

# Inside Burlington



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## Downtown Development Continues to Move Forward

The City Staff, Community Development Authority and Mayor Bob Miller continue to work together to keep the proposed downtown hotel, retail and office development moving forward. Currently, the City and Community Development Authority is working together to develop the appropriate development package for the new hotel development, which would be the first phase of the downtown redevelopment project. To date the city has purchased one property and is in discussion with the remaining property owners to purchase their properties as part of the project.

Additionally city officials have developed an agreement with Burlington Cooperative Plus, Inc. to purchase their property by November 15 of this year. This property purchase would kick-off the first phase of the development project, and includes the demolition of the existing site and an environmental clean-up

effort to remove contaminated soil from the property. Due to its historical uses, the site will require some remediation to remove petro-chemical and other pollutants from



the soil before the property is developable. The remaining properties also have some contamination, and will be remediated before development occurs. Currently, the Burlington Cooperative is going through the approval process for a new retail store and

repair center located on Milwaukee Avenue, Burlington's major commercial corridor. The city and Cooperative Plus, Inc. worked closely together to be able to keep this valued business in Burlington.

While the current economic conditions have delayed the project slightly from an initially aggressive development schedule, city staff and the development group continues to work together to make the project a reality. Construction for the first phase of the development is expected to begin in the Spring of 2010.

Over the course of several years the City has redeveloped and revitalized a large portion of our riverfront and downtown. The hotel and retail redevelopment project is the second phase of this ambitious redevelopment effort designed to keep our local businesses viable, increase our non-residential tax base and continue to make Burlington a destination location for local commerce.

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## Veterans Terrace Opened Its Doors August 30

Veterans Terrace is officially open earlier than originally anticipated after a year of construction. A Ribbon Cutting and Grand Opening celebration was held on August 30th to dedicate the building and memorial bricks along the grounds. With spectacular views inside and out, it is definitely worth a visit to see all of the hard work that was put in by many volunteers.

The dream of Veterans Terrace began years ago as it became obvious the needs and demands of the community could not be met with the original building. After much planning, hard work and dedication by a wealth of community members the dream has become a realization.

Veterans Terrace was built not only as a fitting and lasting tribute to Burlington's service personnel, but also as an active community center. It is to be a living memorial to the Burlington area veterans who have given so much to us and our Country.

Located at the edge of Echo Park and along the White River, Veterans Terrace will provide a venue for a variety of occasions with a stunning backdrop. Veterans Terrace is also contiguous to Burlington's beautiful River Walk that leads to Burlington's Historic Downtown area.

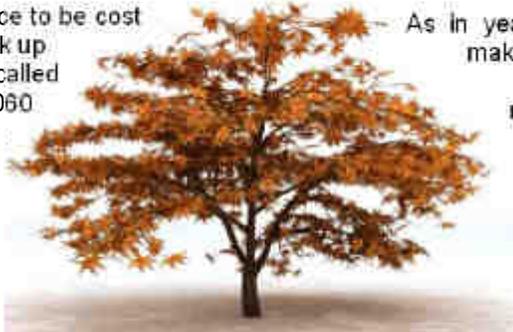


## Brush Pick-Up Service

Local, at the curb, brush pick-up is a service offered to our residents, on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month year round (service pending during severe weather).

In order for this service to be cost effective, we only pick up brush that has been called in. Please call 763-2060

to have your address placed on the Brush Pick-Up list each time that you need this service. Unfortunately, if you do not call in your address, your brush will not be picked up. Please call in your address for a pick-up by no later than the prior Tuesday, and place your brush and larger branches next to, but not on, the street next to your home on Tuesday evening before the Wednesday pick-up.



## Autumn Leaf Collection

Leaf pick-up will begin in October and continue through mid-November (weather permitting). Please do not rake leaves into the gutter in order to allow storm water to flow unobstructed.

As in years past city crews make several passes through each neighborhood for clean up. There have been times where snow comes earlier than expected making the pick up process more difficult, however the crews will make every attempt to clean up the snow in a timely manner.

For questions or concerns please call the Department of Public Works at 763-2060.

## Stay Safe By Knowing the Outdoor Warning Siren

Typically Autumn is not the season to discuss tornado warnings, however as neighboring communities experienced January 2005, A tornado can happen at any time of the year.



When the National Weather Service issues a Tornado Warning for Racine County, the sirens are activated. If the city experiences an emergency and we need to get information out to citizens that could save their lives, the sirens are activated.

The City of Burlington has four outdoor warning sirens. All sirens are activated by the transmission of an RF signal with a tone alert. The signal is transmitted by the City Police Dispatch Center. Each siren has its own receiver and tone decoder. When sirens are activated it indicates a tornado has been sighted or strongly indicated on radar. The sirens may also be activated in the event of a non-weather related emergency. An example of this would be a chemical spill.

Each siren is capable of covering about a one mile radius from its location. The sirens are designed to alert citizens who are outside but citizens inside buildings may hear the siren if they are close to the siren location. Please keep in mind that the sirens are tested for three minutes every Saturday at noon.

When you hear the siren please seek shelter immediately and listen to radio or television for more information. Do not call police, fire departments or news media.

Every year, many people are killed or seriously injured by tornadoes and/or high winds despite advance warning. Some do not hear the warning, while others received the warning but did not take action. This information, combined with timely severe weather watches and warnings, could save your life when severe weather threatens your area. After you have received the warning or observed threatening skies, YOU must make the decision to seek shelter before the storm arrives. If you hear the sirens and it does not appear to be weather related, immediately listen to your radio or television for emergency information. It could be the most important decision you will ever make!

### City Compost Site Hours of Operation

Leaves, brush and lawn clippings can be taken to the City Compost Site on Maryland Avenue.

#### Hours are:

**Sunday: 12 - 6 p.m.**  
**Monday: Closed**  
**Tuesday: 3 - 8 p.m.**  
**Wednesday: Closed**  
**Thursday: 12 - 8 p.m.**  
**Friday: Closed**  
**Saturday: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.**



*Proof of residency is required.*

## Keeping Sidewalks Clear During the Winter Season

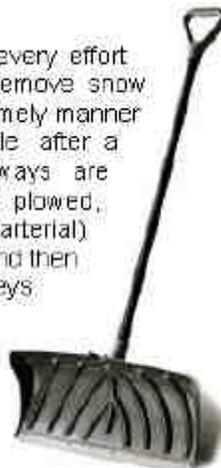
The winter weather will soon be upon us, and along with this weather also comes snow. Keeping the sidewalks clear of snow and ice is something that is not only a courtesy to other people in your neighborhood for walking, but also required by City Ordinance.

As the owner, occupant or person in charge of a residence(s) and/or building(s) in the City, you are responsible for the removal of any snow and ice that has accumulated on the sidewalk within 18 hours of the snowfall. Any ice that has formed on the sidewalk must be treated to prevent the area from being dangerous. Failure to maintain the sidewalk within this 18-hour timeframe may result in the Street Department cleaning your sidewalk in which case the City will bill the owner(s). (Per City Code the

amount charged for snow removal will be at the City's full cost, and in all likelihood the City will have to contract this service out since our crews will be busy cleaning up the streets.)

City crews make every effort possible to safely remove snow from all streets in a timely manner as soon as possible after a snowfall. State highways are the first streets to be plowed, followed by the main (arterial) streets, side streets and then parking lots and alleys.

Concerns regarding snow removal should be addressed to the Street Department at 763-2060.



# Medicine Collection Day Offered to Racine County Residents

The Western Racine County Health Department in conjunction with Aurora Health Care is offering another Medicine Collection Day on October 17 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. This is a valuable opportunity and resource to dispose of old pharmaceuticals without contaminating the environment.

Wastewater treatment plants are not designed to remove all medicines from wastewater. Drugs can end up going through the plants and directly to our lakes and rivers. Various levels of antibiotics, anti-depressants, veterinary drugs, birth control hormones and other drugs have been detected in waterways across the United States. Research suggests that hormones found in pharmaceuticals may cause abnormalities in the reproductive cycles of fish. Antibiotics in the environment may also contribute to the development of drug resistant germs.

## What You Can Bring

Prescription Medication & Over the Counter Medication. Ointments, sprays, inhalers, creams, vials and pet medications are acceptable.

## Please Do NOT Bring

Illegal Drugs, Biohazardous Material, Needles/Sharps, Personal Care Products (shampoo, soaps, lotions, sunscreens, etc). Household Hazardous Waste (paint, pesticides, oil, gas).



## How does the collection work?

Please keep medication in the original package or bottle. You CAN cross off your name and address, but DO NOT cover up or remove the name of the medicine. Simply drive or walk through the drop off area and give your medicine to a pharmacist. They will sort the medication into one of two groups. Federal law requires that we immediately

hand over certain drugs to law enforcement. Law enforcement will destroy all drugs it receives. Veolia Environmental Services will incinerate the rest of the medicine collected at a federally licensed incinerator.

## What should I do with old medication if I cannot go to the collection?

If you can store it safely, keeping it out of the reach of kids, save it until the next "Medicine Collection Day." If you cannot store it safely and have to get rid of it, the federal government recommends throwing unused medicine in the garbage. It's not a perfect option as most landfills collect liquid that seeps through the landfill and direct it to a sanitary sewer. However, if you need to throw it away, grind it up and mix it with coffee grounds or something that no one would want to eat or dissolve it in a jar with water and kitty litter.

The collection sites will be at the following locations on October 17:

Western Collection Site  
156 E. State Street, Burlington

Eastern Collection Site  
6200 - 21st Street, Racine

## Proper Mercury Disposal is Urged for the Environment

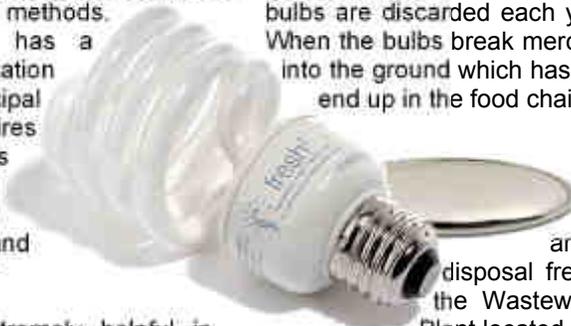
The City is seeking your help with mercury disposal which has been a continuing problem for the environment, citizen health and finances. You can make a difference! Mercury is a dangerous pollutant that is not easily removed from the water. Mercury removal is a costly process that consists of extensive filtration methods.

The City currently has a Mercury Minimization Program in the Municipal Code that requires compliance standards from local dental facilities, medical facilities, schools and industrial facilities for mercury disposal.

This program is extremely helpful in eliminating mercury from the water system however many household products that are disposed of daily by citizens can create an adverse effect on the minimization program.

Common household items containing mercury include thermometers, fluorescent light bulbs, children's light-up shoes (pre 1994), barometers, meat thermometers, thermostat relay switches, LCD screens, watch & hearing aid batteries and antique items such as appliances, pendulums,

jewelry and toys, to name a few. Dental Amalgam which is a mixture of 50% mercury, 50% silver and tin used to fill cavities is still utilized in many dental offices however there are strict EPA restrictions on disposal of the fillings. According to EPA research more than 670 million fluorescent bulbs are discarded each year in landfills. When the bulbs break mercury is released into the ground which has the potential to end up in the food chain.



Mercury thermometers and light bulbs are accepted for disposal free of charge at the Wastewater Treatment Plant located at 6551 S. Pine Street, Monday through Friday, 7 a.m - 3 p.m. For disposal methods and locations for other mercury containing materials visit the EPA website at [www.epa.gov/hg/spills/index.htm](http://www.epa.gov/hg/spills/index.htm).

Reducing mercury will not only prevent the potential of polluting our water supply, but also save thousands of dollars. For more information please call the Wastewater Department at (262) 539-3646.

## Utility Bill Direct Payment Plan Option

For several years the City has utilized quarterly billing practices for water and sewer service. As a service to customers the Water Department offers a Direct Payment Plan option, similar to payment programs offered by electric, gas and telephone companies in Wisconsin.

The utility bill payment is made automatically from your checking or savings account on the quarterly due date. The Direct Payment Plan customer will continue to be sent the quarterly utility bill with the notation "Do Not Pay - Direct Pay". Many customers find the Direct Payment Plan automatic deduction a great convenience, with fewer checks to write, savings on postage and the payment is always made on time. It is easy to sign up for and easy to cancel.

For more information on the Direct Payment Plan, please contact the Water Department at 262-342-1173 or stop in at City Hall, 300 N. Pine Street, to complete the necessary form. Be sure to bring a blank voided check with you to attach with the form to be used for authorization with your bank.

## Monthly Vaccination Clinics Available at the Health Department

The Western Racine County Health Department offers monthly immunization clinics for children and adults at a low fee. The clinics are held at the Health Department located at 156 E. State Street in Burlington on the following days:

- 2nd Wednesday each month, 4 - 6 p.m.
- 3rd Wednesday each month, 9 - 10 a.m.
- 4th Thursday each month, 4 - 6 p.m.

Children's vaccines available include Chicken Pox, Diphtheria, Hepatitis A, Hepatitis B, Hib Meningitis, HPV, Measles, Meningococcal, Mumps, Pertussis, Pneumococcal, Polio, Rotavirus, Rubella, Tetanus, and Influenza (in season).

Adult's vaccines available include Tetanus, Hepatitis B (\$40 plus administration fee) and TB Skin Test (\$10 plus administration fee, must call 24 hours in advance to schedule).

An administration fee will be charged for all

immunizations in the following manner:

Residents= \$10 per visit.  
Maximum charge of \$30 for a resident family.\*

Non-residents= \$15 per visit.  
Maximum charge \$45 for a non-resident family.\*

*\*Special circumstances may warrant a waived fee.*

If you haven't been to us previously please bring an updated immunization record.

Last year 3274 immunizations were given at the various western Racine County clinics. The savings value to residents for these immunizations totaled \$111,871 which was funded primarily through grants.

The Western Racine County Health Department offers free blood pressure screenings as well on the same days as the

immunization clinics. Residency is not required for the free screening.

For questions or concerns contact the Western Racine County Health Department at 763-4930 or visit their website at [www.wrchd.org](http://www.wrchd.org).



## City Firefighters Volunteer at Annual Burn Camp

Volunteers from the City of Burlington Fire Department recently returned from the annual Wisconsin Alliance for Fire Safety (WAFS) Summer Camp for Burn Injured Youths. The City's Fire Inspector, John Niederer donated his time for the second year in a row as a camp counselor. The Fire Department also participated in the WAFS's Burn Camp's annual "Fire Truck" Parade.

For one week out of the year



the WAFS's Burn Camp gives children ages 7-17 all over the state of Wisconsin an opportunity to meet other children that have had the same traumatic injury they have. Many of the children make life-long friends with other campers and counselors. During the week of camp

they are offered a variety of fun activities including swimming, horseback riding and fishing.

The WAFS is the organization which sponsors the Burn Camp and also works to educate children and their families in fire and burn prevention. All this is possible thanks to the countless fundraisers and support that fire departments around the State of Wisconsin give. The City of Burlington Fire Department has been aiding the Wisconsin Alliance for Fire Safety for years and will continue its support for many more years to come.

For further information, to volunteer services or to make a donation please visit the Wisconsin Alliance for Fire Safety website at [www.wafs.org](http://www.wafs.org) or call 1-800-315-0911.

## October is Fire Safety Month

Every year approximately 24,000 Americans are injured in fires, 4,000 of which perish. Eighty-two percent of fires that lead to death are within the home. Installing smoke detectors on every floor of a home is the most effective life saver when it comes to fires. Be sure to check the batteries once a month and change them at each Daylight Savings Time. An emergency plan for the family is also beneficial. Teach children how to safely exit a house during a fire and set up a family meeting point outside.

Fire safety education for children in the City will be conducted by the Burlington Fire Department during Fire Prevention Week, October 4 - 10 at most of the elementary schools. The importance of "stop, drop and roll" will be shown, discussions on the hazards of playing with matches and tips will be given to know what to do if they suspect a fire. These are only some of the lessons being taught. The middle schools and high school will also have a fire drill conducted for safety measures.

For more tips and resources on fire safety, you can visit the U.S. Fire Administration website at [www.usfa.dhs.gov](http://www.usfa.dhs.gov).



## Did You Know?

### Sale on Rain Barrels!

The Water/Wastewater Department is currently having a half price sale on rain barrels until the stock is gone. You can purchase a barrel at the Wastewater Plant located at 6551 S. Pine Street, Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. - 3 p.m. for only \$25. Hurry before they're all gone!

### Meet with the Mayor!

The Mayor holds open office hours for the public to come speak with him on the first Saturday of each month from 9 - 11 a.m. at City Hall, 300 N. Pine Street. State Representative Samantha Kerkman will be at City Hall with Mayor Miller on October 3 to speak with residents one on one.

### Senior Transportation Services

There are many transportation opportunities for seniors in Racine County using self-pay and/or Medicaid that will transport as far away as Milwaukee. More information can be obtained by calling the Racine County Service Center at 767-2900 or by picking up a comprehensive list at City Hall, 300 N. Pine Street.

### Facade Improvement Grants for Historic District

Did you know that owners and tenants of existing buildings located in Historic Downtown Burlington are eligible to apply for up to a \$5,000 grant for building facade improvements? The facade grant can be used to fund improvements to the exterior front, rear and side facades of the existing commercial buildings. The maximum grant amount will be 50% of the total eligible facade improvement project, at a maximum of \$5,000. No more than \$250 of matching funds of the \$5,000 grant may be used for signage. If you have a project that you think is eligible please contact Tina Chitwood at Racine County Economic Development Corporation at 262-898-7422 or at tchitwood@racinecountyedc.org.

## Promotional and Tourism Videos Available for Viewing on City Website

The City of Burlington has recently introduced an exciting new technology that is sure to have a tremendous, positive impact for promoting the public and the private assets of our wonderful community. e-LocalLink, a division of CGI, has produced a series of online videos to showcase the assets and attributes that the City of Burlington has to offer to its residents, its visitors, and its business community. These videos are accessible for viewing via the City's website at [www.burlington-wi.gov](http://www.burlington-wi.gov). These videos highlight the unique community strengths that will help drive business and tourism to the city.

As you know, the City of Burlington is dedicated to making our community a great place to live, work, shop and conduct business. These videos highlight the advantages of living in and doing business here, actively promoting tourism and recruiting businesses for economic development with no financial investment from City funds. The videos are funded strictly through advertisements on the video site so be sure to view the sponsor sites as well! We hope you enjoy the new Video Tour Book of Burlington and recommend them to others to view.



## Red Fox Have Taken Up Residence in some City Neighborhoods

As many are aware, red fox have recently moved into residential neighborhoods in the city.



Red fox are an urban wildlife species just as gray squirrels, raccoons, and white-tailed deer that we are so accustomed to. They are present in most eastern urban communities in the United States and typically coexist with humans and our domesticated animals without incidence. Occasionally fox become habituated to humans. Habituation can occur when the animals are fed either directly by humans or indirectly by animals feeding in garbage cans or on pet food left outside. Habituation of wildlife can lead to a loss of fear of humans and undesirable behavior that may include approaching too close to humans and pets, feeding from garbage cans, or denning under a house.

In the spring, they may den underneath a porch or in a yard, while they're raising their pups. Foxes generally use more than one den to raise their pups and may move them as many as two to four times. They'll usually leave by the end of June at the latest. Foxes are part of our healthy ecosystem, feeding upon rabbits, mice, insects and other small animals.

To reduce the chance of foxes becoming a nuisance in our urban environment, actively discourage red fox from visiting your property and reinforce their natural fear of humans.

Follow these suggested actions to reduce the chance of negative interactions with red fox:

- DO NOT FEED FOXES!
- Secure garbage can lids.
- Feed pets indoors and do not leave pet food outside.
- Do not put meat scraps in a compost pile.
- Keep outdoor grills clean and empty catch trays regularly.
- Remove bird feeders, fox will prey upon small rodents attracted by the bird feed on the ground.
- Provide secure shelter for domesticated

animals.

- Turn on outside lights.
- Make noise by banging pans together, yelling, or shaking an empty aluminum can filled with pennies or small rocks.
- Spray them with water from your hose.
- Encourage your neighbors to do the same.

### Myths about fox:

- Foxes are much smaller than many people think. They're about the weight of a large house cat (10-15 lbs.).
- It is uncommon or rare for them to attack dogs or people. These are relatively small predators which usually hunt mice and rabbits.
- Pups that are alone during the day have not necessarily been abandoned. Their parents will leave the den site to hunt for food for them.
- Red fox are not strictly nocturnal and are also active early morning, late evening and are often active during the day. To see one during the day is not uncommon.

For more information about native Wisconsin wildlife visit the WI DNR website at: [www.dnr.wi.gov/org/land/wildlife](http://www.dnr.wi.gov/org/land/wildlife).

# Autumn Programs at the Public Library

## Children Programs

### Fall Storytimes

The Burlington Public Library will offer two Tuesday morning storytime sessions for preschoolers this fall. A five-week session begins Tuesday, Sept. 15, running through Oct. 13, from 10:30 – 11 a.m. The second, four-week session will run Tuesday, Nov. 3-24 from 10:30 – 11 a.m. No registration is required. The goal of storytime is to encourage children to develop an interest in books and reading.

### Preschool Fun with Love, Inc.

Linda Breuer from Love, Inc. will present two programs on Wednesdays at the library: "ABC, Music and Me" running Sept. 16 through Oct. 21, at 9:30 a.m.; and "Building Blocks" running Nov. 4 through Dec. 9, at 9:30 a.m. Building Blocks is aimed at babies, toddlers, and preschoolers (infants through 4 years-old) and their parents, which features songs, books and movement. ABC, Music and Me is primarily for children aged 2 to 4 years old and their parents (siblings are welcome), and features Kindermusik, a fun way to sing, listen, move, play, learn and build early literacy and language skills. There is no cost for these programs. To register, please contact Linda Breuer, Children's Resources at Love, Inc. at 763-6226.

### Youth Book Discussion Group

The book club for boys and girls in grades 4, 5 and 6 will continue to meet Wednesdays at 4-4:30 p.m. Fall dates are Sept. 16, Oct. 14, and Nov. 18. Please register in advance in order to have enough copies of books available at 763-7623. Check the web site at [www.burlingtonlibrary.org](http://www.burlingtonlibrary.org) for book selection titles and updated information. New members are always welcome!

### Teen Book Discussion Group

The book club for boys and girls in grades 7, 8 and 9 will continue to meet Tuesdays at 3:30-4 p.m. Dates are Sept. 15, Oct. 13, and Nov. 17. Please register in advance in order to have enough copies of books available. Check the web site [www.burlingtonlibrary.org](http://www.burlingtonlibrary.org) for book selection titles and updated information. Come join us!

### WannaWatchaMovie?

Our free movie series continues on Fridays Sept. 25, Oct. 9, Oct. 30, and Nov. 20. Visit the library or check out our website for title listings, ratings and length. Registration is required (so we know how much popcorn to make!).

### Wii Gaming

Wii Gaming for youths continues every Thursday from 3:30-4:30 p.m. One Thursday each month is dedicated to teens only, dates TBA. No registration is necessary; please note play is a round-robin style.

## Adult Programs

### Adult Book Discussion Group

Join the Burlington Public Library Adult Book Discussion Group as we finish the 2009 series with three highly acclaimed first novels.

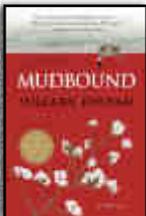
#### September 28

We will discuss "The White Tiger" by Aravind Adiga. This book was awarded the Man Booker Prize in 2008. If you enjoyed the movie Slumdog Millionaire, this book shows modern India in a similar way. Born in a village in heartland India, the son of a rickshaw puller, Balram is taken out of school by his family and put to work in a teashop. As he crushes coals and wipes tables, he nurses a dream of escape - of breaking away from the banks of Mother Ganga, into whose depths have seeped the remains of a hundred generations. The White Tiger is a tale of two Indias. Balram's journey from darkness of village life to the light of entrepreneurial success is utterly amoral, brilliantly irreverent, deeply endearing and altogether unforgettable.



#### October 26

We will discuss "Mudbound" by Hillary Jordan. Mudbound won the 2006 Bellwether Prize for Fiction, awarded biannually to a first literary novel that addresses issues of social justice. It is 1946, and city-bred Laura McAllan is trying to raise her children on her husband's Mississippi Delta farm, a place she finds foreign and frightening. In the midst of the family's struggles, two young men return from the war to work the land. It is the unlikely friendship of these brothers-in-arms that drives this powerful novel to its inexorable conclusion.



#### November 23

We will discuss "The 19th Wife" by David Ebershoff. This ambitious third novel tells two parallel stories of polygamy. The first recounts Brigham Young's expulsion of one of his wives, Ann Eliza, from the Mormon Church; the second is a modern-day murder mystery set in a polygamous compound in Utah. Unfolding through an impressive variety of narrative forms, Wikipedia entries, academic research papers, newspaper opinion pieces, the stories include fascinating historical details.



Our book discussions start at 7 p.m., no registration is necessary. Books and audio books are available at the Burlington Public Library.

## All Ages

### The Battlefield Balladeers

Thursday, September 10, 7 p.m.

The Battlefield Balladeers will perform music dating back to the time of the War Between the States. Their repertoire includes songs written for the war, popular music from the minstrel shows, Stephen Foster favorites, sentimental, patriotic, and humorous songs. They introduce each song with a historic quote or reason why the song was important and/or popular. The audience is encouraged to clap their hands, sing along and have fun with them as they celebrate the pageantry and musical heritage of America's Civil War. The Battlefield Balladeers have performed for the opening of the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library & Museum in Springfield, IL, the Chicago Historical Society (now the Chicago History Museum), the Lincoln Museum in Ft. Wayne, Indiana -The Civil War Battlefields of Selma, Alabama and Perryville, Kentucky and numerous libraries, historical societies, reenactments and museums in Illinois, Wisconsin and Indiana.



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### Ghost Hunters of Northern Alliance of Paranormal Investigators

Saturday, October 17, 1 p.m.

Are you fascinated by things that go bump in the night? Join the Ghost Hunters of Northern Alliance of Paranormal Investigators as they share ghost stories, ghost hunting tips and evidence from local haunts.

NAPI is a volunteer organization comprised of professionals from a variety of fields. They use conventional scientific instruments to obtain evidence of paranormal activity that is measurable and observable. Recent investigation sites include the Brumder Mansion Bed & Breakfast in Milwaukee, Bartonville Asylum in Carpentersville, IL, two U.S. Coast Guard lighthouses and numerous homes and businesses.

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**Autumn Announcements**



**September 7** - City offices will be closed Monday, September 7 for **Labor Day**.

**September - October** - The Burlington **Farmer's Market** is held every Thursday from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. in Wehmhoff Square, downtown Burlington. The market will end for the year on October 29.

**September 13** - The 15th **Annual Log Cabin Toy Run** for Love, Inc. will be held Sunday, September 13 starting at 10 a.m. This ride is open to the public with a prepay of \$20 or \$20 new toy (includes raffle ticket). Contact 763-5507 or visit [www.tricountyriders.org](http://www.tricountyriders.org) for more information.

**October 3** - **State Representative Samantha Kerkman** will be at City Hall on Saturday, October 3 from 9 - 11 a.m. to speak with citizens one on one. No appointment is necessary.

**October 25** - Halloween **Trick or Treating** will be held on Sunday, October 25 from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

**November 26 & 27** - City offices will be closed Thursday, November, 26 and Friday, November 27 for the **Thanksgiving** holiday.

**December 4** - The 28th annual **Christmas parade** will be held on Friday, December 4 starting at 6:30 p.m.

**Mid-December** - The **2009 Real Estate Tax bills** will be mailed mid-December. First installment payments are due by January 31, 2010 and December 31, 2009 to claim a deduction for income taxes.

**CITY STAFF DIRECTORY**

**City Hall - 300 N. Pine St. - 342-1161**

Robert Miller	Mayor
Kevin Lahner	City Administrator
Bridget Souffrant	Treasurer
Beverly R. Gill	City Clerk
Megan Johnson	Asst. to the City Administrator
Patrick Scherrer	Building Inspector

**Fire Department - 165 E. Washington St. - 763-7842**

Richard Lodle	Fire Chief
Richard Peterson	Deputy Chief
Michael Wallace	Assistant Chief
Daniel Rueter	Assistant Chief
John Niederer	Fire Inspector

**Public Library - 166 E. Jefferson St. - 342-1130**

Gayle Falk	Library Director
Joy Schnupp	Youth Services Director
Judy Rockwell	Reference Librarian
Carole Rybarczyk	Circulation Supervisor

**Police Department - 224 E. Jefferson St. - 342-1100**

Police Chief	
Mark Anderson	Police Lieutenant
David A. Krupp	Detective Sergeant
Michael J. Madsen	Sergeant
Scott L. Molitor	Sergeant
John Fisher	Sergeant

**DPW-Streets/Parks - 824 Milwaukee Ave. - 763-2060**

Richard Pieters	Supervisor - Streets & Parks
Tom Koch	Street Department Foreman
Aaron DeGrave	Park Department Foreman
Judy Gerulat	Engineering Technician

**DPW-Water/ Wastewater - 6551 S. Pine St. - 539-3646**

Connie Wilson	Public Works Director
Robert Wilson	Foreman
Glenn Harjes	Foreman

**Municipal Court - 300 N. Pine St. - 342-1129**

Patti Sturdevant	Municipal Court Clerk
Debra Dillon	Municipal Court Clerk

**September Meetings**

9/1	5:30 p.m. - CDA
9/1	6:30 p.m. - Common Council
9/2	6:30 p.m. - Police & Fire Cmsn
9/8	6:30 p.m. - Plan Commission
9/15	6:30 p.m. - Common Council
9/17	6:30 p.m. - Park Board
9/22	4:00 p.m. - Library Board
9/24	6:00 p.m. - Airport Committee
9/24	6:30 p.m. - HPC

**October Meetings**

10/6	5:30 p.m.- CDA
10/6	6:30 p.m. - Common Council
10/7	6:30 p.m. - Police & Fire Cmsn
10/13	6:30 p.m. - Plan Commission
10/15	6:30 p.m. - Park Board
10/20	6:30 p.m. - Common Council
10/22	6:00 p.m. - Airport Committee
10/22	6:30 p.m. - HPC
10/27	4:00 p.m. - Library Board

**November Meetings**

11/3	5:30 p.m.- CDA
11/3	6:30 p.m. - Common Council
11/4	6:30 p.m. - Police & Fire Cmsn
11/10	6:30 p.m. - Plan Commission
11/17	6:30 p.m. - Common Council
11/18	4:00 p.m. - Library Board
11/19	6:30 p.m. - Park Board
TBD	6:00 p.m. - Airport Committee
TBD	6:30 p.m. - HPC

**December Meetings**

12/1	5:30 p.m.- CDA
12/1	6:30 p.m. - Common Council
12/2	6:30 p.m. - Police & Fire Cmsn
12/8	6:30 p.m. - Plan Commission
12/15	6:30 p.m. - Common Council
12/16	4:00 p.m. - Library Board
12/17	6:30 p.m. - Park Board
TBD	6:00 p.m. - Airport Committee
TBD	6:30 p.m. - HPC