

2018 Fall Highlights "Snapshot"

We're Proud To Serve The Communities of West Allis & West Milwaukee



West Allis Earns Silver Wisconsin Healthy Communities Designation



- City of West Allis was awarded the Silver Level for the Healthy Communities Designation Program.
- This is a new program in the State.
- We were one of 31 communities that received an award.
- The Health Department coordinated and submitted the application on behalf of the City.
- The Health Commissioner received the reward on behalf of the City on Thursday September 20 in Green Bay.



Tick Education Provided to the Community

- The West Allis Health Department provided education to the public at National Night Out regarding tick bite prevention, tick borne diseases, and how to properly remove ticks when bitten.
- About 170 families in West Allis and West Milwaukee were provided education and tick removal kits.
- Only 10% of those people were able to correctly identify the number of diseases that ticks cause in Wisconsin.
- The West Allis Health Department worked with the State of Wisconsin to provide funds to purchase the tick removal kits and provide the education to keep our residents safe and healthy.
- The tick removal kits are in a reusable pouch that can clipped to a belt loop, to be taken outdoors wherever you go! The kit includes a tweezers, OFF wipe, and a Tick Safety Guide to assist with tick identification.
- A great collaborative effort to help keep our residents informed and safe!



Mass Flu Clinic at Nathan Hale

- The West Allis Health Department planned a mass flu clinic called Scare That Flu Away at Nathan Hale High School with the help of the Wauwatosa Health Department, Marquette University Nursing students, the West Allis Health Department WIC program, and several community volunteers.



- A total of 172 flu vaccines were given to adults and children at the event. Participants enjoyed the Halloween theme and liked taking selfies to share on social media!!!



Laura Temke Named

"Environmental Health Professional of the Year"

- Laura Temke, REHS, Environmentalist Coordinator at West Allis Health Department, has been named Environmental Health Professional of the Year by the Wisconsin Environmental Health Association.
- The award recognizes that Laura has truly made an impact on environmental and public health and demonstrated dedication to the profession by conducting exemplary work in the field of environmental and public health.



The Big Latch On

- Held Friday August 3, 2018 at the West Allis Farmers Market.
- This event is part of a global movement where women gather together at the same time to breastfeed and offer peer support thereby normalizing breastfeeding to the general public.
- There were 133 attendees with 38 latched babies which was a 10% increase over the past years attendance.
- There were 14 interactive booths/displays and donated refreshments demonstrating excellent community partner collaboration.



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