

# Bay Leaves

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The Official Newsletter of  
the Village of Whitefish Bay

## Greetings from the Village President

Signs of spring include the coming of exciting new things in our Village. As we await warmer weather and the greening of trees and grass, we also welcome the start of construction on the PNC Bank and retail space at the corner of Silver Spring and Lydell, the opening of City Market, completion of the streetlight project, and continued work on needed infrastructure



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improvements throughout the Village. The consultants' reports on sewer repairs and the management plan to address the effects of the Emerald Ash Borer on our Village trees will require balanced decision making, significant investments and sound financial planning.

In addition to business, infrastructure and landscape improvements, there are also personnel changes in the works. The Village Board is beginning the recruitment for a new Village Manager following the retirement of Jim Grassman. A national search is underway while Matt Schuenke is serving as interim manager and doing a good job in making sure that things continue to move smoothly. Other changes include the end of Trustee Tom Fehring's service on the Village Board. Please join me in thanking him for lending his expertise over the last three years, particularly as Chair of the Public Works Committee.

And, after nine years of serving as your Village President, I will not be running for re-election this Spring, making this my final newsletter. Over these three terms, I have had the honor of serving with two village managers, two police chiefs, two fire chiefs, four assistant managers, two clerks, two municipal judges, two engineers, two building inspectors, three library directors, three reporters, one village attorney, and one head of public health. In this volunteer role, I have served with 16 trustees, and more than 150 residents on the many civic boards and commissions. I have had the pleasure of hosting 18 classes of American Government students at our Board meetings, raised flags, cut ribbons, marched in parades and bestowed awards. My tally shows more than 900 meetings during this time period, and the number of phone calls, letters, emails and other contacts is countless.

As my term draws to an end, I am pleased that many issues that were in my campaign literature nine years ago have been addressed. We have a five year capital improvement plan and a mechanism for assuring long-range fiscal accountability. Our infrastructure is improved and our deficit is reduced. Silver Spring has undergone not only the needed facelift but has seen redevelopment and is the home of many new and expanded businesses. Bay Shore Town Center has provided shopping, dining, service and employment opportunities that have increased the value of our community. The expanded Jewish Community Center is an asset to the Village. Armory Park provides passive green space and future opportunities for reflecting on the importance of our civic roots. Importantly, we now have structures in place to sustain these improvements including a Historic Preservation Commission, a Business Improvement District, a Community Development Authority, and an Environmental Advisory Committee.

The Village can be proud of its accomplishments. I thank you for your support and I ask that you continue to contribute your thoughtful and civil involvement in the long-term interest of our entire Village.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Katie".

Kathleen J. Pritchard  
Village President

### Holiday Trash Waste Collection

Spring Break (Good Friday) collection for residents who normally get their trash and recycling picked up on Friday (April 22) will have it picked up on Thursday, April 21.

Memorial Day collection for residents who normally get their trash and recycling picked up on Monday (May 30) will have it picked up on Tuesday, May 31.



# WFB Police Department

## Traffic Safety is a Two-Way Street

How frustrated do you get when you are standing on the side of the road trying to cross, but all of the cars go whizzing by without stopping for you? How many times have you wagged a finger at a clueless pedestrian who darted out in front of your car, with hardly a glance

### Pedestrian Responsibilities

- **Use Crosswalks.** Always cross at corners, within marked crosswalks where available. Avoid crosswalks with lots of turning traffic. And please, **DO NOT J-WALK!**
- **Don't Dart Out.** Do not suddenly enter the street if a car is so close that it is difficult for the driver to yield to you (this has less to do with speed than it does with the distance between you and the car). Remember that Wisconsin law requires drivers to yield to pedestrians "who are crossing a highway within a marked or unmarked crosswalk" at all intersections, even if there is no sign and even if there is no crosswalk markings on the street. The law does not require drivers to stop for pedestrians, standing on the curb, preparing to cross a highway.
- **Look Drivers in the Eye.** Don't assume cars see you or are going to stop, even if the car has a red light or a sign telling it to yield to pedestrians. Try to make eye contact with the driver before you step in front of an oncoming car.
- **Use Crossing Guards.** School children should always cross at intersections with crossing guards when available. Plan a safe route to school for your child and use the same route every day. As a general rule, kids should not cross streets by themselves until they are 8 or older.
- **Look Both Ways.** Look left, right, and left again before crossing. Watch for turning cars. Walk, don't run, across the street.

your way to see if any traffic was coming? Both of these scenarios happen every day, and the consequences can be deadly. But, motorists and pedestrians can learn to live together in peace and safety – all they have to do is follow the following simple rules:

### Driver Responsibilities

- **Stop for Pedestrians in Crosswalks.** The in-street signs on Silver Spring are a helpful reminder for motorists to yield to pedestrians. Remember that Wisconsin law requires drivers to yield to pedestrians "who are crossing a highway within a marked or unmarked crosswalk" at all intersections, even if there is no sign and even if there is no crosswalk markings on the street.
- **Never Pass a Stopped Car.** It is illegal, and very dangerous, to pass a car that has stopped to let a pedestrian cross in front of it.
- **Be on the Lookout for Pedestrians.** Get into the habit of scanning the sides of the road for pedestrians trying to cross.
- **Obey Speed Limits,** particularly by schools and on streets where children might be playing.
- **Look for Pedestrians Before Turning,** especially when turning right on a red.

If drivers and pedestrians follow these rules, everyone can have a safe trip, whether on foot or wheels. Remember - traffic safety is a two-way street!

## Crime Prevention Reminders

- Lock your doors; this includes the vehicles in the driveway, the service and overhead door to your garage and the doors and windows to your residence. In the vast majority of thefts and burglaries investigated by the Whitefish Bay Police Department the items taken are from unlocked homes, vehicles and garages.
- Report suspicious activity immediately. Many times while Officers are investigating a crime, citizens will report suspicious activity that likely was related to the crime being investigated. If that information had been reported immediately squads could have been dispatched to the area and possibly located the suspect while they are committing the crime and still in the area.
- If you observe a crime in progress, be a good witness,

AND call 911 immediately. Try to get a description of the persons involved including approximate age, race, height, weight, clothing description as well as color, make and license plate of any vehicle they might be driving.

- Take efforts to safeguard your property. Criminals target properties where they can commit their crimes undetected. Trimming overgrown shrubbery and installing motion sensing outdoor lights can do a lot to take away the places where criminals prefer to lurk.

If you would like suggestions on crime prevention tips or advice on how to safeguard your property contact the Whitefish Bay Police Department and our Crime Prevention Officer can help address your concerns.

# WFB Public Works/Engineering

## Yard Waste Collection

Yard waste collection begins the week of April 11 as follows:

- North of and including Henry Clay – On Monday, crews will begin collecting yard waste on all streets north of and including Henry Clay. Please have all yard waste out by 7 am on Monday.
- South of Henry Clay – On Tuesday, crews will collect south of Henry Clay. Please have all yard waste out by 7 am on Tuesday.

While the DPW attempts to maintain this schedule, it is subject to change due to factors beyond our control.

## Chipping

The Village will begin collecting and chipping branches the week of April 18. Chipping material should be placed in the parkway between the curb and sidewalk. It is against Village Ordinance to place this material on the sidewalk or in the street. **Contractor waste is not accepted.** Please make prior arrangements to remove the material with your contractor or individual you pay to do the work.

Special pick-ups are also available for those whose amount of material is more than four feet high and covers more than 70% of the parkway. Payment for special pick-up is required prior to conducting the work and the minimum charge is \$45. To schedule a special pick-up or for general questions, please call the Village Hall at (414) 962-6690.

## Electronics Collection

Due to Wisconsin's new Electronics Waste Law, our Garbage Collectors can no longer collect computers, computer peripherals, televisions and other video display devices, fax machines, VCR's, DVD players, printers, and/or phones with video display (cell phones). The following options are available for disposal of these items:

1. Wisconsin DNR website: [www.dnr.wi.gov](http://www.dnr.wi.gov).
2. Annual "Green Day in The Bay" electronics collection day typically occurring in late April. Refer to the village website for more information ([www.wfbvillage.org](http://www.wfbvillage.org)).
3. WFB Library collects unwanted cell phones, small inkjet cartridges, laptop computers, MP3 players, digital cameras, digital video cameras, and handheld game systems. This program is held throughout the year and more information can be found by calling (414) 964-4380.
4. Retailers or other private disposal companies.

Yard Waste is considered garden plants, tiny branches and thatch. Crews cannot accept grass clippings due to State regulations. Yard waste should be placed in a reusable 30 gallon or less container or paper bag adjacent to the street between the public sidewalk and street curb. Do not place material in plastic bags. Yard waste placed in container greater than 30 gallons or yard waste weighing more than 50 lbs will not be taken. Please contact the Village Hall to arrange for a special pickup if your yard waste will exceed the normal collection.

**Waste generated by private contractors will not be picked-up and arrangements should be made with your contractor to dispose of this material properly.**

## New Environmental Information Displays

Looking for information on downspout disconnection, rain barrels, rain gardens, recycling, or hazardous waste drop off? The DPW and Environmental Advisory Commission have teamed up to provide permanent Environmental Information displays at both the Village Hall and Library. It will be stocked with information from MMSD, the UW-Extension and other relevant sources. You cannot miss the Village Hall display rack - just look straight ahead as you enter the lobby. The Library display rack is located in the lobby above the water fountains between the restrooms.

## No Contractor Waste

The Village does not accept contractor material for any construction project in our refuse, recycling, yard waste, or chipping collection services. Please make arrangements with your contractor for waste removal prior to beginning the project. In addition, if you are doing demolition work that generates significant waste please get a dumpster. If the dumpster needs to be placed in Village right of way, please contact Village Hall for a permit at (414) 962-6690.

## Snow Plow Damage

Every spring DPW receives calls about grass areas that were accidentally plowed by Village snowplows. Although the plow driver does not intentionally plow grass areas, it does happen from time to time. DPW makes every effort to patch these areas as soon as possible in spring; however, we usually cannot make repairs until late May. If your lawn was damaged by the snowplow and it has not been fixed by June, please call the Public Works garage at (414) 967-5128.





# WFB Public Works/Engineering

## 2011 Sidewalk Program

During the Fall of 2010, sidewalks were evaluated in the north section of the Village and white paint marks were applied to areas in need of improvement. This includes all sidewalks north of Day Avenue. The walks in the program area will be evaluated once again this Spring with construction scheduled to be performed during the Summer school break. In order to sustain and improve safety, the Village has formulated a policy regarding sidewalk replacement. Sidewalks are determined to be problematic based on the following criteria:

1. Uneven Squares – An offset in the surface has developed that is  $\frac{3}{4}$ " or greater.
2. Cracks – A crack greater of  $\frac{1}{4}$ " wide or greater exists.
3. Spalled Surface – The surface has decayed creating an unsafe condition.
4. Deteriorated Joints – The joints have an eroded condition and are  $\frac{3}{4}$ " wide or greater.
5. Holes – Holes in the surface.

Unless the sidewalk is considered a severe hazard, the Village typically replaces problematic sidewalks in a specific area every five years. A contractor who submits the lowest bid under a public bid process will

do the work. The cost of the sidewalk replacement is 100% assessable to the affected property owner. Formal notification of sidewalk assessments will be sent to the affected property owners sometime in spring. The project will involve the replacement of problematic sidewalks, carriage walks, driveway approaches, and some curb within the Village Right of Way.

### Driveway Approach Replacement

Driveway aprons (the driveway area between the street and sidewalk) can be replaced either by request of the resident or by determination of the Engineering Technician that the apron is either hazardous or in an otherwise detrimental condition. The Engineering Technician will provide an estimate for the work in either scenario, and if acceptable, the apron replacement will be added to the sidewalk program. As an alternative, the property owner can choose to hire a contractor to replace the apron. Should a property owner choose this option please note that the contractor is required to take out a right of way permit and follow specific criteria established by the Village. You can notify the engineering department by email at [engtech@wfbvillage.org](mailto:engtech@wfbvillage.org) or by phone at (414) 962-6690.

## Recycling

State and local laws require everyone in Wisconsin to recycle. For more information regarding the recycling laws please visit the DNR site at: <http://dnr.wi.gov> search keyword *Recycling Quick Reference*. State Laws require the Village collectors to notice a property owner if they need to recycle or something cannot be accepted as recycling. More information on recycling can be found on our website at [www.wfbvillage.org](http://www.wfbvillage.org). Please remember to not use plastic bags to collect recycling materials or include plastic grocery bags as recycled material. These items cannot be recycled at the Village's disposal site. Please contact Village Hall at (414) 962-6690.

### Paper Product Recycling

Paper products can be included within the recycling container mixed with all other recycled material. *Corrugated boxes should be flattened and cut to a 2 ft x 2 ft size, and can be bundled in a stack placed next to the container or included in the collection container.*

Additionally, paper products can be put into a brown paper bag and placed on top of or inside your recycling container. Please remove plastic food liners from boxes.

The following Paper Products are ACCEPTABLE:

- Newspaper & Inserts
- Magazines & Books
- Junk Mail & Envelopes
- Phone Books & Catalogs
- Office Paper (any color)
- Corrugated Cardboard
- Paper Grocery Bag

The following Paper Products are NOT ACCEPTABLE:

- Tissue Products and Paper Toweling
- Frozen Food Boxes
- Dairy Carton Boxes
- Paper Contaminated with Food Residue or Other Debris
- Pizza Boxes or Carryout Food Wrappers

# WFB Library

## Announcements

### Record Circulation for the Library in 2010

In 2009, I was excited to see the number of items checked out from the WFB Library was a history making 330,408. That growth continued into 2010 when we broke the record by 3.8% with an additional 12,551 items, making a total of 342,959 items checked out. This amount includes everything from board books for toddlers, to the latest bestsellers, to music on CD, audiobooks, DVDs, foreign language kits and more. The items that are checked out are not just items from our library, but items that library cardholders may request through the Milwaukee County Federated Library System via CountyCat. It is great to see the library being used now more than ever and to know that our community places a high value upon reading and information.

### Online Database News

If you have not already taken a look at Mango Languages, go to the library website at [www.wfblibrary.org](http://www.wfblibrary.org) and click on "Online Collections." There you will find a number of databases that can be accessed from home with your library card. Mango Languages, a popular and easy to use language tutorial, currently includes Italian, French, German, Spanish and Chinese (Mandarin). Soon the database will include at least 50 more languages including Hebrew, Russian, Greek, English as a Second Language and more.

### Author Event

Local author and historian, Tom Fehring, will be talking about his new book on the history of WFB on Wednesday, March 23 at 7 pm. As a member of the Historic Preservation Commission, Tom has been

instrumental in developing the WFB History and Architecture Inventory and the Walking Tour of historic homes in addition to writing the book. Registration is required. To register, call the Library at 964-4380. (Whitefish Bay, published by Arcadia Publishing in 2010, is available for purchase from the library and several local merchants.)

### National Library Week

"Create Your Own Story @ the Library" during National Library Week April 10 through 16. To celebrate, the Library will be gathering residents' personal stories of life in WFB over the years, to be kept with the Library's historical collection. Residents of all ages are welcome to participate. Watch the Library's website for more information about this exciting project.

### Book & Film Group

If you love to read books and watch movies, sign up for our popular Book & Film Group moderated by former Journal-Sentinel film critic, Doug Armstrong. Participants read the book and watch the film on their own before the discussion. The group meets at 7 pm in the upstairs program room. To register, please call 964-4380 or stop by the Adult Services Desk:

- February 23: *Terms of Endearment*, based on the novel by Larry McMurtry
- March 22: *The Good German*, based on the novel by Joseph Kanon
- April 19: *The Last Station*, based on the novel by Jay Parini
- May 17: *An Education*, based on the memoir by Lynne Barber

## Kindergarten Registration

### Cumberland & Richards School

Children whose birthdays fall into the following ranges:

**Junior Kindergarten** – 4 years old between Sept. 1, 2006 and Aug. 31, 2007

**Senior Kindergarten** – 5 years old between Sept. 1, 2005 and Aug. 31, 2006

Register your child now for attendance in the Fall at Cumberland or Richards School. Please call Cumberland School at (414) 963-3943 or Richards School at (414) 963-3951 with any questions.

## Book Sale Donations

Please help the Friends of the Library fundraising efforts! Most of the funds raised by the Friends come from our semi-annual book-sales. You can help by donating used books and framed art. Please drop these items off at the library, or bring them to "Green Day in the Bay" on April 30, from 10 a.m. to noon at Cahill. We are always looking for new Friends, too! Support us by joining and volunteering your time to help us prepare for our book-sales.



# WFB Library

## Looking for a Good Book?

The Youth Services Dept. at the Library has had many changes in the past year and a half. One of the greatest changes is the addition of many booklists (bibliographies) to help the patrons look for fiction books in our picture book collection, juvenile fiction collection, and young adult collection. 17 booklists were created in August 2009 to showcase books in our picture book collection. These booklists were created so that parents and teachers can easily access picture books pertaining to specific subjects. If you happen to be looking in the WFB collection for books that are great to share at bedtime, a list of more than 50 book titles can be found!

The size of the juvenile, or X, fiction collection in our Library can be a bit overwhelming to our younger patrons. In August 2010, binders were created by genre to provide book titles for readers from which to choose

to help students find books in this collection. There are 9 binders that offer at least 50 book titles by genre available: horror/suspense, humorous fiction, mystery/detective, realistic fiction, science fiction, sports fiction, fantasy fiction, action/adventure fiction, and award booklists. If your child is reading at the middle school or high school level, there are more than 15 booklists with at least 30 titles each on genres and subjects of interest to teens. These booklists are also available in PDF on the Teen page at [www.wfblibrary.org](http://www.wfblibrary.org).

The addition of 12 booklists for easy readers will be available by mid-Feb. 2011. If you are interested in the picture booklists, the juvenile fiction binders, or the booklists for teens, stop in the Youth Services Dept. and ask a Librarian to show you where the booklists can be found. Booklists really make it easy to find a book that fit your interests!

## Historic Preservation Commission

### Whitefish Bay History Book Now Available

Trustee Thomas Fehring has recently authored a book on the history of Whitefish Bay. The book boasts more than 200 vintage images and memories of days gone by. The book was published by Arcadia Publications and went on sale November 15, 2010. It is being sold by a number of local stores, as well as by the WFB Historical Society, and local and national book merchants.



Fehring, who has been a member of the Village's Historic Preservation Commission since its inception, said that the Village had been contacted by the publisher to inquire about an interest in a book on the history of the Village. After talking to a number of groups, he was encouraged to tackle the project. The book is being published as part of Arcadia's popular Images of America series. Similar books have been published for Milwaukee, Shorewood, West Milwaukee, and other local communities. All royalties from the publication will be used to support local historic preservation efforts.

Residents, churches, schools, businesses and other community groups were contacted in order to obtain interesting photographs of the Village. Fehring also

obtained images from the WFB Historical Collection (also known as the Mimi Bird Files), the WFB Historical Society, the WFB library, the Milwaukee County Historical Society, the Milwaukee Public Library, and the Wisconsin Historical Society. Over 500 photographs were scanned. The best images were then selected to tell the story of the Village.

The book begins with the early history of the area, including the early resort community and the formation of the Village. It then proceeds to illustrate

early residential development, the commercial districts that sprang up to meet the needs of the new community, the churches and schools that were formed in the Village, and some of the remarkable homes that grace the Village. A good portion of the book is devoted to highlighting many of the interesting people that have resided in the area, and illustrating the numerous changes that have occurred over the years.

Fehring hopes that the book will be of interest to current residents, as well as anyone who has had the good fortune of having lived in the Village or who may be researching the history of relatives from the area.



# Historic Preservation Commission

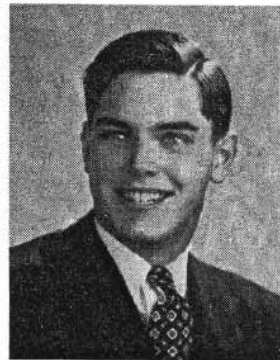
## Jeffrey Hunter

This spring, as Christians the world over celebrate the crucifixion and resurrection of the "King of Kings," Jesus Christ, WFB residents can take pride in knowing that one of their own played the title role in the celebrated 1961 movie of the same name. Henry Herman McKinnies, Jr., WFB school class of 1945, played Jesus in the 3-hour epic in what was perhaps his best-known, if not his most-acclaimed, movie role. Most will recall McKinnies by his Hollywood name, Jeffrey Hunter.



### McKINNIES, Henry

Versatile to say the least... W. F. B.'s claim to fame has taken an active part in almost every school event. A wizard at the piano, Hank doesn't do badly at acting either, which he proved in the class play.



Hunter was born Nov. 25, 1926 in New Orleans. He was 4 years old when his family moved to WFB. They initially lived at 5529 N. Lydell Ave., and later moved to 4957 N. Larkin St. Hunter's childhood home on Larkin was recently placed on WFB's Architecture and Historic Inventory by the Historic Preservation Commission. In 1943, Henry H. and Edith McKinnies purchased it and lived there with their only child, Henry, Jr., who was later to become Jeffrey Hunter.

Hunter attended WFB schools and was a member of the high school student council, senior class president, the dramatic club, the 'Hi-Y' club, and football co-captain his senior year. He played leading roles in high school plays, acted in productions of the North Shore Children's Theater, and performed in summer stock with future Oscar winners Eileen Heckart and Morton DaCosta, and Tony winner Charlotte Rae. He also was a radio actor at WTMJ, getting his first acting paycheck in 1945 for the wartime series "Those Who Serve."

After high school, he enlisted in the U.S. Navy, serving for one year before receiving a medical discharge. He then attended Northwestern University, graduating with a bachelor's degree in 1949 studying under Alvina Krauss, who also taught such Hollywood luminaries as Charlton Heston, Tony Randall, Cloris Leachman, Claude Akers, Jerry Orbach, Ann-Margret and Warren Beatty. While working on his master's degree at UCLA he

was discovered during a school production. In 1950 he shot his first film for 20th Century-Fox and changed his name to Jeffrey Hunter at the direction of Studio Head Darryl F. Zanuck. Within a few years, Hunter had worked his way to top billing in "Sailor of the King" (1953), "The Searchers" (1956) with John Wayne, and "Hell to Eternity" (1960). That year Hunter landed the role for which he is probably best known (although it's considered far from his best work) as Jesus in "King of Kings." He made 35 films during his 20-year career.

After starring for two years in a TV western series, "Temple Houston," Hunter made a momentous career

decision. Cast as the captain of the U.S.S. Enterprise in "Star Trek" in 1964, Hunter quit the role after shooting the pilot episode, deciding to concentrate on his movie career. The producers were forced to recast Hunter for a new actor and captain, James Kirk, played by William Shatner. Hunter later lobbied to be cast as Mike Brady for the TV series "The Brady Bunch" (1969), but the producer would not consider him, telling Hunter he was "too good-looking to be an architect."

Hunter died in 1969 after a series of medical misfortunes almost as dramatic as his acting roles. Hunter was injured in an on-set explosion while shooting a film in Spain, suffering facial lacerations from broken glass and powder burns. Later he was accidentally hit on the chin with a karate chop when Hunter failed to defend himself in time, banging his head against a door. Then, while on the plane returning to the United States, he suffered a stroke. Hunter recovered and, shortly after signing to star in "The Desperados" (1969), suffered another stroke while on stairs in his home, fracturing his skull in the fall. He died on May 27 without regaining consciousness at age 42.

# Health Department

## Clinics

The Shorewood/WFB Health Dept. will be having immunization clinics on March 14, from 2–4 pm, and also on March 15, from 7:30-9:30 am. Please call 847-2710 to schedule an appointment or with any questions.

We will also have adult risk screenings on March 22, from 8 am - noon. The screening includes blood analysis for total cholesterol, HDL, LDL, triglycerides, and glucose; blood pressure and weight checks, and a consultation with a registered nurse. Cost is \$25. Please call 847-2710 for an appointment or with any questions.

There will be a blood pressure clinic on March 23, from 4-6 pm. There is no charge and no appointment is needed.

For additional information, please call the Shorewood/WFB Health Dept. at 847-2710.

## Radon Awareness: Is Your House Making You Sick?

Have you checked your home for radon? Radon is a naturally occurring, odorless radioactive gas that causes lung cancer, and is the leading cause of lung cancer in non-smokers. The U.S. EPA recommends that homes have a radon level lower than 4 pCi/L. Every region of Wisconsin has some homes with elevated radon levels. The only way to know the radon level in a house is to measure it. You can purchase a radon test kit from the Shorewood/WFB Health Dept. for a discounted price of \$5. Call the Shorewood/WFB Health Department for more information about radon at 847-2710, or stop by the Health Dept. Monday - Friday, 8 am - noon and 1 - 5 pm.

## Civic Organization

### North Shore Junior Women's Club

Founded in 1949, NSJWC is a club for women, at least 21 years old, from Milwaukee's North Shore, who wish to provide service to their community and to grow culturally, intellectually, and socially. Members participate in service projects, collections and fundraisers for area organizations. Some of the past recipients of NSJWC support include: 16th Street Community Health Center Diabetes Program, the WFB and North Shore Public Libraries, Safe Zone Community Art Center, Hunger Task Force and After Breast Cancer Diagnosis. NSJWC is affiliated with the General Federation of Women's Clubs and the Wisconsin Federation of Women's Clubs.



Interested, maybe even just a little? March is a great month to come check us out at our general meeting on March 22 at 7 pm at WFB Village Hall for a special meet and greet. There will be treats and prizes including a \$50 massage gift card. As an added bonus, anyone who pays their dues by the end of March receives 6 months free! Meetings are held once a month (excluding Dec.) on the 4th Tuesday of each month, at 7 pm Check our calendar for our next meeting location (<http://calendar.yahoo.com/nsjwc>).

### Bay Players

#### *Three By Christopher Durang*

As their Spring production, the Bay Players are presenting three one act plays by Christopher Durang. These hilarious short plays are the famous (and Infamous!) "The Actor's Nightmare," "Desire, Desire, Desire" and "For Whom The Southern Belle Tolls."

**Where:** Whitefish Bay High School Auditorium - 1200 E. Fairmount Avenue

**When:** April 8,9,15,16

**Time:** 8:00

**Tickets:** \$14 (Adults), \$10 (Seniors/Students)

For further information contact: Sandy Lewis [sjlewis1katz@gmail.com](mailto:sjlewis1katz@gmail.com), 414-305-3024, [www.thebayplayers.com](http://www.thebayplayers.com)

### Attention Civic Minded High School Seniors

Each spring, the Whitefish Bay Civic Foundation accepts applications for a scholarship that will be awarded to a Whitefish Bay student. This year's scholarship will be \$1000. All graduating seniors planning to attend college are eligible. Interested students must be a resident of Whitefish Bay. Go to [wfbcivicfoundation.org](http://wfbcivicfoundation.org) for more details. Applications must be postmarked by April 1.



# North Shore Fire Department

## Statutory Requirement for Carbon Monoxide Alarms/Detectors



Carbon monoxide (CO) is the leading cause of accidental poisoning in the United States. The Wisconsin Legislature acted in 2010 to create statutory language requiring CO detectors to be installed in all new and existing one-and-two family dwellings effective Feb. 1. This law requires CO detector installation in all one-and two- family dwellings which have attached garages or contain any fuel burning appliances.

### What is CO and CO Poisoning?

CO is often called, "The Silent Killer." CO is an invisible, odorless, colorless gas created as a by-product of any fuels (such as gasoline, wood, coal, natural gas, propane, oil, and methane) because of incomplete combustion of the fuel. *High levels of CO can be fatal, causing death within minutes.* The symptoms of CO poisoning may include any or all of the following: shortness of breath, nausea, dizziness, light headedness, flu-like symptoms, or headaches.

### What Does This New Law Mean For Me?

One-and two-family dwellings for which a building permit is issued on or after Feb. 1, 2011 require carbon monoxide alarms that are interconnected and directly wired to the dwelling's electrical service, with a backup battery supply. Existing dwellings (all structures in place before Feb. 01, 2011) may use battery-powered, single station (stand-alone) alarms – they are not required to be interconnected. Alarms must be installed in the basement and on each floor level except the attic or garage. The law applies only to dwellings that contain CO producing appliances/sources.

### Who Is Responsible For The Installation of CO Detectors?

The owner of the property is responsible for the installation. Owners must repair or replace defective alarms within five (5) days of written notice from an occupant or an inspector. Authorized inspectors may enter dwellings to inspect alarms when requested by owners or occupants. Tampering with any alarm device is illegal, dangerous, and can cause serious liability concerns. You need to install CO alarms on every floor that contains one or more sleeping areas and in the

basement. Devices shall be installed within 21 feet of the centerline of the door of the sleeping areas in the exit (egress pathway.) For existing homes you can install battery operated devices or you can also purchase units that plug into an outlet. These devices still need to be spaced accurately, but allow owners to use the building's electrical system to power the devices. On floor levels that do not contain a sleeping area, a CO alarm shall be installed in a common area on each floor level.

### Where Can I Obtain A CO Alarm & How Much Do They Cost?

CO Alarms can be purchased at a large variety of big box retail and hardware stores, as well as via the internet. The average cost of a CO alarm can range from between \$25 to \$50 per device depending on the type. The alarms will be stand alone or combination units, powered by batteries, tied into the home's electrical system or interconnected with battery backup. **Remember if your unit does not have battery backup, if you lose electrical power, you lose protection.**

### How Often Do I Test and Maintain My CO Alarm(s)?

Test your CO alarm once a month according to the manufacturer's instructions. At least monthly, use your vacuum cleaners hose attachment and upholstery brush to gently remove dust from the interior and exterior of your CO alarms. This is the same practice you should already be using with your smoke alarms. Install CO alarms in locations free of heavy dust and away from household chemical fumes to help the alarm work best. Never paint a CO alarm or any detection/alarm device.

### What Should I Do If My CO Alarm Sounds?

Get all occupants in the building outdoors immediately and call 9-1-1 from outside your home. Report all symptoms to emergency medical personnel that arrive on scene. Do not go back inside until the fire department advises that it is safe to do so.

Please contact our Public Education Office at 414-228-0292, or [jglanz@nsfire.org](mailto:jglanz@nsfire.org), for questions regarding the new CO detector law, or any other fire or life safety questions.



# Civic Organization

## A SPECIAL INVITATION TO JOIN THE WHITEFISH BAY WOMAN'S CLUB

Our organization actively pursues a mission to serve the community with enriching activities and philanthropic services. These include donating financial support to many regional nonprofit organizations, awarding academic scholarships, and providing meeting facilities for other groups. We hold monthly general meetings with featured speakers, have bridge and book groups, host special luncheons, and organize group excursions. If our mission or our events interest you, we welcome your visit, knowing you will enjoy our activities. Some future activities include the annual Mardi Gras Lunch on March 8 (reservations required) and speaker Sister

Patrice Collete on April 6 at 1 pm, speaking on "Slavery in 2010". We are delighted to mail a calendar of our future events upon request. Please call 414-332-7781 between 8:30 am and noon.

Again this year, we will be having a quality rummage sale. The dates are April 29 and 30. If you would like to donate good saleable items, please drop them off at the clubhouse or call for other arrangements. Historically, this is a spectacular sale featuring household items, good clothing, jewelry, children's items, specialty bakery and other miscellaneous items.

### Programs for Older Adults

The WFB Recreation Dept. is scheduling the following programs for older adults:

**3F (Friends, Food, Fellowship) Luncheons:** Cost is \$6 and registrations are needed one week in advance. Registration is at 11:30 a.m. followed by announcements at 11:45 a.m. and lunch at noon. Program begins at 1 p.m.

- Tuesday, April 5: Stan Luth, Director of the WFB Band and his music makers.
- Tuesday, May 3: Steve Daily, Curator Research Collection, Milwaukee County Historical Society,

"Research Materials Available for You at the Historical Society".

**Out-of-State Trip:** New York, September 15-20, \$515 for a double occupancy. Deposit of \$75 is due now. Make checks payable to WFB Recreation Dept. Hand deliver or mail to 5205 N. Lydell Ave. Whitefish Bay, WI 53217

**Local trip:** May 11: Channels 10/36 tour with lunch at Cuisine Fine Dining of MATC. Details TBD.

For further information call Joan Brenk at 963-3992.

### Pet Reminders

Village ordinances require the following:

- Dogs are not allowed in Village Parks, school grounds, or any other public areas of the Village.
- Dogs are not allowed to run at large. **A dog is considered to be at large when it is off the premises of its owner or caretaker and not controlled by the owner, caretaker or some other person by a leash not longer than 6 feet.**
- Dogs must have a valid license attached to a collar whenever the dog is outdoors, unless the dog is confined in a secure, fenced area. This also helps the Police Department to reunite separated dogs and owners. Untagged dogs at large are transported to the Milwaukee Area Domestic Animal Control.
- Any person who takes a dog off of their property is required to have a dog scoop, bag or container in hand, or on their person, to immediately remove fecal matter deposits from public ways and the property of others.

### Bicycle Safety Reminders

- Bicycles are considered vehicles under State statutes (traffic laws). As such, bicycle riders are subject to the same duties and responsibilities as the drivers of other vehicles. (stopping at traffic signals and/or stop signs, obeying traffic signs, etc.)
- Bicycles should be operated as close as practicable to the right-hand edge or curb of the unobstructed traveled roadway.
- Bicycle riders are allowed to ride 2 abreast if such operation does not impede the normal and reasonable movement of traffic, and both riders shall ride within a single lane.
- Bicycling at night requires at least a white front headlight that is visible to others at least 500 feet away, and a red rear reflector that is visible to others between 50 and 500 feet away.
- When bicycles are ridden on sidewalks, bicyclists must yield to pedestrians and give an audible warning when passing pedestrians travelling in the same direction.

# Recreation Department

## Programming

### Whitefish Bay Pool Closure June 9 - July 31

Due to remodeling of the pool locker rooms at the WFB High School, both the Field House and Auxiliary pools will be closed *June 9 - July 31*. All aquatics programs, including youth and adult programs, will resume after July 31. Please check the WFB School District website at [www.wfbschools.com](http://www.wfbschools.com) for the most updated information. Nicolet Recreation Department has offered resident rates to all WFB residents willing to participate in their adult and youth aquatic programs.

### Extended Spring Swim Sessions due to Summer Closure

An extended Spring Aquatic Session has been created to accommodate the Summer Pool Closures. The pool WILL be open during April 14 – May 31. Please see the WFB Recreation and Community Education Website at [www.wfbschools.com](http://www.wfbschools.com) or stop into the Recreation Department for the extended Spring Swim Session Schedule and Registration Information.

### Annual Spring WFB Community Diaper to Duds Resale

Saturday, March 26 from 9 am to 12 pm at the Lydell Community Center. Get your child's wardrobe-ready for the upcoming season with our Diapers to Duds clothing sale. Buy or sell gently used clothing for infant through school-aged children. Toys and bay items are welcome. *To Buy:* Doors will open at 9 am. There is no admission fee.

Be prepared to find great bargains for your baby, toddler or school-aged child. *To Sell:* Register by March 11 or until spaces are filled. Fee is \$30 resident and \$40 non-resident for a 6 ft table. Additional tables may be rented for \$5 each. Sellers may begin setting up at 8 am Saturday and must have their space cleared by 1 pm. Sellers have the option of taking their unsold items home or having them picked up from Lydell by a local charity as a donation. Tax-deductible forms will be available.

### Lydell Preschool Enrolling For the 2011-2012 School Year

Lydell Preschool's high quality staff challenges students to reach their full potential while providing an environment that is balanced between recreation, socialization and academics. Lydell Preschool believes that children are unique, creative individuals that have the ability to influence their own learning. Our environment allows children to experience the excitement of learning while developing self-confidence, social skills and independent thinking. The Lydell Preschool follows the WFB School District Calendar and is held on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays or Tuesdays, Thursdays from 9 am – 11:30 am. Class size is limited to 16. Enrollment packets are available at the Recreation and Community Education Department or online at [www.wfbschools.com/recreation/lydell\\_preschool.cfm](http://www.wfbschools.com/recreation/lydell_preschool.cfm) for further information please call (414) 963-3888.

## WFB Civic Foundation

### Street Art Being Prepared for May Exhibition

WFB residents have prepared the canvasses for this year's street art project, thanks to the volunteers who helped sand and prime the rain barrels before being handed off to the artists who have created designs for the barrels. This spring, rain barrels will provide the surface for local artists to showcase their talents. Thirty artist designed rain barrels will enhance the streetscape while providing information on two of WFB's important neighbors - the Milwaukee River and Lake Michigan. The kick-off for the rain barrel exhibition period will take place at Cahill Park on Saturday, April 30 as part of Green Day in the Bay. (Please see the accompanying article for more information on this year's Green Day in the Bay event.) The artist designed barrels will then be displayed throughout the community during the month of May. A silent auction conducted during the display period will make these artistic creations available to members of the community.

This project is being sponsored by the WFB Civic Foundation to enhance the streetscape while providing information about the quality of water in Lake Michigan and the Milwaukee River. For example, did you know that the major source of water pollution is non-point pollution – the result of a multitude of relatively small actions cumulatively multiplied across the watershed? They range from polluted runoff from parking lots and streets, to careless disposal of pet waste, to removal of natural buffers along our rivers, to excess use of salt for de-icing. "There are simple actions that we all can do that will help protect our rivers and Lake Michigan." said Jeff Martinka, executive director of Sweet Water, a funding partner in the Whitefish Bay Rain Barrel Street Art program. For more information on the program, please contact [anneoconnor@wfbcivicfoundation.org](mailto:anneoconnor@wfbcivicfoundation.org).



## WFB Civic Foundation

### 4th Annual Green Day in the Bay

#### Announcing Green Day in the Bay!

The 4th Annual “Green Day” in the Bay will be Saturday, April 30 from 7:30 a.m. - noon at Cahill Park. The day will be fun and informative with the following activities;

**7:30 - 8:30 a.m.** – Join us for a green workout! Marcela Perea of M Power will teach this free workout. All fitness levels are welcome. Bring a yoga mat or towel, hand weights, water and don't forget your tennis shoes! Please e-mail Gwen Koscinski at [gwen@koscinski.net](mailto:gwen@koscinski.net) to reserve your spot.

**9:00 - 10:00 a.m.** – We need your help to beautify WFB! We are looking for volunteers and families to form “Green Teams” to pick-up trash in our streets, parks and beaches. Prior to Green Day, you will receive a map of your team's designated area to beautify. Biodegradable garbage bags will be provided. Bring your own work gloves. To reserve a team or a spot on a team, contact us at [GDIB@whitefishbaycivicfoundation.org](mailto:GDIB@whitefishbaycivicfoundation.org).

**10:00 a.m. - Noon** – Join us for a green gathering and



market at Cahill Park! This informative and fun eco-fair will provide many environmentally friendly ideas and will give you a chance to recycle many household items including computers and other electronic equipment. This year there will be plenty of eco-friendly items for give away and purchase. While enjoying the fair, make sure to take time to look at the Rain Barrel Art created by local artists. See attached

article for more information.

Watch for more information at [wfbcivicfoundation.org](http://wfbcivicfoundation.org) and for a flyer posted on your garbage can. Make every day a Green Day!

The Whitefish Bay Civic Foundation provides community events, grants and scholarships to the residents of Whitefish Bay, WI. The foundation depends entirely on contributions from residents and businesses to fund events that have become village traditions. The foundation is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization that has been volunteer run since 1978. For more information or to donate, go to [wfbcivicfoundation.org](http://wfbcivicfoundation.org).

### Electronics Recycling At Green Day in the Bay

Electronics recycling will again be offered at Green Day in the Bay from 10 a.m. to noon at Cahill Park. Items available for drop-off include:

- Computers
- Printers
- Monitors and Terminals
- All Peripherals and PC parts
- Televisions (\$10 fee may apply)

- FAX machines
- Copy Machines
- Cell Phones
- Telephones
- Telecom equipment
- Video conferencing
- Personal Electronics (video games)
- Radios and Stereo equipment
- DVD/CD/VCR equipment