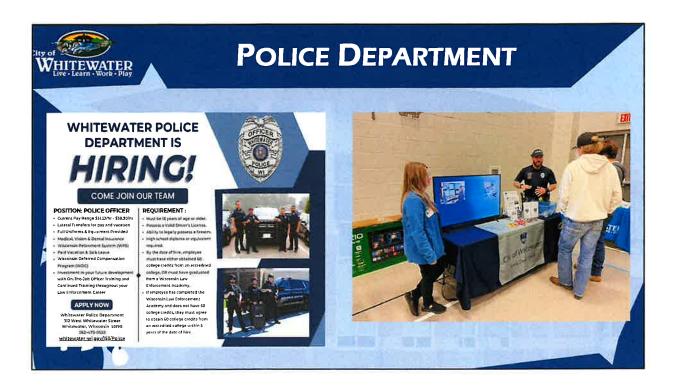


### For the week of March 31.

- The Street Department helped with election preparations and cleanup. Crews
  prepped the area by the Fire Department for sidewalk for the installation of the
  baby box. Crews did brush collection, Vac'd out dirt for utility locations for
  stump grinding, and started park cleanups. Other work included street
  sweeping, catch basin cleaning and street light preparations.
- The Water Department is busy with residential meter changeouts. Staff also coordinated with the school district and the Water & Fitness Center for a time to fix a leak that occurred in the softball field of the high school. Other work included backwashing, collecting water samples and completing the Consumer Confidence Report (CCR).
- Other items of interest include annual tubing replacement on the ortho analyzer, diagnosing a radar problem on the primary effluent splitter box, and fixing a low water level alarm on the UV disinfection.
- In GIS, updates were made to the city's parcel layer and maps were made for the Neighborhood Services and Economic Development Department. Continue to work with Johns Disposal to address questions with addresses and toters.



- Detective Kevin Gowan (GOW-un) has accepted our offer of employment, and his first day with our department will be April 21<sup>st</sup>. Kevin started his career with the Oregon Police Department in 2015 and has served as a detective there for over four years. His specialized training in ICAC investigations, digital forensics, evidence collection, homicide and death investigations, cyber and financial crimes, as well as narcotics investigations will be a tremendous asset to our department.
- Our patrol officer hiring process closed on April 7<sup>th</sup> and we received a total of 36 applications. The written test will be the next step of the process.
- Captain Vander Steeg organized a clinic for first responders through Wills for Heroes.
   Approximately 40 staff from the police and fire departments received basic estate planning offered by the attorneys at no cost.
- SRO James Garcia and Dispatcher Kenna Shrock (Sh-RAH-K) attended the Whitewater High School annual career fair to provide students with insight into what it's like working at the Whitewater Police Department (pictured above).

# **Details-**

Tuesday, April 9th = Walworth County District Attorney Zeke Wiedenfeld provided our

sworn staff with annual legal updated training.

Monday, April 1<sup>st</sup> = The police department was found in compliance with the DOJ Crime Information Bureau's NDEX audit. This audit is completed every three years to ensure that information is being queried in compliance with policies and procedures and is only being accessed by authorized personnel.

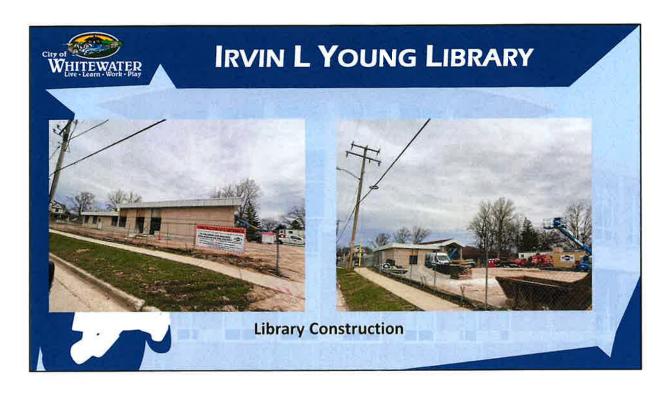
Friday, April 4<sup>th</sup> = A meeting was held with representatives from Angus-Young to review the preliminary floorplan and layout of the PD Evidence Garage design



- Fire/EMS 515 report for Thursday, March 20<sup>th</sup> through Wednesday, March 26<sup>th</sup> Staff responded to 32 calls for service, making the daily average 4.5 calls for service each day.
- 5 calls for service required POC response. Average POC response for All Calls was 1.4 per call.
- March 27<sup>th</sup> through Wednesday, April 2<sup>nd-</sup> Staff responded to 38 calls for service, making the daily average just over 5 calls for service each day.
- 6 calls for service required POC response. Average POC response for All Calls was 2.16 per call. Mutual Aid was requested 2 times from Whitewater during this time.
- April 3<sup>rd</sup> through Wednesday April 9<sup>th</sup>-We had 36 calls for service, 4 required POC. We had a 2 Alarm structure fire in the town of Lima on Sunday the 6<sup>th</sup>.The early part of the week was spent doing cleaning and equipment checks on apparatus, hose, and gear as the structure fire was a barn, and we were operating in the cow yard. Most everything was covered in mud.

# <u>Details-</u>

- Saturday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> Whitewater responded with an Ambulance for a mutual aid request to assist Delavan Fire at a motor vehicle accident with multiple patients.
- Sunday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> Whitewater responded with an Engine for a MABAS request to assist Lakeside Fire at a structure fire.
- Monday, March 24<sup>th</sup> AC Dion attended Coffee Talk with the Chamber and Local businesses.
- Tuesday, March 25<sup>th</sup> Lt Maas and Chief Freeman attended a leadership meeting at the Fort Atkinson Fire Department. The guest speaker was Chief Aaron Lipski of the Milwaukee Fire Department.
- Wednesday, March 26<sup>th</sup> Whitewater responded with an Ambulance for a MABAS request to Lake Geneva for a structure fire. Ambulance 123 was canceled by Incident Command while enroute.
- Wednesday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> AC Dion attended the High School Career Fair.



- The library received the Library Improvement and Innovation Grant from the Bridges Library System for \$5,000. These funds will go towards installing hearing loops in the library's new large meeting room in order to increase accessibility for people in our community who are experiencing hearing loss.
- National Library Week was held April 6-12 this year. We had some fun swag for our patrons and those who shared with us as to why they love the library were entered into a drawing for a \$25.00 gift card to The Book Teller! April 8th was National Library Workers Day and we treated our staff to a variety of treats to thank them for their hard work and dedication to the library and the community they serve.

# Details-

April 25th is Make a Difference Day in Whitewater and we will have 4-6
volunteers coming to the library to assist with packing up and moving boxes of
books and other items to the basement for storage. Last year we had 4
volunteers who did a wonderful job of assisting us with a variety of tasks. We
are glad that we can be a part of this great program.

• The library is currently developing a plan to renew and revitalize the Friends of the Library, which is one of our 2025 strategic goals. If you would be interested in serving on the Friends Board of Directors, please contact Sarah French, <a href="mailto:sfrench@whitewater-wi.gov">sfrench@whitewater-wi.gov</a> or 262-473-0530. The first meeting will be held Monday, May 19 at 5:30 p.m. in the Cravath Lakefront Conference Room on the 2nd floor of the Municipal Building. What do the Friends do? Friends assist the library in three key areas: monetary gifts, volunteerism, and advocacy. This is an exciting time to be part of a new group of community members who will work together to support the library as we transition into our newly renovated and expanded building!



### Facilities-

- staff closed 74 help desk tickets in March.
- 31 general maintenance tasks Assembling, installing, removing and relocating items.
- 41 facility repairs Fixing sinks, toilets, windows, doors, drawers and more (19 roof leaks reported and repaired)
- 2 no heat calls addressed

### Lakes-

• The Lakes Advisory Committee has offered five different education listening/learning sessions for any community member to come learn about what's happening with the lakes and what it means to have a Lake District.

### **Sports & Programming-**

Don't forget to sign up for events our Park & Rec department is hosting.
 (pictured above)

We continue to have huge success with our Stevie Searches.(pictured above) For the month of March we celebrated National Doctors Day on March 30<sup>th</sup>. With the huge popularity of this program, Stevie was found with only two clues given. For

March, Stevie was hidden at Starin Park to help promote the start of Baseball/Softball Season.

### **Details:**

Start Smart Baseball designed for 3-5 year old children that are looking to learn the basic fundamentals of baseball while having fun! No equipment is required to participate.

 Registration ends on April 30<sup>th</sup>. The program will run every Thursday from May 1<sup>st</sup>-June 5<sup>th</sup>.

### Stop the Bleed and First Aid Training

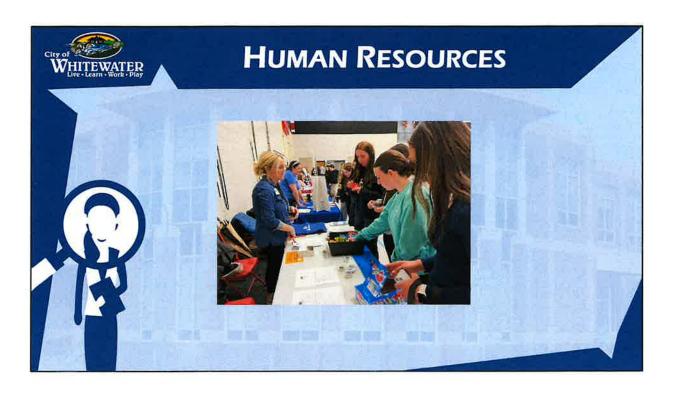
- The Stop the Bleed and First Aid training will take place on May 14<sup>th</sup> at the UWW Community Engagement Center, Room 105/106.
- Participants will get hands on practice with equipment and cover using a tourniquet, heat related issues, and other first aid situations. Each registration will receive a first aid kit!
- Fee is \$15 for both individual and family registration.

### Tee Ball and Rookie Ball

- Tee Ball and Rookie Ball registration is still open, and ends on May 16<sup>th</sup>.
   May After School Program
  - Registration for the May After School Program is open! Sign up today for the fun and safe environment! Registration will end on April 18<sup>th</sup>.



- The Media Services team has been hard at work editing concerts and videos, including the *Bridging Whitewater* series. They've also been busy creating graphics and preparing for several upcoming projects.
- As a bittersweet update, Kyle, our talented Media Producer, will be leaving the City of Whitewater. He has accepted an exciting new role as a Graphic Artist at WTMJ-4. While we'll certainly miss Kyle and his creativity, we're thrilled for him and wish him all the best on this next chapter!

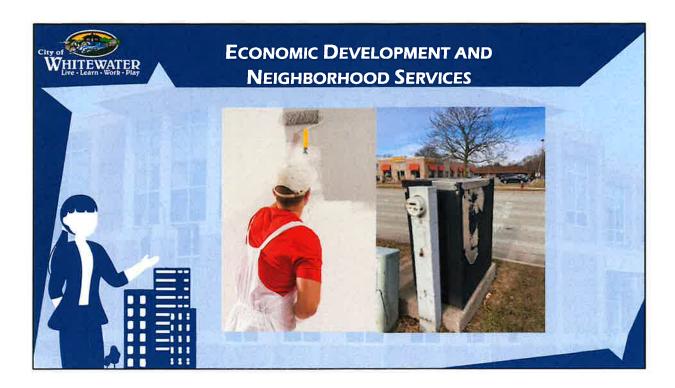


- On April 2nd, HR staff took part in the Whitewater High School Career Fair.
   Around 90 students stopped by our booth to learn about future career paths and seasonal job opportunities. Of course, the biggest hits of the day were the Nerds, Peanut Butter Cups, and Airheads candies. (Pictured above)
- On April 1st, HR staff had the opportunity to assist with Central Count Absentee Ballot processing at the Municipal Building. A total of 1,167 absentee ballots were processed throughout the day, involving a great deal of envelope opening, sorting, and attention to detail. While it may not sound glamorous, the process is a crucial part of ensuring fair and accurate elections.
- HR staff is grateful to have played a small but meaningful role in upholding the integrity of the electoral process, and we appreciate the chance to engage in such important civic work.

## **Details-**

Exciting things are underway—Employee of the Year nominations are rolling in!
We're thrilled to celebrate the outstanding contributions of our city employees and

can't wait to share the their great work.



**Economic Development-**

- Staff meet with the demolition companies that are doing the demo projects for 126 Jefferson, 216 E Main and 108 Main. All buildings are scheduled to be demolished by the end of May
- Staff has been wrapping up projects in preparation for EDD Zeinert's departure

### **Neighborhood Services-**

- The Public Art Committee is still accepting applications for the traffic boxes-Deadline is 4/16!
- Neighborhood Services staff meet with the New City Attorney to discuss the process for municipal citation for code violations

# **Details:**

EDD Zeinert has been working with Emily McFarland (the interim EDD). Emily has spent some time at City Hall Job Shadowing



Thank you, Taylor Zeinert, EDD Director, for all you've brought to the City — your youthful outlook, sharp insights, and knowledge have made a lasting impact. As you wrap up your time with us this Friday, know that you'll be greatly missed. We wish you all the best in your next chapter — the City of Sheboygan is lucky to have you!



Becky Magestro, Chief of Staff, can be contacted for any inquiries or issues.



As always, John Weidl, Thank you!