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# PARK PLACE NEWS

*The City of Janesville's Newsletter*

Look inside for the 2007 Spring/Summer Activity Guide!

## March 2007

### Comprehensive Planning Update

City Staff and Vandewalle & Associates are actively engaged in the data collection phase of preparing a long-range comprehensive plan for the City of Janesville. The Plan will address a variety of issues in the City, including land use, economic development and housing to transportation, community facilities and natural resources.

A public opinion survey was included in the November 2006 issue of the City's newsletter. Approximately 1,800 surveys were returned by Janesville residents, providing a significant sample size from which to tabulate responses. The survey will allow summary data to be analyzed according to different age groups, economic levels, housing types and a variety of other comparisons.

Please contact the Community Development Department at 755-3085 if you have questions or would like more information about the Comprehensive Planning Process.

### We Want to Hear from YOU!

#### Community Visioning Workshop Schedule Announced

Community visioning workshops will be held to identify City-wide and area specific issues that residents would like to see addressed through the comprehensive planning process. The workshops are designed to help community stakeholders find common interests and agreement on issues affecting the City's future early in the planning process. Three workshops will be held, in different geographic areas of the City (south, west and east). Residents are encouraged to attend and provide input at the workshop in their area or attend a workshop that is most convenient for them. Workshop locations, dates and times are listed below.

Please contact the Community Development Department at 755-3085 if you have questions or would like more information about the Comprehensive Planning Process.

Date	Focus Area	Location and Time
April 24	Western Janesville	6-9PM, Franklin Middle School (450 N. Crosby Ave.)
April 25	Southern Janesville	6-9PM, Edison Middle School (1645 S. Chatham St.)
May 2	Eastern Janesville	6-9PM, Marshall Middle School (25 S. Pontiac Dr.)

### **New!** Traffic Signal Preemption Equipment Implemented in Janesville

The City Council approved the Fire Department's receipt of a \$319,000 Assistance to Firefighters Operations and Safety Grant from the US Department of Homeland Security to purchase and install traffic signal preemption equipment in the City of Janesville. Installation has been completed at approximately 50 signalized intersections throughout the City and Fire Department vehicles have begun to use the equipment. The signal preemption system is designed to improve the safety of the public and Fire Department personnel while also reducing emergency response times. Ambulances and fire trucks responding to emergency incidents are now able to interrupt the normal sequence of the traffic signals by transmitting a coded signal to a receiver mounted on the traffic signal pole. After a brief delay, the traffic signal changes to green to accommodate the emergency vehicle. After the emergency vehicle has cleared the intersection, the traffic signal returns to its normal sequence. As always, motorists are reminded to yield when an emergency vehicle is approaching.

For more information, please contact Deputy Chief Jim Jensen at 755-3053.

The traffic signal preemption device at the top of the traffic signal pole, detects a coded signal emitted from emergency vehicles, prompting it to change the traffic signal to accommodate emergency responses.



# News From Your City Council

## Council President's Message



Dear Residents,

I hope that each of you enjoyed the abundance of snow we received this winter and are now getting excited for the impending warm weather months.

If you are looking for things to do with your family or for summer activities for your children, please consider browsing the 2007 Spring/Summer Activity Guide. You will find this guide included in this newsletter as a special insert. The guide will not be mailed separately, so please make sure to tear it out for future reference. Each year the Leisure Services Department organizes numerous camps, clinics, lessons and special events for the entire community and many of them are detailed in this year's insert. If you have concerns about affording a summer camp experience for your child this summer, you may want to apply for a summer camp scholarship. This program was developed to provide low-to-moderate income children from Janesville scholarships to attend a local summer camp. These scholarships are paid for using Community Development Block Grants funds. More information about the scholarship program can be found on page 4 of the activity guide insert or by calling 755-3030.

I would also like to draw your attention to the residential building permit requirement reminders found on page 5 of this newsletter. Our Community Development Department handles many permit inquiries each day. Many of the most commonly asked questions are addressed within this table. I encourage you to review the information and check with Community Development if you have any questions regarding building permit requirements.

Sincerely,

Tim Wellnitz, Council President

## Contacting Your Councilmembers

Councilmembers are elected at large, thus representing residents in the whole city. If you would like to send a letter to one or all of the Councilmembers, you may send it to City Council, Municipal Building, P.O. Box 5005, Janesville, WI, 53547-5005. You may also contact Councilmembers by telephone or e-mail:

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E-mail the entire City Council at once using this e-mail address:  
[citycouncil@ci.janesville.wi.us](mailto:citycouncil@ci.janesville.wi.us)

## Frequently Asked Questions

about the City of Janesville

### What are the rules regarding the greenbelt in my backyard?

By city policy, residents may maintain a buffer of 20 feet beyond their property line into the greenbelt. A person's property line is usually defined by overhead or below ground utility wires with junction boxes placed directly on the edge of the property line, 1" buried steel rods at the property corners and sometimes metal t-posts at the property corners. Within the 20' buffer zone, residents may mow the grass. With approval from the Parks Department, residents may perform select maintenance such as the removal of weeds or dead trees.

Residents may not plant any landscape plantings without city approval or make any physical improvements to the greenbelts. This includes planting trees, flowers & gardens; installing fencing, play equipment or using the greenbelt space for storage of woodpiles, boats, campers, or other personal items. Invisible fencing for pets is not to be placed in the greenbelt. In special circumstances, there may be exceptions. Please contact the Parks Department at 755-3025 for more information or to request approval for greenbelt variances.

### What number do I call for police service in a non-emergency situation?

- For emergency situations where immediate police, fire, or medical response is needed, call 911.
- To request police service for a non-emergency situation, call 757-2244. The police dispatcher will take the necessary information and send an officer to help you. Some typical non-emergency calls are for noise complaints and barking dogs. If you are not sure if the situation is an emergency call 911.
- For general information, call 755-3100. Use this number if you have general questions and do not need to see a police officer. Some typical calls for information include questions about parking tickets and accident reports.



Pictured above are Councilmember Craig DeGarmo (back left), Councilmember Paul Williams (back center) and Council Vice President George Brunner (back right) posing with fifth graders from Monroe Elementary School. The City Council was invited to Monroe School to share information about the City of Janesville, local government and the role of a councilmember.

# Leisure Services News



## Informational Meeting for Special Needs Bocce Planned for May 1

Leisure Services and Special Olympics are once again collaborating to provide special events, recreation and athletic opportunities throughout 2007 for individuals 8 years and older with cognitive disabilities. On May 1 at 5PM at the Palmer Park East Pavilion, an informational meeting for special needs bocce will be held. All interested players are invited to attend! Bocce practice will take place on Tuesdays from 5-6PM at Palmer Park beginning May 8.

## North Shore Basketball Camp

Leisure Services is co-sponsoring this specialized basketball instruction camp for boys and girls with the North Shore Basketball Camp organization. Three ability levels have been developed for this camp (college, CBA, NBA). Campers will be evaluated by the trained staff on the first day of camp and placed into an ability group that matches their skill level. Scholarships are available for this camp. A special registration form is required and checks must be made payable to "North Shore Basketball Camp". Call 755-3030 to receive the form.

Date	Location	Ages & Time	Cost
June 11-15	Marshall Middle School	Ages 7-10, 9AM-12:30PM Ages 11-14, 1:30-5PM	\$165 (\$185 after May 25)

## Upcoming Events in Leisure Services

Activity	Date & Time
AARP Meeting	April 14; 1PM at the Senior Center
Astronomy Fun Day	April 25; 3:30PM-Dusk at Optimist Park
Special Needs Mexican Fiesta Dance with a DJ (Only for individuals 8 years & older with cognitive disabilities.)	April 27; 7-9PM at the Senior Center
Fifth Grade Rec Nite	May 11; 7-9:30PM at Marshall Middle School
Trip to White Pines Dinner Theatre to see a "A Bench in the Sun"	May 14; Contact the Senior Center at 755-3040 to register.

For questions about any of these activities, contact Leisure Services at 755-3030.

**New!**

## Drawing Classes & Camps Now Available

Leisure Services is collaborating with the Young Rembrandts organization to offer special drawing classes and camps for kids. The innovative, step-by-step curriculum and engaging subject matter will show your child that drawing can be fun and interesting! No prior art experience is necessary and two classes and two camps will be offered. All art materials will be supplied as part of the cost; however, participants are asked to wear a smock to each class. To register, please complete the registration form found on page 2 of the Spring/Summer Activity Guide insert for the Drawing and Cartooning classes and the camp form found on page 8 for the Art and Jr. Princess Camps. Scholarships are available for the two camps. Please make checks payable to Young Rembrandts.



## Young Rembrandts

## Drawing & Cartooning Classes

During Drawing & Cartooning classes your child will explore and create exciting animals, dinosaurs and creatures of the ocean. Drawing class will focus on creating realistic animal forms, while cartooning class focuses on placing expressions on the animals. Classes are available for children ages 7-12 and each class costs \$51. There will be no class on July 3.

Class	Date	Location	Time
Cartooning	Tuesdays June 12-July 24	Traxler Warming House	11AM-Noon
Drawing	Tuesdays June 12-July 24	Traxler Warming House	Noon-1PM

## Art Camp

Young Rembrandts will spend time exploring the Wild West during Art Camp 2007! Campers will learn to draw objects, people and scenes found in the adventurous Wild West using different media types. Campers will create a full scene using markers, draw a collection of fun cartoons and be inspired with pastel chalks.

Date	Location	Ages & Time	Cost
June 12, 19 & 26	Traxler Warming House	8-12, 1:15-2:45PM	\$42

## Jr. Princess Camp

In this camp girls will learn to draw themselves in "glamour" wear. Campers will also learn to draw purses, jewelry, simple faces with crowns & hats and fancy gowns with a variety of accessories.

Date	Location	Ages & Time	Cost
June 12, 19 & 26	Traxler Warming House	5-7, 3-4:30PM	\$39

# Street Sweeping in Janesville

The City of Janesville performs street sweeping several times each year. City crews sweep residential areas five times each year. The next round of residential street sweeping is scheduled to begin on April 2 and is expected to be completed about April 27.

## Street Sweeping Schedule for Residential Areas

- 1st Cycle .....April
- 2nd Cycle .....Late May to June
- 3rd Cycle .....Late July to Mid August
- 4th Cycle .....Late August to September
- 5th Cycle .....November

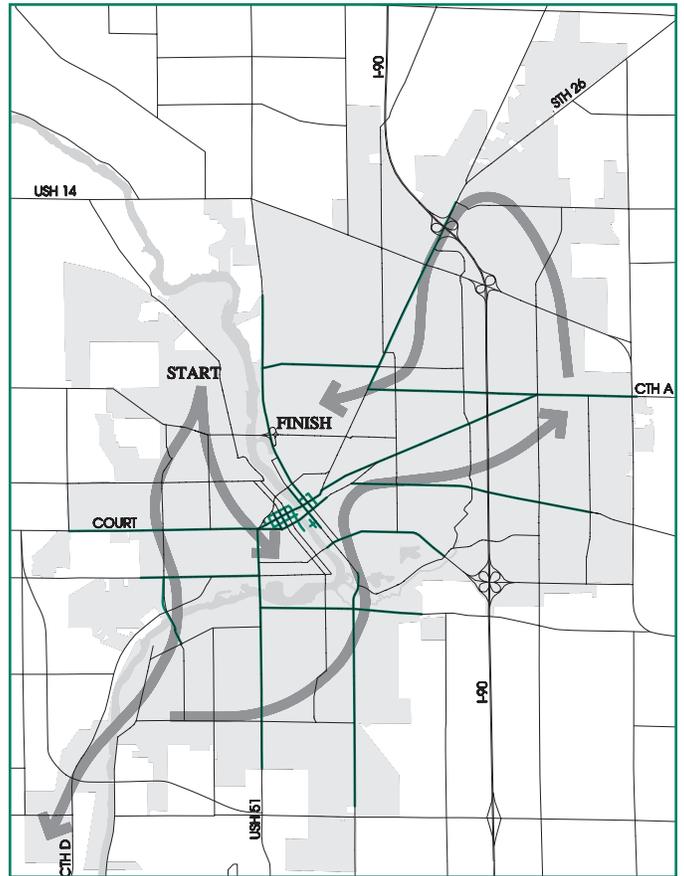
Street sweeping in residential areas begins in the northwest portion of the City and moves through the City in a counter-clockwise direction, generally finishing in the northeast portion of the City.

## Street Sweeping Schedule for Downtown and Arterial Streets

- 1st Cycle .....Early April
- 2nd Cycle .....Late May
- 3rd Cycle .....Early July
- 4th Cycle .....Early August
- 5th Cycle .....Early September
- 6th Cycle .....Early November

Downtown and main arterial streets are swept six times a year and takes two days to complete. On the first day of the cycle, city crews typically sweep downtown parking lots and the following main arterial streets: West Court Street, Rockport Road, Crosby Avenue, Delavan Drive, Beloit Avenue, East Racine Street and Ruger Avenue. On the second day of the cycle, city crews sweep the downtown streets and the following main arterial streets: East Milwaukee Street, Mount Zion Avenue, Milton Avenue, Parker Drive and Black Bridge Road. Traxler Park and Veterans Memorial Bridge are often swept on the second day when necessary. The next cycle of downtown and arterial street sweeping is scheduled to begin on April 4 and be completed the following day.

Street sweeping dates are subject to change depending on the volume of waste collected, equipment failures, weather conditions and shifting departmental work priorities. The City of Janesville encourages off-street parking of vehicles during street sweeping events. Watch the *Janesville Gazette* and the City's website for information on exact dates for future street sweepings. For more information, please call the City Services Center at 755-3110.



Street sweeping in residential areas begins in the northwest portion of the City and moves through the City in a counter-clockwise direction, generally finishing in the northeast portion of the City. The green lines indicate downtown and arterial streets that are swept.

## Tentative Street Rehabilitation/Reconstruction Schedule for Janesville

Below is a list of major arterials in Janesville and the tentative plan of when they are scheduled to be rehabilitated. If you have any questions, please contact Engineering at 755-3160.

Street	From	To	Expected Year of Rehabilitation/ Reconstruction	Project Funding
Center Ave.	Delavan Dr.	500' N. of State St.	2007	Local
Court St. (East)	Main St.	Garfield Ave.	2007	State/Local
Delavan Dr.	Cherry St.	Center Ave.	2007	Local
Milwaukee St.	Ringold St.	Atwood Ave.	2007	Local
Mineral Point Rd.	650' E. of Willow Springs Ct.	Austin Rd.	2007	Local
Parker Dr.	130' N. of Hyatt St.	600' N. of Sherman Ave.	2007	Local
Racine St.	100' E. of River St.	Center Ave.	2007	Local
Memorial Dr.	N. Washington St.	Oakhill Ave.	2008	Local
Randall Ave.	E. Milwaukee St.	Ruger Ave.	2008	State/Local
E. Rotamer Rd.	Wright Rd.	Town Hall Rd.	2008	State/Local
State Hwy 11	Wright Rd.	US Highway 14	2008	State/Local
Milwaukee St.	W. End of Bridge	Center Ave.	2008/2009	Local

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# 2007 Spring/Summer Activity Guide

Department of Leisure Services

608-755-3030 • [www.ci.janesville.wi.us](http://www.ci.janesville.wi.us)

18 N. Jackson Street • Mon. - Fri. 7:30AM - 4:30PM

## Welcome to the 2007 Edition of the Leisure Services Activity Guide!

Inside you will find information about adult & youth programs, camps, clinics, family activities, lessons and special events. **The activity guide will not be mailed separately, so please keep this copy handy for your reference.** Registration forms are also included! On page 2 you will find the general registration form and page 8 contains the form for camps and clinics. Additional copies of the forms are also available on the City's website ([www.ci.janesville.wi.us](http://www.ci.janesville.wi.us)). For questions or more information about any of these items, call 755-3030.

### 4th Annual Family-Team Treasure Hunt

Dig out your best sleuth clothes, and get set to find our ultimate treasure chest. Teams will receive clues that will lead them around the City. Each site will include a fun team challenge that will earn points, along with their next clue. Teams can include up to five family members (no more than 2 adults per team) and must provide their own transportation. Special prizes will be awarded for the best dressed team, most team spirit, and most points earned. Food and fun will be waiting for teams as they arrive at the final site! **Pre-register by Thursday, April 26.**

Date	Location	Time	Cost
Saturday, April 28	Traxler Warming House	1-4PM	\$20/team

### Make My Mom & Me Over

Get ready for some fun "girls only" time with your daughter, grandchild, niece or neighbor. Stylists from the Academy of Cosmetology in Janesville will give you a cool "up-do." You may select the perfect shade of nail polish, relax during your manicure and choose to have your makeup done. Games will be played for prizes and plenty of snacks will be on hand. **Space is limited, so register early!**

Date	Location	Time	Cost	Ages
Saturday, May 12	Academy of Cosmetology	1-3PM or 3-5PM	\$30/2-person group	Adult with Child (age 5-12)

### Hershey Local Track Meet

Participants may choose up to two running events and one field event, regardless of skill or ability. The following events are available: 50, 100, 200 & 400 meter dash; 800 & 1500 meter run; 4x100 meter relay; long jump & softball throw. The divisions will be ages 9 & 10, 11 & 12 and 13 & 14. The first and second place winners will advance to the district meet. The \$12 cost includes participation in the meet and first-fourth place ribbons. Participants must be ages 9-14 as of December 31, 2007. **A copy of your child's birth certificate must accompany the registration form and fee.**

Date	Location	Ages	Time
Thursday, May 31	Monterey Stadium	9-14	5PM

### All-City Outdoor Rec Nite

Rec Nites are glowing outside! Leisure Services has plenty of fun in store for students currently in grades 6-8. Come to Dawson Field for an evening of entertainment including a DJ, dancing, sports games & challenges, inflatable games and outdoor contests (glow games and relay races)! Popsicles, hot dogs, pizza, chips and candy will be available for purchase. Participants will receive a free glow necklace upon arrival. Come and see what all the talk is about!

Date	Location	Time	Cost
Saturday, June 2	Dawson Field	7-9:30PM	\$6

### 26th Annual Take A Kid Fishing Day

Leisure Services and the Blackhawk Musky Club co-sponsor this fun-filled, family event for children ages 5-12. A variety of fishing-themed activities and contests will be offered! Prizes will be awarded and concessions will be available. Please bring your own rod/reel and bait. **Register at Leisure Services, Gander Mountain, Shopko, K-Mart, Pizza Hut or Watersedge Bait & Tackle from May 1-26.**

Date	Location	Time	Cost	Ages
Saturday, June 2	Traxler Park Lagoon	9AM-1PM	FREE!	5-12

### 2nd Annual Father/Child Golf Outing

What a great way to celebrate Father's Day! This nine-hole FUN tournament will include a cook-out and prizes. Prizes will also be given at each hole for various contests. This tournament is stroke play, so the participants with the lowest number of strokes will win. The cost for the outing is \$15 for an adult and children are free. Foursomes will be grouped upon arrival. **Space is limited, so register early!**

Date	Location	Time	Cost	Ages
Sunday, June 17	Riverside Golf Course	1:30-5PM	\$15/Adult	Adult with Child (age 5-17)

Look for information on more special events scheduled for July & August in the May issue of the *Park Place News*.

# Registration Information & Form

**Drop Off or Mail your registration form and payment to:  
Leisure Services, 18 N. Jackson Street, P.O. Box 5005, Janesville, WI 53547-5005**

Registration forms will be processed beginning Monday, April 2 in the order they are received; hand-delivered forms will not receive preference. Please note the dates and times of the programs applied for, as confirmation will not be sent. You will be contacted if a class is full and an alternative day, time or session is still available. It is helpful to include a second choice for swim or tennis lessons, as these programs fill quickly. **Use the form below for all programs except camps. Use the Camp Registration Form found on page 8 of this guide for all day or athletic camps.** Additional copies of the form are available on the City's website ([www.ci.janesville.wi.us](http://www.ci.janesville.wi.us)).

## Program Information

All program registrations are subject to space availability; if a class is full, you will be placed on a waiting list. Programs and/or classes may be cancelled due to minimum registration requirements. You will be notified at least 48 hours in advance if an activity must be cancelled due to low enrollment. Persons wishing to enroll in an activity together may submit their forms together. In classes with multiple sessions, enrollment in one session does not automatically secure a space in future sessions.

## Payment Options

Leisure Services accepts MasterCard, VISA, cash or local checks made payable to Leisure Services for all programs and services. Your MasterCard or VISA number and expiration date must be listed clearly on the registration form. If information is not legible, processing of your registration may be delayed.

## Refund/Cancellation Policy

All refunds will be made at the discretion of the Recreation Director. Refunds are handled on an individual basis, are paid by check (or credited for credit card payment) and take up to four weeks to process. Participants removed from an activity/program will not receive a refund. Refunds will be reduced by cancellation fees in the amount of \$10 per session for camps and clinics and \$5 for lessons.

**For questions or more information about any of the programs listed in this activity guide, please contact Leisure Services at 755-3030.**

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## REGISTRATION FORM

**Please print and use this form for all programs except camps. Make checks payable to Leisure Services. \*For swimming and tennis lessons, please mark a second choice. Additional copies of the form are available on the City's website ([www.ci.janesville.wi.us](http://www.ci.janesville.wi.us)).**

Parent/Guardian/Adult Participant Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Name & Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Check No.: \_\_\_\_\_

   MC/  Visa No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration \_\_\_\_\_

Participant Name (First & Last)	Program	Site	Level	Session Dates	2nd Choice*	Time	Age	Fee
1.								
2.								
3.								
4.								

## Waiver for Participation

In consideration of the CITY'S acceptance of my/our use of its premises and equipment and upon payment of fee, if any, for participation in this event/activity, I hereby, for myself, and any minor for whom I am signing for, and for my/our heirs, executors, assigns and administrators waive and release any and all rights, claims and causes of action for damages, injuries, and payments whatsoever that I may have against the CITY OF JANESVILLE, a Wisconsin municipal corporation located in the County of Rock, and each and every of the CITY'S elected and appointed officials, employees, representatives, agents, heirs and assigns, jointly and severally, from and suffered by me and/or the minor (if any) named herein at any activity, event, or place sponsored by the CITY OF JANESVILLE or other organizations or persons utilizing CITY OF JANESVILLE properties or equipment. This waiver and release applies to any and all activities, including arrival and departure from CITY, public or private property. I/we agree to hold harmless the CITY OF JANESVILLE, and each and every of its elected officials, employees, representatives, agents, and their executors, administrators, heirs, and assigns, for any and all injuries incurred upon CITY OF JANESVILLE property, or events related to such participation once I have entered upon the CITY'S property, or the activity or event. I am assuming any and all responsibility for any and all injuries, damages, risks and claims.

By signing below I acknowledge reading the above waiver statement.

(Circle one) Parent/Guardian/Adult Participant: Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



# Adult and Youth Programs

## Adult Sand Volleyball Leagues Begin in May

Leisure Services offers adult leagues for competitive and recreational players at Traxler Park and Riverside Park. An informational meeting for all interested teams and players is scheduled for April 4 at 7PM at the Senior Center, 69 S. Water Street. The cost per team is \$135 and includes six resident players. Additional resident team members cost \$10 per player. Non-resident team members cost \$13 per player. The price for substitutes is \$6; this cost will be waived if a team representative attends the informational meeting. Team rosters must be finalized and registration fees must be paid by April 25; league play begins May 21.

League	Day	Location	Time
Co-Rec Volleyball	Monday	Traxler or Riverside Park	6-8:30PM
Women's Volleyball	Tuesday	Traxler or Riverside Park	6-8:30PM
Co-Rec Volleyball	Wednesday	Traxler or Riverside Park	6-8:30PM

## Hook A Kid On Golf

This program is designed to introduce low to moderate income children ages 8-14 to the sport of golf.

**Sponsorship Opportunity:** For \$100, any individual or organization may sponsor a child for the Hook A Kid On Golf program.

To apply for this program or for information about sponsoring a child, please pick up a brochure at Leisure Services or call 755-3030.

Date	Location	Ages & Time
June 11-15	Riverside Golf Course	Ages 8-11, 9-11AM Ages 12-14, 1-3PM

## Recreational Kickball Leagues Begin in June

Adult recreational kickball leagues are back by popular demand! On April 24 at 7PM at the Senior Center, 69 S. Water Street, an informational meeting will be held for co-rec, adult kickball leagues. Each team interested in participating in the league should have a team representative at the meeting. League games will begin in early June. The cost per team is \$100 and includes up to 20 Janesville resident players. Please note, leagues are unaffiliated. The cost for non-resident players is \$13 per team member. Team rosters must be finalized and registration fees must be paid by May 11. Individuals that are interested in playing on a team are welcome to leave their contact information and playing level with Leisure Services.

League	Day	Location	Time
Co-Rec Kickball	Wednesday	Dawson Field	6-9PM

## Adult Tennis Lessons

These lessons are based on the U.S. Tennis Association's "USA Tennis 1-2-3" program. This three-level program is designed to introduce new adult players to tennis. Sign up for one or all three sessions, depending on your current level of play. All lessons take place on Tuesdays & Thursdays from 6-7:30PM at the Palmer Park Tennis Courts. Each session listed below costs \$30 per player.

Session, Dates & Level
Session 1: June 5-14, Instruction
Session 2: June 19-28, Supervised Play
Session 3: July 10-19, League Play

## Tennis Lessons

**New Instructor!** Parker HS Asst. Girls' Tennis Coach Justin Long. All lessons will be held at the Palmer Tennis Courts.

**Session I:** Monday & Wednesday, June 11- 27

**Session III:** Monday & Wednesday, July 2-18\*

**Jr. Comp. Session I:** Monday-Thursday, June 11-28

**Session II:** Tuesday & Thursday, June 12-28

**Session IV:** Tuesday & Thursday, July 3-19

**Jr. Comp. Session II:** Monday-Thursday, July 2-19\*

Class	Entering Grades	Session	Time	Fee
Pee Wee	Pre-School	I, II, III or IV	8-8:30AM	\$17
Pee Wee	K-1st	I, II, III or IV	8:30-9AM	\$17
Beginner 2/3	2nd-3rd	I, II, III or IV	9-10AM	\$20
Beginner 4/5	4th-5th	I, II, III or IV	10-11AM	\$20
Junior Competitive	12yrs. & older	Jr. Comp. Session I & II	11AM-Noon	\$30
Middle School Beginner	6th-8th	I or III	1-2PM	\$20
HS Beginner/Intermediate	9th-12th	I or III	2-3PM	\$23
Intermediate/Advanced	2nd-5th	II or IV	1-2PM	\$20
Middle School Intermediate	6th-8th	II or IV	2-3PM	\$20

\* Make up for July 4 will be July 6



# Youth Programs

ALL CAMPS ON THIS PAGE GET A FREE T-SHIRT!



## Summer Camp Scholarships Available

With the assistance of Community Development Block Grant funding, the City has developed a Youth Scholarship program to defray the costs of summer camp for low and moderate income families. If you would like your child to attend camp this summer, but are concerned about the registration and field trip costs, a scholarship may be your solution! A child may receive up to two scholarships of a maximum of \$150 each. Scholarships can be used for a variety of local and regional camps. City camps that accept scholarships are noted in this guide with the icon pictured above.

To obtain an application, please visit Leisure Services or download one from the City's website ([www.ci.janesville.wi.us](http://www.ci.janesville.wi.us)). Applications are due by Friday, April 27; however, late applications will continue to be processed provided there is available funding. For questions, please call 755-3030.



## Pom Camp

Jumps, turns, leaps, kicks and other short dance routines are just a part of all the fun! Learn skills and awesome routines related to being on an actual pom team! Beloit Memorial HS Pom Coach Emily Severson will conduct this camp along with a spirited group of high school girls! Different forms of dance will be presented including basic pom, jazz, and hip hop. Campers will receive poms and participate in daily spirit activities for cool prizes. An end of camp performance/pizza party will be held for all campers and their parents.

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Date	Location	Grades & Time	Cost
July 30- August 3	Craig HS	6th-8th, 8:30-11:30AM 3rd-5th, 12:30-3:30PM	\$40/Resident \$50/Non-Resident



## Youth Tennis Camp

Tennis Camp is a fun, intense four-day program. Camp activities include techniques, strategy sessions, conditioning, innovative drills, motivational talks, analyzed match play, camp tournament, cool tennis-themed games and of course...plenty of prizes!

Date	Location	Grades & Time	Cost
July 23-26	Palmer Tennis Courts	4th-8th, 8:30-11:30AM 9th-12th, 1-4PM	\$65



## Rock River Volleyball Camp

Check out this fun and educational volleyball camp for middle and high school girls. Craig HS Coach Blake Budrow will have participants work on offensive and defensive skills and team concepts. The registration fee includes an opportunity to win other cool prizes during skill contests and fun games! **This camp fills quickly, so register early!**

Date	Location	Grades & Time	Cost
July 23-27	Craig HS	10th-12th, 8AM-Noon 6th-9th, 1-4PM	\$70/Resident \$80/Non-Resident



## Youth Soccer Camp

Campers ages 6-14 will learn and improve their fundamental soccer skills during this week-long camp directed by Parker HS Boys' Coach David Adler. Instruction includes the basic techniques of ball control, passing, shooting, positioning, and teamwork through a variety of fun soccer games and drills.

Date	Location	Ages & Time	Cost
August 6-10	Craig HS	6-10, 9-11AM 11-14, 12-2PM	\$65/Resident \$75/Non-Resident



## Girls Basketball Camp

Girls in grades 4-9 will learn and improve their skills at this camp, directed by Craig HS Girls' Coach Mark Marsden. All aspects of the game will be instructed, with a focus on individual skill development and team play.

Date	Location	Grades & Time	Cost
July 9-12	Craig HS	4th-6th, 12:30-2PM	\$55/Resident \$65/Non-Resident
July 16-19	Craig HS	7th-9th, 12:30-3:30PM	\$65/Resident \$75/Non-Resident



## Boys Basketball Camp

Boys in grades 4-9 can learn and improve their skills at this camp organized by Parker HS Boys' Coach Jim LeMire. The camp is planned around the ability and age of the athletes in order to better develop individual skills.

Date	Location	Grades & Time	Cost
June 18-21	Parker HS	4th-6th, 2:30-4PM	\$55/Resident \$65/Non-Resident
June 18-21	Parker HS	7th-9th, 4:30-6PM	\$55/Resident \$65/Non-Resident



## Lacrosse Camp

Leisure Services is teaming up with Lacrosse America to offer this exciting new sport camp. Instruction will include stick handling, dodging, shooting and defense. The emphasis for the camp will be individual skill development, learning the rules, sportsmanship, and fun contests and scrimmages. Players will be grouped by age and ability. Equipment will be provided. Players should bring their own water bottle and mouth guard. **Please make checks payable to Lacrosse America.**

Date	Location	Grades & Time	Cost
July 16-20	Monterey Park	3rd & 4th, 9-11AM 5th & 6th, 12:30-2:30PM 6th & 7th, 3:30-5:30PM	\$95

# Day Camps

Meet the  
Counselors!  
June 7 at 7PM at  
Palmer West Pavilion.  
Free Carnival Food!

## ASK ABOUT OUR COUNSELOR-IN-TRAINING PROGRAM FOR YOUTH AGES 13-15



### Kids Count Camp

All KCC sessions take place Monday-Friday from 9AM-4PM at the West Pavilion in Palmer Park. Any child entering 1st grade or ages 6-12 may attend. The camp fee is \$140 per 2-week session (ask about family discounts) and includes all activities, a healthy snack, awards, swimming at Rockport Pool, ice skating, supplies, field trips and Before/After Care from 7-9AM and 4-5:30PM. **Participants must bring a lunch each day.**

Session & Dates	Theme*	Field Trip*
Session 1: June 11-22	Crazy Colors	Shedd Aquarium
Session 2: June 25- July 6 (no camp July 4)	Travelin' Through Time	Cave of the Mounds
Session 3: July 9-20	Magical Moments	Magic Waters
Session 4: July 23-August 3	Fiesta Party	Snappers Game & Ft. Atkinson Pool
Session 5: August 6-17	Beach Bash	Jelly Belly Factory & Anderson Park Pool
Session 6: August 20-31	Adios Summer!	Nickel World



### Kids Count Camp 1/2 Day

All KCC 1/2 Day sessions take place Monday-Friday from 11:30AM-5:30PM at the Hilltop Pavilion in Palmer Park. Any child entering Kindergarten-6th grade or ages 5-12 may attend. The camp fee is \$55 per 1-week session and includes all activities, awards, a healthy snack, transportation to and from designated summer school sites (Jefferson, Madison, Monroe & Van Buren), swimming at Rockport Pool, supplies and field trips. **Participants must bring a lunch each day.**

Session & Dates	Theme*	Field Trip*
Session 1: June 18-22	Carnival Challenge	Nickel World
Session 2: June 25-29	Goofy Games	Volcano Falls
Session 3: July 2-6 (No camp on July 4)	Splashin' Summer	Ft. Atkinson Pool
Session 4: July 9-13	KCC Rules!	Henry Vilas Zoo
Session 5: July 16-20	Chocolate Factory	Ice Skating Center/ Chocolate Party
Session 6: July 23-27	Dirty Days	Cave of the Mounds



### Camp Tot Lot

Children ages 3-5 will have a chance to socialize in an age appropriate atmosphere. All sessions take place Monday-Friday from 9-11:15AM at Washington Elementary School. Activities include arts & crafts, fun, games galore, storytelling, silly sports and songs! We will have visitors and special outings to local attractions. Each two-week session costs \$47 for Janesville residents and \$55 for non-residents. **Campers must be potty trained.**

Session & Dates	Theme*	Field Trip*
Session 1: June 18-29	Down On The Farm	Meyers Farm Market
Session 2: July 2-13 (no camp July 4)	Tiny Tot Olympics	Peace Park
Session 3: July 16-27	Movers & Shakers	Palmer Wading Pool
Session 4: July 30-Aug. 10	Princes & Princesses	Ice Skating Center



### Extreme Sports Camp

This extremely fun camp is designed for kids ages 7-12 who just want to play sports and games all day! Camp sessions take place Monday-Friday from 9AM-4PM at Franklin Middle School. Before/After Care is available from 7-9AM and from 4-5:30PM free of charge. Each session costs \$110 for Janesville residents and \$125 for non-residents. This fee includes field trips! **Participants must bring a lunch each day.**

Session & Dates	Theme*	Field Trip*
Session 1: June 11-22	Step Up To The Challenge	Magic Waters
Session 2: June 25-July 6 (no camp July 4)	ESC Sports Center	Nickel World
Session 3: July 9-20	Amazing Adventures	Volcano Falls
Session 4: July 23-Aug. 3	Spectacular World of Sports	Snapper Game & Ice Skating Center



### Horse Camp

This camp, co-sponsored by Clean Sweep Farm, is a unique opportunity for youth to have fun while learning about horses. Camp takes place from 9AM-3PM each day and is available for children ages 5-17. Campers will learn about horse safety, proper horse & equipment care, different horse breeds, sportsmanship and showmanship. Various games, crafts and special activities are planned. Clean Sweep Farm is located at 8538 N. Serns Rd. in Milton. **Campers must bring their own lunch. Checks must be made payable to "Clean Sweep Farm".**

Dates	Cost	Dates	Cost
June 18-22	\$275	August 4	\$65
July 9-13	\$275	August 6-10	\$275
July 13-14	\$115		

\*Theme weeks and field trips are subject to change.



# Aquatics Programs

## Rockport Pool Programs & Events

**Open Public Swim** is offered from 12:30-7PM on Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays, from 12:30-5PM on Tuesdays and Thursdays and from Noon-7PM on Saturdays and Sundays.

**Hydro-Aerobics** are offered for those ages 16 and older Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5:30-6:30PM. The cost is \$2.50 per class at the door.

**Adult Lap Swim** is offered to anyone ages 16 and older Monday - Friday from Noon-1PM and everyday from 5-6PM. The cost is \$1 per session.

**Dollar Dive-In Movies** are back! Dates for this year are June 22, July 20 and August 17. Movies start at dusk. Relax, bring a float and enjoy your favorite family movie with free popcorn! Floats must be approved by lifeguard staff. You may also want to bring a pillow and sleeping bag to watch from the deck. The cost is \$1 per person.

**Facility Rental** is available 8-10PM daily and 9AM-Noon on Saturday & Sunday. Call 755-3030 for prices and availability.

**Deep Water Passes** to use the deep areas of the pool and the diving well may be purchased for anyone 14 and under who successfully passes a deep water swim test. The pass costs \$2 and must be worn at all times.

**Wet-N-Wild birthday packages** are available at Rockport Pool! Birthday packages include pool admission, pizza & pop, a designated party area, prize bags for each child, one pool game led by staff and a t-shirt for the birthday child. Plus, you get to leave the mess! The cost is \$90 for up to 10 people. Each additional person is \$5. Call 755-3030 for details.



## GuardStart & Lifeguard in Training Programs

Young adults who are interested in becoming lifeguards are encouraged to complete the Red Cross GuardStart training program. This program provides an overview of life guarding fundamentals and includes a mentorship program. There are specific swimming and fitness prerequisites that must be met in order to participate in the GuardStart program. Once the GuardStart program is completed, individuals may choose to apply to be a lifeguard in training. Call 755-3030 to learn more about the GuardStart and lifeguard in training programs.

Date	Location	Ages & Time	Cost
June 11-15	Rockport Pool	13-15, 10AM-Noon	\$26

## Swim Camp

Endurance and technique is the focus of this summer-long camp taught by Craig HS Swim Coach Jeremy Meserole. The camp is designed for competitive swimmers interested in getting in shape and fine-tuning skills. Swimmers may choose to attend the **Rockport Pool Camp** and one of the afternoon swim camps for \$100.

Days	Dates	Location	Time	Cost
Monday -Thursday	June 18-August 23	Rockport Pool	8-10AM	\$90
		East side pool	4-6PM	\$90
		West side pool	4-6PM	\$90

## Rockport Pool

2801 Rockport Road, 752-6747

Season Opening: June 9 Season Closing: August 25

Age	Daily Admission	Season Pass*	Booklet Pass (15 Coupons)
3 & Under	Free	-	-
Youth & Seniors (4-17 & 50+)	\$1	\$20/\$18*	\$12
Adult (18-49)	\$1.50	\$30/\$27*	\$20
Family (up to 4) Additional Member	-	\$60/\$54* \$10/\$9*	-

\*A 10% discount is offered on Season Passes purchased from May 29-June 8 at Leisure Services and from June 9-17 at Rockport Pool.

## Lions Beach, 1400 Palmer Drive

Season Opening: June 9 Season Closing: August 25  
Supervisor On Duty 11AM-6PM Daily

## Palmer Park Wading Pool, 2400 Palmer Drive

Season Opening: May 26 Season Closing: September 3  
11AM-8PM Daily Adult Supervision Required

## SCUBA Diving

Earn your underwater SCUBA diving certification by completing this 4-week course. Instructor Bruce DeGarmo, from Down Under SCUBA, LLC. is PADI certified. Participants must read a text book and watch a video prior to the first session. A written exam is given at the first session. Entry fee to Pearl Lake is not included in the cost. Equipment provided for most sizes. **Pre-Requisite: Participants must be able to swim 200 yards, tread water for 10 minutes and love the water!** Registration deadline is July 3.

Dates	Location	Time	Ages	Cost
July 14, July 21, July 28, July 29	Senior Center Rockport Pool Kiwanis Pond Pearl Lake	9AM-2PM 7:30AM-Noon 10AM-Noon 10AM-Noon	12 & Up (Per PADI Regulations)	\$200 for all 4 days

## Discover SCUBA

Try this one-time, introductory class for individuals interested in SCUBA diving. The class includes a presentation on SCUBA equipment, instruction in proper diving techniques, and an in-pool session. Equipment provided for most sizes. Instructor Bruce DeGarmo, from Down Under SCUBA, LLC. is PADI certified.

Dates	Location	Time	Ages	Cost
June 23, July 7, or August 18	Rockport Pool	8:30-10AM or 10:30AM-Noon	10 & up (Per PADI Regulations)	\$30 per one day session

## Rockport Pool Swimming Lessons

Lessons are taught according to American Red Cross Standards. If a staff member observes that a swimmer is unable to fit within the structure of an activity, an alternative placement will be recommended. Parents are welcome to observe from viewing areas. In case of inclement weather, Fridays are reserved for rescheduled daytime lessons. Evening lessons that need to be rescheduled will be arranged by the Aquatics Manager.

Daytime Lessons (Monday-Thursday)			
Dates	Times	Levels	Fee
Session 1 June 18-28	10-10:40AM	4-6	\$26
	10:30-11:10AM	1-3	\$26
	11-11:40AM	4-6	\$26
	11- 11:30AM	Parent/Tot	\$24
	11:30AM-12:10PM	1-3	\$26
	Noon-12:30PM	Parent/Tot	\$24
Session 2 July 9-19	10-10:40AM	4-6	\$26
	10:30-11:10AM	1-3	\$26
	11-11:40AM	4-6	\$26
	11-11:30AM	Parent/Tot	\$24
	11:30AM-12:10PM	1-3	\$26
	Noon-12:30PM	Parent/Tot	\$24
Session 3 July 30- August 9	10-10:40AM	4-6	\$26
	10:30-11:10AM	1-3	\$26
	11-11:40AM	4-6	\$26
	11-11:30AM	Parent/Tot	\$24
	11:30AM-12:10PM	1-3	\$26
	Noon-12:30PM	Parent/Tot	\$24
Evening Lessons (Tuesdays & Thursdays)			
Dates	Times	Levels	Fee
Session 4 June 19-July 12	5:30-6PM	Parent/Tot	\$24
	6:15-6:45PM	Parent/Tot	\$24
	6:15-6:55PM	1-4	\$26
	7-7:40PM	1-6	\$26
Session 5 July 24- August 16	5:30-6PM	Parent/Tot	\$24
	6:15-6:45PM	Parent/Tot	\$24
	6:15-6:55PM	1-4	\$26
	7-7:40PM	1-6	\$26

## Instruction Levels

Listed below are the American Red Cross Learn-To-Swim levels. The prerequisite for each level is successful demonstration of the skills taught in the preceding level. Beginners past the Parent/Tot stage start at Level 1.

### Parent/Tot

This level is for children ages 6 months to age 3. Parent must accompany child in the water.

**Purpose:** Introduces child to water adjustment skills.

### Level 1: Introduction to Water Skills

**Purpose:** Help students feel comfortable in the water.

**Skills to learn:** Basic water safety rules; using a life jacket; submerging mouth, nose & eyes; opening eyes underwater; picking up submerged objects; swimming on front & back; using arm & leg motions; recognizing a swimmer in distress and getting help; exhaling underwater; and floating on front and back.

### Level 2: Fundamental Aquatic Skills

**Purpose:** Give students success with fundamental skills.

**Skills to learn:** Moving in the water while wearing a life jacket; submerging entire head; front & back glide; treading water using arm & leg motions; bobbing in water; jellyfish float; and swimming using combined stroke on front and back.

### Level 3: Stroke Development

**Purpose:** Build on the skills in Level 2 by providing additional guided practice.

**Skills to learn:** Reaching assist; submerging & retrieving an object; front & back glide; front & back crawl; kneeling or standing dive (shallow dive progression); rotary breathing in horizontal position; survival float; back float; butterfly kick; and body motion.

### Level 4: Stroke Improvement

**Purpose:** Develop confidence in the strokes learned and improve other aquatic skills.

**Skills to learn:** Safe diving rules; dive from stride position or shallow dive; survival float; back float; elementary back stroke; breaststroke; butterfly; throwing assist; feet-first surface dive; and front & back crawl.

### Level 5: Stroke Refinement

**Purpose:** Provide further coordination and refinement of strokes.

**Skills to learn:** Survival swimming; standing dive (diving progression); open turns on front & back; front & back crawl; performing rescue breathing; tuck & pike surface dives; front & backstroke flip turns; elementary backstroke; butterfly; breaststroke and sidestroke.

### Level 6: Swimming & Skill Proficiency

**Purpose:** Refines the strokes so students swim with ease, efficiency, power and smoothness over greater distances.

Level 6 is designed with “menu” options with each focusing on preparing students to participate in more advanced courses such as Water Safety Instructor and Lifeguard Training. These options include: Personal Water Safety, Fundamentals of Diving, Lifeguard Readiness, and Fitness Swimmer.



# Camp Registration Form

Please print and use this form for all camps listed below. If you would like to register for a program that is not a camp, please use the registration form found on page 2 of the Spring/Summer Activity Guide. Please use a separate form for each participant. Make checks payable to Leisure Services. For questions or more information about any of the programs listed in this activity guide, please call 755-3030.

Art Camp      Basketball Camp (Boys)      Basketball Camp (Girls)      Camp Tot Lot      Extreme Sports Camp      Horse Camp  
Jr. Princess Camp      Kids Count Camp (KCC)      KCC 1/2 Day Camp      Lacrosse Camp      Pom Camp      Soccer Camp  
Swim Camp      Tennis Camp      Volleyball Camp

Camper Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Nickname: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City & State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Parents/Guardians Names: \_\_\_\_\_

T-shirt size (if applicable): Child: S M L XL Adult: S M L (Child must be enrolled at least one week prior to start of camp to receive a t-shirt.)

Grade entering this fall: \_\_\_\_\_ Name of School: \_\_\_\_\_

Is the child in custody of both parents? Yes No      Please list others authorized to pick up your child:

If not, can the non-custodial parent pick up? Yes No      \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Name and Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**8** KCC 1/2 Day only: Bus Service? Yes No If Yes, Bus Stop Location: Jefferson, Madison, Monroe or Van Buren

Medical conditions: \_\_\_\_\_ Doctor: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Swimming ability (where applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Camp Name	Dates or Session Number	Time	Site	Camp Cost per session
1.				
2.				
3.				
4.				

Check here if applying for a scholarship. If applying, camp fees are not due until your application has been processed. Scholarship applications are available by calling 755-3030. **TOTAL DUE \$** \_\_\_\_\_

Check No.: \_\_\_\_\_    MC/  Visa No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Waiver for Participation

In consideration of the CITY'S acceptance of my/our use of its premises and equipment and upon payment of fee, if any, for participation in this event/activity, I hereby, for myself, and any minor for whom I am signing for, and for my/our heirs, executors, assigns and administrators waive and release any and all rights, claims and causes of action for damages, injuries, and payments whatsoever that I may have against the CITY OF JANESVILLE, a Wisconsin municipal corporation located in the County of Rock, and each and every of the CITY'S elected and appointed officials, employees, representatives, agents, heirs and assigns, jointly and severally, from and suffered by me and/or the minor (if any) named herein at any activity, event, or place sponsored by the CITY OF JANESVILLE or other organizations or persons utilizing CITY OF JANESVILLE properties or equipment. This waiver and release applies to any and all activities, including arrival and departure from CITY, public or private property. I/we agree to hold harmless the CITY OF JANESVILLE, and each and every of its elected officials, employees, representatives, agents, and their executors, administrators, heirs, and assigns, for any and all injuries incurred upon CITY OF JANESVILLE property, or events related to such participation once I have entered upon the CITY'S property, or the activity or event. I am assuming any and all responsibility for any and all injuries, damages, risks and claims.

By signing below I acknowledge reading the above waiver statement.

(Circle one) Parent/Guardian/Adult Participant: Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# Neighborhood Information

## Residential Building Permit Requirements

Below are general guidelines about home improvement/construction activities and whether or not a permit from the City of Janesville is required. This list is not intended to address every situation, and depending upon the scope of work involved, permits may be required in some situations where the table indicates a permit is not required. If you have any questions regarding permit requirements before starting construction, please contact Community Development at 755-3060.

CATEGORY	WORK PERFORMED	PERMIT REQUIRED
Electrical	New wiring or replacement of existing wiring	Yes
	New or upgraded service panel	Yes
	Replacement of existing switches, outlets, light fixtures	No
	Additional switches, outlets, light fixtures	Yes
Plumbing Work	Replacement of existing toilets, tubs, faucets, or fixtures	No
	Additional toilets, tubs, faucets, or other fixtures	Yes
	Replacement of water heater	No
	Replacement of existing or installation of new water softener in house previously plumbed for water softener	No
	Installation of new water softener in house not previously plumbed for water softener	Yes
HVAC Work	Replacement of existing or installation of new furnace	Yes
	Replacement of existing or installation of new central air conditioner	Yes
Decks	New deck or enlargement of existing	Yes
	Construction of roof over an existing deck	Yes
	Repair of existing deck (except structural components)	No

CATEGORY	WORK PERFORMED	PERMIT REQUIRED
Building Improvements	Replacement of roof (re-roof or tear-off)	No <sup>(1)</sup>
	Modification or repair of existing roof trusses or rafters	Yes
	Installation of siding	No <sup>(1)</sup>
	Window replacement with same size window	No <sup>(1)</sup>
	Window replacement with larger window (or smaller window if bedroom)	Yes
	Addition to existing home	Yes
	New sunroom	Yes
	Finishing of basement	Yes
Fences	New fence	Yes
	Repair of an existing fence	No
	Pools/Hot Tubs	Hot tub
Pool 30 inches in depth and under		No
Pool over 30 inches in depth		Yes
Sheds (max. 120 sq ft)	Under 80 square feet	No
	Over 80 square feet	Yes

- (1) Except in Courthouse Hill Historic District where a permit is required  
 (2) Unless the curb opening is also widened which would require a permit



## 2007 Neighborhood Listening Sessions Underway

Pictured above are members of the Janesville City Council (I-r Council President Tim Wellnitz, Council Vice President George Brunner, Councilmember Paul Williams, Councilmember Thomas Brien and Councilmember Tom Wellnitz) listening to residents during the first listening session of 2007 held on February 6 at Edison Middle School. The second meeting was held on March 20 at Marshall Middle School and the final meeting of 2007 has been scheduled for May 1 at Wilson Elementary School at 6PM for central residents.

## Neighborhood Leadership Teams Update

The City of Janesville has contracted with Community Action, Inc. to work with the residents of the Fourth Ward and Look West neighborhoods to develop Neighborhood Leadership Teams. The purpose of these teams is to implement programs and projects that are important to residents of these neighborhoods and to encourage residents to be involved in their neighborhood and their community.

The leadership teams are meeting monthly to address concerns and activities for action in their neighborhoods. The meetings take place on the first Thursday of each month from 6:30 – 8PM at Community Action (200 W. Milwaukee Street) and all residents are welcome to attend.

### Large Item Pick Up & Other Special Programs Planned for 2007

The teams are organizing several housing related projects and initiatives for 2007. Landlord Training will provide information related to legal and fair ways for landlords to protect rental property. A Housing and Law Seminar will be planned to examine the rights and responsibilities of tenants and landlords. The 2007 Large Item Pick Up will be held on September 15. Several efforts to assist low income home owners in these neighborhoods will also be organized. For additional information, please attend the monthly meeting or contact Lynn Jones at Community Action at 755-2485.

## Preparations Underway for New Shared System

In August of 2006, the HPL Board of Trustees approved participation in a new shared integrated system with the six other Rock County public libraries that make up the Arrowhead Library System (ALS). With funding approved by the Janesville City Council, ALS soon chose Innovative Interfaces as the provider of the new system, based on the features it would offer.

Staff at Hedberg have been preparing for the launch of this new system for several months, with training on the new technology beginning in January and continuing through the spring. They look forward to launching the system sometime in May, after training has been completed.

Not only will the new technology be easier for staff to use, but patrons will enjoy several new features of the system as well. HPL patrons will be able to:

- Easily access holdings at all seven participating libraries, almost doubling the items available
- Place holds on circulating items, both within HPL and on other libraries' items, with the material being available for pick-up at HPL in 24-48 hours
- Make informed selections on what to read by looking at jacket covers, reviews and plot summaries of titles in the catalog in both English and Spanish

The new shared system also makes financial sense for HPL. Grant funding and contributions from ALS mean a savings of over \$190,000 for Hedberg. It also means cooperation in the selection of expensive items and making new features available to patrons that would otherwise be financially out of reach for HPL alone.

The staff at Hedberg Public Library looks forward to offering patrons this new and improved technology and is excited about its benefits for Janesville and surrounding communities.

## Monterey Dam Repair Update

Repairs to the Monterey Dam structure are scheduled for this spring and may extend into the summer. This \$90,000 project will include lining the embankments along the canal outlet structure with heavy stone, replacing the spillway gates and installing new deck and railing over the canal structure. It is anticipated that this work will cause some disruption to fishermen and trail users in the area. Information about any disruptions will be provided to the public through press releases and website updates as the work draws near. For questions, call Parks at 755-3025.



**The Monterey Dam, located near S. Washington Street, will be repaired this summer.**

## Update on Citizen Aquatics Committee

In April 2006 a Citizen Aquatics Committee was formed to review Janesville's aquatic facilities and services. This committee conducted a random-sample phone survey of Janesville residents in the summer of 2006, held public input sessions to gather feedback from the community and worked closely with a consultant from Bonestroo and Associates to develop a recommendation for the current and future aquatic facilities in Janesville. The Aquatics Committee shared their recommendation, which included three phases of upgrades and additions to the City's aquatic facilities over the next several years, with the City Council at a study session on February 28. An additional study session will be scheduled in April or May.

## Floodplain Mapping Changes Affect Janesville Property Owners

On December 6, 2006, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) held a public open house regarding their proposed floodplain mapping changes in Janesville. The DNR is remapping floodplains in Rock County which have not been updated since the early 1980s. The results of the new floodplain map have identified 165 properties that will be included for the first time in the floodplain, while approximately 135 properties are being entirely removed from the floodplain. An additional 115 properties currently within the floodplain are also being impacted by changes to the 100-year floodplain boundary on their property.

Since the December 6 meeting, FEMA has published the notices required to inform Janesville residents of the proposed floodplain boundary changes. At this time, there is a 90-day appeal period that will end on April 11, 2007. During this appeal timeframe, property owners have the ability to submit either an appeal or protest to the information in the floodplain study. Such appeals or protests shall be based solely on scientific and technical evidence disputing the proposed floodplain maps or information in the study. At the close of the appeal period, the DNR and FEMA will evaluate and address all appeals and protests submitted. They will then issue a Letter of Determination which requires the City to adopt the new floodplain maps within six months. Property owners that feel that they may be affected by a floodplain change may contact the Community Development Department at 755-3085 to review the proposed floodplain maps. The maps are also available for review on the City's website ([www.ci.janesville.wi.us](http://www.ci.janesville.wi.us)).

## Janesville Wireless Advocacy Group (J-WAG) Update

In June 2006 the City Council agreed to establish a wireless fidelity internet (Wi-Fi) committee, referred to as the Janesville Wireless Advocacy Group (J-WAG). This committee is comprised of subcommittee members of the 2005 - 2006 Leadership Development Academy (LDA) and a citizen representative from Milton. The purpose of this committee is to examine the costs and benefits of providing wireless internet throughout Janesville and make recommendations on how the City might utilize the regional or countywide Wi-Fi system. The committee has held several focus groups to gather input from citizens and businesses in the community. The committee expects to provide a recommendation to the City Council later this year.

## News from JTS

For questions about any of these items, please call JTS at 755-3150.

### Ridership Increases During 2006

Nearly 432,000 people chose JTS as their transportation source during 2006 – more than any year since 1996! As Transit Director Dave Mumma explains, “2006 was a good year for JTS for a variety of reasons. Ridership was up, driven largely by the higher cost of gasoline, reflected in our commuter services both to and from school and between Janesville and Beloit. Equally heartening was the revenue increase, which helped us counteract the increased fuel prices which we had to pay during the year. With a growing ridership base, continued high fuel prices and the addition of the new busses we added last year, I anticipate building on our success again in 2007.”

### Route Change

Since November 2006 the Milton Avenue Route has been modified to provide service to businesses on Janesville’s north side. The Milton Avenue Route currently follows this route: the bus leaves from the Transfer Center at 15 and 45 minutes after the hour and serves major destinations including Creston Park Shopping Center, the main Post Office, Janesville Mall, Shopko/Dean Northview Clinic, K-Mart, the Van Galder Bus Terminal, Pine Tree Plaza, Wal-Mart/Sam’s Club, Target and most commercial development along the Milton Avenue corridor before returning downtown at 10 and 40 minutes after the hour.

### New Transit Facility Planned

On January 30, the City of Janesville hosted a public informational meeting at the City Services Center regarding the location and design of a new Transit Operations and Maintenance Facility. The proposed transit facility will be located at the intersection of Black Bridge Road and US Highway 51. The City recently secured an option to purchase the property and has begun the rezoning process, which will include additional opportunities for public input.

## Safe Driving: Turning right on a red light if there is more than one right turn lane

Janesville has four signalized intersections that provide dual right turn lanes. These intersections are located at:

- Northbound Milton Ave. (Hwy 26) at Kettering Street;
- Westbound I-90 off ramp for eastbound Humes Rd. (Hwy 14);
- Eastbound I-90 off ramp for westbound Humes Rd. (Hwy 14); and
- Southbound Deerfield Drive at Humes Road (Hwy 14).

Unless signed otherwise, traffic in the farthest right lane may turn right on red after coming to a complete stop, yielding to pedestrians in the crosswalk and yielding to through traffic. **At intersections with more than one right turn lane, only traffic in the farthest right lane may make a right turn on red.** Drivers in all other right turn lanes must wait for the light to turn green before entering the intersection. It is illegal to cross any lane of traffic when making a right turn on a red light, whether signed or not. Please contact the Police Department at 755-3100 or the Engineering Division at 755-3171 if you have any questions, concerns or if you would like more information.



Pictured above are children and volunteers enjoying Good Neighbor during the 2006 clean-up.

## 5th Annual Good Neighbor Day Scheduled for May 5

Good Neighbor Day, sponsored by the Janesville Police Department, will be May 5, 2007. Good Neighbor Day is a citywide effort to bring neighbors together to do something good for the community. Examples of ways you can help include:

- Clean up litter on your property and in the terrace near your home.
- Report any overgrown weeds or burned out streetlights to City Services at 755-3110.
- Report any junk vehicles on private property to Neighborhood Services at 755-3065.
- Report any abandoned vehicles on the street to the Police Department at 757-2244.
- Offer to help an elderly or handicapped neighbor with outdoor work.
- Alert the Police of any suspicious behavior in your neighborhood.
- Plan a block party to get to know your neighbors better.
- Make sure your pets don’t cause problems in the neighborhood.

Special activities will be occurring in the Fourth Ward Neighborhood. The Neighborhood Resource Officer will be organizing a poster contest for third, fourth and fifth graders at Wilson School. The posters will demonstrate what children and families can do to beautify their community. The Police Department would like to thank Adco, Inc. for donating t-shirts to the winners and for assisting with the sponsorship of this event. Following the announcement of the winners, Wilson school children will participate in a clean-up of the Old Fourth Ward Park. For more information about Good Neighbor Day activities, please contact Neighborhood Resource Officer Chad Sullivan at 743-7319.

## Girls Fast Pitch Begins in June!

Girls fast pitch leagues will begin in June and continue through August. The league divisions and playing nights are as follows: 10 & under (Tuesdays), 12 & under (Thursdays), 14 & under (Wednesdays) and 18 & under (Mondays). The cost is \$35 per player (\$30 payable to Leisure Services and \$5 payable to ASA). Games will take place at Monterey Fields and begin at 5:30PM, 7PM or 8:30PM. Pre-formed teams and individuals may register through April 16 by visiting Leisure Services during business hours. For questions, call 755-3030.

# Seasonal Announcements

## Spring Yard Waste Collection May 7-11

The City will collect grass, leaves, and garden debris placed in containers or bags and bundled brush on the same day as your regular trash pick-up the week of May 7-11. Please place your yard waste a few feet apart from your regular trash. Items should be placed at the curb no later than 7AM on your scheduled collection day.

Yard waste containers or bags and bundled brush should be no heavier than 50 pounds and no longer than four feet in length and twelve inches in diameter. Using biodegradable paper bags or reusable containers such as plastic trash cans is recommended. Plastic bags can be used but please leave them untied at the curb.

City code prohibits the burning of trash, garden debris and other yard wastes within the city limits. For more information contact City Services at 755-3110.

## Compost site to reopen April 2

The compost facility and demolition landfill will re-open on April 2. It may open earlier if weather permits. Hours through October are Monday & Thursday 8AM – 7PM, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 8AM – 3PM and Saturday 8AM – 5PM. The compost facility will offer free, unscreened compost to Janesville residents. Ask the attendant where to pick up the unscreened compost.

**New!**

## Flag Honors Email Distribution List Now Available



The City of Janesville recently created a Flag Honors email distribution list. Individuals interested in learning when the American flag should be lowered to half-staff are encouraged to join this email list. Whenever the President or Governor has declared a period of mourning or honors, city staff will send an email containing the details.

Subscribing to an email list is free and persons may unsubscribe from the list at anytime. E-mail addresses and personal information will be kept private and will never be sold. To subscribe to the Flag Honors email distribution list, please visit the city's website ([www.ci.janesville.wi.us](http://www.ci.janesville.wi.us)) and click the "Email List" link on the left side of the screen. Follow the directions on the page to subscribe to the Flag Honors email list. For questions, please contact Information Technology Manager Gordy LaChance at 755-3204.

## Good Friday, April 6 & Easter Sunday, April 8

All City of Janesville facilities will be open and all services will be provided as usual on April 6 including trash and recycling collection and JTS bus service. The library will be closed Easter Sunday, April 8.

## JTS Spring Break Schedule

During the Janesville School District's spring break, April 2 - April 6, JTS Extra Service Routes, with the exception of the Arrow Park Special, will not operate. All other services, including JTS Regular routes, the "Beloit-Janesville Express" and Nightside Service will continue normal operation during this time, including Good Friday, April 6. Extra Service routes will resume their normal service schedule on Monday, April 9.

## April 3, 2007 Election Information

The candidates for the Janesville City Council Election are: Thomas Lemmer, Russ Steeber, Kathy Voskuil, Amy Loasching, K. Andreah Briarmoon, Karl Dommershausen, William Truman and George Brunner (in ballot order). There are four seats open on the Council; therefore, electors may *vote for no more than FOUR candidates*.

The election will be held on Tuesday, April 3, 2007, and polls are open from 7AM – 8PM. If you are a new resident, you may register to vote at the City Clerk-Treasurer's Office in the Municipal Building (18 N. Jackson Street) or at your voting ward on Election Day. In order to register, you must be a United States Citizen, 18 years of age or older on Election Day, and a Janesville resident for ten or more days. Your driver's license or state ID card number (if you have never been issued a driver's license or state ID card number, then your Social Security number may be used) and identification that shows your current address is required for registration. If you have recently moved, please contact us to update your information.

Janesville is divided into 32 wards. If you do not know which ward you live in, contact the Clerk-Treasurer's Office at 755-3073 or visit the City of Janesville website at [www.ci.janesville.wi.us](http://www.ci.janesville.wi.us).

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