# Wauzeka-Steuben Buzz

301 E Main St. Wauzeka, Wi 5382G

October 2024

# September Message from Dr. Gary L. Albrecht, Interim District Administrator

Thank you to our school staff, parents and especially our students in making this year's return to school productive and enjoyable. As you all know, schools exercise a wide range of operations including curriculum, staffing, food service, maintenance, transportation, technology, athletics, co-curricular activities, music, business transactions, and others. We appreciate a smooth opening to the school year so that we continue to operate efficiently. More importantly, the school days are more enjoyable for all of us. So, keep up the good work! I have had many questions regarding the siding project. While it is a tedious process, I have been informed that the contractors are still on course to finish within the 180 days of work that are stipulated in the contract. Hopefully, the beautiful fall weather will continue!

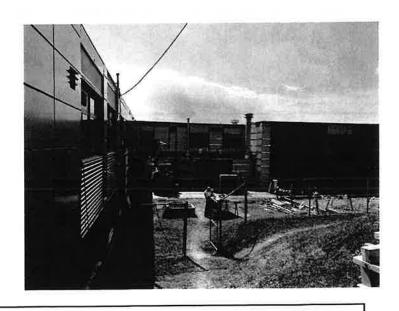
Finally, I am working with the board on five major goals for the year:

- 1. Initiate Parking lot/front landscaping projects (Summer of 2025)
- 2. Revisit HVAC & other facility options
- 3. Complete Policy book revision
- 4. Work with Driftless & Village to discuss and work toward a plan for additional housing
- 5. Pursue student opportunities for access to math interventions at the elementary level to determine impact on test scores.
- 6. Develop a district leadership plan beginning with the 2025-2026 school year

Please see the list of forthcoming school board meetings so that you are able to participate in the process of reaching these goals and others as we work together to keep our school headed in a positive direction!

Dr. Gary L. Albrecht Interim District Administrator





Interim District Administrator-Dr. Gary Albrecht Nikki Asleson-President Jessie Bird-Vice President Board of Education District Principal-Mrs. Tiffany Dums Tom Martin-Clerk Ken Buck-Treasurer Brandon Millin-Member

# WAUZEKA-STEUBEN SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS

October 14th 6:30 pm Regular/Library (CSIC meeting 5:30 pm)

October 28th 6:30 pm Budget Hearing/Annual Meeting/Special Meeting Hornet's Nest

November 11th 6:30 pm Regular/Library

December 16th 6:30 pm Regular/Library

January 20th 6:30 pm Regular/Library

February 17th 6:30 pm Regular/Library

March 17th 6:30 pm Regular/Library

April 21st 6:30 pm Regular/Library

May 19th 6:30 pm Regular/Library

June 16th 6:30 pm Regular/Library

School Board agendas will be emailed to radio stations WPRE and KADR, to the District's website manager, and to the Clerk of the Village Board of Steuben for posting. Copies of the agenda will be posted at the front and rear doors of the school at Peoples State Bank, the Wauzeka BP, and the faculty/staff lounge". The meetings will also be noticed in the school newsletters.

The above are scheduled school board meetings. Special meetings will be called as needed and posted locally.

# Basketball Coach Opportunity

We are still looking for a middle school girls basketball coach. If you are interested please contact Mr Bunders at <u>bundeaus@wauzeka.k12.wi.us</u>.

# WELCOME NEW STAFF!!!



Mrs. Amanda Knowles-First grade teacher

Where did you go to college? I graduated from University of Wisconsin-Platteville.

What are some facts about yourself? Some fun facts about myself are that I live on a cattle farm, I have two labs one is yellow and one is chocolate, and I love doing photography.

What is your favorite thing about Wauzeka? My favorite thing about Wauzeka is how it feels like a big family and everyone is happy to help one another.

What are you most excited for this school year?

I am most excited to get to know the school and students throughout the school year.

## Mr. Luke Blair-Tech Ed Teacher

Where did you go to college? I went to UW-Platteville.

What are some fun facts about yourself? A fun fact about me is that I spend most of my free time fishing.

What is your favorite thing about Wauzeka? My favorite thing about Wauzeka is that I have small classes meaning I can help each student individually.

What are you most excited for this school year? I am excited that I will be able to help students reach their goals and become the best version of themselves.





# Stacy Dremsa-Custodian

What are some fun facts about you? I enjoy walking-my dog insists:)

What is your favorite thing about Wauzeka? Wauzeka is a pretty unique school and everyone is so nice!

What are you most excited for this year?
I am excited to find homes for my foster kitties. I foster through Misfit Feline Rescue!



Mr. Russ Atkinson- Special Education Teacher Where did you go to college?

I graduated from the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater in 1985.

What are some fun facts about you? I'm the father of four children with my wife, Tracy, and we now have seven grandchildren. This is my 37th year as a teacher. I grew up on a farm southeast of Steuben. My mother grew up on the outside of Steuben and my father near Boydtown.

What is your favorite thing about Wauzeka? Wauzeka is a very caring and supportive community.

What are you most excited about for this year?

I'm excited my final years of teaching will be in the same school district that my mother taught at during the 1960's and early 70's.

# Katlyn Cooley-Paraprofessional

Where did you go to college? Southwest Technical College

What are some fun facts about you? I love skittles, and food is the way to my heart.

What is your favorite thing about Wauzeka? How it feels like one big family with great students.

What are you most excited for this year? Learning from my peers, and seeing how students grow throughout the year.





# Mindy Hayes-Paraprofessional

Where did you go to college?
I graduated from Southwest Wisconsin Technical College in 2014.

What are some fun facts about you?

I like to sing karaoke and I am a grandma of 3 ages 4, 3 and 1. They are currently living with me until December. Grandma loves having them at her house.

What is your favorite thing about Wauzeka? It is a wonderful community with a lot of friendly people.

What are you most excited for this year?

I am most excited to meet new people and students.

# Nancy Emery-Paraprofessional



Where did you go to college?

I went to Southwest Technical College and I have a degree in business administration.

What are some fun facts about you? I'm not originally from Wauzeka. My husband and boys are originally from here and went to school here. I went to high school in Bloomington, which is now River Ridge School.

What is your favorite thing about Wauzeka? We have great community support, and the staff and community are always willing to help each other out.

What are you most excited for this year? I am just excited to help the kids succeed in being productive individuals.

# Kathy Martin-Food Service (Not pictured)

Where did you go to college? I went straight to the workforce, and myself and my three sons all graduated from Wauzeka-Steuben Schools.

What are some fun facts about yourself? I raise monarchs and love, love, love the snow.

What is your favorite thing about Wauzeka?

As W-S is an integral part of the Wauzeka community, working here offers me the opportunity to continue to be a part of this great community. Everyone pitches in to support each other in a small/rural community.

What are you most excited for this year?

I am excited about getting to know all the students and faculty, and also looking forward to a successful and fun filled year.

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# **School District of Wauzeka-Steuben**



Mr. Gary Albrecht
District Administrator
Ext. 214

Mrs. Tiffany Dums
District Principal
Ext. 211

# Dear Parents and Guardians:

Please read over this *Partners in Learning Compact* with your child or children and discuss its importance. This document is a compact that we are required to have on record for each student in the school stating that we (students, parents, and educators) are all partners in their learning. Even though it is required by law, I firmly believe in the statements listed. This is a step in the right direction to get our students to take ownership and responsibility for their actions regarding homework, schoolwork, and behavior. Please take the time to sit down with your child(ren) and discuss the listed goals in depth and then sign, and date the form. *Only ONE Partners in Learning Compact needs to be filled out per household.* That means all of your school-age children need to sign the same compact. I ask that you make sure all of the students in the household have read the document with you and *sign* their name. Please return the form to Mrs. Folbrecht, your child's teacher, or to the main office as soon as possible.

Wauzeka-Steuben Schools is a Schoolwide Title I school. This means that I am able to work with students K-12 who qualify for my services in the area of Reading. I would also like you to know that I am here to support you, your child, and our teachers in helping give your child access to the best education they can receive. If you have any questions concerning your child's reading education please call or email me at any time.

Thank you,

Mrs. Jennifer Folbrecht Title 1 Reading Teacher Wauzeka-Steuben School District (608)-875-5311 ext. 241 folbrjen@wauzeka.k12.wi.us



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# PARTNERS IN LEARNING STUDENT/PARENT/TEACHER COMPACT

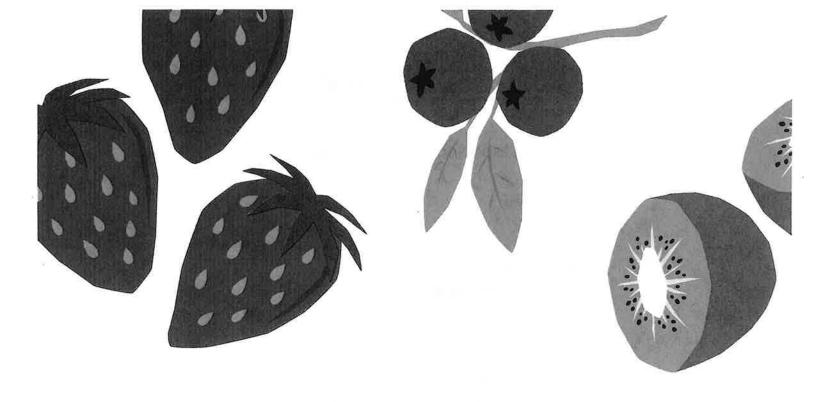
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TOGETHER TO ENCOURAGE LEARNING

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- I will attend school regularly and be on time.
- I will do my best in class and on my school work.
- I will ask for help when I don't understand something.
- · I will come prepared each day (supplies, books, completed work).
- I will keep a positive attitude towards myself, others, school, and learning.
- I will discuss with my parents what I am learning about in school.
- · I will read frequently at home

Other:		
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(Office or Staff at W-S Schools: If you receive this, please give to Mrs. Folbrecht)



# FFA Fruit Sale

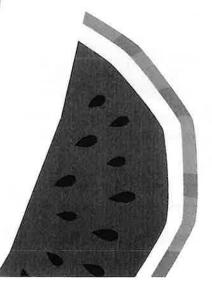
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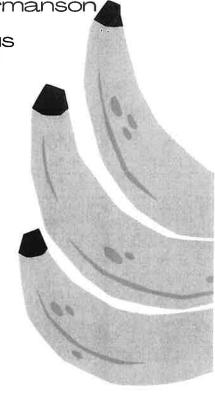
Contact an FFA member or Ms. Hermanson,

hermabai@wauzeka.k12.wi.us

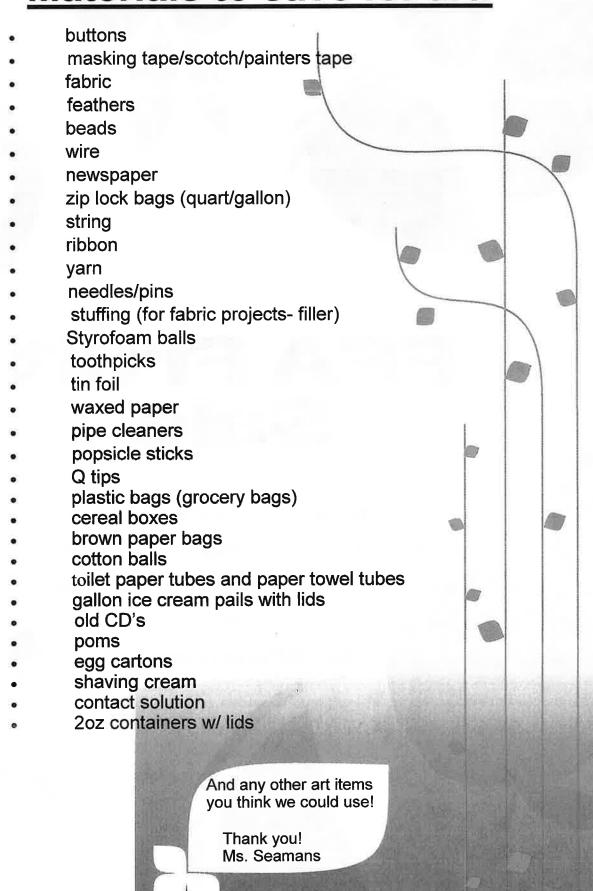
or

608-875-5311 ext.230





# Materials to save for art:





# WAUZEKA - STEUBEN SCHOOL DISTRICT







We are off to the start of the new 2024-2025 school year. It's been a pleasure to see our returning students and new students as well; most with smiles:) We are hoping for a healthy school year and the following are some ideas to help us do this.

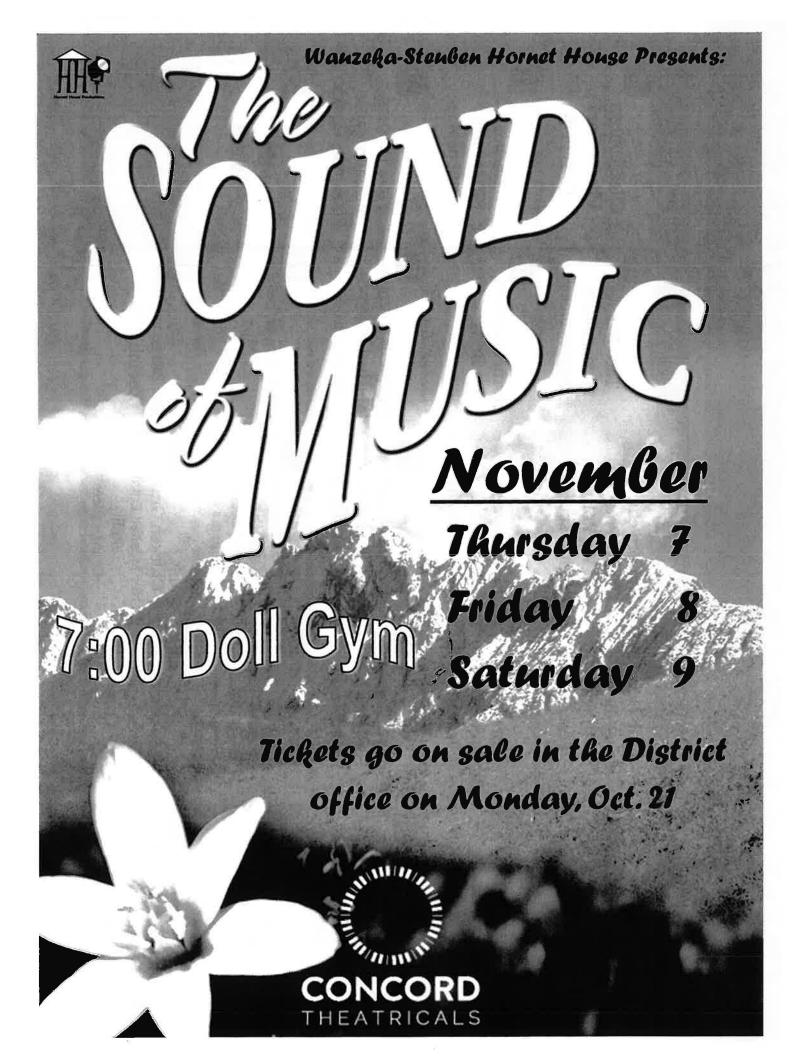
- Hand washing is still the best way to prevent ANY illness from spreading. Our students wash their hands during the school day several times. Let's set a good example of this at home too, our kids are always watching.
- Receive the annual influenza vaccination. Each year the influenza vaccination is a new formula covering types A and B of influenza. If you would like your child(ren) to receive the influenza vaccine, the Crawford County Health Department will be providing this at school free of charge. A consent form MUST be filled out completely for each of your children. PLEASE DO NOT send a consent form back to school if you do not want your child(ren) to receive a vaccine. This year you may choose between the nasal mist or the injectable form of the vaccine, forms have been sent home with your child(ren). Consents forms are also available on the school website. If you have questions please reach out to your medical provider or the county health department.
- Receive childhood vaccinations. Wisconsin requires immunizations for school children
  to help prevent other various contagious illnesses. If your child(ren) is/are not up to date
  with these requirements a letter was mailed home at the end of the school year. PLEASE
  send the appropriate form(s) back to school, for example an Immunization Waiver form.
  Required immunizations can be waived by the parents and/or guardian for medical,
  religious or personal reasons.
- If your child is vomiting, having diarrhea or has a fever please do not send your child to school. They need to be symptom free for 24 hours without any fever reducing medications; like acetaminophen or ibuprofen.
- The early and late fall season weather changes frequently. Please send your child with appropriate clothing; jackets, shoes (not flip-flops), gloves, etc.
- Our mental health is SO important! If you feel like your child(ren) would like or need some additional support please reach out to your child's teacher, Mrs Kilburg or Mrs. Dums; services are available right here at school. If you would like support or know someone that does call 988. This is a free service that has trained staff to help 24/7.

2024 2024 Frichy	Cinnamon Roll Muffins	Combo Bar PBJ	Long Johns Muffins	No School		
Thursday	Breakfast Pizza Muffins	Scrambles Eggs w/bacon PBJ	Combo Bar Muffins	Waffles w/sausage links PBJ	Orange Frosted Cinnamon Muffins	4
Thet C	Yogurt Parfaits Muffins	Choice of Muffins PBJ	Bacon, Egg, Cheese Sandwich Muffins	Sausage Gravy w/biscuit PBJ	Yogurt Parfaits Muffins	25
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Wender		Sausage Gravy PBJ	Pancake Wrap w/syrup Muffins	Breakfast Pizza PBJ	Cinnamon French Toast Muffins	

This institution is an equal opportunity provider Menu is subject to change, variety of milk ,cereal, juice offered daily

# Hornet Cafe

Friday	Cheeseburger Cheese Fries Pineapple	Nachos Tater tots Fruit choice	Pizza Dippers Marinara sauce Pineapple, Cookie	No School	uno si
Thursday	Taco Bar Mexican Rice Applesauce	Hornet popcorn Bowl	Meatballs w/gravy Mashed Potatoes Orange Slice	Hot Dog w/bun Chips Choice of Fruit	Bat Burge rw/bun Zoombie Fries
Wednesday	Popcorn chicke 2 Cheesy Potatoes Wg Roll Apple slices	Chicken Spaghetti Breadstick Green Beans	Scalloped Potatoes w/ham, Roll Buttery Corn	Pizza Burgers Glazed Carrots Baked Beans Pears	Chicken Gravy Over Mashed Potatoes Roll Orange slices
Tuesday	Chili Dog Baked Beans Chips Peaches	Corn Dog Buttered Noodles Peaches	Mac & Cheese Hash brown Baked Beans	French Toast Sausage Links Cinnamon Roll Apple Slices	Spaghetti Breadstick Corn
Monday		BBQ Rib Patty w/bun Potato Wedges Banana	Chicken Nuggets Ranch Mashed Potatoes Gravy, Carrots Applesauce	Crispy or Grilled Chicken Patty w/bun Choice of toppings Fries Peaches	Hot Ham & Cheese Buttered Noodles Green Beans



# **High School**

# Cross Country



The Wauzeka-Steuben High School Cross Country Team has started the season with a lot of success. They competed in 3 meets so far at Wauzeka, Darlington, and Boscobel. The home Wauzeka course is the most challenging the team will face all season due to the hills and rough terrain, and they will return to run it for the conference meet again this year.

The evening before each cross country meet the whole team gets together for team bonding and to eat lots of pasta for race fuel the next day. This tradition may be part of the team's success.

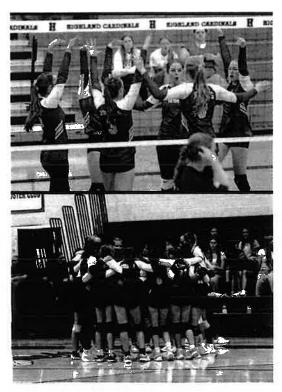
Here are some highlights of the season so far. Ten runners have

improved their times at each meet including eight who improved by

over one minute. Brett Wagner and Isabella Bunders have led the boys and girls teams at each meet. A total of 8 medals have been won. The cross country team has a lot to be proud of already and can anticipate more success as they work hard throughout the season, putting in high mileage days, hills, and speed workouts. If you want to support them yourself you can see them at our HOME CONFERENCE MEET ON OCTOBER 17TH!



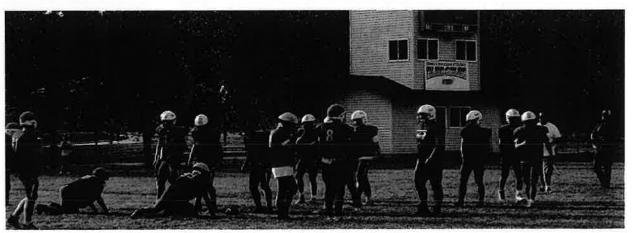
# THE WAUZEKA-STEUBEN VOLLEYBALL GIRLS ARE IN FOR A GOOD SEASON



The Wauzeka-Steuben volleyball team began their season against the Cassville Comets, falling in the 5th set. The Hornets faced Coulee Christian and took them down in 3 quick sets, looking great. They went on to beat both North Crawford and LaFarge in 3 sets for a great start to conference play! The girls are in for a good season, with their coaches right by their side pushing them to be their best versions of themselves! Good Luck to the rest of the Season Lady Hornets!

# SWS High School Football

The SWS football team has been working very hard this season in both practice and games. They started out the season beating Cashton, a team who was ranked in state just a year ago. They had a couple tough games since, but are improving each day. We can't wait to see what the rest of the season brings for the Blue Golds and wish them luck in the remaining season.



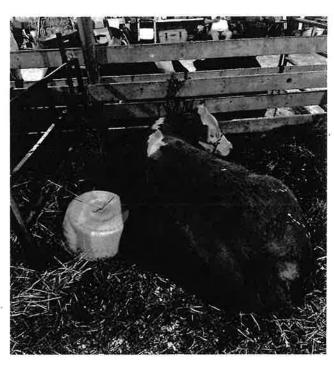
# Wauzeka Steuben FFA River Ridge Livestock Judging Contest

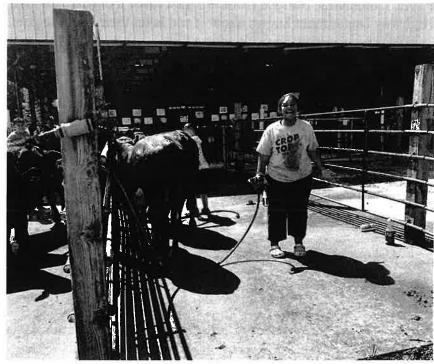
On September 12, 2024 FFA students went to River Ridge and participated in a livestock judging contest. Students competed against many other schools and judged many classes of sleep, goats, pigs, and cattle. William Z., Macy M., Violet M., and Brooke M did well on the livestock team.

Parker M., Brynlee B., Clint M., and Emma U did well on the dairy team.



Many of the Wauzeka FFA members participated in the Crawford County Fair, and achieved many awards. Participating members were: William Zander, Emma Udelhoven, Molli Hooker, Macy Mitchell, Hayley Mitchell, Brooke Mitchell, Violet Mitchell, Reid Mitchell, Lexie Lathrop and Brantley Woodhouse.





# COMMUNITY NEWS

301 E Main St. Wauzeka, WI 53826

October 2024

# MINUTES OF WAUZEKA TOWN BOARD MEETING

# August 12, 2024

The regular monthly meeting for the Town of Wauzeka was called to order at 6:30pm on Monday, August 12, 2024 in the Town Meeting Room by Chairman Tom Jazdzewski.

Verification was made that the meeting was properly posted at the Town Meeting Room, Bush Hollow Road, Horseshoe Tavern, Oak Lane, and on WPRE Radio Station.

Roll Call was taken with all members present.

Tom Jazdzewski made a motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting, seconded by Mike McGuire. Motion Carried.

Mike McGuire made a motion to accept the treasurer's report, seconded by Casey Reising. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Mike McGuire to approve the monthly bills, seconded by Casey Reising. Motion Carried.

Roads - Work on Rhein Hollow was discussed, along with Turkey Lane a couple other minor issues.

**Building Permits: No Building Permits** 

Bridge Aid - Tom Jazdzewski made a motion to petition 2024 Bridge Aid to Crawford County. Casey Reising seconded it. Motion carried.

Public Comments: Bernice Dombeck discussed a concern about a culvert needing to be cleaned out. The County Highway Department knows about it and is on their list to look at.

A motion was made by Mike McGuire to adjourn the meeting at 6:54pm, seconded by Casey Reising. Motion Carried.

Shawna L. Wa;z Wauzeka Town Clerk

<sup>\*</sup>Minutes have not been approved by the board.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Please Contact Chairman Tom Jazdzewski (608.875.7105) or any board member if you know of a roadway issue within the Township of Wauzeka that needs to be resolved.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>September Monthly Meeting will be Monday, September 9, 2024 @ 6:30pm

# Can Collection 2024-2025



We are off to a great start with collecting cans this school year. We'd like to thank Boondock Sports Bar & Grill, The Horseshoe Tavern, The Mt. Zion Pub, Lou's R&R, Old Gi Diner, and the donors from the Wauzeka- Steuben Communities for making this such a huge success. 100% of the proceeds go back into the communities, school, and organizations, so please continue to use the can bins located by County N and Guard St. in Wauzeka, the Wauzeka Township Recycling Center, and Bridge St. in Steuben. If you have cans stored and cannot get them to a bin, contact

Mike Mullikin for pick up. Did you know it takes 35 cans to equal 1 pound? That means we need 350,000 cans to meet our goal of 10,000 pounds this year. With that 10,000 pounds we hope to make approximately \$5,000 to put back into our communities.

# Wauzeka-Steuben School

Seeking Vendors For Their Holiday Craft/Vendor Fai

Saturday, December 7 / 9am-2pm Wauzeka-Steuben School Gyms

Wauzeka, Wi

For more information Contact: Kari Bartels

tekar@wauzeka.k12.wi.us or 608-428-0006

# District News & Information

# 301 E Main St. Wauzeka. WI 53826

October 2024

School District of Wauzeka-Steuben, in accordance with Title IX of the Educational Amendments of 1972 and other Federal and State regulations, hereby declares that it is committed to the principle of equal education and employment opportunity and, accordingly, does not discriminate as to sex, race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation, or physical, mental, emotional, or learning disability. Any inquiries or complaints alleging non-compliance with Title IX of the Educational Amendments of 1972 or other Federal and State civil rights or nondiscrimination regulations shall be referred to District Administrator Dr. Gary Albrecht at the School District of Wauzeka-Steuben, 301 E. Main St., Wauzeka, WI 53826, (e-mail) alexadav@wauzeka.k12.wi.us (call) 608-875-5311 ext. 214 and/or Jamie Nutter, Title IX Coordinator of the School District of Wauzeka-Steuben, at Cooperative Educational Service Agency #3, 1300 Industrial Drive, Fennimore, WI 53809, (call) 1-608-822-2148 (e-mail) jnutter@cesa3.org.

Note: All career and technical education opportunities will be offered on a nondiscriminatory basis (without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, disability, etc.) All students in qualifying grades are eligible for enrollment. For further information please contact District Principal Tiffany Dums (608)875-5311 ext. 211 or dumstiff@wauzeka.k12.wi.us.

## Wauzeka Angels Fitness Center

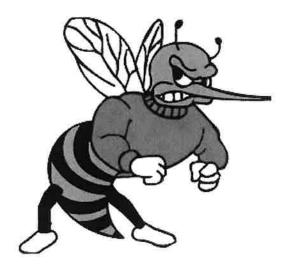
#### **Monthly Rates**

\$10 per adult W-S School District/Non District Resident plus \$10 for key fob

#### Annual Membership Rate

\$100 per adult W-S School District/Non District Resident plus \$10 for key fob

\*Rates are to cover maintenance and supervision expenses.



#### Substitutes Needed

State law has recently changed allowing more flexibility on the requirements people need to be a substitute teacher or support staff. If you are interested in being a substitute please contact District Administrator Dr. Gary Albrecht via email: albregar@wauzeka.k12.wi.us or by phone (608)875-5311 ext. 214.

# Substitutes needed:

- Food Service
- Bus Drivers
- Para professionals



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# Wauzeka-Steuben Buzz

Send community events that you would like to be included in the newspaper to:
Alissa Mullikin at mulliali@wauzeka.k12.wi.us
Or drop off any information in the district office.
Next Submission Date: September 15th

Wauzeka, WI 53826

The Wauzeka-Steuben School District is utilizing a community-wide Resource Officer. Officer Liz Volten of the Crawford County Sheriff's Department will be available to the District during regular District hours. Officer Volten will also be available to the community and homeschooled families of the District on Wednesdays at the BP gas station from 1:00-2:00 p.m. Officer Volten can be reached via email at evolten@crawfordcountywi.org or via phone at 608-412-5184. In case of an emergency, please call 911.







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