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COMMON COUNCIL**

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Announcements

Saturday, March 21 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. - Visit the 2015 Home Expo, Craft Fair and Chocolate Extravaganza at Burlington High School, 400 McCanna Pkwy. Contact the Chamber of Commerce at 763-6044 with questions.

April 3 - City offices closed for Easter.

April 7 from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. - Spring Election. Contact the City Clerk with questions at 342-1161.

May through October - Visit the Farmers' Market every Thursday from 3-7 p.m. in Wehmhoff Square, downtown Burlington. Visit burlingtonwifarmersmarket.com for more information.

May 22-25 - ChocolateFest 2015! Chocolate, food, music, games, events and a carnival. Visit chocolatefest.com for more information.

May 25 at 9 a.m. - Veteran's Memorial Day Parade starts at Kane and Edward Streets.

CITY STAFF DIRECTORY

City Hall

300 N. Pine Street - 342-1161

Robert Miller	Mayor
Carina Walters	City Administrator
Megan Watkins	Director of Administrative Services
Steve DeQuaker	Treasurer/Budget Officer
Gregory Guidry	Building Inspector
Diahnn Halbach	City Clerk

Fire Department

165 E. Washington Street - 763-7842

Perry Howard	Fire Chief
John Niederer	Fire Inspector

Public Library

166 E. Jefferson Street - 342-1130

Gayle Falk	Library Director
Joy Schupp	Youth Services Director
Carole Rybarczyk	Adult Services Director

Police Department

224 E. Jefferson Street - 342-1100

Peter Nimmer	Police Chief
Mark Anderson	Lieutenant

Public Works - Streets/Parks/Water

2200 S. Pine Street - 539-3770

Craig Workman	Public Works Director
Dan Jensen	Supervisor - Streets & Parks

Public Works - Wastewater

2100 S. Pine Street - 539-3646

Craig Workman	Public Works Director
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Municipal Court

300 N. Pine Street - 342-1129

Marvin Daniel	Municipal Court Judge
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Recycling Collection Schedule

- Week of March 8 - 14
- Week of March 22 - 28
- Week of April 5 - 11
- Week of April 19 - 23
- Week of May 3 - 9
- Week of May 17 - 23
- Week of May 31 - June 6
- Week of June 14 - 20

March Meetings

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|------|-----------|---------------------|
| 3/3 | 5:00 p.m. | - Police & Fire Com |
| 3/3 | 5:30 p.m. | - CDA |
| 3/3 | 6:30 p.m. | - Common Council |
| 3/10 | 6:30 p.m. | - Plan Commission |
| 3/17 | 6:30 p.m. | - Common Council |
| 3/19 | 6:30 p.m. | - Park Board |
| 3/24 | 4:00 p.m. | - Library Board |
| 3/26 | 6:00 p.m. | - Airport Committee |
| 3/26 | 6:30 p.m. | - HPC |

April Meetings

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| 4/7 | 5:00 p.m. | - Police & Fire Com |
| 4/8 | 5:30 p.m. | - CDA |
| 4/8 | 6:30 p.m. | - Common Council |
| 4/14 | 6:30 p.m. | - Plan Commission |
| 4/16 | 6:30 p.m. | - Park Board |
| 4/21 | 6:30 p.m. | - Common Council |
| 4/23 | 6:00 p.m. | - Airport Committee |
| 4/23 | 6:30 p.m. | - HPC |
| 4/28 | 4:00 p.m. | - Library Board |

May Meetings

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| 5/5 | 5:00 p.m. | - Police & Fire Com |
| 5/5 | 5:30 p.m. | - CDA |
| 5/5 | 6:30 p.m. | - Common Council |
| 5/12 | 6:30 p.m. | - Plan Commission |
| 5/19 | 6:30 p.m. | - Common Council |
| 5/21 | 6:30 p.m. | - Park Board |
| 5/26 | 4:00 p.m. | - Library Board |
| 5/28 | 6:00 p.m. | - Airport Committee |
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Get Involved With Our Community!

Burlington is a great city that has been built by the dedication and time of so many volunteers. City officials and staff are currently seeking proud residents that are looking to serve the community. Here are some great opportunities on a municipal level where you can become more involved in our day to day operations.

Become an Alderman

Openings for each of the four aldermanic districts are available every year in April. You must live in the district you wish to run for. Nomination papers can be circulated each December with the election the first Tuesday of April. If you are interested in running for alderman, please contact the City Clerk at 342-1161 or at City Hall, 300 N. Pine Street for detailed information.

Student Representatives

Become a high school student representative during the school year on one of the following committees: Common Council, Plan Commission, Historic Preservation Commission, Park Board or Airport Committee. There are still a few openings available for this school year. Contact Christina Coverset at cconverset@basd.k12.wi.us for more information.

Become an Election Inspector

The City is always looking for additional election poll workers to assist with various duties on election days. If this would interest you, please contact the City Clerk at 342-1161.

Volunteer with the Fire Department

The City of Burlington Fire Department is a combination fire department comprised of volunteers and full time staff. Volunteers (age 18+) are a group of unpaid firefighters that either respond from their homes or stay at the station helping out in various ways. Volunteers function as active firefighters and/or EMS personnel. The Fire Department also offers an internship program for age 18+. This is a great opportunity to learn how to be a firefighter from on the scene to at the station. You are mentored by the full time personnel and can earn great references to build your resume.

Contact the Burlington Fire Department at 763-7842 or at www.burlington-wi.gov to apply or receive more information.

Serve on a Board or Committee

The City of Burlington is always looking for community members to serve on the various boards and committees that help keep the City running smoothly. Visit the City website at www.burlington-wi.gov for information about each of the boards, committees and commissions to see if they might be a fit for you. If you are interested in becoming a member you can contact the Mayor at 342-1161 or your Alderman to request to be appointed.

Volunteer at the Library

Burlington Public Library is a great place to volunteer! Adult volunteers help year round with various tasks such as sorting date due cards and washing book covers. The Library is always looking for help the annual books sale in July. The Youth Services Department offers teens the opportunity to earn community service hours by assisting with the annual summer reading program through helping with programs, distributing reading incentives, and the like. Contact Linda Berndt at 342-1130 or stop at the library for more information.

Attend a Meeting

We want to hear from you! Attend a City meeting. Visit the City's website at www.burlington-wi.gov for a complete schedule.

Volunteer with the Rescue Squad

The members of the rescue squad put in approximately 6800 hours of training and time on calls to the Burlington Community. They are a small group that answers almost 1200 calls a year for people in need of emergency medical service. BRS is currently looking for volunteer EMT's, drivers, and associate members (members that can only help on a limited basis).

Contact Burlington Rescue Squad at 767-1105 or contact@burlingtonrescuesquad.com with questions or information on how to become a member of BRS.



2015 Spring Election

The Spring Election, scheduled for Tuesday, April 7, 2015 includes aldermanic positions from each of the four districts in the City of Burlington. Terms for these positions will begin April 21, 2015.

Absentee Ballots

Absentee ballots are always available at City Hall beginning March 23. If you are someone that due to age or illness has difficulty getting to the polls, there is the option of being placed on a permanent list in which a ballot will be sent to you for every election. Please call the City Clerk at (262) 342-1161 to request to be placed on this list.

Skip the Lines for Voter Registration

At www.myvote.wi.gov, an online tool and resource center, electors can register to vote, check your voter registration status, find your polling place, see your sample ballot, view voting history and check provisional ballot status.

If you plan to register online, go to the My Vote website and select what type of voter you are. You will be asked several questions that will allow My Vote to complete the registration form. Once you complete your registration you will be prompted to print your application and be instructed to take the form to the City Clerk at City Hall, 300 N. Pine Street. City Hall is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

My Vote Wisconsin

Extending Sewer and Water To Aurora

In addition to the annual Spring tasks fulfilled by the Department of Public Works, the City will be embarking on a significant utility project in the coming months. This project, which will be funded by Tax Incremental Financing, must be completed in order to extend water and sewer services to the future Aurora facility on the west side of town. Here is a quick timeline on how the project, which is broken into two phase, will take place.

Phase 1

The initial phase of the project will begin this Spring and involve the extension of water and sewer utilities along W. State Street. The limits of the project extend from N. Oakland Avenue to Spring Valley Road. This work will be conducted while maintaining two-way traffic, although delays should be expected when the crew is performing crossings, or completing critical connections which require equipment to block the road. This first phase of the project is scheduled for completion by the end of the summer.

Phase 2

The second phase of the project involves the installation of an additional watermain, which will serve as a redundant water source to

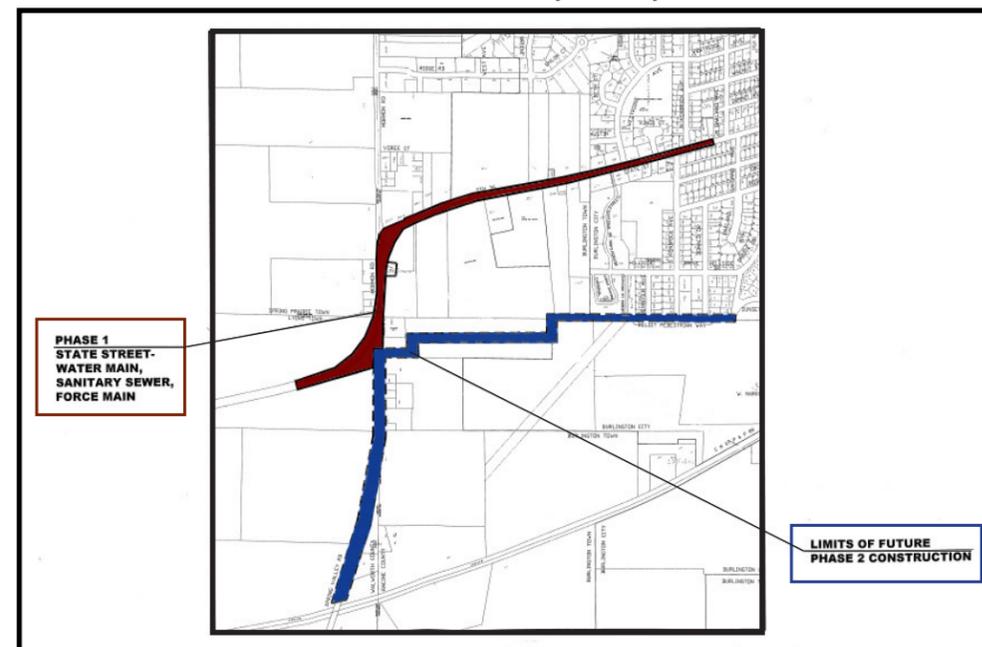
this critical facility. This watermain will be installed through an easement and extend from Dardis Drive to Spring Valley Road. Another exciting aspect of the second phase of this project is that it will include the extension of the White River Trail from Spring Valley Road to Dardis Drive.

This extension of the pedestrian path will allow someone to navigate from Elkhorn to Sunset Park in Burlington on a

designated trail.

The final element to Phase 2 will be the reconstruction of Spring Valley Road. This second phase of the project is expected to begin in early summer and be wrapped up in the fall.

The Public Works Department is eager to work on these projects and will do everything possible to minimize the short-term inconvenience these projects may create.



Meet Gregory Guidry!

March 9th, the City of Burlington welcomed a new Building Inspector/Zoning Administrator, Gregory Guidry. Gregory comes to Burlington with a very diversified construction, electrical and municipal inspection background and is looking forward to working with City of Burlington residents.

Gregory can be reached at City Hall, 300 N. Pine Street, by phone at 342-1164 or by email at gguidry@burlington-wi.gov.



Fire Department Offers Public Education Classes

The City of Burlington Fire Department offers new programs to the citizens of Burlington. Recently, members of the fire department have been trained to deliver public education and safety education classes to the public.

If you are interested in obtaining your Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) card, or need an updated refresher in CPR, please contact our Duty Officer at 763-7842 for more information.

Additional offerings through our public education programs include:

- Healthcare provider CPR for medical professionals

- Heart Saver CPR for business organizations and the public
- Blood Borne Pathogen (OSHA approved) training for businesses and the public

- Family and Friends CPR Course
- Specific presentations to groups that include:
 - Senior-Citizen Safety Program
 - Business pre-incident planning
 - Presentations on In-home fire safety programs

Clean Sweep to be Held April 25!

Join us for the 2015 Clean Sweep Program where you can dispose of household hazardous waste, electronics, and prescription medicine on Saturday, April 25 from 8 a.m. to noon.

With the help of Wisconsin Clean Sweep Grants, the City of Burlington, Town of Burlington, Town of Dover, Village of Rochester, Village of Union Grove and Village of Waterford have collaborated to hold this event at the City of Burlington Public Works Facility, 2200 S. Pine Street, Burlington (south of the bypass).

You must be a resident of one of the listed communities and show current identification to participate in the program. Please separate chemicals, electronics, paint, food, clothing and household items before drop off.

Hazardous waste materials are often labeled with indicator words such as "caution", "warning" or "danger". Material that may be toxic, ignitable, corrosive or reactive is also a likely candidate for disposal.

Paints must be in their original containers with a tight lid. All brands (including latex) will be accepted but the label must be legible. No dried out or nearly dried out paint will be accepted. If that is the case, dry the paint completely and dispose of the paint with the lid removed in your regular trash (latex paint only).

Electronic items include, but are not limited to, appliances, televisions, computers

and related equipment, DVD players, personal electronics, phones and video game machines.

For a complete list of acceptable items please visit the City's website at www.burlington-wi.gov or pick up a brochure at City Hall, 300 N. Pine Street. Ammunition, explosives, medical waste, propane, containers over 5 gallons, radioactive materials or syringes will not be accepted.

If you have any questions, please contact the Department of Public Works at 539-3770.



Love, Inc. will also be on site to collect food, clothing and household item donations.

Disposal & Recycling of Other Household Materials

Weekly Bulk Item

John's Disposal provides weekly bulk pick up for single-family to four-family residential units. Items include furniture, bedding, mattresses, carpeting, appliances, tires (2 per week, 8 per year), earth/rocks/concrete/construction and demolition materials (in 36 gallon cans that weigh less than 60 pounds). For questions contact John's Disposal at (888) 473.4701.

Brush Pick-Up Service

Brush pick-up continues on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month. Please call in your address to the Department of Public Works at 539-3770 to be placed on the Brush Pick Up List. You must call no later than the Tuesday before the second or fourth Wednesday. The DPW Crew only picks up brush from addresses that have been called in. You may also bring your brush to the Compost Site during operational hours.

Light Bulb & Mercury Collection

Mercury thermometers and fluorescent lightbulbs can be taken to the Wastewater Treatment Plant, 2100 S. Pine Street, for free disposal.

Latex Paint

To dispose of latex paint either remove the lid and let the paint dry or fill the can with kitty litter and replace the lid. Paint cans can be put out with your regular trash.

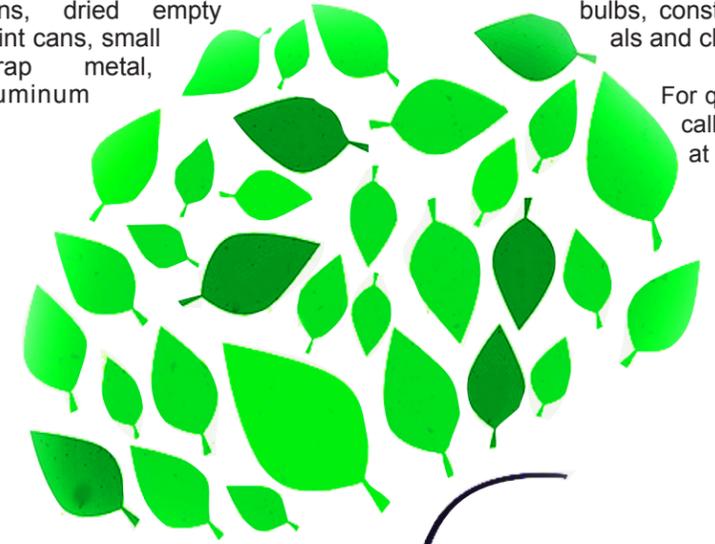
Recycling

Recycling is collected every other week for single through four-family residences. Items allowed with recycling pick up include: tin cans, steel cans, aerosol cans, dried empty paint cans, small scrap metal, aluminum

cans, clean aluminum foil, glass bottles & jars, #1-7 plastic, newspaper, magazines, books, mail, paper, brown corrugated cardboard (flattened), gray chipboard (cereal and shoe boxes) and brown paper bags Milk cartons, juice boxes, soup cartons, shredded paper (in a secured clear plastic bag).

Items not accepted in recycling include: styrofoam of any kind, yard waste, trash, household hazardous waste, light bulbs, construction materials and clothing.

For questions please call John's Disposal at 888.473.4701.



Compost Site Opens April 2

The Compost Site located off of Maryland Avenue will be opening Thursday, April 2, 2015. The site will remain free of charge to City residents. However, you will be asked to show identification that shows you are a City of Burlington resident. There will be an attendant on site at all times.

Hours of operation

Sunday - 12 to 6 PM
Tuesday - 3 to 8 PM
Thursday - 12 to 8 PM
Saturday - 10 AM to 6 PM
Closed Monday, Wednesday and Friday

Materials accepted include grass, leaves, garden waste, wood chips and brush. The City will not accept brush

or logs greater than 5" in diameter. No plastic bags, plastic containers, or foreign debris of any kind. No stumps or root balls will be allowed.

Need wood chips or compost?

Residents are able to take wood chips and compost from the compost site for free. You must load and haul the materials yourself.

Please contact the Department of Public Works at 539-3770 with questions.



Oil & Antifreeze Recycling Available



As part of our green initiatives, the City accepts used motor oil and antifreeze at the Public Works Facility, 2200 S. Pine Street, between the hours of 7 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Oil and antifreeze will only be accepted at the designated drop off point. Residents

must stop in the office to show proof of residency and to make sure someone is there to take your containers. Whenever possible, we ask you to bring in containers that you do not need back. The DPW crews empty the containers as time allows. If you have any questions, please call the Department of Public Works at 539-3770.

Electronic Waste (e-Waste) Disposal

What if I have e-Waste to get rid of now? Many electronics can no longer be put in the trash in Wisconsin and must be reused, recycled or managed as hazardous waste. As of March 2014, the Burlington Department of Public Works no longer accepts electronic waste of any kind. Here is a list of vendors who may accept your e-waste. We recommend you call ahead to confirm acceptance and price:

- ASDA (Burlington): 539-2086
- Redmer & Sons Recycling (Burlington): 767-0294
- John's Disposal (Whitewater) - pick up provided: (888) 473-4701
- WM Recycle America (Union Grove):

(262) 878-2599

- Various Best Buy, Goodwill, Staples, and Milwaukee PC stores



As these vendors may change at any time, please check the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) website for a comprehensive list of vendors in each county. You can search the list at www.dnr.wi.gov/topic/ecycle.

RV & Travel Trailer Water Disposal

The City of Burlington Wastewater Treatment Facility allows and encourages the users of recreational vehicles and travel trailers to dispose of your "gray" and/or "black" water at their facility. It has come to our attention that many rest areas along our state highways are no longer allowing the dumping of waste from RV's and travel trailers at their dumpsites.

Our facility is located at 2100 S. Pine Street (Highway 83), approximately 1 mile south of the Nestle Chocolate Plant. Plant hours are 6:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Monday thru Friday. And the best news - it's FREE!

Please feel free to contact our office at 539-3646 with any questions you may have.

Programs For Children

Time Out for Play

Join the library's informal play group for kids and their adults on Mondays in the Children's Room from 9:30-11:30 a.m. Puppets, puzzles, and books provided; or bring your own toys. Free coffee available. No registration needed.

Lap-Sit with Ms. Jane

Finger plays, bouncing movements, rhythmic play and stories are the core of this program for toddlers ages 2 and under and their caretakers. We meet in the Children's Room on Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m., Mar. 24 and 31, and Apr. 7, 14, and 21. No registration necessary.

Story Time with Ms. Joy

Come listen to books, learn finger plays and rhymes, and sing and dance! Children ages 3 and up are invited to attend on Tuesdays at 10:50 a.m., Mar. 24 and 31, and Apr. 7, 14, and 21. No registration necessary.

Wii Gaming

Tweens, come game on Thursdays at the library from 3:30-4:30 p.m. No registration necessary.

Building Blocks

Musical activities, listening to books, and social play are the highlights of this



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program for babies and children up to 4 years old and their adults (siblings are welcome). Linda Breuer, Children's Resource Coordinator at Love, Inc. hosts this program through Family Smart/Kid Friendly. We meet Wednesdays at 9:30 on Mar. 25 and Apr. 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29. Free; registration is onsite.

WannaWatchaMovie?

Films for kids are fun at the library! Register for a full-length, recently released movie on these dates: Thursday, Apr. 2 at 10:45 and 1:45 p.m., and Friday, May 15 at 1:45. Check the library web site or call (262) 342-1130 for movie titles and ratings. Registration is required.

LEGO Family Night

Imagine and create with LEGOs provided by the library on Thursdays, Mar. 26, Apr. 16 and May 21 from 5-6:30 p.m. Registration is required; limited to 20 children and their adults. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Other Programs

Game night at the Library! Join us on the fourth Wednesday of the month for game night. Bring your own games or use ours. The fun begins at 6:30. Hope you can join us! Any questions call Barb at 763-7623.

Book Clubs For Adults

Afternoon Book Club

April 9 at 1 pm

Nowhere is a Place

by Bernice L. McFadden

A powerful portrait of family secrets, damage, and healing, probing deep below the surface of an African American family's history to mend present day relationships.

May 14 at 1 pm

Mister Owita's Guide to Gardening

by Carol Wall

A caring bond grows between an empty nester and the immigrant who tends her neighbor's garden.

Evening Book Club

March 23 at 7 pm

Mary Coin

by Marisa Silver

Bestselling author Marisa Silver takes Dorothea Lange's migrant mother's photograph as inspiration for a story of two women, one famous and one forgotten, and their remarkable chance encounter.

April 27 at 7 pm

Ordinary Grace

by William Kent Krueger

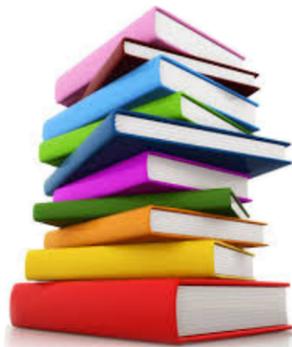
Brilliantly moving account of a boy standing at the door of his young manhood, trying to understand a world that seems to be falling apart around him.

May 18 at 7 pm

Burial Rites

by Hannah Kent

Inspired by a true story, the final days of a young woman accused of murder in Iceland in 1829.



Lowest Crime Rate in 31 Years for City!

By The Numbers:

- 2014: The lowest crime rate (219);
- 1984: The highest crime rate (544);
- 59% reduction in crime 1984 to 2014;
- 46% reduction in crime 2004 to 2014;
- 4 out of the 5 years have been the lowest crime rates since 1983

The City is proud to announce the largest reduction in its crime rate since 1984. Chief Nimmer contributes these low crime numbers to the quality of people who live, work, and visit the City of Burlington along with the hard work and dedication of the men and women of the City of Burlington Police Department.

Chief Nimmer certainly cannot point to one specific reason why the crime rate is trending down over the past several years but he does know that it is a result of a collaborative effort among everyone in Burlington. Chief Nimmer wants to thank everyone who has helped make the City of Burlington a safe community to live, work, play and visit. The Police Department's continued support and cooperation with the elected officials and the citizens of this community will ensure we maintain a safe city for everyone.

Central Racine County Health Department Welcomes City of Burlington



The Central Racine County Health Department (CRCHD) is pleased to provide public health services for the City of Burlington as of January 1, 2015. The CRCHD jurisdiction includes all of Racine County except for City of Racine, Wind Point and Elmwood Park. Their mission is to improve the health of the communities served through health promotion, disease prevention, and protection from health and environmental hazards. CRCHD monitors health concerns of entire communities and aim to prevent health problems before they occur.

The relatively recent increase in life span can be attributed to public health interventions that prevented disease. For example, public health identified

that polluted water and lack of proper waste disposal caused illness and death due to waterborne and intestinal diseases. This discovery led to chlorination of drinking water and sewage treatment. In addition, public health successes such as vaccination programs, road traffic and occupational safety policies, and food safety standards have all increased the length and quality of life.

If you paused for a moment and considered the statistics about how many more lives would have been lost if there were no seat belts in cars, no vaccines for children, no food safety standards in restaurants, or misused car seats for infants, then you can begin to appreciate the role that public health has in our communities.

At CRCHD, their perspective is that "success is sometimes measured by what does not happen." To this end, they will work with you through their broad array of environmental health, community health and preparedness programs to prevent disease and promote well-being. In the upcoming months, you can expect to learn more about the specific list of services that CRCHD provides to meaningfully serve the health of your families and neighbors. At this beginning juncture, they simply want to communicate that they are looking forward to working with you and hope you will contact CRCHD for any questions or issues. Reach them by phone at (262) 898-4460; learn about services on their website: www.crchd.com; like them on Facebook; and/or follow them on Twitter.

Meet City Administrator Carina Walters!

On behalf of the Common Council, Mayor Robert Miller is pleased to announce the selection of Carina Walters as the City of Burlington's new City Administrator. Ms. Walters was selected from a group of fifty-five applicants following a nation-wide search conducted by GovHR USA.

Ms. Walters comes to Burlington from the City of Lake Forest, Illinois (population 19,375) where she began her tenure in 2005, serving as the Assistant City Manager since 2010. Carina earned her Bachelor of Arts Degree in Sociology from Benedictine University and her Master Degree in Public Administration from Northern Illinois University.

Ms. Walters is an effective team leader with strong communication and interpersonal skills, experienced in labor relations, transportation initiatives, grant funding and Tax Increment Finance Districts. Carina is excited to begin a long-lasting relationship with the residents and staff of the City of Burlington.

In her spare time, Carina enjoys to



run and spend quality time with her husband, daughter and son experiencing outdoor recreational activities.

Carina Walters will start her duties as City Administrator on April 9, 2015. If you have a few minutes to spare, please stop in City Hall and introduce yourself. Carina is excited to begin a long-lasting relationship with the residents and staff of the City of Burlington.

All programs at the Burlington Public Library are free and open to the public.