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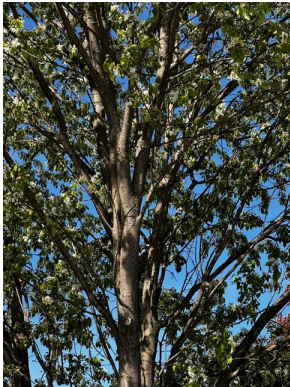
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Marshfield Committee Weighs Permit System for Maple Tree Tapping on City Property

By David Murchland - Marshfield Now!

Editor's Note: Portions of this report are based on information previously published by the City of Marshfield.

The Marshfield Parks, Recreation and Forestry Committee is considering a new policy that would allow residents to tap approved maple trees on city-owned property through a permit system aimed at protecting public trees and ensuring safe practices.



Justin Casperson presented the proposal during Wednesday's committee meeting, describing it as a response to growing interest in small-scale maple syrup production within the city.

"The question came up, like, how is that permissible? And how can I do it?" Casperson told the committee, noting that some residents have tapped boulevard and public-area maple trees for years without formal oversight.

Under the proposed policy, residents would apply for annual permits to tap designated maple trees located on terraces and in certain public areas. The city would review applications, inspect

eligible trees and establish operational standards for tapping.

The proposal includes restrictions on tree species, minimum trunk diameter and the number of taps allowed per tree. It also would prohibit tapping in sensitive areas, including some parks and natural spaces, and ban vehicle access for tapping operations.

Casperson said the city's forestry staff, parks department and public works department collaborated on the draft policy to balance public access with long-term tree health and liability concerns.

Committee members expressed support for the proposal, saying the policy would help educate residents on proper tapping techniques while protecting city trees from damage.

"I think this is a really good idea," one committee member said during discussion. "I like how it's protecting the trees."

Officials said permit fees are expected to remain minimal, with early discussions centering around a possible fee of about \$25 per tree or tap.

The committee took no formal action Wednesday. Members are expected to continue reviewing the proposal and may vote on the policy at a future meeting.

June Senior Center Calendar

The Marshfield Senior Community Center, located at the 2nd Street Community Center, continues to offer a variety of activities, fitness opportunities, games, and social events throughout June.

Popular programs include exercise classes, Tai Chi, Balance & Cardio, Balance & Core, card games, bridge, dominoes, ukulele groups, crafts, and bingo.

Seniors can also enjoy the monthly Ice Cream & Dessert Social on June 15 and participate in the Craft & Connect program on June 12. For more information, contact the 2nd Street Community Center at 715-384-4642.

City Employment Opportunities

The City of Marshfield is currently accepting online applications for available positions.

Current openings include:

- Community Development Director
- Assistant City Engineer
- Program Instructor (Seasonal)
- Program Director (Seasonal)
- Volleyball Official (Seasonal)
- Street Maintenance Worker (Seasonal)



Live Broadcast

GOVERNMENT MEETINGS WEEK
OF May 11th

Tuesday 6/2/2026
Judiciary & License Committee - 5pm

Finance, Budget & Personnel
Committee - 5:15pm

Board of Public Works - 6:15

Wood County sheriff recognizes corrections officers during national observance

By David Murchland - Marshfield Now!

Wood County, Wis. — The Wood County Sheriff's Department is recognizing the work of corrections officers following National Corrections Officers Week, observed May 3-9, while also highlighting the continued adjustments staff have faced since transitioning into the county's expanded jail facility.

During a recent episode of "County Connections," Wood County Sheriff Shaen Becker said corrections officers play a critical role in the county's public safety system, even though much of their work happens behind the scenes and outside public view.

access to programs while in custody.

Unlike patrol deputies who spend much of their time in the community responding to emergencies and investigating crimes, corrections officers work in a controlled environment that still presents daily challenges, Becker said.

"It takes a special person to work in corrections," Becker said during the interview. "They deal with difficult situations every day, and they do it professionally."

Becker said the county's jail staff works around the clock, managing inmates with a wide range of needs and backgrounds. While some individuals are held only briefly following an arrest, others remain in custody for weeks or months as felony cases move through

The county has spent more than a year adapting to its newer and significantly larger jail facility, Becker said. The expansion was designed to address overcrowding and improve safety and operational efficiency, but moving into the updated facility required major adjustments for staff.

"That adjustment hasn't been easy when you go from a smaller facility to the size that we have," Becker said. "But they've done a phenomenal job adjusting and making that facility work."

Becker credited jail leadership, including Captain Ted Ashbeck and Assistant Jail Administrator Susanna Wagner, for helping guide the transition and supporting staff during the process.

According to Becker, corrections staff have had to learn new operational procedures, security systems and inmate management practices while continuing to maintain day-to-day operations without interruption.

The sheriff said recognition during National Corrections Officers Week is important because corrections officers often receive less public attention than other law enforcement personnel despite their critical role in the justice system.

National Corrections Officers Week was established to honor corrections professionals nationwide for their work maintaining order and safety inside jails and prisons. The observance recognizes the responsibilities corrections staff carry each day, including supervising inmates, preventing violence and ensuring facilities operate safely for both staff and inmates.

Becker said the work performed by corrections officers is essential to the overall function of the sheriff's department and public safety efforts across Wood County.



"They're a huge part of our team," Becker said. "It's not an easy job, but a big hats off to the Wood County corrections officers."

Corrections officers are responsible for overseeing inmates after they are booked into the jail by law enforcement officers. Becker said their duties include maintaining security inside the facility, monitoring inmate behavior, conducting welfare checks, coordinating transportation to court appearances and ensuring inmates receive meals, medical attention and

the court system.

"A lot of people don't realize that many inmates are only there for a short period of time — maybe a day or two depending on the offense," Becker said. "But we also have people there for much longer periods awaiting court proceedings."

The sheriff said corrections officers are often tasked with balancing security concerns while also helping inmates navigate mental health, addiction and behavioral issues that can complicate jail operations.

“They do a tremendous job,” Becker said. “We appreciate everything they do for this county.”

Companion Day Services brings intergenerational care, respite support to Marshfield families

By David Murchland - Marshfield Now!

A local adult respite and day services center in Marshfield is working to expand awareness of its intergenerational caregiving model while continuing to serve adults with developmental disabilities, dementia and other care needs.

Companion Day Services, located across from Marshfield High School in the Tiny Tigers building, provides daytime care and social programming for adults 18 and older. The nonprofit organization offers flexible scheduling for families and caregivers seeking respite care or structured daytime activities for loved ones.

The center opened March 19, 2007, and was developed around an intergenerational concept that combines adult day services with a child care program in the same facility. Participants regularly interact with children from Tiny Tigers daycare, creating opportunities for socialization across age groups.

According to board member Lois Swanson, the concept was uncommon when the center was established.

“There was only one place in the country that was doing the very same thing,” Swanson said. “That idea of mixing the generations so that the littles have a chance to have interactions with elders and the elders get a chance to have interaction with the littles — it’s a great program.”

The program currently serves an average of nine participants per day, with Wednesdays often reaching

in a home-like setting,” Jozwiak said. “I really work hard to make sure that each person is seen and knows it.”

Swanson, whose son attends the program, said the variety of activities and consistency among staff members have made Companion Day Services valuable for her family.

“It’s not like there’s this revolving door of staff,” Swanson said. “People are very committed to the people, so we recognize them, they recognize us, and our son knows them.”

The center also partners with Marshfield High School through volunteer and career-readiness programs that allow students interested in caregiving professions to gain hands-on experience.

Companion Day Services operates Monday through Friday and charges \$10 per hour, with some participants receiving assistance through programs such as IRIS or managed care organizations.

The organization is also seeking volunteers to assist with activities, music programs and participant socialization. Volunteers must complete a background check and TB test.

Families interested in services or volunteer opportunities can contact Companion Day Services at 715-384-2115 or visit the organization’s Facebook page and website for more information.

Post Council Update

At the May 26 Council meeting, the Marshfield Common Council recognized former Mayor Lois TeStrake for her service to the community and approved several items related to long-term City planning and public safety.

Council authorized funding to begin work on the City’s Comprehensive Plan update, approved the Guaranteed



“We are an adult daycare respite center designed to meet the needs of developmentally disabled adults, elderly, people with Alzheimer’s, dementia, people who are lonely — just anybody over the age of 18 in need of any kind of respite service,” Director Bailey Jozwiak said during a recent interview on “Hub City Times Presents.”

capacity. The facility can accommodate up to 16 participants at one time, depending on staffing levels and individual care needs.

Jozwiak said the center tailors activities to participants’ interests and abilities, including music, crafts, exercise, field trips and community outings.

“We really strive to provide adult care

Maximum Price for the Police Department Relocation Project to move the project into the construction phase, and approved applying an \$800,000 state grant award toward the project.

Council also received an update on the development of the City's new Strategic Plan and appointed Alderperson Jen Delis as the Council representative to the Visit Marshfield Board of Directors.

Cool off this Summer in the Fountain



The Wenzel Plaza fountain is on! Head on over to the plaza to enjoy the fountain all summer long, 11:00 am - 7:00 pm. daily. The fountain is set to operate through Labor Day.

Hub City Concert Series Returns to Wenzel Family Plaza

Visit Marshfield has announced the 2026 Hub City Concert Series lineup at Wenzel Family Plaza, 201 S. Chestnut Avenue.

The free Friday night concert series begins June 5 and features live music throughout June and July, including

Dig Deep, Valley Fox, Super-Unknown with The Heart-Shaped Roosters, The Foxgloves, Trapper Schoepp, Watt Millians, Sota Pop, and Brett Newski & the Bad Inventions.

Most concerts begin at 7:00 p.m. and feature food, beverages, and a downtown atmosphere for all ages. For details and updates, visit visitmarshfield.com.

Bike Rodeo Set for June 17 at Fairgrounds

Wood County 4-H, the Marshfield Police Department, and the Central Wisconsin State Fair will host a free Bike Rodeo for youth on Wednesday, June 17, 2026, from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at the Central Wisconsin State Fairgrounds, 513 E. 17th St. in Marshfield.

A flyer for the Bike Rodeo event. It features the date "JUNE 17, 2026" and time "10:00 - 11:30 AM". A starburst says "GREAT PRIZES!". There are illustrations of two children on bicycles. The text reads "WOOD COUNTY 4-H, MARSHFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT, AND CENTRAL WISCONSIN STATE FAIR" and "BIKE RODEO" in large letters. A starburst says "OPEN TO ALL YOUTH FREE!". A Police Marshfield logo is also present. Below the main text, it says "Riding your bike is a great way to get around and to get great exercise. Join us to learn how to be safe and to make sure that your bike is in great riding condition, too!"

A registration information block. It includes the "CENTRAL WISCONSIN STATE FAIRGROUNDS" logo and address "513 E 17TH ST, MARSHFIELD". It says "BRING YOUR BIKE AND YOUR HELMET!". There is a QR code and the text "REGISTER BY JUNE 9" with the URL "HTTPS://BIT.LY/BIKERODEO2026". At the bottom, it mentions "The University of Wisconsin-Madison Division of Extension provides equal opportunities in employment and programming in compliance with state and federal law. Contact: Laura Huber, 4-H Program Educator, at laura.huber@wisc.edu or 715-421-8439 by June 1, 2026."

The event will help youth learn to ride safely and ensure their bikes are in good riding condition.

Participants should bring their bike and helmet. The event is open to all youth and will include prizes.

Registration is requested by June 9 at the link listed on the event flyer.

Cast with a Cop Returns June 19 at Hamus Park

The Marshfield Police Department's P.E.A.C.E. program will host the 2nd Annual Cast with a Cop on Friday, June 19, from 10 a.m. to noon at Hamus Park in Marshfield. Check-in begins at 9:45 a.m.

The free event is open to youth ages 8 to 15 and is limited to 20 participants. It gives youth an opportunity to meet local police officers and learn about fishing in a relaxed, community setting. No fishing experience is needed.

Fishing poles will be provided, or participants may bring their own. Participants will also receive a free tackle box and T-shirt.

A flyer for the "2nd Annual CAST WITH A COP" event. It features the "POLICE Marshfield" logo and the acronym "P.E.A.C.E." for "POLICE EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT". The event is on "Friday, June 19th" at "Hamus Park" from "10:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.". A starburst says "FREE! Limited to 20 participants". A list of details includes: "Introduce youth to police officers & fishing", "No fishing experience required", "Poles provided, or bring your own!", "Check-in starts at 9:45 A.M.", "Participants receive a FREE tackle box & t-shirt", and "Ages 8-15 years old". There is a QR code and a sign-up instruction: "Sign up at the Parks & Recreation office, by scanning the QR code, or by going online to cityofmarshfieldwi.gov".

Residents can register online through the Parks & Recreation Department's registration page below.

Vandehey Waters Opens Monday, June 1

Vandehey Waters Aquatic Center is scheduled to open for the 2026 season on Monday, June 1.



The aquatic center will be open daily from noon to 7 p.m. and includes slides, diving boards, a climbing wall, basketball hoops, a current channel, a concession stand, shaded areas, and space for families to enjoy the summer season.

Daily admission rates and season pass information are available through Marshfield Parks & Recreation.

Producers Channel 989								
	Monday 6-1-2026	Tuesday 6-2-2026	Wednesday 6-3-2026	Thursday 6-4-2026	Friday 6-5-2026	Saturday 6-6-2026	Sunday 6-7-2026	Monday 6-8-2026
12:30:00 AM								
1:00:00 AM						Chiller Night Theatre	Chiller Night Theatre	
1:30:00 AM								
2:00:00 AM	Producers Pick	Producers Pick	Producers Pick	Producers Pick	Producers Pick			Producers Pick
2:30:00 AM								
3:00:00 AM						Lord Blood Rabs Theatre	Lord Blood Rabs Theatre	
3:30:00 AM								
4:00:00 AM	Science Series	Science 360	Science Series	Science 360	Science Series			Science Series
4:30:00 AM								
5:00:00 AM						Science 360	Science 360	
5:30:00 AM								
6:00:00 AM	Lights, Camera, Polka	Lights, Camera, Polka	Lights, Camera, Polka	Lights, Camera, Polka	Lights, Camera, Polka	Lights, Camera, Polka	Lights, Camera, Polka	Lights, Camera, Polka
6:30:00 AM	Get Healthy With Holly	Get Healthy With Holly	Food For Thought	Get Healthy With Holly	Get Healthy With Holly	Lights, Camera, Polka	Lights, Camera, Polka	Get Healthy With Holly
7:00:00 AM	Kims Art Show	Kims Art Show	Kims Art Show	Kims Art Show	Kims Art Show	Lights, Camera, Polka	1st Presbyterian	Yoga For Health
7:30:00 AM	Jessercise	Jessercise	Jessercise	Jessercise	Jessercise	Lights, Camera, Polka		Daceys Divas
8:00:00 AM	Brethren Voices	Brethren Voices	Brethren Voices	Brethren Voices	Brethren Voices	Lights, Camera, Polka		Brethren Voices
8:30:00 AM	Two Grannies on the road	Two Grannies on the road	Two Grannies on the road	Science 360	Two Grannies on the road	Lights, Camera, Polka	Catholic Diocese of Burlington	Two Grannys on the road
9:00:00 AM	Vibrant Living Series	Food For Thought	Vibrant Living Series	Food For Thought	Vibrant Living Series	Lights, Camera, Polka	East Gate	Vibrant Living Series
9:30:00 AM	Peak Moments	Peak Moments	Peak Moments	Peak Moments	Peak Moments	Lights, Camera, Polka		
10:00:00 AM	Lights, Camera, Polka	Lights, Camera, Polka	Lights, Camera, Polka	Lights, Camera, Polka	Lights, Camera, Polka	Lights, Camera, Polka		Lights, Camera, Polka
10:30:00 AM	Lights, Camera, Polka	Lights, Camera, Polka	Lights, Camera, Polka	Lights, Camera, Polka	Lights, Camera, Polka	Lights, Camera, Polka	TV Mass	Lights, Camera, Polka
11:00:00 AM	TV Mass	1st Presbyterian	East Gate	Christ Lutheran	Faith Lutheran	Lights, Camera, Polka	Christ Lutheran	TV Mass
11:30:00 AM	Faith Lutheran					Lights, Camera, Polka		Faith Lutheran
12:00 PM				1st Presbyterian		Lights, Camera, Polka	Faith Lutheran	
12:30:00 PM		Christ Lutheran	Calvary Bible		Immanuel Lutheran	Lights, Camera, Polka		
1:00:00 PM	East Gate					Lights, Camera, Polka		East Gate
1:30:00 PM		Immanuel Lutheran		It's Happening Classics		Lights, Camera, Polka	Calvary Bible	
2:00:00 PM					Good Shepherd	Lights, Camera, Polka		
2:30:00 PM	Small Factory		Small Factory			Lights, Camera, Polka	Immanuel Lutheran	Small Factory
3:00:00 PM	Cosettes Enchanted Journey	Good Shepherd	Cosettes Enchanted Journey	Cosettes Enchanted Journey	Cosettes Enchanted Journey	The Hidden Truth		Cosettes Enchanted Journey
3:30:00 PM	Story Time		Story Time	Story Time	Story Time			The Childrens Corner
4:00:00 PM	The Childrens Corner	Sing A Long Fun	It's Happening Classics	The Childrens Corner	Sing A Long Fun	Foltz Studio	Good Shepherd	Peak Moments
4:30:00 PM	Meet The Author	Meet The Author		Meet The Author	Meet The Author			Meer The Author
5:00:00 PM	Sister In Arms	Sister In Arms	Sister in Arms	Sister in Arms	Sister In Arms		Gay USA	Sister In Arms
5:30:00 PM	It's Happening Classics	World War I and II History	World War I and II History	World War I and II History	Calvary Bible	Goin Vinyl		It's Happening Classics
6:00:00 PM		Paltrocast	Paltrocast	Paltrocast		Paltrocast	Everything LGBTQ	
6:30:00 PM		Sidewalks Entertainment	Sidewalks Entertainment	Sidewalks Entertainment	Sidewalks Entertainment	Sidewalks Entertainment		
7:00:00 PM	Rock N Roll Video Show	Ragtime All That Jazz	Rock N Roll Video Show	Ragtime All That Jazz	Rock N Roll Video Show	Ragtime All That Jazz	Gender Vision	NOWi
7:30:00 PM	Arts Alive		Arts Alive		Arts Alive			Arts Alive
8:00:00 PM	Mo Jazz	2026 Memorial Day Parade	Mo Jazz	2026 Memorial Day Parade	Mo Jazz	Toni G Psychic Medium		Mo Jazz
8:30:00 PM								
9:00:00 PM	Mikes Music Spotlight	Mikes Music Spotlight	Mikes Music Spotlight	Mikes Music Spotlight	Mikes Music Spotlight	Mikes Music Spotlight	Mikes Music Spotlight	Mikes Music Spotlight
9:30:00 PM								
10:00:00 PM	Open Mic Poetry	Bongo Music	Open Mic Poetry	Bongo Music	Open Mic Poetry	Late Night Movies	Late Night Movies	Rock N Roll Video Show
10:30:00 PM		Bongo Music		Bongo Music				Open Mic Poetry
11:00:00 PM	Bongo Music	Frack The Canon	Frack The Canon	Frack The Canon	Bongo Music			Bongo Music
11:30:00 PM	Bongo Music	Don And Kelly	Don And Kelly	Don And Kelly	Bongo Music			Bongo Music



MARSHFIELD Utilities

RESIDENTIAL RECYCLING EVENT

**JUNE 3, 2026
2 PM - 6 PM**

Enter off of Roddis by Wildwood lower pond.
Follow the signs!

ITEMS YOU CAN RECYCLE.

BULBS

- Straight Fluorescent, 4' and under - including circular and U-tubes
- Straight Fluorescent, 5' and over
- Compact Fluorescent, all types
- Shielded Fluorescent, 4' and under
- Shielded Fluorescent, 5' and over
- Incandescent
- Flood/Spot/Quartz/Halogen
- LED

BATTERIES

- Alkaline batteries
- Lead Acid Batteries
- Nickel-Cadmium Batteries
- Lithium Ion, and Nickel Metal Hydride Batteries
- Lithium Batteries

HOUSEHOLD ELECTRONICS

with cord or battery



- All TVs (Flat screens, CRT, Projection, Console)
- AC units (window only), dehumidifiers
- Computers, laptops, tablets, cell phones
- Cricut machines, desktop Printers, copiers, fax machines, scanners
- Power cords, adapters, and power supplies
- Microwaves & small kitchen appliances

RX COLLECTION



- Capsules, creams, inhalers, non-aerosol sprays, ointments, pills, patches, vials, liquids (in original containers), pet medications, vape pens, or other e-cigarette devices with batteries removed.

NOT ACCEPTING: Large appliances, aerosol cans, anything containing blood or bodily fluid, household hazardous waste (paint, pesticides, oil, gas), illegal drugs, iodine containing medications, mercury thermometers, personal care products (shampoo, soaps, lotions, sunscreens, etc.), sharps, or vape devices containing built-in batteries that cannot be removed, or nitroglycerin.

CHARCOAL expressions

the drawing experience

Create Beautiful Charcoal Drawings Customized By You
Guided by charcoal artist Robert Gorder

No Experience Needed

Wednesday, June 3rd at 6 PM
2nd Street Community Center,
Drendel Room
Minimum of 15 people for class to run,
so tell your friends, family, & co-workers!

\$35.00



Scan to register online



Sir Licks A Lot

Marshfield Parks & Recreation Office
211 E. 2nd Street #111
Marshfield, WI 54449

(715) 384-4642
parkrec@cityofmarshfieldwi.gov

PREVAIL BANK



BRAT FRY

**June 11th
10:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.**

810 N. Central Ave.,
Marshfield

**All proceeds benefit
local VFWs**

Cash donations accepted.
Pursue what's possible. ///

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TONS OF CLASS OPTIONS!

AGES 4-17

- Introduction to tennis
- Basics of tennis
- Skill development
- Game strategies



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715-384-4642

