 2012. 1-4 pm.
Athletic Park Outfield (enter gate on North 5th Street next to clubhouse)
Fee: \$5 Per Dog. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult. Proof of current vaccinations required. Door prizes & doggie clean-up bags provided on site. Cancelled if air/wind-chill temps are 10° or colder.

Cross-Country Skiing/Snowshoeing

Open when snow conditions permit. 9-Mile County Forest Recreation Area w/groomed & signed trails, ski & snowshoe rentals, a chalet & 3.7 miles of trail with lights for night skiing. Season or daily pass required, Call for rates, hours and conditions 261-1550. American Legion/Sylvan Hill w/groomed trails. Park Shelter w/restrooms & snack bar available when tubing hill is open. Donation requested.

Indoor Ice skating (w/skate rentals)

Dates: Oct 5-Mar 5, Mon-Fri 11am-1pm. Oct 27- Feb 9, Wed. 7-9 pm, Sun. 2-5pm. Marathon Park. Hours subject to change due to special events and/or scheduling conflicts. Call 261-1550 for rates & to confirm weekly hours.

Adult Evening Water Exercise

Oct 11-Nov 16; Jan 02-Feb 08, Feb 13-Mar 21. 6:30 -7:30 pm, John Muir Pool, Mon /Wed nights (some Tuesdays due to school conflicts) Fee: \$36 Wausau residents, \$46 non-res. Space limited, pre-registration required. No children or drop-ins allowed.

Skating with Charlotte

Adult Beg. & Adv Figure Skating
Oct 19-Dec 14, '11 & Jan 04-Feb 22, '12
Wednesdays 10-11 am. Fee: \$20
MPB #1, Marathon Park, Wausau
Pre-registration/on-site registration allowed.
Skate for free-11am to 1 pm after each class.

DL Corbin Shooting Range Park

Open thru. Nov. 18, 2011. Fee: \$3 daily, \$30 season. Kids 12 & under, free w/adult. Targets and ear cover for sale on site. Call 261-1550 for details.

Camping

Season open through Oct. 31, 2011
Electric/dump sites-Big Eau Pleine & Marathon Pk. Electric-Dells of the Eau Claire. FIREWOOD CARRY-IN BAN IN EFFECT. Firewood sold on site. Call 261-1566 for rates and site information.

Sylvan Hill Snow Tubing

Open Dec 16- March 03 (weather permitting) Open daily for Christmas Break. Holiday hrs 1:30-5 or 6 to 9:30 pm. Weekend hrs Fri. 6-9:30 pm, Sat.1:30-5 or 6-9:30 pm, Sun 1:30-5 pm.

Outdoor Ice Skating/Hockey

Hours: Monday – Friday 5:30-8:00pm, Saturday 1:00-8:00pm, Sunday 1:00-4:30pm. Holiday Hours: Monday – Saturday 1:00-8:00pm, Sunday 1-4:30pm
Rinks are closed any time air temp/wind chill combine to measure -20 degrees or colder.

Rink	Location	Type of Skating/Amenities
400 Block	Downtown Wausau	Open skate, warming house
Brockmeyer Park	4200 Stettin Dr.	Open skate, hockey, warming house
Grant	500 N 4 th Ave.	Open skate, warming house
Marshall	1918 Lamont St.	Open skate, NO warming house
Riverview	4303 E. Troy St.	Open skating, hockey, warming house

Marathon County Historical Society Events

from September 2011 – February 2012

For further information on any of these events, call the Historical Society at 715-842-5750.

October 20, 2011 – 6:30 pm

Gallery Walk with Brett Barker

Take an intimate walk through the Civil War exhibit with expert Dr. Brett Barker, Ph.D., as your guide.

October 22, 2011 – 10:30 am

Vintage Wisconsin Gardens Book Signing & Luncheon

Enjoy a delicious morning brunch while author Lee Somerville introduces you to the region's ornamental gardens of the 19th and early 20th centuries

November 11, 2011 – 2:00 pm

A Soldier's Life

Get a close up look at what a soldier's life was like in the Civil War.

December 3, 2011 – 1:00-4:30 pm

Spirit of Christmas Past

February 11, 2012 – 1:00 pm

Mother-Child Tea

A special afternoon tea for mothers and their son and daughter.

February 14, 2012 – 2:00 pm

Valentine Tea

Enjoy an afternoon of tea and treats in the historic Woodson History Center.

Additional information can be found at our website: marathoncountyhistory.org, by calling 715-842-5750 or questions can be directed to events@marathoncountyhistory.org



Major Road Projects

The following City of Wausau streets were reconstructed at the direction of the Wisconsin Department of Transportation:

PROJECT: STH 52 from 17th Avenue – 18th Avenue

DESCRIPTION: STH 52 was reconstructed to include new curb and gutter, concrete pavement, storm sewer, sidewalk, street lights and traffic signals. Additional turn lanes for left bound turn lanes at 17th Avenue were also constructed.

The following city streets were reconstructed in the summer of 2011 under the direction of the Engineering Department:

Milwaukee Avenue from Ginger Lane to Northwestern Avenue
 Brook View Court from Milwaukee Avenue to the cul-de-sac
 Ginger Lane from Milwaukee Avenue to Northwestern Avenue
 Easthill Drive from Townline Road to the north
 South 6th Avenue from Chellis Street to Rosecrans Street
 East Union Avenue from 5th Street to 7th Street

DESCRIPTION: Work consisted of new curb and gutter, asphalt pavement, sanitary sewer and water laterals and storm sewer.

SCHEDULE: Substantially Complete

The following city streets were resurfaced in the summer of 2011:

72nd Avenue from Highland Drive to Stettin Drive
 Highland Drive from 72nd Avenue to 84th Avenue
 Stewart Avenue from 72nd Avenue to 84th Avenue
 Packer Drive from west entrance of Green Bay Packaging to 56th Avenue
 South 12th Avenue from Thomas Street to West Street
 South 10th Avenue from Thomas Street to West Street
 Garfield Avenue from 17th Avenue to 18th Avenue
 Sherman Street from South 1st Avenue to Riverside Park
 Holub Street from 10th Avenue to 12th Avenue
 Jefferson Street from 10th Street to 12th Street
 North 8th Street from McIndoe Street to Steuben Street
 North 13th Street from Stark Street to North Hill Road
 Marquardt Road from Carl Street to Pine Cone Lane
 Evergreen Road from Riverview Drive to North 6th Street

DESCRIPTION: Work consisted of milling the existing asphalt and placing a new asphalt surface.

Pet Reminders & Pet License Information

The City of Wausau requires all dogs and cats of 5 month's of age or more to be licensed each year. You can obtain a license application at the Clerk's Office in Wausau City Hall, 407 Grant Street. The fee is \$5 for pets that are Spayed/Neutered and \$15 for pets that are NOT Spayed/Neutered. A rabies certificate must accompany the license application. Licenses are due by March 31st each year and a late fee of \$5.00 will be added after March 31st. The forfeiture for NOT having a license is \$114.00.

As a resident in the City of Wausau you are allowed by ordinance to keep a maximum of 2 dogs and 3 cats. Animals are not allowed on the 400 Block park during organized special events (this excludes a service dog aiding a person with a disability). When out in public, animals need to be on a leash no more than six feet in length and accompanied by a responsible person or under the control of a responsible person. The owner of any animal or person having the custody or control of any animal shall be responsible for CLEANING UP ANY FECES of the animal, whether on their own property, on the property of others, or on public property. Thank you for being a responsible pet owner!



Sidewalk Snow/Ice Removal

Property owners are reminded that it is their responsibility to keep the public sidewalk adjacent to their property clear of ice and snow, as well as public corners which may abut their property. Snow should be cleared from the full width of the sidewalk within 24 hours of a snowfall. Snow-covered or icy sidewalks create a great deal of inconvenience to pedestrians and present a safety hazard and possible exposure to liability. When the City receives a complaint of a snow/ice covered sidewalk, the property is inspected and a notice is issued to the owner. If the snow/ice is not removed within 48 hours of the notice, the City will clear the sidewalk and the owner will be billed for the cost. The minimum charge is approximately \$100.

Residents are also reminded that shoveling, plowing or blowing snow from sidewalks or driveways into the street is not permitted. Be a good neighbor and be considerate of others.



News from the Assessment Department September 2011

The League of Wisconsin Municipalities held their annual Municipal Assessors Institute September 13 -16, 2011 in Middleton and two appraisers from the City of Wausau received recognition:

Richard L. Rubow received a Presidential Citation for his work as Chairperson of the Personal Property Committee. One accomplishment by the committee during his term as chairperson was the addition of Tax Identification Numbers now being required on the Department of Revenues annual Statement of Personal Property form allowing for accountability of businesses statewide.

Jeremy M. Ray received the prestigious Publication Award from the Wisconsin Association of Assessing Officers for his article titled, "Why can't I sell my condo?" published in the Assessor's Voice of Wisconsin Summer 2011 issue. This award is given to a WAAO member that author and publish an article, or essay on property tax administration, or a topic related to the assessment field. The article must have been published in a recognized state, regional, or national publication, such as the AVOW, professional organization newsletters, Assessment Digest, Property Tax Journal, etc. within two years prior to nomination. Eligibility and criteria include any or a combination of the following: 1. Publication of original article, essay, or other written work concerning assessment valuation methods and procedures, property tax administration, etc. 2. Publication of materials in a professional recognized journal, periodical, newsletter, or bulletin within the past two years. Below is his published article.



Why can't I sell my Condo?

By *Jeremy M. Ray – Residential Appraiser, City of Wausau Property Assessment Department*

FOR SALE: Large 1400 square foot two bedroom and one bath condo with loft, private entry and garage. Low association fee. Great amenities and location. Reduced from \$110,000. Great Value. Now only \$69,900. Call today!

Condominiums are currently marketed for sufficiently longer periods of time and are commanding increasingly lower sale prices to the point of being the untouchable jewels of the real estate market. Sellers receiving offers to purchase, quickly have their ads back in the classifieds due to potential buyers being unable to obtain financing.

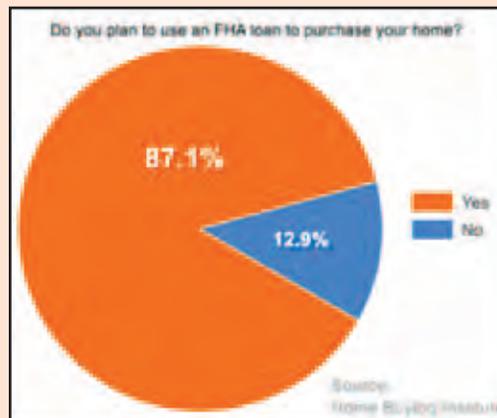
Until recently, tax credits supported a large pool of prospective condo buyers; those purchasing a home for the first time. But even first time home buyers are finding it difficult to actually purchase a condo, even if they want one.

New lending regulations announced in May 2005, introduced a comprehensive revision to the Fannie Mae review process for condo projects. A condo project is a group of condominium units within the same condo association. Several amendments to the process have been made since then, including the more recent discontinuance of conventional mortgage loans for condominium units within Federal

Housing Administration (FHA)-approved condo projects unless they meet new eligibility requirements.

Banks still have the option of offering independent financing to potential Condo buyers, but they then lose Federal protections against future default by the borrower. Lenders choosing to offer FHA loans on condo projects must now take on the expense and bureaucracy of getting a condo project approved. The 21-page document describing the Condominium Approval Process is available online from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). A list of approved Condo projects is also maintained by HUD.

Several companies have emerged in the financing industry specializing in the task of securing FHA approval for Condo projects. The required fees for submitting an application are due up front with no guaranty of project approval. These companies then also offer FHA loans to their clients with fees that may or may not be competitive with local Banks.



With the Home Buying Institute reporting that 87% of home buyers plan to use a FHA home loan, the list of potential condo buyers is significantly smaller for condo projects that are not FHA approved. The Home Buying Institute also reports that FHA loans are favored by potential home buyers due to smaller down payment requirements.

A review of Arm's Length sales of condominiums in Wausau, WI during 2010 discovers that 50% were purchased with cash and the other half were purchased using conventional mortgages where a down payment of 40% or more was made by the purchaser. None were purchased with a FHA loan.

The question that begs to be answered, "How much is a Condominium worth under these circumstances?" is less complicated to answer than getting approval from the FHA for a Condo loan. The Wisconsin Department of Revenue defines MARKET VALUE as, "the dollar amount for which a property would be sold by a willing seller to a willing buyer under normal market conditions."

Condominiums represent a small portion of the residential class of properties. This subclass of properties is being significantly influenced in a disproportionate amount compared to other properties within the residential class creating an abnormal market for condominiums. According to sales data from 2009-2010 for the City of Wausau, the influence of this abnormal market has reduced the value of condominiums by an average of approximately 10 percent.

A similar and familiar situation exists with properties in foreclosure. Foreclosed properties are sold under duress, often at discount prices and are generally not considered as a true indicator of market value. However, when a majority of properties within a particular neighborhood are sold under foreclosure, other homes within that neighborhood will also be negatively affected. This is called the principle of regression. The perception of these properties as having less value is only temporary and is removed once the abnormal market conditions subside.

The problem for condo owners may be further aggravated by the associated property tax value or "assessed value" listed for their property. Property assessments in Wisconsin are determined every time a municipality conducts a "revaluation" of all taxable property within the taxing jurisdiction. This "assessment" is the value that stays on the property until the next revaluation or until such time as the property is improved/destroyed or the assessment record is otherwise updated to reflect new information.

If the time period between revaluations is long enough for inequalities to emerge within or between classes of real estate, especially by values of 10 percent or more, further stress is placed on the marketability of properties with reduced market value. After all, who wants to pay taxes based on a superfluous property tax assessment?

The solution for condo owners is twofold. First of all, condo associations should be approached by condo owners attempting to market their property for assistance in getting the Condo project approved by the FHA. This will only benefit the association by making the individual units within the Condo project more marketable and will assist in maintaining property values within the project. Secondly, condo owners within taxing jurisdictions where inequalities exist between and within classes of real estate should appeal to their local government for a revaluation.

NOTE: For the 2011 City of Wausau Board of Review, two (2) condo owners filed objections and both cases were sustained in favor of the assessor's valuation because of this complex issue.

For further property information call the Assessment Department at 715-261-6600 or visit our webpage at: www.ci.wausau.wi.us/assessment.



Mainstreet Wausau, Inc.

Main Street Wausau, Inc. is excited to announce the launch of our new website - www.WausauRiverDistrict.com! This redesigned site reflects the vibrancy of downtown Wausau's River District and Main Street Wausau's commitment to building a strong center of commerce and community life in the heart of Wausau.

Visit www.WausauRiverDistrict.com to find:

- The inside scoop on River District events and happenings – everything from live entertainment to bargain buys!
- Easy to find information on all your favorite shopping, dining, and service destinations in the District.
- An itinerary builder to help out-of-town friends and relatives plan their stay.
- Information on business tools available through Main Street Wausau to keep businesses thriving and get new entrepreneurs off the ground!

Main Street Wausau, Inc. is a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization formed in 2002 to play an active role in building the future of Wausau's River District for the benefit of the entire Wausau community. Our office is located at 316 Scott Street. 715.845.1328.



Scan this to see our new look!



Property Maintenance Reminders...

- All exterior property areas should be maintained in a clean and sanitary condition, free from any accumulation of rubbish or garbage.
- Parking of vehicles on the grass in the City is not allowed—vehicles must be parked on established driveway/parking areas that are hard-surfaced (on blacktop, concrete, or paving bricks that are approved by the City). Adding more parking area on residential properties by using gravel is not allowed.
- Vehicles that are inoperative, abandoned, unregistered, or unlicensed, or in any state of major disassembly, disrepair, or dismantlement ARE NOT ALLOWED on residential properties; in addition, working on vehicles on residential properties is not permitted.
- Recreational equipment or trailers (motor homes, camping and travel trailers, boats, boat trailers, snowmobiles, all-terrain vehicles, utility trailers, etc.) cannot be parked or stored in any required front yard or corner side yard of any residential property, except for on a designated driveway which meets the City's hard-surfacing requirements. Also, equipment or trailers longer than 30' (measured from back bumper to tongue) must be parked within enclosed structures.
- Rummage sale, garage sale, real estate, advertising, or other such signs cannot be placed on boulevards or other public right-of-ways, nor can they be attached to public utility poles.
- Garbage containers, recyclable containers and trash should not be set out for collection any sooner than 5:00 p.m. of the day before pick-up, and all containers should be removed from the curb-side/boulevard area by 8:00 a.m. of the day after pick-up. Between pick-ups, garbage and recyclable containers should not be kept in any required front yard or corner side yard, or in an area where they would be visible from the front of the property. Also, during winter months no trash or containers should be placed on snow banks.
- Garbage containers should be of substantial construction with tight-fitting covers and strong handles on the outside, they should be watertight and flyproof, and they should have a capacity not to exceed 35 gallons. Any container when filled should not weigh more than 50 pounds. Landlords should provide a sufficient number of containers to hold the recyclable and nonrecyclable solid waste for their properties.
- Removal of dog/animal excreta: Minimum standards of sanitation for both indoor and outdoor enclosures, including yards, shall include **daily** cleaning to remove excreta and other waste materials, dirt and trash so as to minimize health hazards.
- House numbers should be located in a conspicuous place on the front of all residential structures. They should be of such size so they can easily be seen from the street.
- *If you have any questions or wish to report any violations, call the Department of Inspection and Zoning at (715) 261-6780.*

Inspectors Office Hours Change

Effective January 1

Effective January 1, the office hours for inspectors will change from 8:00-9:00 a.m. and 1:00-2:00 p.m. to **8:00-10:00 AM**.

The inspectors issue permits and will answer any questions you may have during the new hours. The remainder of the work day, they conduct on-site inspections. However, if these times are not convenient for you, contact the Department of Inspection and Zoning at (715) 261-6780, and they are generally able to make other arrangements for you to meet with their staff.

Construction/Remodeling Projects...

If you are planning any construction or remodeling projects, we would like to remind you that building permits are required for most projects within the City of Wausau (including installation/ replacement of siding, roofing, construction of decks, stoops, ramps, sheds, etc.).

A more complete list is available on-line at:

www.ci.wausau.wi.us/Departments/Inspections/ResidentialPermitRequirements.aspx

Also, any electrical or plumbing work requires separate permits. Permits are required not only to ensure your project meets City zoning regulations and complies with City and State codes, but also lets us assist you in achieving a project that is safe and structurally sound.

For more information, contact the Department of Inspections and Zoning at (715) 261-6780.

Important Information Regarding Residential Roofs:

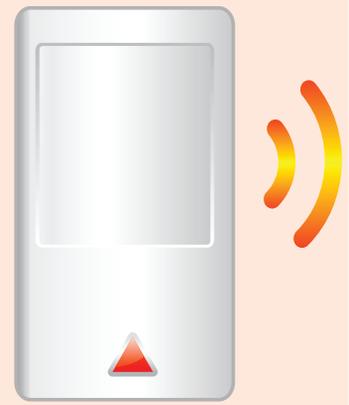
The City of Wausau requires a building permit for the installation/replacement of all residential roofing in the City including reshingling. The primary reason for this is to make sure that contractors have proper licenses/credentials with the State and adequate insurance (as a protection to homeowners), but also to ensure that roofs are properly installed.

With changes in building products, metal roofs on homes are becoming more common. However, metal roofs are not allowed on residential buildings in the City of Wausau unless they meet certain guidelines and are approved on an individual case-by-case basis by the City's Building Advisory Board. Note: metal roofs using corrugated panels or exposed fasteners will not be approved for use on residential buildings.

Red Flags - Signs of the Unprofessional Remodeler:

The National Association of Home Builders (NAHB) says it's important to know the warning signs for unscrupulous home remodelers and offers the following red flags to keep in mind when searching for a contractor:

-  **Doesn't have license and insurance.** All professional home remodelers should be insured and able to show their certificate proving such insurance. The State of Wisconsin requires that contractors have a Dwelling Contractor credential (to verify proof of responsibility and minimum insurance limits) and that one of their employees holds a Dwelling Contractor Qualifier credential (minimum continuing education requirements to maintain some level of contractor competency).
-  **Doesn't write contracts.** Professional home remodelers have clear contracts that outline the job, process, the cost, and helps clarify how problems will be managed. If you don't have a contract, neither the remodeler nor the homeowner is protected when something goes wrong.
-  **Requires cash or payment in full before starting the job.** Shady home remodelers demand cash and then run with the money. Many homeowners have been stranded by paying in full up front.
-  **Vastly underbids all other contractors.** They may have the best price, but that doesn't guarantee the best work. Such contractors may cut costs on quality for your home remodel, which can end up costing more when the homeowner has to redo the work.
-  **Cannot provide customer references.** Professional home remodelers should have current references they can provide from current and past clients.
-  **Poor credit.** A bad credit report suggests bad business practices that could harm your remodeling project.
-  **Difficulty contacting the home remodeler.** Professionals have a physical office, mailing address, phone, and email. They should respond to your queries in a timely manner.



Carbon Monoxide (Co) Detectors Required:

The owner of a dwelling unit shall install a functional carbon monoxide detector in the basement of the dwelling and on each floor level except the attic, garage, or storage area of each dwelling unit. This does not apply to the owner of a unit that has no attached garage, no fireplace, and no fuel-burning appliance in the building.

Inspectors will be checking for detectors when they inspect construction or remodeling projects.



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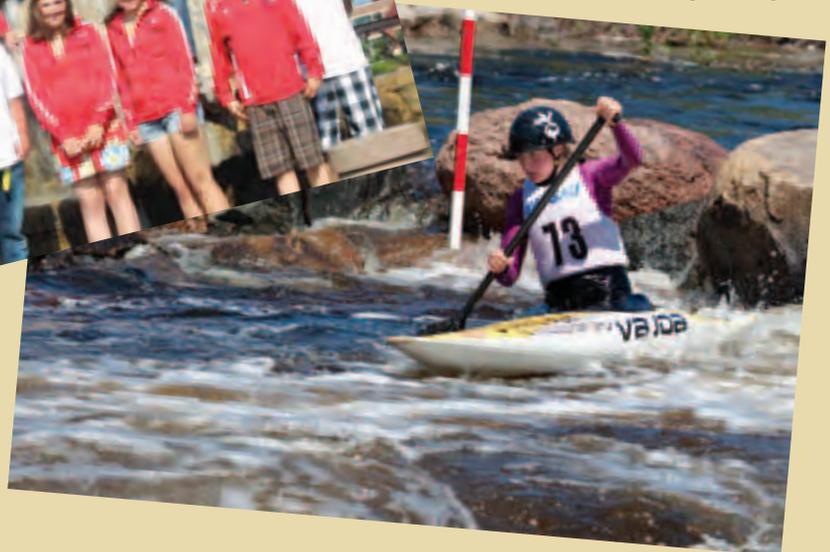
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Canoe Slalom World Championships

On July 10th-15th of 2012 the World comes to Wausau for the ICF Junior and U23 Canoe Slalom World Championships. Over 300 athletes representing 30 countries will compete for Gold at Wausau Whitewater Park next July; and our own Hailey Thompson from Stevens Point, WI will compete among them. So, come out to Wausau Whitewater Park to support Hailey and the rest of Team USA as they navigate the raging water for their place on the podium. If you'd like to support the event through volunteering please email volunteer@wausauwhitewater.org today!



Junior National Team



Hailey Thompson