

Newsletter

March 2017



Watertown Area Transit SATURDAY SERVICE – Watertown Area Transit driver Jim Knudsen assists one client, Rebecca Balduc, who will take advantage of the new Saturday service offered by the Transit. Start-up for the service was supported by Watertown Area Community Foundation Giving Back 365 donors. Survey responses and client inquiries confirmed that there will be sufficient ridership to sustain the program said Terry Hoffman, Transit director. Rides should be scheduled by 3 p.m. on Friday. Please call the Transit at 882-5287 to make your reservations.

Jan's Note



March was busy with the opening of the Prairie Lakes Wellness Center and congratulating LATI on being recognized as the top community college in the nation!

April will bring LATI's Governor's Luncheon which will be supported by the Watertown Area Community Foundation for the 10th consecutive year. This year's grant to underwrite the event was \$8,000.

The WACF Board also awarded the following grants in March:

- \$3,000 to Watertown School District and LATI to support the annual Pow-wow to honor Native American graduates from WHS and LATI.
- \$2,500 to support two summer youth theater productions at Town Players.
- \$4,000 to the Optimist Club to support the rebuilding of the entrance arch at Winter Wonderland.



Making Music - Thanks to a grant awarded from the Robert Jenson & Arlene Brandt-Jenson Fund at the Watertown Area Community Foundation, the Watertown High School Orchestra has three new instruments. Students, from left, are Jacob Dahle, Megan Eickmeyer and Lilli Mertz. Back, from left, are Ross Markey,

orchestra director; Arlene and Robert, donors; and Julianne Endres, WACF.

WATERTOWN Artwalk

As the Artwalk 2016 season approaches the end, the public is invited and encouraged to not only view the 11 sculptures featured this year, but also participate in other ways.

“You might not know it, but most of the sculptures are for sale,” said Greg Blow, Artwalk coordinator. Anyone wanting more information on a particular sculpture or its artist, may call the Watertown Area Community Foundation, 882-3731.

We’re looking for Friends of Artwalk year-round, Blow said. This tax deductible annual donation helps with Artwalk expenses, which range from transportation costs, rental fees for each piece of art to plaques, welding fees and pedestals. For more information, please contact us.

Watertown Area Community Foundation



From Left: Angie Reppe, Lee Schull, Charlie Ewalt, Dr. Lesli Jutting, and Laurie Benson.

Trustee Representatives: Scott Olson, Great Western Bank; and Tyler DeBoer, Wells Fargo Bank, NA; Staff: Jan DeBerg, executive director; Greg Blow, donor development; Julianne Endres, marketing/donor services; Jill Slobotski, administrative assistant.

The Watertown Area Community Foundation is governed by a volunteer board who broadly represent the Watertown Community. These board members are appointed by the:

*City of Watertown
Watertown Area Chamber of Commerce
Watertown School District
Great Western Bank
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As of January 2015 our assets were approximately \$15 million. We have over 100 funds that provide grants and scholarships each year to residents and organizations in Watertown.

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