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DEAR RESIDENTS,

In the month of May we celebrate Memorial Day. While the extra day off from school and work is a wonderful treat, the basis for the holiday is to take a moment and honor the men and women who died while serving our country. My grandfather, Frank, lovingly called Poppy, was in the Navy and while he did not die in war and lived a full life after serving, when he did pass away in 2001 he was buried in Arlington Cemetery. The funeral was unlike anything I have ever experienced with a 21-gun salute, escort platoon, military band and a procession through the beautiful grounds of Arlington. We also were given a folded American flag which is now framed and proudly displayed in my house. Our feature family, the Strickroots, have strong ties with the military and share their story of deployments in Kuwait and Iraq. We thank Rick Strickroot and all other members of the military for their service.

Happy Memorial Day,

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My loving Poppy who lived from 1922-2001
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Important Property Tax Payment Information:
Final Property Tax Installment Due May 31.

Due to limited parking and space at temporary location, we are asking residents to pay their tax bill by one of the following ways this year:
1) Via US Mail (envelope provided with your tax bill)
2) In person at Associated Bank 430 E Silver Spring Dr
3) Online at www.wfbvillage.org

If you pay your taxes in installments, the second installment for those paying in installments is due March 31, 2018, and the final installment is due May 31.

Tax payments are processed on a daily basis. Receipts and payment information can be found via the Village website 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Interested in becoming an Election Inspector?

Being an election worker is a great way to serve your community, become part of the dedicated team that makes the election process easy, or to simply meet new people! Duties may include registering voters, monitoring voting equipment, or assisting voters with their ballot. It is a paid position with partial or full shifts available at all polling locations.

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Residential Refuse and Recycling Collection Program

Soon – a postcard will be mailed to all residents with the anticipated delivery date of your new refuse cart. More information at www.wfbvillage.org/trashrecycle Call or Email with any questions to Jenny Heyden, Communications Specialist, 414-962-6690 Ext. 495 or j.heyden@wfbvillage.org.

RECYCLE DAY IN THE BAY MAY 5

Village of Whitefish Bay
Recycle Day in the Bay

Saturday, May 5, 2018
9:00 am – 12:00 pm

**Dominican High School**
West Parking Lot located at 5628 N Bay Ridge Ave

Bring Items to be Recycled
- Microwaves
- Air conditioners
- Dehumidifiers
- Stoves
- Vacuums
- Radios
- Dishwashers
- Refrigerators
- Freezers
- Rooftop units
- Heat pumps
- Grills
- Scrap metal
- Bicycles
- Lawnmowers
- Snow blowers
- Eye Glasses
- Hearing Aids
- Home PCs & Accessories
- Phones
- Receivers or Stereos
- Batteries (Dry Cell)
- Bulbs compact fluorescent (no tube lights)
- Propane tanks

Bring Items to be Reused
- Furniture
- Appliances (fully functioning)
- Home Décor
- Tools
- Lighting
- Lawn & Garden Equipment
- Building Materials
- Musical instruments
- Books
- Media (DVDs, CDs, Vinyl)
- Eye glasses
- Hearing aids
- Bicycles
- Clothing (gently used)
- Shoes, sandals, boots (gently used)
- Socks (new)

Bring Items to be Disposed
- American Flags

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Please bring cash to pay vendor
- Televisions $45
- Monitors $20
- Printers $6
- Latex Paint (per container size)
  - Pint $0.50
  - Quart $1
  - Gallon $3
  - 5-Gallon $10
- Oil-Based Paint/Stain (per container size)
  - Pint $2
  - Quart $4
  - Gallon $8
  - 5-Gallon $20

Medications and Pharmaceuticals will not be collected. They will be collected at the National Prescription Drug Take Back Day on Saturday, April 28th from 10am to 2 pm at 165 W Fairmount Ave (Temporary Village Hall location)

Sponsored by: VILLAGE OF WHITEFISH BAY & DOMINICAN HIGH SCHOOL RECYCLE CLUB

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For more information contact: Ed Granstrom 414-962-6690 ext. 307, or go to www.wfbvillage.org
Lydell Preschool Spring Open House

Lydell Preschool announces a “Spring into Preschool” Open House, Saturday, May 19, at Lydell Community Center from 10-11:30am. Prospective families can meet our teachers while preschoolers participate in a fun art project! Families with preschooler’s aged children 2-4 years of age are encouraged to attend. Lydell Preschool classrooms do fill so for your best chance of securing our child’s spot in the 2018-2019 school year, do not wait to register! The Preschool classroom room is 26 and Early Childhood classroom room is 28.

Summer means Swimming and Tennis in Bay!

Wanting your child to learn how to swim? Well you are in luck! Beginners to the more advance swimmers looking to perfect their skills are encouraged to register. Lessons are certified by the Red Cross and take place in the two Whitefish Bay High School indoor pools. Private swim lessons are also available for swimmers ages 5 and older.

Community 2018 Open Swim Schedule and Fees

Sunday-Saturday
June 11-Aug 19 1:00-3:45pm
Students/Children ages 3-18 years of age $3.00
Adults $4.00

Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday Evenings
July 12- Aug 17 7:00-8:45pm
Seniors and Children 2 and Under FREE
Family Swim Pass $75.00 for 30 swims

*Tennis, Anyone?
The summer Whitefish Bay Recreation Program offers youth (starting at age 4) thru adult lessons with Tennis Pro Phil Kelbe and staff. First session starts June 11th. Have a more advanced player? The Recreation Department also offers a youth league program, JR SEPRC League, where players will competitive in meets against other local Recreation Departments. All players must be pre-registered and summer tennis lesson do fill quickly so don’t wait to sign up. Adults interested in league play should inquire with the WFB Adult Tennis Club at www.whitefishbaytennisclub.com.
Senior “55 and Better” Programs

Trips and Tours

Sunday, May 6

**Supper Club and Tour!** Tour the SC Johnson Frank Lloyd Wright design building and the family homestead “Wingspread”. Sunday supper at the Hobnob supper club! Enjoy the scenic view atop this Lake Michigan bluff establishment! Entrée choice Marsala chicken, pasta primavera, stuffed pork chop, or baked cod all include soup, salad, potato or rice and crème brulee dessert. Depart Lydell at 10:45am and return 7:00pm. Deluxe Badger motor coach transportation. Cost $79.00

Tuesday, May 8

**EAA Airventure Museum, Horicon Marsh** boat tour and lunch at Ginger’s Hideaway! This is an action packed adventurous day! Deluxe Badger motor coach departs Lydell at 8:00am and returns at 5:15pm. Cost $99.00

May 11-13

**Holland Michigan Tulip tour** and the Beach Boys live concert! Highlights of this trip include deluxe motor coach travel, hotel, and four meals. Special reserved seating for the Muziekparade and at the Beach Boys concert! Tours include Veldheer’s tulip farm, delftware factory, and Dutch village, Windmill Island, Little Netherland Museum and Dezwaan. Cost is $599 per person based on double occupancy or $789.00 single occupancy.

**55 and Better Luncheons**

Tuesday, May 8

**Lunch and Fabulous Lecture!**

**Moya Mowbray** from the Schlitz Audubon Nature Center will present “Gardening for backyard pollinators” and we will have a special Whitefish Bay resident guest showing examples from her own backyard! Cost: $9.00 per person. Pre-registration is required one week in advance.

**Blood Pressure Clinic - FREE!**

Tuesday, May 8 at 1:30pm-2:30pm Lydell Community Center, Room 15

Unless noted all programs require pre-registration. For additional program and registration information, contact Carolyn Noori, WFB Senior Program Supervisor at 963-3992.
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If you have good news to share we would love to hear from you! Please email: districtnews@wfbschools.com

Registration for Elementary Schools:

Kindergarten Registration for 2018-19 in Progress
Junior Kindergarten 4 years old on or before September 1, 2018
Senior Kindergarten 5 years old on or before September 1, 2018

Please contact the school offices for more information.
Cumberland School (414) 963-3943     Richards School (414) 963-3951

SAVE THE DATES

May 8, 7:00 PM,
CU 4th Grade Orchestra Concert

May 10, 7:00 PM,
RI 4th Grade Orchestra Concert

May 15, 7:30 PM,
Band-O-Rama @ HS Fieldhouse

May 21, 7:30 PM,
MS Choir Concert

May 22, 8:00 PM,
HS Choir Concert

May 23, 6:30 PM,
HS Awards Night

May 24 7:30 PM,
MS/HS Orchestra Concert

Middle School Spring Musical
Once on This Island, Jr.

A highly original and theatrical Caribbean adaptation of the popular fairy tale, The Little Mermaid, which is currently experiencing its Broadway revival. This show celebrates storytelling and challenges prejudice through beautiful music.

With the involvement of more than 150 Whitefish Bay Middle School students and two casts, this show is sure to bring energy, emotion, and entertainment! Show will be performed at the Whitefish Bay High School Auditorium.
May 4, 7:30 pm
May 5, 2:00 pm and 7:30 pm
May 6, 2:00pm
See our website for ticket information:
https://tinyurl.com/WFBMS-Musical

Middle School and High School Visual & Performing Arts

High School Spring Play
Twelve Angry Jurors

Following the closing arguments in a murder trial, the 12 members of the jury must deliberate, with a guilty verdict meaning death for the accused, an inner-city teen. As the dozen jurors try to reach a unanimous decision while sequestered in a room, one juror casts considerable doubt on elements of the case while uncovering people’s individual biases and prejudices. Internal ugliness soon rises to the surface, and conflict threatens to derail the delicate process that will decide one boy’s fate.

Come join us for this ever-relevant exploration of the best and worst within humanity.

Can’t wait to see you there!
Whitefish Bay High School Auditorium
May 18th & 19th, 7:00 pm
May 20, 2:00 pm

Ticket Information:
WFBHSTHEATER.COM
$10.00 for Adults & $5 for Students and Seniors
Sweet Cornbread

This Southern-style cornbread is the perfect pairing for comfort foods like chili, chowder and jambalaya. Try frying it in butter for an extra crispy crunch.

**Ingredients**
- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 1 cup cornmeal
- ½ cup sugar
- ½ tsp baking powder
- ½ tsp baking soda
- ½ tsp salt
- 1 egg
- 1 cup plain yogurt (or substitute sour cream)
- ½ cup milk
- ¼ cup butter, melted

**Directions**
1. Preheat oven to 400°F.
2. In a large bowl, combine flour, cornmeal, sugar, baking powder, baking soda and salt.
3. In a separate bowl, beat egg and add yogurt, milk and butter. Stir into the dry ingredients, mixing only until moistened. Be careful not to overmix.
4. Divide evenly into 8-section mini loaf pan, or substitute a 9-inch square baking pan or full-size muffin pan. Bake for 20-25 minutes, until a toothpick inserted into the center comes out clean.

By Madison Farkas

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There are many ways that people can serve their country, but the greatest honor is to risk your own life and serve your country by defending it in times of war. For Rick Strickroot the decision to serve his country came naturally because he was inspired by his grandfather, affectionately known as "Doc" who served as a Navy physician in the Pacific in WWII and after the war became an internal medicine doctor in Detroit. "I always aspired to live a life similar to Doc and in many ways my life has mirrored his," said Rick. "Being involved in the Army was always an important factor for me." After receiving both his undergraduate degree and his medical degree from St. Louis University, Rick served on active Army duty from 1996-2001 as a general medical officer. Then after completing his medical residency he went back into service by joining the Wisconsin National Guard in 2003. Shortly after joining the Wisconsin National Guard he was deployed to Kuwait in 2004, then had three deployments to Iraq between 2004-2011. During these deployments Rick served as a flight surgeon with 200 combat flight hours, mostly in helicopters.

To those who know the fun loving Rick who enjoys riding around town in his yellow Jeep with the top and doors off, it seems hard to imagine him in the war front, because his family life in Whitefish Bay is so drastically different from his times in Iraq. In 2005 Rick met Carolyn and they were wed the following year. "We were married in Christ Church Episcopal on Lake Drive which is the same parish my parents were married in over 58 years ago," said Carolyn. The couple has two children, Lawton (10) and Victor (9) and while only a year apart in age, each has his own separate interests. Lawton is on a competitive gymnastics team and plays little league baseball in the summer months. He aspires to be an author when he grows up, having a love for reading and writing. Victor is considered their technology child and enjoys learning how to code, and build his own computers. He even hosts his own YouTube channel and has for the past few years. Carolyn grew up in Whitefish Bay and attended Richards, the same elementary school that their children now attend. "The phrase often used is that the toughest job in the military is being a military spouse. When I left for my third deployment to Iraq in January 2011 it was a mere two weeks after we had moved to Whitefish Bay and our children were just two and three years old," said Rick. "I left her with a house full of unpacked boxes, two toddlers, and a dog to care for. She handled the situation with grace and she really is the glue that holds the family together."

The Strickroots are also known for their love of throwing a great party, especially their annual 4th of July bash.
"We moved to Whitefish Bay from Mequon because Carolyn wanted to return to this caring walkable community," said Rick. "To be honest I didn't really understand why she kept calling Whitefish Bay "Pleasantville" until we had lived here for a few months. Everyone is so friendly and neighbors actually talk to and care about each other. We love and appreciate everyone so much that we took up the tradition of hosting a morning 4th of July party. This tradition was started by a former neighbor almost 20 years ago, and after they moved three years ago, we decided to continue the tradition. We invite the entire street of 76 houses and numerous additional guests as well. We hope to carry this tradition on for another 20 years."

While Carolyn stays busy with family life, she also is a budding entrepreneur. She has an outdoor family photography business, Pyxie Photography, and this past

Opportunity Knocks

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year opened a holiday-themed shop on Etsy called JingleTownTransports. Carolyn is also an avid fan of the Packers, stating that “The only sports team for me is the Green Bay Packers, I have been an avid fan my entire life and love watching their games,” said Carolyn. The entire family enjoys playing platform tennis in the winter months and swimming outdoors in the summer months.

With Rick aspiring to be like his grandfather, he currently is an urgent care physician for ProHealth Care and a Colonel in the Wisconsin Army National Guard, where he is responsible for the medical readiness of 7,200 troops. Obviously this is no small task and when you see Rick walking around Whitefish Bay with his always smiling face, be sure to thank him for his service.

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Also check out our Used Spring Book Sale sponsored by Friends of the Whitefish Bay Library on Saturday, May 5 from 9:30am – 3:30pm and Sunday, May 6 from 12-3pm. Friends members get a preview of the sale on Friday May 4 from 5-7pm. Not a Friend? You can sign up at the sale. Proceeds from the Friends book sale go to supplement the wide range of activities at the Library. In the past, they have funded such projects as reading programs, computer equipment purchases, speakers, furniture and much more.

Donations are also accepted for the Library Book Sale. All books; CDs/records and gently-used toys, games and puzzles can be dropped off throughout the year at the Library. Receipts for tax purposes can be provided. Keep your library in mind when you tackle your fall or spring cleaning.
Beginning in mid-May, and coinciding with the tail-end of the renovations at Whitefish Bay Village Hall, North Shore Fire/Rescue Station 84 on Lexington Boulevard will receive a face-lift of its own.

The project is expected to last approximately four months and will include several modifications aimed at bringing the building up to current code specifications, ensuring compliance with the American Disabilities Act, and allowing modernized fire apparatus to fit inside the building.

Improvements will also upgrade the kitchen, bathrooms, and living quarters for the firefighters who staff on twenty-four-hour shifts, every day of the year. While much of the construction will occur inside the building, the most notable exterior change will be the removal of the two garage doors that currently face Marlborough Drive. These doors will be removed and stone, matching the remaining exterior of the structure, will be installed to create a more up-to-date space for firefighter fitness and training facilities inside. The two doors facing East Lexington Boulevard will also be replaced with glass doors, offering a more aesthetic and welcoming look.

During the process, firefighters will remain on duty at the firehouse. A temporary office and living quarters will be installed on the North or South end of the building (yet to be determined).

None of this process would have been possible without a supportive community. On behalf of Fire Chief, Robert Whitaker, and all of the members at North Shore Fire/Rescue, thank you for your continued support.

To learn more about the programs and services offered by North Shore Fire/Rescue, please visit our website, www.nsfire.org.
Spring is Here, Take Steps to Prevent Unwanted Wildlife

The sounds of birds singing in the morning remind us that spring is here. As you prepare to put out bird seed and ready your compost bins for summer gardening, remember that both can attract unwanted wildlife.

Check your local ordinances for specific requirements for bird feeders. These may include a minimum distance from the ground, and whether feeders need an edge to prevent spilling onto the ground. Make sure never to throw bread, birdseed or other food directly onto the ground. Store bird feed in a rodent-resistant, sealed container.
Compost bins must also meet local ordinance requirements, including where they can be located on a property. A properly maintained compost bin will not have a foul odor. There may be specific ordinances that limit what items can be composted, but as a general rule, meat, bones and bread should not be placed in compost bins. In addition, to prevent vermin infestations, be sure compost bins are covered and have screens or other means of preventing access by rodents.

Each North Shore community has specific rules regarding feeding birds and composting, therefore be sure you know what your community requires. An internet search of your community name, “ordinance,” and “bird feed” or “compost” will lead you to the specifics for your community.

For more information on composting basics visit: https://www.epa.gov/recycle/composting-home
Is breaking up with Facebook hard to do?

With all the negative press about Facebook, people are asking, “What’s the alternative?” While some followers will never leave Facebook, others are looking for a place to go. Most ask, “If I leave, where do I go and will my friends come with me?” We all know the stories of networks such as Instagram that became overnight sensations. However, most social networks are built by early adopters who bring their friends along with them, and then grow slowly over time. This creates a personalized vibe and makes the space even more attractive. Take Nextdoor for example, the social network devoted to neighbor-to-neighbor communication in a tight-knit geographical area. Nextdoor is not a Facebook alternative based on its exclusive appeal to neighborhoods, but it serves as a solid metaphor for growth. Nextdoor launched in 2010. By social network standards, Nextdoor grew incredibly slowly. Despite that, Nextdoor became one of the few tech companies to be valued at $1 billion without earning any revenue because the number of people networking on the platform eventually added up, one neighbor at a time.

Great movements develop over time because a social network’s longevity and profitability depend on worthwhile, trusting relationships between its users and the network itself. Recently, Myopolis, a very viable alternative to Facebook, subtly and quietly opened their doors offering Citizens (like “friends”) the chance to become pioneers of their community and build trust amongst one another. Citizens sound off on topics they care about and are heard by others who care about the same topics. The Leaderboard is a popular component because it shows the leader in each category at the Local, State and National level. Early adopters will be at the forefront of the latest social movement. The problems Facebook experienced will likely be void because it is centered on the user’s ability to filter out what do and do not want to see and read. A cool bonus is that the original founder of every town in North America will be noted in Myopolis records as the Founder. Now is the time to be a BIG fish in a smaller pond until Myopolis is an ocean. At that point, we will see if Myopolis can stay ahead of the problems Facebook faces today. One can hope.
Local Whitefish Bay Couple Wins Big on Wheel of Fortune!

Submitted by Wheel of Fortune PR

Karly and Aaron Mandell of Whitefish Bay were contestants on Wheel of Fortune on Wednesday, March 21, 2018. Karly and Aaron have been married for eight years and have two children. Aaron is an accounting professor at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and Karly is a stay-at-home mom who will be beginning to study interior design in the fall. Karly and Aaron both say they have been tuning in to America’s Game® for many years, but have started watching more consistently since their son was born in 2013 because he is a huge Wheel fan! Their journey to become contestants began when they attended a Wheelmobile event in Oak Creek. Karly and Aaron solved the Bonus Round puzzle to win the $100,000 grand prize, bringing their total winnings to $127,150 in cash and prizes, including a Beaches Resorts or Sandals Resorts Luxury Included® Vacation!

Immediately after their win, Aaron mused, “This is dreamlike. It really hasn’t set in yet.” While Karly added, “We watch all the time and thought maybe we would have a chance to make it to the bonus round, but never in our wildest dreams would we guess we would hit the $100,000 envelope. That number is so huge!” Congratulations to local couple Karly and Aaron on their big win!
Gramoll & Associates Offers Families Peace of Mind Through Insurance

For over four decades, Gramoll & Associates has been the trusted name for family insurance needs in the north shore area. Started in 1975 by Pete Gramoll from Grafton, the American Family Insurance agency moved to its current location on Oakland Avenue in Shorewood in 1991. While the firm has been growing from the start, some of the biggest changes occurred this last year.

Having grown up in the insurance industry, it was a natural move for Pete Gramoll's daughter, Mandi LoCoco, to take over the business when it came time for Pete to retire. Mandi is a Whitefish Bay resident and alongside her husband, Sal, they raise their four children in our walkable community. "Truly my own family is what inspires me to give the highest level of care to our customers and their families," said Mandi. "I realize how much my own family's financial stability means to me, and that is exactly what insurance is meant to do, create stability when something occurs. From a car accident, to a flooded basement, even pet insurance all offer a sense of stability and calm to families in times of crisis. I love being able to tell my clients that their issue will be resolved and taken care of in a timely manner."

Since Mandi took over the business last year, she has kept her existing team intact. "Our office is composed of working mothers and most of us live in Whitefish Bay so our clients are many times also neighbors and friends," said Mandi. "We have an amazing team of eight women and we enjoy the balance of being busy moms and also working in an industry that helps better people's lives. One of the most rewarding parts of this career is to help our customers through the tough times, in particular when a claim occurs. Our goal is to be the advocate for our customers and helping them become whole again."

While people typically view insurance needs solely for their home and car, other areas of life should also be considered when getting an insurance quote. Life insurance can help your loved ones maintain their lifestyle should you pass away early, umbrella insurance protects against numerous issues including potential law suits, and insuring items such as boats and snowmobiles guarantees peace of mind if they are involved in accidents. Gramoll & Associates also specializes in small business insurance for all types of local businesses, such as restaurants, bakeries, gift shops, contractors and professional offices.

The Gramoll agency also enjoys supporting the local community through different events and sponsorships. "Having children at the Whitefish Bay public elementary, middle and high school, it's easy to be involved in both fundraisers and sport teams," and Mandi. "Last year we ran a food drive for the Hunger Task Force and we sponsor numerous local sports teams each year. Contributing and partnering with our communities is important to our entire team because it keeps us involved with our neighborhood."

For more information or to request an insurance quote from Mandi and her team please contact them by phone at 414-332-0838 or e-mail at alococo@amfam.com. They also love pop-in visitors at their Shorewood location at 4484 N Oakland Avenue.
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Annual Awards Ceremony Recognizes Local Business Leaders

By Katie Commer, BID Executive Director

The Merchants of Whitefish (BID) honored local businesses and individuals at the recent Annual Meeting and awards event held at Gallery 505 where food from Breadsmith, Moxie Food + Drink, Roman Candle Pizza, Sendiks and The Bay was enjoyed. A total of nine awards were bestowed.

The Commitment to the Community was awarded to the Yellow Wood Gear

President’s Award for Outstanding Business was awarded to Jeff and Annette from City Market

Treasurer of the Bay was awarded to Martha Welton from Johnson Bank

Best Window, new this year, was awarded to The Navy Knot

Best Holiday Decorations was awarded to New Options

Assistant to the Executive Director was awarded to Jenny Heyden and Karen Mathu

Village Manager Extraordinaire was awarded to Paul Boening, Village Manager

Farmers’ Market Assistant was awarded to Jeff Commer, President of the BID

Congrats to all the Merchants on Silver Spring who work hard every day to make shopping, dining and being on Silver Spring so enjoyable! Go to Merchants of Whitefish Bay on Facebook to see all the pictures but here is the link http://moblalbum.com/s32gigggzxxch.

Thank you, Ben Commer and Ellen Cook Photography for the great shots!
MARK YOUR CALENDARS

The Farmers’ Market starts on July 7th – October 27th in the Aurora Parking Lot!

Watch for details on Facebook – Whitefish Bay Farmers Market!

Make sure you are following us at www.merchantsofwhitefishbay.com, or Merchants of Whitefish Bay on Facebook, or WFBBID on Instagram.

Wisconsin has clear rules on what to do if you find a lost pet. In Milwaukee County you must bring the animal to MADACC. The only time you may hold on to a stray that you have found is if you find it on your property and then you must keep the animal for a year and follow a rather arduous process to try and reunite the owner with their pet before you can claim legal ownership. Advertising a found animal on a social media site will not allow you to claim that you have looked for the owner and will keep or rehome the animal. It is also against the law. MADACC allows the person who brings in a stray to adopt it after the stray hold is complete, and the animal has been fully vaccinated and sterilized, even if their wish is to find it another home. You do not become the legal owner of an animal if you hold it privately for 5 days and the original owner will have the legal standing to get the animal back.

Too many people find a stray and decide to keep it assuming the owner was unfit or did not care. That is unfair to the animal and owner to make that decision. Please bring all strays that you find directly to MADACC and let them have a chance to go home.

No Finders Keepers with Lost Pets

By Karen Sparapani

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**The Kaestner Family:**
Early Settlers in the Bay

By Terry Johannes

From the 1840s through the 1860s, a large migration of Germans settled in what is now Whitefish Bay. These immigrants transformed the woodlands into small farms similar to the ones they knew in Germany, choosing this area to be near Milwaukee.

It was during this migration that George and Marie Kaestner settled in the Bay. It is not known exactly when they came to America because they were never naturalized. They purchased 10 acres for $250 in March 1850 where they built a cabin and set up a dairy farm. The homestead was west of Santa Monica Blvd. and bounded on the south by Fairmount Ave. Their first child, Ernst, was born on June 18, 1850. They had two more sons, Louis in 1853, and Heinrich (Henry) in 1856. Ernst is Terry’s great-grandfather.

As they got older, the sons helped farm. Ernst and Louis milked the cows while Henry did deliveries. Henry’s favorite stop was a local tavern. He would forget to come home. George would retrieve the wagon and let Henry sit.

The family prospered. George purchased 10 acres north of his farm for $250 from John Markert in 1866. In 1873 he purchased nine acres facing Richards St. and bounded by Fairmount and Lancaster Avenues. This land had originally been part of an 80-acre tract purchased by an eastern investor, Joel Botts, in 1835. Botts subdivided it into lots and sold them to immigrants. George was the third owner, purchasing it from a man named Heiss who had bought the land from Botts. An 1876 map shows George’s land holdings. George died in 1885; Marie in 1901.
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Every Saturday
Studio Saturday
@Museum of Art Wisconsin, West Bend
Visit the galleries every Saturday at MOWA then go into the Studios to create a new art project. Every Saturday is different, so come often. Art fun for the whole family! Walk-ins welcome.
Time: 10am-1pm
Cost: Free for MOWA Members or $12 per person (includes a free membership for one year)
www.wisconsinart.org

Sat., May 5
OWW Opening Day
@Old World Wisconsin
Old World Wisconsin reopens for the season.
Time: 10am-5pm
Cost: $10-$19
www.oldworldwisconsin.wisconsinhistory.org

Sun., May 13
Milwaukee Mother’s Day 5K/10K
@Veterans Park
Time: 8:30am
Cost: Early bird from $33.99 5K, $38.99 10K; Kid's Dash free
www.wisconsinruns.com

Sun., May 20
14th Annual Block Melanoma 5K Run & 3K Walk
@Milwaukee County Zoo
Funds will go to research trials at UW Carbon Cancer Center and MCW. Registration includes parking and admission to the zoo.
Time: 8am
Cost: Early bird $35
www.annshope.org

Sat., June 2
Scottish Fest/Highland Games
@Hart Park
Come enjoy music, games and more. Receive $3 off admission before 10am with a non-perishable food donation.
Cost: $10 (13 and older)
Time: 9am-10pm rain or shine
www.milwaukeehighlandgames.com

Sat., June 2
Party in the Park
@Lapham Peak Park
Join the season-opening fundraising concert. The featured band will be Funhouse, back by popular demand. Funhouse plays high energy, danceable covers.
Time: 4-8:30pm
Cost: $7-$15
www.summerstageofdelafield.org

Sat.-Sun., June 2-3
Holy Hill Art and Farm Market
@Holy Hill Road
Find treasures from local artists, farmers and collectors. Come meet the crafters, enjoy food and relax near scenic Holy Hill.
Time: 9am-4pm
Cost: Free
www.holyhillartfarm.com

Sun., June 3
UPAF Ride for the Arts
Sponsored by Miller Lite @Summerfest Grounds
Support the arts by riding your bike. The event includes short and long distances, as well as a family ride. The party at the finish line is not to be missed.
Time: 7am
Cost: $60+; kids under 12 free
www.upaf.org

Thurs., June 14
Buddy Bench Open
@Evergreen Country Club, Elkhorn
Scherrer Care Buddy Bench program is dedicated to supporting schools in their anti-bullying efforts. Proceeds will help place Buddy Benches in local schools.
Time: Registration/lunch 10am; shotgun start 11:30am
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