

Maywood Report
Marina, Parks, and Forestry
February 3, 2026
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Programming & Events

- Older, Wiser, Livelier Scholars (OWLS) programs include: 10/24-Prairie Seed Collection with guest presenter from Friends of the Gottfried Prairie & Arboretum; 10/31-North Point Bluff Restoration with guest presenters from Friends of North Point and Lakeshore Natural Resource Partnership; 11/7-BioChar Bird Habitat Improvement Project with guest presenters from Lake Michigan Bird Observatory; 11/15-Ice Age Trail Hike with guest presenters from the Ice Age Trail Alliance; 11/21-Sheboygan Marsh State Wildlife Area; 12/2-Winter Potluck; 1/2-Bur Oak; 1/16-John Michael Kohler Art Center Docent Tour and Watercolor Workshop.
- Major Events Include: 10/25-Glow Hike Event; 12/6 Wishing for Winter.
- Other Programs Include: 10/28-New Nature Writing Workshop in collaboration with WordHaven BookHouse; 11/21, 11/22-Wreath Making and Porch Pot Workshops; 1/13-Better Life Chiropractic Well-Being Workshop and Maywood Hike; 1/24-Maple Syrup Training canceled due to extreme cold, however, 1 new volunteer expressed interest and will be trained on the job.
- Full 2026 Event Calendar in place, with detailed spring program planning underway.

Land Management

- Volunteer Efforts Include: 10/22-South High Day of Service students watered trees and mulched trails; 10/27-SCHHS Volunteers watered trees, cleaned garage, and cleaned up glow hike materials; 11/7-MUTH volunteers helped with boardwalk installation and cleaned out kestrel boxes; 11/7-North High School volunteers watered trees.
- 11/5-11/8-Boardwalk Removal and Installation-The Trust of Maywood secured grant funding, along with some private donations, replace 64-foot boardwalk. Thanks to support from the City of Sheboygan and dedicated volunteers, projects costs came in over 40% under the original quote.
- 11/17-Stantec survey work for Stormwater project.

Building & Grounds

- City/Maywood Meetings: Kendra and Joe met to coordinate between the Trust and the City on 10/20, 11/17, 1/19; 11/4-Marina, Parks and Forestry Commission Meeting; 11/18-City/Maywood MOU Meeting, requested extension to existing MOU for further discussion; 1/6-City of Sheboygan custodial supply meeting and pickup, supply and inventory management.
- Property Stewardship Committee Meetings: 10/20, 11/17, 12/15, 1/19.
- 10/21, 1/13-Signage Committee Meetings. New welcome signage has been installed throughout the park. Thank you, Dan and Steve!
- Inspections: 10/24-Fire Alarm Safety Inspection conducted by JSM Secure; 11/15-City-wide building inspection completed by Concord group.

Administration

- Internal meetings with staff, Executive, Finance, EcoEdges Committees and Advisory Board.
- 11/18-Weather Station Meeting-Vantage Pro2 upgrade options.
- 12/22-Intern interview and hiring process funded by UW-Green Bay Community Impact Program.
- 1/2-EcoEdges planning meeting.
- 1/20,1/21-Maywood Staff In-Service to build team capacity. Advance planning of tasks, timelines, and responsibilities for programs and events; and scheduling of future staff meeting and planning dates.

Fundraising

- Fundraising Efforts: 10/20-Fall Portraits Fundraiser; 10/21-Oak Circle Donor Recognition Event; 11/16-Pints for the Park Fundraiser at 3 Sheeps Taproom.
- Grant Activity: 11/15-WDNR Surface Water Grant Application Submitted; 10/31-Service Club Grant and Cellcom grant applications submitted; 10/31-Application for UWGB Community Impact Internship Program submitted and approved; 10/31-Application for Association for Fundraising Professionals Membership Scholarship submitted and approved; 11/4-Meeting with Festival Foods to discuss Wishing for Winter sponsorship and approval; 11/26-Southeastern Wisconsin Invasive Species Consortium Grant Project Site Visit; 12/15-Grant Report for Natural Resources Foundation of Wisconsin support for Bur Oak Preserve Trail Development and Habitat Improvement Project filed; 12/17-Green Bay Packer Foundation Award of \$3,000 for Park Signage Project; 1/15-Grant Application to Alliant Energy Foundation requesting Prairie Walk Sponsorship.

Partnerships & Networking

- Partnership Meetings and Events Include: 10/30-Eklhart Lake Watershed Stakeholder Meeting; 12/3-YMCA Camp Y-Koda Banquet; 12/16-Partnership meeting with Lyssa, ED of Van der Brohe Arboretum; 1/7-Bird City Application meeting. Application renewal underway with support from Starr Gerk, Sheboygan River Basin Partnership and Friends of North Point; 1/14-Maywood presentation to Altrusa group.
- 11/4-Drop off of donations for Coats for Kids Campaign in partnership with Salvation Army of Sheboygan. Maywood supporters filled a bin with 36 warm winter items (8 coats, 8 hats, 3 scarves and 17 pairs of gloves) and helped volunteer at the distribution event at Salvation Army. We helped Salvation Army of Sheboygan set a new record— serving 206 families, finding new homes for 847 coats, and distributing an incredible 2,711 total items to help keep our neighbors warm this winter!
- 11/11-Maywood Open House held to invite City of Sheboygan officials, leadership, and staff to visit Maywood and help strengthen our partnership.

Professional Development

- 10/27, 11/10-Association of Fundraising Professionals Committee Meetings; 10/23-Awardee Reception; 11/20 National Philanthropy Day
- 12/3-Association of Fundraising Professionals Campaign Webinar