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**CITY OF BURLINGTON  
COMMON COUNCIL**

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*Announcements and Events*

**October 20:** Noon to 5:30 p.m. Autumn Rib Festival downtown historic Burlington and Wehmhoff Square Park. Come get some ribs, listen to music and visit the vendors!

**October 27:** 9:30 am to 2 pm - Spooky City. Downtown trick or treating, hayrides, costume parade at 10:30 am Wehmhoff Park and much more. Kick off party at Fox River State Bank.

**October 31:** 6:00 to 8:00 pm - City-wide Halloween Trick-or-Treat.

**November 16:** Look for the lights and enjoy shopping in Historic Downtown Burlington from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. Many of the downtown businesses will have extended hours and the sky will be illuminated with search lights to guide you to fantastic Christmas shopping deals!

**November 22 & 23:** City offices closed for Thanksgiving.

**December 7:** Starting at 6:30 p.m. - Annual Christmas Parade beginning on Kane Street.

**December 15 & 16:** Burlington Ice Festival in Wehmhoff Square Park. Carving should begin around 9 am and conclude at 2 pm.

**Looking for other events not listed here? Visit the Chamber of Commerce website at [www.burlingtonchamber.org](http://www.burlingtonchamber.org) to view the comprehensive Calendar of Events.**

**CITY STAFF DIRECTORY**

**City Hall**

**300 N. Pine Street - 342-1161**

Jeannie Hefty	Mayor
Carina Walters	City Administrator
Megan Watkins	Assistant City Administrator
Steve DeQuaker	Finance Director/Treasurer
Diahnn Halbach	City Clerk
Gregory Guidry	Building Inspector

**Fire Department**

**165 W. Washington Street - 763-7842**

Alan Babe	Fire Chief
Wes Miner	Fire Inspector

**Public Library**

**166 E. Jefferson Street - 342-1130**

Joe Davies	Library Director
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**Police Department**

**224 E. Jefferson Street - 342-1100**

Mark Anderson	Police Chief
Brian Zmudzinski	Lieutenant

**Public Works - Streets/Parks/Water**

**2200 S. Pine Street - 342-1181**

Peter Riggs	Public Works Director
Aaron DeGrave	Park Foreman
Tom Koch	Street Foreman
Glenn Harjes	Water Foreman

**Public Works - Wastewater**

**2100 S. Pine Street - 342-1181**

Peter Riggs	Public Works Director
Don Hefty	Wastewater Foreman

**Municipal Court**

**300 N. Pine Street - 342-1129**

Kelly Iselin	Municipal Court Judge
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**Recycling Collection Schedule**

- Week of Sept. 4
- Week of Sept. 17
- Week of Oct. 1
- Week of Oct. 15
- Week of Oct. 29
- Week of Nov. 12
- Week of Nov. 26

**September Meetings**

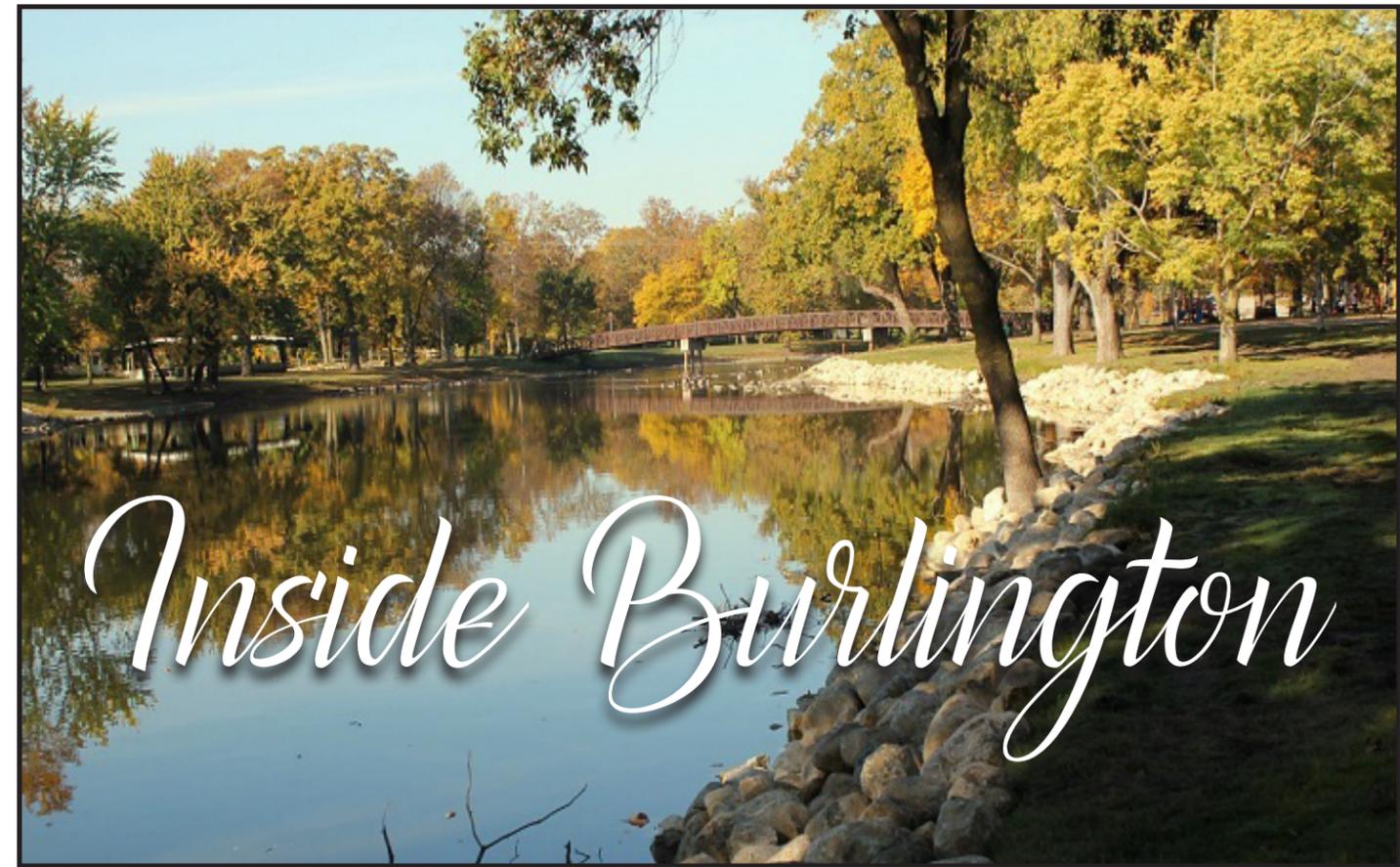
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| 9/4  | 5:30 p.m. | - CDA                 |
| 9/4  | 5:30 p.m. | - Police & Fire Comm. |
| 9/4  | 6:30 p.m. | - Common Council      |
| 9/11 | 6:30 p.m. | - Plan Commission     |
| 9/18 | 6:30 p.m. | - Common Council      |
| 9/20 | 6:30 p.m. | - Park Board          |
| 9/25 | 6:30 p.m. | - Library Board       |
| 9/27 | 6:00 p.m. | - Airport Committee   |
| 9/27 | 6:30 p.m. | - HPC                 |

**October Meetings**

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| 10/2  | 5:30 p.m. | - CDA                 |
| 10/2  | 5:30 p.m. | - Police & Fire Comm. |
| 10/2  | 6:30 p.m. | - Common Council      |
| 10/9  | 6:30 p.m. | - Plan Commission     |
| 10/16 | 6:30 p.m. | - Common Council      |
| 10/18 | 6:30 p.m. | - Park Board          |
| 10/23 | 6:30 p.m. | - Library Board       |
| 10/25 | 6:00 p.m. | - Airport Committee   |
| 10/25 | 6:30 p.m. | - HPC                 |

**November Meetings**

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|-------|-----------|-----------------------|
| 11/6  | 5:30 p.m. | - CDA                 |
| 11/6  | 5:30 p.m. | - Police & Fire Comm. |
| 11/7  | 6:30 p.m. | - Common Council      |
| 11/13 | 6:30 p.m. | - Plan Commission     |
| 11/15 | 6:30 p.m. | - Park Board          |
| 11/20 | 6:30 p.m. | - Common Council      |
| 11/27 | 6:30 p.m. | - Library Board       |
| TBD   | 6:00 p.m. | - Airport Committee   |
| TBD   | 6:30 p.m. | - HPC                 |



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## General Election November 6, 2018



to you for every election. Please call the City Clerk at (262) 342-1161 to request more information on how to be placed on this list.

### Skip the Lines for Voter Registration

At [www.myvote.wi.gov](http://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 to vote online, you will need your unexpired and valid Wisconsin Driver License or Wisconsin State ID Card Number. You will also need to match the name, date of birth, and address on file with the Wisconsin DMV in order to register to vote online. Your registration will automatically be emailed to your municipal clerk. If a match cannot be made with the Wisconsin DMV, you will still be able to register to vote by printing, signing and mailing your registration form along with proof of residence to your municipal clerk at City Hall, 300 N. Pine Street.

If there is an upcoming local election in your area in less than 20 days, you will not be able to register to vote online. You will still be able to register to vote by printing, signing and delivering your registration form, along with proof of residence, to your municipal clerk or your polling place on Election Day.

The General Election for Governor, U.S. Senator, U.S. Representative, odd-numbered Wisconsin State Senate seats, and all Wisconsin Assembly seats is Tuesday, November 6, 2018.

### Polling Locations

The polling location for Wards 1-4 is Cross Lutheran Church, 126 Chapel Terrace with Wards 5-8 voting at Burlington United Methodist Church, 857 West State Street. The polls are open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

### Absentee Ballots

In-person Absentee Voting at City Hall, 300 N Pine Street, will begin on Monday, October 22, 2018 until Friday, November 2, 2018. Hours of operation are Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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

## Are You Interested in Running for Alderman?

Members of the Council are responsible for the implementation of programs and services provided by the city. As the Legislative Body, the Council has the responsibility of passing ordinances, resolutions, orders and motions for the City's government. Along with those responsibilities, the Council is also in control of the City's property, finances, and appropriation of all money spent on behalf of the taxpayers.

The offices for each of the four Aldermanic Districts will be included on the Spring Election ballot. If you are interested in seeking an office, you may obtain Candidacy and Nomination papers from the City Clerk at City Hall, 300 N. Pine Street, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

December 1, 2018 is the first day to circulate nomination papers and the final day for filing nomination papers is 4:30 p.m., Wednesday, January 2, 2019.

The Spring Election is scheduled for Tuesday, April 2, 2019. In the event a primary will be necessary, the Primary Election will be held on Tuesday, February 19, 2019.

**Don't Forget Your ID!**

## Burlington Has Been "Secretly Shopped"

On Wednesday, June 20, 2018, Real Racine hosted Roger Brooks, a downtown tourism specialist, at Veterans Terrace. Mr. Brooks and his team "secretly shopped" Burlington, Waterford and Racine over a couple of weeks to provide feedback regarding low cost improvements to create a desirable place to live, invest in, and visit/shop.

Mr. Brooks' recommended approximately seventy suggestions for both Burlington and Waterford, including downtown beautification efforts, way-finding signage, and branding, to name a few. Specifically, for Burlington, Roger suggested better wayfinding signage, encourage either enhancing the chocolate brand (or changing it), offering

a wider variety of shops, beautification downtown and increasing activity/shopping availability downtown after 5 p.m.

Mr. Brooks has worked with thousands of communities both nationally and internationally on community branding, marketing, tourism and downtown economic development.

You can watch the entire presentation by visiting the City's website at: <http://burlington-wi.gov/491/Community-Assessment>.



## 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.

### 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](http://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.

### 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. 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.

### Volunteer at the Library

Burlington Public Library is a great place to volunteer! Adult volunteers help year-round with tasks like sorting book donations, washing book covers, and helping with public programs. The Library is always seeking help for the annual book sale in July. The Youth department offers teens the opportunity to earn community service hours by assisting with the Summer Reading Program, distributing reading incentives, helping with events, and listening to early readers. Contact Linda Berndt at 342-1130 or stop at the library 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 for Community Events

The City and the Chamber of Commerce have been adding new special events each year, all of which are volunteer driven. Without volunteers, these events could not happen. Watch the Events Calendar on the Chamber of Commerce website at <http://www.burlingtonchamber.org/all-events> for upcoming special events. Contact the staff listed on the event if you are interested in volunteering your time.

### Attend a Meeting

We want to hear from you! Attend a City meeting. Visit the City's website at [www.burlington-wi.gov](http://www.burlington-wi.gov) for a complete schedule.

### 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](http://www.burlington-wi.gov) to apply or receive more information.

### 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 1500 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](mailto:contact@burlingtonrescuesquad.com) with questions or information on how to become a member of BRS.

# City of Burlington 2019 BUDGET

## Important Dates

Budget Workshops - 2200 S. Pine St.  
• October 10 at 6:30 p.m.  
• October 17 at 6:30 p.m.  
• October 23 at 6:30 p.m.

Public Hearing - 224 E. Jefferson St.  
• November 7 at 6:30 p.m.

Budget Adoption - 224 E. Jefferson St.  
• November 20 at 6:30 p.m.

Each year a city must forecast the expenditures and revenues it will incur in the upcoming year. The resulting formalized document is known as the Municipal Budget. Every city is required by law to balance its budget each year. The budget is constantly monitored throughout the year to determine whether the City is spending more or less than its revenues. The City then makes adjustments to its spending in order to ensure that at the end of the year the budget is in balance.

The Mayor, the City Council, and City staff work together to develop an Annual Budget. While the Budget is being created, all parties must make decisions on how to utilize the limited revenues that the City receives in order to produce the greatest benefits for the citizens.

The City of Burlington's Fiscal Year begins on January 1. Each year, the City Administrator and Finance Director compile the operating budget for review by the Common Council and residents before final adoption the end of November.

All proceeds benefit the Burlington Senior Center

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# AUTUMN RIB FESTIVAL

OCT 20

12 PM - 5:30 PM

Downtown Historic Burlington  
Wehmhoff Square Park - 355 N. Pine St.

Ribs • Music • Vendors

Sit down or drive-thru rib orders!  
Fun for kids!

More Vendors Needed!  
Contact [mayor@burlington-wi.gov](mailto:mayor@burlington-wi.gov) to sign up

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## Special Events in the City



Are you interested in finding out what events are happening in the City of Burlington? The City and Chamber of Commerce keep activity calendars on their websites for many events and meetings. Visit the home page of the City's website at [www.burlington-wi.gov](http://www.burlington-wi.gov) or the Chamber of Commerce website at [www.burlingtonchamber.org](http://www.burlingtonchamber.org) to view the Calendar of Events.

Hosting a meeting or event? You can

add your event to both calendars with just a click of the mouse. Just follow these easy steps:

### City website

Visit our website at [www.burlington-wi.gov](http://www.burlington-wi.gov), scroll to the bottom of the Home page and click "Add Item".

### Chamber of Commerce website

Click on the Calendar of Events page, scroll to the bottom of the page and click on "Create Event" to begin the process.

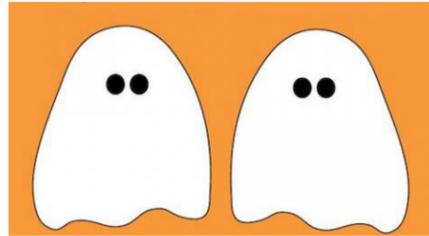
*Save the Date!* The Burlington Ice Festival - State Competition will be on Saturday, December 15 & Sunday, December 16!

## 2018 Trick-or-Treat



This year's Trick-or-Treat hours will be from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. on October 31. The Common Council and City staff encourage everyone to please be safe and enjoy the holiday!

## Spooky City October 27



Come downtown on Saturday, October 27 from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. and enjoy many activities with the 29th annual Spooky City! Activities include:

### Safe Trick-or-Treating

The downtown businesses hand out treats to all costumed children from 11am to noon, or while supplies last.

### Spooky Kick-Off

Halloween face painting, pumpkin decorating and other family activities kick off the event at 9:30am.

### Free Hayrides

Free tractor hayrides circle the downtown area beginning at 10am.

### Costume Parade

Children are invited to show off their costumes in a walking parade at 10:30am.

### Family Movie

The Plaza Theater will host a free showing of a recently released movie.

Visit <https://www.facebook.com/SpookyCity> for more information.



City of Burlington Fire Department

# Pancake Breakfast & Open House



September 16th

7 am - Noon

At the Fire House - 165 W. Washington Street

## Fire Prevention Week October 7-13

Each year the Fire Department works with local school officials, educators and business owners to deliver high quality public education and training opportunities developed for the specific age groups at each facility in an effort to provide fire safe communities.

### 2018 Campaign:

This year's FPW campaign, "Look. Listen. Learn. Be aware. Fire can happen anywhere," works to educate people about three basic but essential steps to take to reduce the likelihood of having a fire—and how to escape safely in the event of one:

"LOOK" for places fire could start. Take a good look around your home. Identify potential fire hazards and take care of them.

"LISTEN" for the sound of the smoke alarm. You could have only minutes to escape safely once the smoke alarm sounds. Go to your outside meeting place, which should be a safe distance from the home and where everyone should know to meet.

"LEARN" two ways out of every room and make sure all doors and windows leading outside open easily and are free of clutter.

## Outdoor Fire Safety & Regulations

With the cool Autumn months almost here, many of us will be sitting around those warm fire pits and campfires. Here are some safety tips to keep you and your family safe this season.

### Portable Fire Pits

- Portable fire pits shall not be used on any balcony, under any overhanging portion of a structure or within 10 feet of any structure and must be placed on a noncombustible surface.
- Portable fire pits shall not be used between 12 a.m. (midnight) and the following sunrise.

### Recreational (Camp) Fires

- Recreational fires are permitted with verbal permission from the Fire Department. You must call in and obtain permission on the day you wish to have a recreational fire at 763-7842.
- Recreational fires are permitted only between the hours of 6 a.m. and 11 p.m.
- Recreational fires shall not be located within 25 feet of a structure. The total fire area shall not exceed three feet in diameter.

### All Fires

- Burning of yard waste, building materials or other refuse is prohibited; only clean, dry wood can be used.
- Flammable or combustible liquids shall not be used to ignite the fire.
- Smoke shall be limited and not become a nuisance to neighbors or public roads.
- No flame shall exceed one foot in height over the source fuel at any time.
- All fires shall be continuously attended with an adequate means of extinguishment.
- On days when conditions are unacceptable for burning, all fires will be prohibited.



## Fire Hydrant Flow Testing September 10 - October 12

The Burlington Water Utility, along with their consultant, M.E. Simpson Co., Inc., will be conducting flow testing of fire hydrants throughout the City.

The testing will begin Monday, September 10, 2018 and continue through Friday, October 12, 2018. Hydrant flow testing will occur from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

In the course of water distribution system maintenance, fire hydrant flushing has become a useful tool in determining flow conditions in the water mains. The water utility will be using a method called fire flow testing. This is where fire hydrants are opened, flushed, pressure and flow data collected, as well as calculations made to determine "potential fire flow" at that particular point in the water main.

Please watch for the Orange Flow Testing signs that will inform you when

your immediate area will be affected by the flow testing. This may cause a temporary discoloration of the water in your system. The water is safe for drinking, but may discolor clothes washed in it. City residents should check their water supply before engaging in any work that could be affected by the flow testing of hydrants and flush all taps in your home or business including your washing machine before using!

We regret any inconvenience these tests may cause and thank you for your patience and cooperation. If you have any questions or concerns, please call M. E. Simpson at 1-888-252-1521 or the Burlington Water Utility at 262-342-1173.



## Park Restrooms Close October 1

The City of Burlington park restrooms officially close October 1st. While you may continue to enjoy the beauty and other amenities of the parks, water supplies will be shut off to restrooms to prevent pipes from freezing. Keep in mind, there are portable bathrooms that will remain throughout the winter at Echo and Riverside parks.

## Prepare Your House for the Winter Season

As the cold weather season quickly approaches, below are a few tips to help winter-proof your home and prevent unnecessary damage to the structure.

### Clean the gutters

Once the leaves have fallen, and before the snow has fallen check your gutters to prevent ice damage.

### Tune up the furnace

You're going to turn the furnace on soon, get them tuned up now. It adds years of life to a heating system. At the very least the filters should be changed when you switch from cooling to heating.

### Inspect chimneys

Now is the time to have them inspected and, if necessary, clean them. This is for those people who use a wood stove or fireplaces. Get them cleaned and checked out by a professional.

### Check your mailbox

A properly installed mailbox should not

extend past the curb line and be 42 inches from the lowest point of the unit to the ground. Adding a newspaper box to the bottom or side of your mailbox increases the surface area of the mailbox. No part of the mailbox can extend past the back of the curb.

### Prevent ice dams on the roof

Make sure your roof is vented properly, if your house is designed to have a vented roof. Make sure your soffit vents aren't blocked and your gable vents are open.

### Drain sprinkler systems

If you have irrigation systems blow them out so they don't freeze. Drain hoses and outside spigots as well.

### Weatherstripping

Put your hands near windows or doors and feel for those cool drafts. Install weatherstripping and door sweeps where necessary.

## Street Light Problems



Any problems with street lights should be reported to the Department of Public Works at 262-342-1181. The DPW will then obtain the pole number and report it to WE Energies. Repair turnover time from WE Energies is usually within 72 hours.

You may also logon to WE Energies website and report an outage directly at [http://www.we-energies.com/night\\_aura/contact/rptoutage.htm](http://www.we-energies.com/night_aura/contact/rptoutage.htm)



## Curbside Leaf Collection



Leaf collection generally begins around October 15 and ends around November 15 (weather permitting). Leaves should be placed in the street next to the gutter, while leaving the flow line of the curb clear for stormwater to pass. **Please keep all garden waste (tomato plants, pumpkins, etc.) and sticks out of the leaves** so that we may spend our time more efficiently.

The Department of Public Works (DPW) strives to provide the best service possible to the public and requests your help in doing so. If you have any questions regarding leaf pick up please contact the DPW at 342-1181.



### DO!

Place leaves in the street next to the gutter allowing stormwater to freely pass



### DON'T!

Place brush or garden waste in the street

## Leaf, Brush and Yard Waste Disposal Options

### City Compost Site

The Compost Site, located off of Maryland Avenue, is open for City residents until Tuesday, November 27, 2018. Please make arrangements to drop off any compost you may still have prior to the closing date.

### The Compost hours are:

- Tuesday 2:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
- Saturday: 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

The site remains free of charge to City residents. There will be an attendant on site during open hours. Proof of residency is required when you arrive.

Materials accepted include grass, leaves, garden waste, wood chips and brush. The City will not accept brush or logs greater than 8 inches in diameter, plastic bags, plastic containers, foreign debris, stumps or root balls.

### Brush Collection

Brush pick up is provided for one to four unit residences to collect tree and shrub trimmings where property owners maintain their own properties. Material cut by contractors will NOT be collected. Please make arrangements with the contractor for material disposal.

To schedule a brush pick up, please call the DPW at 262-342-1181 before 3:30 pm, no later than the Tuesday before pick up. If you do not call in, the brush will not be picked up. The City's brush collection program is conducted on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month. Qualified brush includes tree limbs, bush and hedge trimmings that are at least 18 inches in length, but do not exceed 8 feet in length and 8 inches in diameter.

Place brush on the terrace at the street edge, away from trees, parked cars, fire hydrants, utility poles, mail boxes and other obstructions. Do not put brush in the street. Stack brush with the cut ends facing the same direction. Residents can place two piles per pickup, no larger than 4 feet high by 4 feet wide and 8 feet long.

Brush will not be picked up if it has any of the following materials contained in the pile:

- Bags, dirt, leaves, garbage, rocks, vines, boxes, mainly twigs/sticks less than 8 inches, animal waste, grass clippings, logs with diameters greater than 8 inches, hay or straw, garden waste, branches longer than 8 feet, decorative grasses, root balls, sawdust, and/or pumpkins.

## Avoid Past Due Utility Charges on Your Real Estate Tax Bill

Third quarter utility bills will be sent to customers the first week in October for the period of mid-June to mid-September. Utility customers will need to make payment of the full "balance due" amount by October 31, 2018 to avoid a 1% late penalty charge.

For customers with past due amounts indicated on the October bill, the balance must be paid by October 31, 2018 or it will be transferred to the 2017 property tax bill with an additional 10% service fee added to the past due amount (per Wisconsin Statute 66.0809).

For questions regarding your account, please contact the Water Department at (262) 342-1173 or by email at [sbalzrina@burlington-wi.gov](mailto:sbalzrina@burlington-wi.gov).

The City offers online bill payment as a convenience to residents and owners. To sign up to pay utility bills online, visit the City's website at [burlington-wi.gov/494/payments-online](http://burlington-wi.gov/494/payments-online). You can sign up to make a one time payment, or schedule auto-payments for the full bill amount or a budgeted amount. The utility bill information is updated daily so you can see your account history and be notified by email when a new utility bill arrives.

## Autumn Library Programs

### Youth Programs

#### Movement Mondays

Mondays: Sept. 10 – Nov. 27, 10 a.m.  
For 2 to 5 year olds with caregiver. Research shows there are positive correlations between movement and learning so bring your shoes and move with us. This program will have a dance component and then movement exploration like hula hoops, balls, scooters, parachutes and more. Perfect for those active toddlers!

#### Lap-Sit with Ms. Jen and Ms. Jane

Tuesdays & Thursdays: Sept. 4 – Nov. 29, 10 a.m.  
Come listen to books, learn finger plays and rhymes, and sing and dance! Children ages 5 and under invited. Thursday session is a repeat of Tuesday. No registration necessary.

#### Building Blocks with Linda Breuer

Tuesdays: Sept. 18 – Oct. 23, 10 to 10:45 a.m.  
This program is for parents or grandparents and their babies, toddlers and preschoolers ages 0-4. Musical activities, book readings, and social play will engage you and your young child. It is a free gathering time for families to share parenting experiences and helpful tips. Sign in onsite.

#### Fall Craft Party

Tuesday, Oct. 2, 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.  
Come enjoy some Fall Crafts. For kids of all ages. No registration necessary.

#### Science Festival

Saturday, Oct. 13, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.  
Families can explore several hands-on technology activities! Learn about 3D Printers, Ozobots, Makey-Makeys, Sphero, Little Bits, and more!

#### Henna Program

Saturday, Oct. 20, 12 to 2 p.m.  
You will learn the history of Henna and how to create Henna. This program is for kids 12 and up and is limited to 12 kids. Registration Required.

#### Spooky City-SAFE TRICK-OR-TREATING

Saturday, Oct. 27, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.  
The library will be handing out treats to all costumed children while supplies last.

#### Apple Pie Program

Saturday, Nov. 10, 10 a.m.  
Come learn how to make an apple pie from scratch. This is a family program. Limited to 20 families. Registration Required.

### Book Clubs for Adults

#### Afternoon Book Club

##### **The Girl with Seven Names** *by Hyeonseo Lee*

Thursday, September 13, 1 p.m.  
Hyeonseo Lee grew up in North Korea under one of the world's harshest dictatorships. When she was seventeen, she became determined to escape the repressive regime by crossing the border into China. This story of her life within the borders of her homeland gives readers an authoritative glimpse at the horrors and oppression experienced by ordinary citizens during the years of dictatorship in North Korea.

##### **The Vengeance of Mothers** *by Jim Fergus*

Thursday, October 11, 1 p.m.  
In this sequel to *A Thousand White Women*, Fergus explores the relationships and bonds that form when society brands families as "unspeakable." The women from the "Brides for Indians" program initiated by the U.S. Government in 1873 adapt to their new lives as Cheyenne as their families develop and questions about how to identify what is truly important in defining humanity arise.

##### **Being Mortal** *by Atul Gawande*

Thursday, November 8, 1 p.m.  
A prominent surgeon discusses the complexities of extending life through medical means while diminishing the quality of life for people who are often left isolated, uncomfortable and with a loss of dignity.

No Afternoon Book Club in December

#### Evening Book Club

##### **Teacher Man** *by Frank McCourt*

Monday September 24, 7 p.m.  
This witty and honest autobiography by the author of *"Angela's Ashes"* follows his years as a teacher, a career that informed his future success as a writer. McCourt demonstrates the challenges of reaching students as he honed his writing skills with delightful stories of his experiences in the classroom.

##### **Ruthless River** *by Holly Fitzgerald*

Monday October 22, 7 p.m.  
In an exciting true tale of survival, young newlyweds embark on their honeymoon trip to circle the globe, survive a plane crash in Peru and must escape into the rainforest on a small raft, battling the forces of nature as they attempt to find their way home.

##### **Underground Railroad** *by Colson Whitehead*

Monday November 26, 7 p.m.  
Cora makes the difficult decision to escape enslavement on a cotton plantation in Georgia aboard a literal underground railroad that exists below ground. Things do not always go the way Cora has planned as her journey moves through both time and space.

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### September is Library Card Sign-Up Month!



This September, Burlington Public Library is joining with libraries nationwide for Library Card Sign-up Month, to encourage parents, caregivers and students to obtain a free library card that will save them money while reaping rewards in academic achievement and lifelong learning. Any person signing up for a new library card at the Burlington Library in September can enter a raffle for a \$25.00 Wal-Mart gift card.

## Autumn Library Programs

### Recurring Adult Programs

#### Movie Mondays

Mondays, October 1 – October 29, 1 p.m.  
Join us every Monday afternoon at 1pm for a free screening of a new-to-DVD movie from 2018, with an emphasis on high-quality popular films. Enjoy some popcorn and stay afterward to talk about the movie with your neighbors. Film ratings range from PG-13 to R, so this program is intended for grown-ups.

Date	Movie	Rating
Oct. 1	Chappaquiddick	PG-13
Oct. 8	Black Panther	PG-13
Oct. 15	Quiet Place	PG-13
Oct. 22	Tully	R
Oct. 29	Won't You Be My Neighbor	PG-13

#### Tech Help Tuesdays

Tuesdays, September 4 – November 27, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Having trouble with your tablet or smart phone? Got a new device and not sure where to start? Need help finding apps to make your life easier? Need help figuring out a software application like Microsoft Office or Google Drive? Drop in to the Burlington Public Library! Our experienced staff are more than happy to offer you free assistance! If we can't help, we can refer you to computer experts for further assistance. You can make an appointment, or just drop in on a first-come, first-serve basis.

#### Tech Class Thursdays

Thursdays, September 6 – November 15, 2 p.m.

These free classes are designed to

provide an immersive experience for the beginner while also providing some useful hints for the more experienced user. Space is limited to only six computers, so registration is preferred, but walk-ins are welcome if space is available. Register at [burlingtonlibrary.org/class](http://burlingtonlibrary.org/class) or call 342-1130.

Date	Class Topic
Sept. 6	Microsoft Word
Sept. 13	Microsoft Power Point
Sept. 20	Microsoft Excel I
Sept. 27	Microsoft Excel II
Nov. 1	Tablet & Smart Phone Basics
Nov. 8	Getting Around on the Internet
Nov. 15	Great Graphic without Photoshop

### Adult Programs

#### Memory Café

Friday, September 7, 11 a.m.  
Burlington Public Library  
166 E. Jefferson St., Burlington

Friday, October 5, 11 a.m.  
Lake Geneva Public Library  
918 W. Main St., Lake Geneva

Friday, November 2, 11 a.m.  
Aram Public Library, Delavan  
404 E. Walworth Ave., Delavan

Friday, December 7, 11 a.m.  
Burlington Public Library  
166 E. Jefferson St., Burlington

Memory Café is a wonderfully welcoming place for individuals with Alzheimer's or any type of dementia or other brain disorder. Additionally, it is helpful for people with all forms of mild cognitive impairment. Burlington Public Library will be teaming up with Aram Public Library and Lake Geneva Public Library with monthly Memory Café sessions that include programming for individuals in the early stages of dementia.

Participants will attend the meeting with their caregiver and will explore varied presentations and experiences each month. Join us for this unique opportunity for support and socializing. Call the library

for more information.

#### Needlework & Crafting Gathering

Saturdays: September 8, October 6, November 3, December 1, 10:00 a.m.  
Want some company while you're working with your needlework or crafts? Join us for a crafting gathering on these Saturday mornings and share the fun. Knitting, crochet, cross stitch, or any craft that strikes your fancy...let's work and visit while having fun!

#### Finding & Interviewing for Your Dream Job

Tom Kipp, Cardinal Stritch University  
Wednesday, October 17, 6:30 p.m.

A job impacts overall happiness...what impact does your job have on you? Join us as we discuss strategies to find and market yourself into the job of your dreams. Strategies will include:

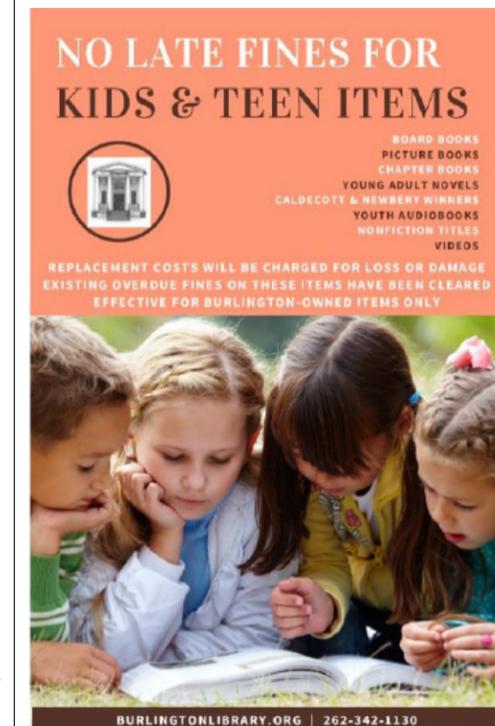
- Self-Awareness
- Research
- Networking
- Connecting and Follow-up
- Interviewing

#### Creating a Monthly Budget

Tuesday, November 13, 6 to 7 p.m.  
One of the keys to financial success is having a monthly budget. Please come in and learn a simple way to keep track of your money. Please sign up with our staff.

### Youth Materials are Fine Free

Burlington Public Library no longer charges overdue fines for youth materials that belong to our library. Past overdue fines for these materials have been waived. Patrons will still be charged for all lost or damaged materials, overdue youth materials belonging to other libraries, and overdue adult materials.



## Autumn Library Programs

### Introduction to Calligraphy

Saturdays 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.:  
Sept. 15, Oct. 27 & Nov. 10

Are you interested in Calligraphy and not sure how to start? Join us for an introduction to this beautiful art. Materials will be provided. Please sign up with our staff.

### Introduction to Meditation

Wednesday, Sept. 19, 7 to 8 p.m.

This meditation session will be led by Megan MacCarthy of Bearfoot Yoga. Learn basic meditation tools and experience a 30 minute guided meditation. Dress in comfortable clothes and bring a pillow and blanket. Please sign up with our staff.

### The Happiness Conundrum: How to Go from Mad to Glad

Presented by Terry Thourson

Wednesday, September 12, 6:30 p.m.

Educator Terry Thourson will look at happiness from the physical, psychological, emotional, social, and spiritual domains with the objective of having participants walk away with a new-found vision of what it is to be human and forever change the landscape regarding the idea of happiness.

### Meet the Local Author: Our Plan to Save the World

Presented by Frank Sikora and Steve Nelson

September 26, 6:30 p.m.

Local authors Steve Nelson, Ph.D., and Frank Sikora will read from their anthology, *Our Plan to Save the World*. The anthology is a collection of award-winning short stories from five authors, two from the United States and three from Canada.

### Joan & Bette Bette & Joan

Presented by Jill Gabrielle

Thursday, November 29, 6:30 p.m.

Joan Crawford and Bette Davis were both superstar icons of the silver screen during the 30's, 40's, 50's, 60's and beyond. Hollywood and the world never saw their likes before and will never see the likes of them again. They were involved in a real and manufactured feud for most of their screen careers which culminated in their making one film together... "Whatever Happened to Baby Jane?" Both had incredible drive and were notorious for being very difficult. Both had four unsuccessful marriages. Both had daughters who wanted to be actresses who betrayed their mothers by writing and publishing scathing books about them.

"Joan & Bette Bette & Joan" takes us into a

fantasy premise...what if, as punishment for their behavior on earth, they wind up in purgatory...sharing the same body? Fireworks!

### Tree Identification Hike (Family Event)



Presented by Dianne Robinson, DNR  
Saturday, Sept. 29, 10 a.m. at Wadewitz  
Do you know your Wisconsin trees? There is a lot more to tree ID than just leaves! We'll hike around W.R. Wadewitz Nature Camp with a DNR wildlife biologist to practice our tree ID skills, and learn a bit about how our Wisconsin wildlife uses those trees. Dress for the weather; bug spray and ankle boots are suggested.

### Human Trafficking in Wisconsin

Presented by Rachel Monaco-Wilcox

Wednesday, October 10, 6 p.m.

Cases of human trafficking have been identified in all 72 counties in Wisconsin. Yet most people doubt this, thinking "that can't be happening here!" If we are in a state of denial, who is helping survivors? Who is working on policies? Who is educating young people about risks? In this talk, Rachel will address the myths and misconceptions around sex trafficking in Wisconsin, illuminate the situation in Wisconsin, and explain what led her to start the LOTUS (Legal Options for Trafficked and Underserved Survivors) legal clinic in 2013. No registration is necessary, but seating is limited.

### Mrs. Frances Cleveland

Presented by Jessica Michna

Wednesday, November 7, 6:30 p.m.

June 2, 1886 – The Blue Room was an explosion of color. Yellow pansies, garlands of roses and greenery adorned the chandeliers and windows. As the Marine Corps Band, under the direction of John Phillip Sousa, struck up the Wedding March, twenty-one year old "Frankie" Folsom entered on the arm of her groom, President Grover Cleveland. Truly a "May-December romance". The new bride would fascinate the public as the nation's youngest First Lady.

### Christmas at the Library with Dawn & Lina

Wednesday, December 12, 2 p.m.

Join us for Christmas cookies and milk as you relax and enjoy some Christmas favorites with Dawn Soeth on violin and Lina Schaal on keyboard. Jingle Jingle!

## Internet Discount Finder



Digital equity has become an urgent issue as schools provide more and more of their students with mobile devices to take home, while 20% of Wisconsin households do not have access to the internet. For many children and adults, the public library is the only source of internet access.

The Internet Discount Finder, created by the Wisconsin Public Services Commission, can help low-income households find discounted internet service. Discounts are as deep as 80%.

Check your address by using the following link: <http://maps.psc.wi.gov/apps/DiscountPrograms/>

Note—the The Internet Discount Finder is not just for households with students. It is designed to help all Wisconsin families and residences get internet access.

## What should you do if you are involved in a traffic accident?

Even if no one is injured and it's not your fault, getting into a traffic accident can be a very stressful situation. Here are some useful tips from our police department to help everyone get through this situation:

- Check to see if anyone involved is injured.
- If possible, move your vehicle out of traffic to a safe location.
- If you cannot move your vehicle out of traffic, remain inside your vehicle. Do not try to push it off the roadway.
- If you feel it's necessary to call 911, then do so. Otherwise call the police department's non-emergency number at (262) 342-1100. No matter how minor the accident, you should always call police so that it is documented.
- If the other driver does not stop, do not chase after them. Obtain as much information as you can about the vehicle i.e. vehicle and driver description, license plate and direction of travel and call police.
- Have your driver's license and insurance cards ready for when officers arrive.
- Do not argue with the other driver about who is at fault. Let the police and insurance companies make that determination.

## Please Watch for Pedestrians



Did you know that each year, cars, trucks and buses kill almost 6,000 pedestrians? Below are some tips to help keep pedestrians safe:

When operating a motor vehicle, the driver must yield to pedestrians who have started crossing at an intersection or crosswalk on a "walk" signal or green light. If there is no walk signal the driver must yield to pedestrians who are crossing the highway within a marked crosswalk. Drivers should not attempt to overtake and pass any vehicle that stops at an intersection or crosswalk to

permit a pedestrian or bicyclist to cross the roadway safely.

When pedestrians are waiting to cross, drivers must yield and allow the pedestrians to cross.

Pedestrians should keep in mind this law only applies when crossing at a marked crosswalk. Pedestrians should always be diligent and take extra care in the evening hours. Never assume drivers can see you and obey traffic rules to reduce the chance of being struck by a motor vehicle.

Both drivers and pedestrians have certain safety responsibilities that depend on both circumstances and common sense.

## Officer Wangnoss to Represent Wisconsin in Abu Dhabi

In August 2018, Ben Barth and the Labor Association of Wisconsin generosity donated \$500 dollars to Special Olympics Wisconsin and \$500 dollars to sponsor Officer Bryan Wangnoss and his trip to the 2019 Abu Dhabi Law Enforcement Torch Run Final Leg.

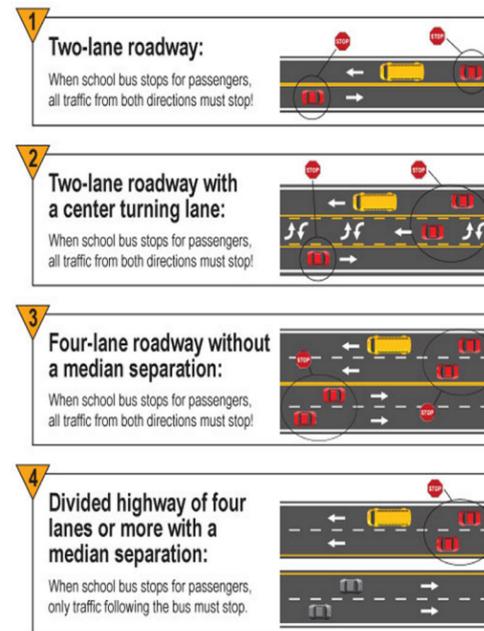
The City of Burlington is very proud to announce that Officer Wangnoss has been selected to represent Wisconsin in Abu Dhabi on March 19, 2019. He is

one of over 100 law enforcement officers from 24 countries participating in the event to benefit Special Olympics.



If you would like to donate to Officer Wangnoss and Special Olympics please visit <http://igfn.us/vf/SOLAR/BrianWangnoss>.

## School is Back in Session! Be Safe Around School Buses



**1 Two-lane roadway:**  
When school bus stops for passengers, all traffic from both directions must stop!

**2 Two-lane roadway with a center turning lane:**  
When school bus stops for passengers, all traffic from both directions must stop!

**3 Four-lane roadway without a median separation:**  
When school bus stops for passengers, all traffic from both directions must stop!

**4 Divided highway of four lanes or more with a median separation:**  
When school bus stops for passengers, only traffic following the bus must stop.

It is that time of year again! School is back in session and those large yellow buses are back in business! It's during this time the police department takes numerous complaints from the drivers of these chariots when other driver's fail to obey the rules of the road. Things to remember:

- If a bus is stopped at an intersection and it is picking up/dropping off passengers – do NOT make a right turn in front of that bus!
- If a bus has stopped and has extended it's flashing red stop sign: ALL DRIVERS MUST STOP.

The exception to this rule is if the roadway the bus is stopped on is a divided highway (a highway with 2 or more roadways separated by spaces not intended for the use of vehicular traffic). Traffic driving on

the opposite road/in the opposite direction does not have to stop.

- Officers can also issue citations to the owner of a vehicle which has illegally passed a school bus. What this means is the owner does not have to be the driver who commits the violation.

Please remember to give yourselves plenty of time in the morning/afternoon to get to your destination. Being stuck behind a school bus can be frustrating but violating the above laws will cost you money as well as points against your driver's license.

Don't forget almost all buses are now also equipped with video cameras, making law enforcement's job much easier. Be aware of who you are sharing the roadway with and slow down.