



Waunakee Neighborhood Connection

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IMPORTANT DATES

Fill the Bus Drop-Off Dates

August 4th & 5th; 10am-2pm
JoAnn Martens' Dental Office

August 11th & 12th 10am-2pm
Piggly Wiggly

August 18th & 19th 10am-2pm
Pizza Hut

Community Garden Help

August 1st - 7th at 9am
Community Garden

School Supply Assembly

Thursday, Aug 5th, 9-11am
Intermediate School

MoJo's Free Corn Roast

Saturday, August 7th
Noon-5pm at MoJo's Pub

Monday Volunteer/Drop-off

Monday, Aug 9th, 8-11am
Monday, Aug 23rd, 8-11am

WE STILL NEED PAPER BAGS

We need 75 paper grocery bags to finish school supply kit assembly. Can you help?

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Help Us Fill the Bus!

Back-to-school is just around the corner, and on behalf of the **Waunakee Schools**, WNC is asking for your help to fill a school bus with new school supplies for students who would otherwise not receive any. For the next three weeks, a **Lamer's** donated school bus will be

at different locations throughout Waunakee on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 10:00am-2:00pm. You can help by purchasing new school supplies and bringing them to one of the bus stops; **JoAnn Martens' Dental Office (Aug 4/5); Piggly Wiggly (Aug 11/12) and Pizza Hut (Aug 18/19)**. Supplies most urgently needed are listed below, however all new school supplies are welcome.

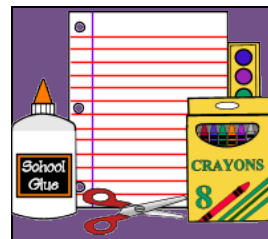
- **Markers** - thin and regular size - washable
- **Binders** - with hard covers in 1" and 2" sizes
- **Headphones** - headband style, no ear buds
- **Extra Fine Black Sharpies**
- **Fine Lined Sharpies** - black, red or blue
- **Dry Erase Markers**
- **Colored Pencils** - sets of 12
- **2-Pocket Folders** - all colors, esp. orange
- **Post-it Notes** - 3"x3" size



Unable to go shopping? You can help fill the bus with a monetary donation, payable to WNC by check or online via [WNC's website](#). Please mark your donation for school supplies!

Can't make a bus stop? You can drop off your supplies these locations: **WNC Store, Waunakee Police Station, Walgreens, Piggly Wiggly, and Peace Lutheran Church.**

One Assembly Day Left



We need help with final assembly of supply kits **Thursday, August 5th at the Intermediate School from 9am-11am**. Feel free to stop by for as long as your schedule allows. Children are welcome!

Free Corn Roast for WNC



MoJo's Sports Pub & Grill, located at 111 W. Main St. is hosting a **FREE corn roast on Saturday, August 7th from Noon-5pm**. All donations collected will be given to WNC to help neighbors in need. See you there!

Community Garden Helping Clients

The Waunakee Community garden, called "Garden of Dreams" was

dedicated in a ribbon cutting ceremony on July 20th. Started by the

Waunakee High School

Pay-it-Forward Club, the

garden has already been helping numerous families this summer, including WNC clients.



Help WNC take our turn in helping tend and harvest the garden, **August 1st-7th. We'll meet each day at 9am** to water and weed (if it didn't rain the night prior). We will also be harvesting produce for WNC families on Tuesday, August 3rd at 9am. The garden is located next to the Middle School ball diamonds. If you can help, please email us with the day you prefer to help.

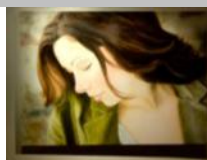
[Read more online](#) about the garden, and view photos of the ribbon cutting.



Help Needed!

WNC has some fun projects for you, your family or any group to do. Contact us if interested!

- **Birthday Bags** - decorate paper bags and put a cake mix, container of frosting and anything special you would like to add.
- **New Client Bags** - decorate bags to give to new clients and include needed toiletry items such as a wash cloth, nail clippers, etc.
- **Lead Store Volunteers** - we need someone to work with Intermediate Students twice a month on Thursdays from 2:15-4pm.



Colleen's Contemplations

What a busy summer! I've been enjoying the pictures people post on Facebook. So many happy family times. I too have been having happy family time and trying to get the camera out to document more. I find myself falling into a terrible habit of not handing the camera off to one of the kids. It seems like most of my pictures are taken by me, which means I'm rarely in the picture. Granted, I don't enjoy having my picture taken, but it's important to preserve that memory for my kids too.

This is 16 years since my parents died, and I have very few pictures to show my children. I can't predict what the future holds for my family, so I need to remember to be a part of the memories more. Family vacations should be about family, the whole family, otherwise what's the point? I could PhotoShop my kids in front of any scenic spot without leaving my home. The memories I should be creating are those that have all of us just having fun and being goofy.

It's a challenge, but one I'd like to throw out there, have fun, be in the fun, and be in the pictures. Don't rob your kids (and someday grandkids) of precious family memories.

Enjoy your last month of the summer; it's going way too fast.

Colleen Woerner, WNC Store Manager

Disney Bags for Kids

Clients' children received Disney Fun Bags in July! We would like to thank **Lois Laufenberg** for coordinating the project, and all who helped with assembling the bags. A huge thanks to **RSVP of Dane County** who donated the hand-made bags and animals, and to **Larry Hooker of Retail Sales Solutions** for donating the fun Disney items.



As part of the Community Partnerships course where **WNC Executive Director Genna Eaton** leads discussion, **Brad Burgess, Technology Education Teacher from the Waunakee Community Middle School**, decided to get involved with WNC using his building talents.

Based on concepts developed with Eaton in an introductory meeting, Burgess worked to design, model and fabricate portable shelving for toddler and infant shoes. Burgess has employed this design and fabrication model in the past in his classroom and was happy to bring these skills and experience to the community for a good cause. Thank you Brad for the time, skills and shelving you gave WNC.

Thanks to **Dan & Rita Endres**, our furniture moving specialists! For your continued time, muscle and moving prowess to help get larger donations from our donors to our clients. Thank you for all you do to help our neighbors in need.



WaunaFest Thanks

We would like to take time to thank the many people, too numerous to list all by name, who helped make our WaunaFest food booth and parade float a success this year.

Thank you to **Subway** for providing the excellent subs and service during the weekend; and to the **Waunakee Girls Lacrosse Club**, and coordinators **Barb Hoeff and Julie Fellows**, who partnered with us in the food booth, providing much of the volunteer help. Thank you to our lead volunteers who worked shifts in the booth for WNC. Finally thank you to all of you who stopped by our booth to purchase food and support WNC in a "sub-stantial" way.

This year, the parade theme was go-green. WNC has gone purple...the new go green. Our purple bins exemplified just that. First, they were non-motorized. Secondly, each bin displayed a different program which we offer to families-in-need. Our give-away was recycled school supplies in a recycled bag. We won 3rd place with our awesome parade entry! (pictured above with walkers). Thank you to all who helped make our parade entry such a success by designing, printing, decorating, assembling, hauling, and walking! We appreciate your time, sweat, and help!

More Partners to Thank

To **Michelle Moeller** for removing the tree stumps in front of the store and for planting beautiful plants in it's place.

To the **Waunakee Police Department** for again including us in the amazing community event National Night Out.

To **Christina Kaunas and family** for supplying birthday cards for clients and their families for the month of July.

NEEDS LIST

If you have any of these items, please drop them off at our store **when we are open**, or **at the Police Station**, Mon-Fri from 7am—5pm. All donations are tax-deductible.

Appliances

- Air Conditioner (Window Unit)**
- Dehumidifier (2)
- Dryer
- Fans (2)**
- Freezer (small)
- Refrigerator
- Vacuums (8)**
- Washers (3)

Electronics

- DVD Players (2)
- TVs (2)

Furniture

- Beds - Twin, Full, Queen (6)**
- Crib Mattress**
- Bookcases (2)
- Couch (3)
- Dining Sets (3)**
- Rocker/Glider

Infant Supplies

- Baby Gate
- Booster Seat - No Backs
- Changing Table

Kitchenware

- Cookie Sheets
- Salad Dressing Cont.

Linens

- Comforter - Full
- Curtains - Light Blocking
- Sheets - King
- Towels - Kitchen & Bath

Misc. Items

- Area Rugs (2)
- Bike - Adult Women's

- Bikes - Girls Ages 9 & 11
- Computers (7)
- Floor Lamp (2)
- Laundry Bag (mesh)
- Sponge Mop
- Toy Box

Store Needs

- Clear Totes/Tubs
- Masking Tape**
- Paper Grocery Bags (75)**
- Ziploc Bags - Qrt & Gallon**

August 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 CLIENT Shopping 5-7pm	3	4 Volunteer & Donations 8-11am Fill the Bus - 10am-2pm Joann Martens Dental	5 School Supply Assembly 9-11am Intermed. School	6	7 MoJo's Free Corn Roast Noon-5pm Donations To WNC
Help WNC 9am daily at the Community Garden at the Middle School Ball Diamond						
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15	16	17	18 CLIENT Shopping 10am-1pm Fill the Bus - 10am-2pm Pizza Hut	19	20	21
22	23 Volunteer & Donations 8-11am	24/31	25 Volunteer & Donations 8-11am	26	27	28
29	30	31				