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Announcements

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

June 13-24: Safety Town will be held 2 hours per day for two weeks. Contact the Burlington Jaycees for more information at www.burlingtonjaycees.org.

June 9 - Sept. 1: B-Town Sounds every other Thursday from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Echo Park. Call 262.492.3697 for questions.

July 4: Burlington Firefighter Dance and July 4th fireworks at Echo Park starting at 2 p.m.

July 29-30: Community-wide Yard Sale. Contact the Chamber of Commerce for more information at 763-6044.

August 9: Partisan Primary Election from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. - Candidates include United States Senator, Representative in Congress, Representative to the Assembly, County Clerk, County Treasurer, and Register of Deeds. The Polling location for Wards 1-4 is at Cross Lutheran Church, 126 Chapel Terrace and Wards 5-10 at United Methodist Church, 857 W. State Street.

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City Hall

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Jeannie Hefty	Mayor
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165 W. Washington Street - 763-7842

Mark Strasser	Interim Fire Chief
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Public Library

166 E. Jefferson Street - 342-1130

Gayle Falk	Library Director
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2200 S. Pine Street - 539-3770

James Bergles	Public Works Director
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Municipal Court

300 N. Pine Street - 342-1129

Kelly Iselin	Municipal Court Judge
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Recycling Collection Schedule

- Week of May 30 - June 3
- Week of June 13 - 17
- Week of June 27 - July 1
- Week of July 11 - 15
- Week of July 25 - 29
- Week of August 8 - 12
- Week of August 22 - 26
- Week of September 5 - 9

June Meetings

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

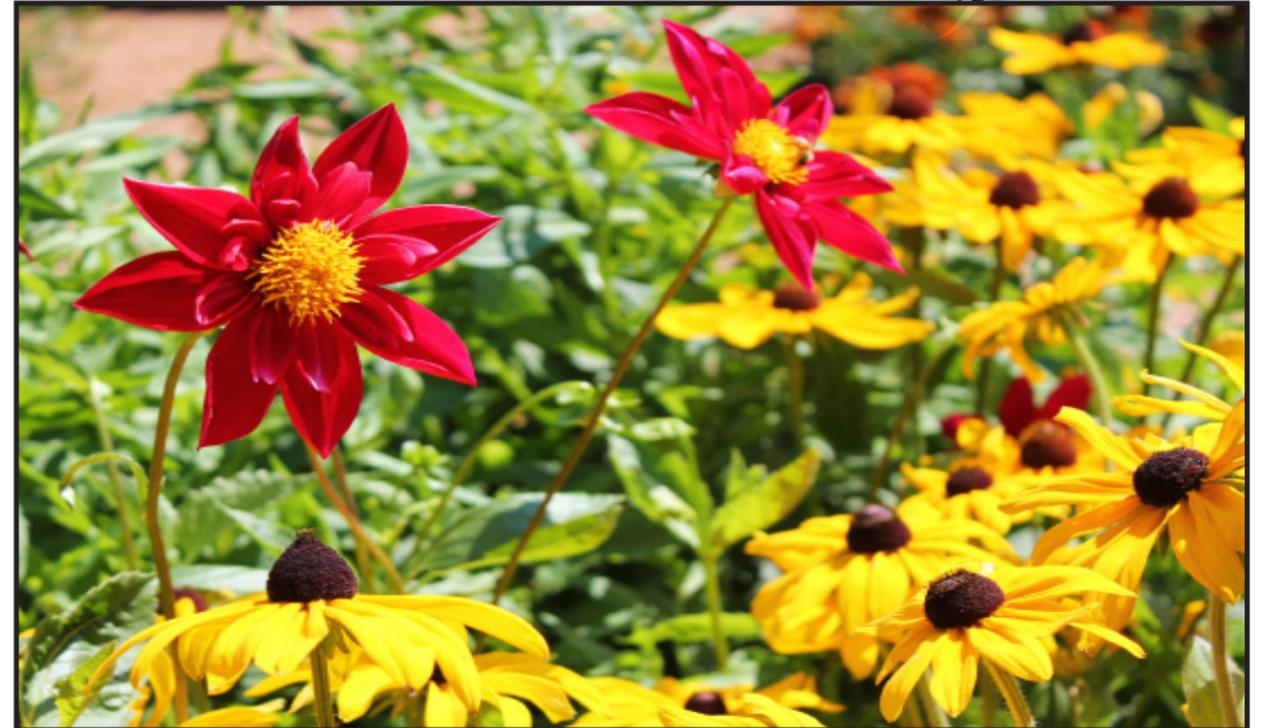
July Meetings

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| 7/5 | 5:30 p.m. | - CDA |
| 7/5 | 6:00 p.m. | - Police & Fire Comm. |
| 7/5 | 6:30 p.m. | - Common Council |
| 7/12 | 6:30 p.m. | - Plan Commission |
| 7/19 | 6:30 p.m. | - Common Council |
| 7/21 | 6:30 p.m. | - Park Board |
| 7/26 | 4:00 p.m. | - Library Board |
| 7/28 | 6:00 p.m. | - Airport Committee |
| 7/28 | 6:30 p.m. | - HPC |

August Meetings

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| 8/2 | 5:30 p.m. | - CDA |
| 8/2 | 6:00 p.m. | - Police & Fire Comm. |
| 8/2 | 6:30 p.m. | - Common Council |
| 8/9 | 6:30 p.m. | - Plan Commission |
| 8/16 | 6:30 p.m. | - Common Council |
| 8/18 | 6:30 p.m. | - Park Board |
| 8/23 | 4:00 p.m. | - Library Board |
| 8/25 | 6:00 p.m. | - Airport Committee |
| 8/25 | 6:30 p.m. | - HPC |

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It's great to be back in City Hall! Over the last several weeks, I have been busy meeting one by one with small and large business owners. I have also been busy meeting with individuals who want to bring new ideas and projects

forward. This is a very exciting time for the city! There are several topics I want to update you on, so that you may stay informed with what myself, the Common Council and City Staff are working on.

Burlington Pool

This has been a topic of discussion for several years. In Winter 2016, the Common Council approved moving ahead with Phase One (site assessment) and Phase Two (preliminary design) of the study. After completion of these two phases the Common Council may approve individually, Phases 3 (Pool Management Plan) Phase 4 (Referendum Education & Assistance) and 5 (Design and Bid). This process is set to provide clear direction of what would be the best for our deteriorating pool. Come November, everyone will have a clear picture to make their decision in the voting booth. I truly feel together we can find a way to save the Community Pool!

From the Mayor's Corner

Downtown Strategic Plan

The third set of strategic plan sessions will be held on June 6 and 8 to continue to refine the needs and goals of downtown business owners, residents and visitors. These sessions have been successful in drafting a multi-year plan to put ideas into motion. You can view the draft plan on our website under the "Spotlight On" section of the home page. As this city is one portion of this plan, the community is the implementation catalyst.

Redevelopment Opportunities

The City has released two Request for Proposals (RFP) to develop the newly city-owned parcel at Dodge Street and Chestnut Street and the former gas station next to B.J Wentkers located at 256 W. State Street. Proposals will be reviewed by the Community Development Authority and/or Common Council in the upcoming months for consideration.

Student Lunch with the Mayor

I am privileged to have been able to sit down with two seniors from Catholic Central for lunch to seek their opinions on their hometown, what they feel could be improved on, what they enjoy most, and what their future plans are. I plan to meet with Burlington High School students in the near future. I feel it is important to hear the voices of our youth and work with them as they are our future leaders.

Joint Community Building

The City, Racine County, and the School District will be selecting a firm to complete a feasibility study for a possible joint community building. The study will also include the Senior Center and the Public Library. Stay tuned.

Pine St. & Milwaukee Ave. Intersection

Traffic Analysis & Design (TAD) and Kapur & Associates will be at the July 5 Common Council meeting to discuss past studies of the Pine and Milwaukee intersection, what changes have been made, and if any improvements should be considered to alleviate the pedestrian and vehicular challenges.

Contact Me!

Do you have a concern or perhaps an idea for the city? I'd love to hear from you! You can reach me at 342-1161, by email at mayor@burlington-wi.gov, by visiting City Hall in the morning hours (appointments recommended) or on my Mayor Jeannie Hefty Facebook page. Lastly, on a monthly basis I will be updating you on what I am doing and what is happening within the city. You will find these monthly updates on our website, our City of Burlington Facebook page and in the Standard Press newspaper.

Pedestrian Safety Awareness Is A Top Priority

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 or unmarked crosswalk (at an intersection where there are no traffic control signals). 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.

As you travel through the City of Burlington you will notice several crosswalk signs in the middle of the roadway. 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 or unmarked intersection. 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.

The infographic is divided into three vertical columns, each with a yellow diamond-shaped sign at the top. The first column features a pedestrian sign and three blue text boxes: 'Obey all traffic laws. If no sidewalks are present, walk against the direction of traffic so you can see oncoming vehicles.', 'Always use the crosswalk. Push the button to get the walk signal.', and 'Be visible. Wear bright, reflective colors on your clothes, shoes, belts and wristbands.' The second column features a car sign and three yellow text boxes: 'Avoid distractions while driving. Focus on the road.', 'Pass bicyclists safely. Allow at least three feet between your vehicle and the bicyclist.', and 'Slow down! Speed is the cause of 32% of all fatal crashes.' The third column features a bicycle sign and three red text boxes: 'Always wear a helmet. Ride in the same direction of traffic on the street. Obey all traffic signs, signals, and lane markings.', 'Yield to traffic when appropriate. It's better to yield than "be in the right" and risk injury.', and 'Be visible. Position yourself in the lane so others can easily see you. Always use a headlight and taillight at night.'

Visit and Support the Burlington Community Pool!

The City, Burlington Pool Corporation and its Board are excited about the prospect of a potentially new community pool. More information will be provided to the public in the next couple of months as the study progresses.

families and non-resident families. Annual memberships and swim lessons are available as well as fitness classes. Open swim times are available daily, as well as the opportunity to reserve the facility for group activities and parties.

Initially constructed in 1965, the Burlington Community Pool was originally a joint project of the Burlington area service clubs. The Burlington Jaycees, Burlington Kiwanis, Burlington Lions Club, and Burlington Rotary formed the Burlington Community Pool Corporation in 1961 with the expressed intent of building a recreational facility for the city's residents. A dedication was held, and the pool opened for swimming on June 11, 1966. Since that time, the combined clubs have continued to financially support and operate the pool.

You can purchase memberships, sign up for swim lessons, and enroll in fitness classes online on our webpage. If you prefer to register by mail, you can pick up a flyer at City Hall, Burlington Public Library, Burlington Chamber of Commerce or the Burlington Area School District offices. After May 29, 2016 you can register at the Burlington Pool located at 394

Amanda Street.

Visit us on our Burlington Community Pool Facebook page and website at www.burlingtonpool.wix.com/burlingtonpool. Both contain a wealth of information about annual memberships, activities, and hours of operation.



Keep You and Your Family Safe - Avoid Distracted Driving

With ever increasing demands on our personal and professional time, the desire to juggle multiple tasks simultaneously is something we all face. As a result, distracted driving, a widespread traffic safety issue has emerged.

Distracted drivers pose a deadly risk to everyone on the road. Drivers engage in a range of distracting activities from talking and texting on their phones, eating, grooming and reading. Even the use of hands-free technologies isn't without risk.

Sending or receiving a text takes a driver's eyes off the road for an average of 5 seconds, or the equivalent of driving blind at 55 mph for the length of an entire football field. Text messaging is of concern because it combines three types of distraction: visual, manual and

cognitive. In other words, texting involves taking your eyes off the road, your hands off the wheel, and your mind off the task of driving.

Here are some tips for managing common driving distractions:

- Turn your phone off or switch it to silent mode before you get in the car.



- If you need to make a call, pull over to a safe area first.

- Ask a passenger to make the call or respond to a text for you.

- If using a GPS device, enter your destination before you start to drive. If you need help while driving, ask a passenger to assist you or pull over to a safe location to change your GPS or review your directions.

- Pull over to a safe place to address situations involving children in the car.

- Multi-tasking behind the wheel is dangerous. Refrain from eating, drinking, reading, grooming, smoking, and any other activity that takes your mind and eyes off the road.

Summer Fun at the Library!

On Your Mark, Get Set, READ!

Join us at the Burlington Public Library for "On Your Mark, Get Set, Read!" this summer! Registration begins June 6th for the Reading Program where children of all ages can earn prizes by completing six weekly bookmarks of fun reading activities.

And while you're here, take advantage of these fun events:

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.

Story Time

Finger plays, bouncing movements, rhythmic play and stories are the core of this program for children up to the age of five and their parents/caretakers. We meet Tuesdays at 10 a.m. No registration necessary.

Popcorn & a Movie

Films for kids are fun at the library! Sign up to see a full-length, recently released movie on these dates: Thursdays, Jun. 23 and 30, and July 7 and 14 at 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Check www.BurlingtonLibrary.com for movie titles and ratings. Registration is required.

Story Wagon Series

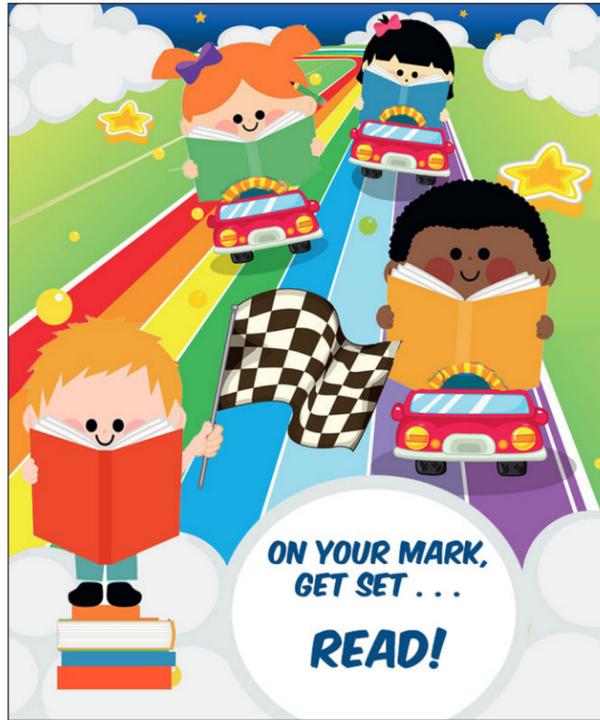
Professional performers will make five appearances at the library this summer, all on Fridays at 10 a.m. These free performances fill up fast. Be sure to see:

- June 17: Chris Fascione, Storyteller/Juggler
- June 24: Scott Oberman, Magician
- July 1: Science Alliance
- July 15: Jack and Kitty, Musical Duo
- July 22: Kay Elmsley Weeden, Storyteller

Special Events

Weather permitting, we will be outside in Wehmhoff Park next to the library for these free events (no registration required):

- June 6: Kohl's Wild Theater will present "The Reach of the Rain Forest" at noon.
- June 15: Yo-Yo Event with 3-Time Champion Nehemiah Peterson at noon.
- June 16: June Dairy Day at the library, from 10-11:30 a.m. This event with free ice cream, a petting zoo, face painting, and games is courtesy of Kan-Do 4-H and Burlington Back 40 4-H, Racine County Dairy Promotions, and WI Milk Marketing Board.
- June 29: Zumba for Kids (and families, too!) It's fun and fast, and don't forget to bring your water bottle! Noon.



- July 13: Burlington High School Juggling Club shows off their skills and will even let you try your hand at juggling their gear! 12-1 p.m.
- July 28: Michelle's Magic Poodles, who come all the way from Florida, will amaze and delight kids and adults of all ages! Time to be determined; please check burlingtonlibrary.com for details.

Another RoadSide Attraction

Funded by a Music Matters grant, Burlington Public Library will host this musical duo as part of the Tall Tales Festival on Saturday, Aug. 13 at noon. From Roanoke, VA, this husband and wife duo perform mostly original songs on a myriad of eclectic instruments: from the Mexican guitarron, to a variety of ukuleles, to the haunting musical saw, and a homemade recycled percussion setup. Come for the music, stay for the crafts; it'll be an all-around good time!

READ FOR THE WIN!

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



Summer Fun at the Library!

Book Clubs For Adults

Afternoon Book Club

Thursday, June 9 at 1 p.m.
All the Light We Cannot See
by Anthony Doerr

A young girl who has been blind since her youth is forced to move away from familiar Paris to another part of France when the Germans occupy the city. There, she ultimately meets a young German soldier who works as a highly specialized tracker of Resistance members. Doerr focuses his story on the choices his characters make and the consequences of these choices on the souls of the living and the dead.

July—No Book Club

Thursday, August 11 at 1 p.m.
Astonish Me
by Maggie Shipstead

This irresistible story focuses on Joan,

a young ballerina who helps her world-famous lover to defect to the United States where his career escalates while hers declines. Joan marries another man and moves to California to raise her son but when the son's own success brings him into contact with his biological father, secrets are revealed that threaten the delicate balance Joan has maintained between her past and the present.

Evening Book Club

Monday, June 27 at 7 p.m.
Dead Wake: The Last Crossing of the Lusitania
by Erik Larson

Larson's latest rendering takes the reader aboard the Lusitania as she sets off from New York bound for Liverpool. Considered a "transatlantic greyhound," the liner shares the water with German U-boats that have terrorized the North Atlantic, but

her captain trusts in the historic immunity enjoyed by civilian ships for more than a century. The Germans have changed the rules, though, and this, along with other forces, leads to the shocking disaster that changed the face of the First World War.

July—No Book Club

Monday, August 22 at 7 p.m.
All the Light We Cannot See
by Anthony Doerr

A young girl who has been blind since her youth is forced to move away from familiar Paris to another part of France when the Germans occupy the city. There, she ultimately meets a young German soldier who works as a highly specialized tracker of Resistance members. Doerr focuses his story on the choices his characters make and the consequences of these choices on the souls of the living and the dead.

Library Events

Will Your Job Search Make You Happier? It CAN!

Thursday, June 23 at 6:30 p.m.

When we think of Job Search, we often think desperation...but does it have to be that way? We spend a lot of time at work... and that work can impact everything else in our life in positive or negative ways. When we create a strategy for our job search that takes that into account, it can actually become an adventure full of promise. Learn how taking charge of the job search process can help you find a job that is a good fit and that can help you be happier overall. Presenter for this event is Tom Kipp, Career Education specialist at Cardinal Stritch University.

Shopping for Healthy Living

Thursday, July 21 at 6:30 p.m.

The grocery store. How often have you spent 5 minutes staring at grocery shelves wondering what to buy? We have the privilege of having a bounty of food at our finger tips, but variety doesn't necessarily mean healthy. Most people will agree that decoding the foods on the grocery shelves can be overwhelming, and sometimes, getting back to the basics is the best option. If you are interested in learning

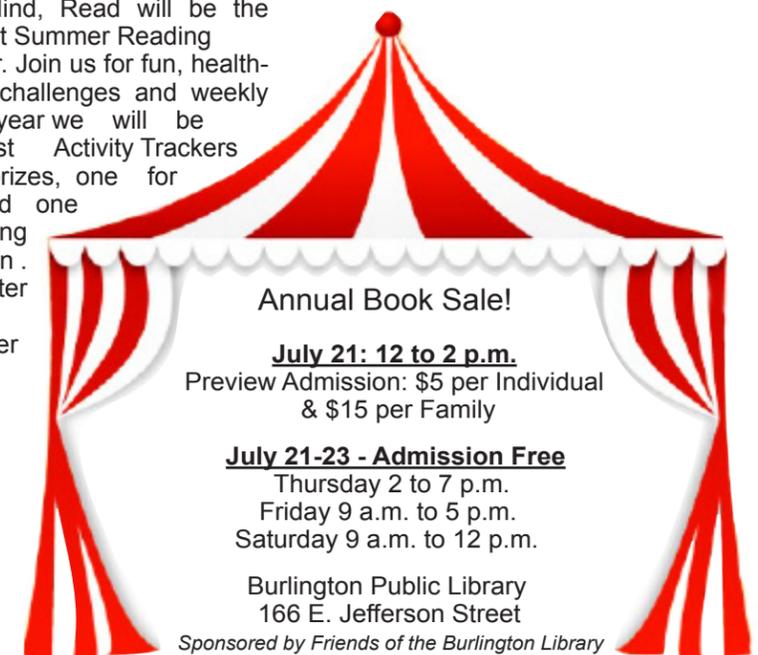
about smart grocery shopping and healthy meal planning, then this workshop is worth considering. Registered Dietitian Becky Suehring will be sharing tips on making the most of your trip to the grocery stores, and ways to cook once and eat twice.

Adult Summer Reading Program

Exercise Your Mind, Read will be the theme of our Adult Summer Reading Program this year. Join us for fun, health-related quizzes, challenges and weekly door prizes. This year we will be awarding two Wrist Activity Trackers as the grand prizes, one for the quizzes and one for the reading participation. Come in to register and let us help make your summer a relaxed and enjoyable one!

Game Nights at the Library

Take a night out for fun on the fourth Wednesday of each month as we get together to play board games. We meet from 6:30 until 8:00 p.m. Bring your own favorites or use the library's! Be sure to put these dates on your calendar: June 22, July 27, and August 24.



Protect Yourself from Disease-Carrying Pests

Protect yourself against mosquito and tick bites this summer.



West Nile virus (WNV) and Lyme disease are two illnesses that may occur from these bites. WNV is spread through the bite of infected mosquitoes. Infected people may develop fever, rash, muscle and joint aches, nausea, vomiting and fatigue, and rarely severe symptoms.

Lyme disease is a bacterial illness transmitted by the bite of a black legged (deer) tick. The illness often starts as a circular rash near the bite. Fever, headache, fatigue, muscle and/or joint pain may also be present. Lyme disease is treated with antibiotics, and if untreated, complications may occur. If you think you are infected, contact your healthcare provider.

Local transmission of mosquito-borne Zika virus has not been reported in the continental United States so far. Cases are associated with travel to a high-risk area. The species of mosquito that can transmit Zika is not yet found in Wisconsin.

Protect yourself from mosquito exposure!

- Apply insect repellent to clothing and exposed skin.
- Make sure window and door screens are in good repair.
- Dispose of or turn over items (tires, boats, wheelbarrows) that hold water to prevent mosquito breeding.
- Change water in birdbaths and pet dishes at least every three days.
- Clean and chlorinate swimming pools and hot tubs.
- Trim tall grass and weeds - mosquitoes use these areas to rest during daylight hours.

Protect yourself from tick bites!

- Wear a light colored long-sleeved shirt, long pants, and high socks with pant cuffs tucked into the socks.
- Walk in the center of mowed trails to avoid brushing up against vegetation.
- Conduct "tick checks" on yourself and your children after being outdoors.
- Promptly remove any ticks.
- Insect repellents containing 0.5% permethrin or 20-30% DEET have been shown to be effective against deer ticks.

Rummage Sale Rules



Are you planning to have a rummage sale this summer? Please note that per city ordinance, rummage sales can be conducted only between the hours of 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. Home owners can hold no more than three (3) rummage sales in one calendar year, no longer than three (3) consecutive days in a row.

Advertising signs, 12 square feet or less in area, may be placed only on the property of the residence where the sale is being held or on any other residential property with permission of the homeowner of that property. No signs shall be placed within the right-of-way or public land. Signs must be removed within 24 hours of the close of the rummage sale.

Real Estate Taxes Due July 31

Second installment Real Estate tax payments are due by July 31. As a service for Racine County residents, payments can be made at Burlington City Hall, 300 N. Pine Street between 8 am and 5 pm or mailed to the Racine County Treasurer at the address listed below. Second installment payments made at City Hall will be marked as "received" and forwarded on to the County Treasurer for processing. Please include a self-addressed stamped envelope with your payment to receive a receipt from the Racine County Treasurer.

Second installment payments for all Racine County municipalities can be made through July 31 via the following options:

In Person

Burlington City Hall
300 N. Pine Street
Burlington, WI 53105
Open Monday - Friday
8 am - 5 pm

- or -

Racine County Courthouse
730 Wisconsin Avenue
Racine, WI 53403
Open Monday - Friday
8 am - 5 pm

By Mail

Racine County Treasurer
730 Wisconsin Avenue
Racine, WI 53403

- or -

Online

www.officialpayments.com
Jurisdiction Code: 5835

Checks must be made payable to the "Racine County Treasurer"

Property Assessments

Each year the City Assessor reviews property assessments and updates the assessment roll according to any changes that occurred during the previous year.

If you have concerns about your assessment, you may want to meet with the Assessor at an "Open Book Conference". Appointments for an Open Book conference can be made with Accurate Appraisal at (800) 770-3927. Open Book conferences will be held on July 25 from 12 to 7 p.m. and July 26 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Minor errors and misunderstandings can often be corrected by meeting with the assessor without initiating a formal appeal. To be heard by the Board of Review you must first provide written or oral notice of your intent to file an objection to the board with the City Clerk, 300 N. Pine Street or 342-1171. This notice must be made at least 48 hours before the board's first scheduled meeting. You may only appeal the current year's assessment. The 2016 Board of Review meeting date is August 30 from 4 to 6 p.m.

July 4th fireworks will be displayed over the ChocolateFest grounds on Maryland Avenue

Fourth of July Dance & Fundraiser!

Don't miss out! The City of Burlington Fire Department will once again be conducting their annual fundraiser and dance. Raffle tickets for cash prizes will be distributed to residences during June. July 4th festivities commence at Echo Park starting at 2 p.m. Echo Park is located at 595 Milwaukee Avenue.

A bag toss tournament begins at 3 p.m. Lunchmoney Bullies will perform from 7 to 11 pm, pausing during the fireworks display sponsored by the City of Burlington.

Beer, soda, bottled water, food, and popcorn will be available for purchase.

Summer Irrigation Allowance In Effect

The Sewer Irrigation Allowance for water usage during the quarter of June through September is now in effect. During this summer quarter, outside water usage (watering lawns/landscape, washing vehicles, filling pools) which does not flow through the sewer, is NOT calculated as part of your sewer charge. Instead, the sewer rate for the summer quarter is calculated based on your First Quarter usage or the Second Quarter usage, whichever amount is lower. The Sewer Irrigation Allowance is for single family residential customers only. The customer receives this water/sewer bill in October. Please call the Burlington Water Utility at 342-1173 with any questions.



Tall Grass & Weeds

Summer-time also means lawn maintenance time. Please remember that no home or business owner shall permit the pollination of noxious weeds (including Canada thistle, leafy spurge and field bindweed) or allow grass to grow more than an average of 12 inches.

Complaints may be submitted to the Weed Commissioner at 539-3770. Notices will be sent to property owners who are in violation of weed and tall grass ordinances. If the owner fails to cut the tall grass or remove the weeds, the City is authorized to proceed with removal and invoice the property owner for the work.

Do You Have a Smoke Detector?



In an effort to reduce the number of fatalities in home fires, the City of Burlington Fire Department is recommending that homeowners make sure they have the appropriate number of working smoke alarms in their homes, and to make sure they are installed for proper operation and maximum efficiency.

The City of Burlington Fire Department was awarded a grant for smoke detector installations from the Wisconsin Smoke Alarm and Fire Education Organization (WisSAFE). This grant awards the Fire Department smoke detectors for installation in residential dwellings within the city.

Residents can apply to have a trained City of Burlington Fire Department personnel install the detectors. Applications can be picked up at the Fire Station, 165 W. Washington Street, City Hall, 300 N. Pine Street or on the City website at www.burlington-wi.gov.

Outdoor Fire Safety & Regulations

With the summer months finally 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 summer 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.

