

Bay Leaves

Spring 2009

The Official Newsletter of
the Village of Whitefish Bay

Greetings from the Village President

From a winter with record cold and grey skies, we all look forward to the warmth and color of another spring. This winter, the Village Board listened to the requests of residents and worked with staff to provide two ice rinks this year. Many of you have mentioned how pleased you are to see the return of the rinks at both Klode and Cahill, making the long, cold months more entertaining for children and their families. Creating the rinks requires the cooperation of the weather and the dedicated labor of the staff from the Department of Public Works. They were able to do this while maintaining regular winter services such as plowing, trash collection, recycling and tree trimming. Please join me in thanking our Public Works crew.



Kathleen J.
Pritchard

A good department requires a good leader. I am pleased to announce that after a comprehensive search, Whitefish Bay has a new Village Engineer/DPW Director. Please welcome Dan Naze who begins in early February and will be overseeing Public Works and Engineering. Dan is a professional engineer with broad experience and will help to move the Village forward on our ambitious capital improvement plan.

Looking forward to Spring also means the return of the construction season. The 2009 Capital Improvement Plan presents a complex construction season with the completion of utility work on Silver Spring followed by the resurfacing and streetscape project, which is to be completed by the end of June. Also included are the much needed improvements on Fairmount running from Lydell to Marlborough; the Cumberland project from Oakland to Hampton; continuing work on sanitary sewers; sidewalk repair; playground equipment, and the new mill and overlay program for streets. To help accomplish this extensive amount of work with the greatest efficiency, the Village is engaging two engineering companies to assist in design, inspection, and other needed services to assure smooth completion and good quality. You can learn more about these projects at <http://www.wfbvillage.org/>.

Whitefish Bay is also preparing for another local

election this Spring. Trustees Tom Schmid and Rita Cheng will not be seeking another term. Please join me in thanking them for their years of service. These two three-year positions are uncontested. There is also a contested race for the remaining one-year term on the Board. Please take time to familiarize yourself with the candidates and their positions on the issues that will be coming before the board in the upcoming years. While the Trustee seats are elected positions, there are many other opportunities to serve your Village. If you are interested in being considered for one of the many seats on a board or commission, please go to the "boards and commissions" link on the Village website, and complete the application indicating your interests and experience. The appointments are made in April and new appointees participate in a training session to learn their roles and responsibilities. In addition to the committees that are listed, there is growing interest in establishing an environmental advisory group for the Village, and I would be interested in hearing your input on that.

I appreciate your continued interest and support and look forward to seeing you enjoying Spring in Whitefish Bay.



Katie

Kathleen J. Pritchard
Village President

WFB Public Works Holiday Trash Waste Collection

Spring Break (Good Friday) collection for residents who normally get their trash and recycling picked up on Friday (April 10) will have it picked up on Thursday, April 9.

Memorial Day collection for residents who normally get their trash and recycling picked up on Monday (May 25) will have it picked up on Tuesday, May 26.

WFB Police Department

Spring is here, don't get sprung from your valuables

After a long cold winter we all have a tendency to feel a little carefree now that the first few warm days of spring have fallen upon us. The Police Department is asking for resident cooperation to try to curb theft from unlocked vehicles.

In 2008 alone the Police Department took 129 reports of theft from unlocked vehicles, and dozens of other thefts likely went unreported. In a majority of these entries to vehicles, a few dollars of spare change was taken and not much else, but other items taken included electronics such as laptop computers, cell phones, GPS units, and iPod's. Wallets and purses have also been taken. None of us would leave hundreds of dollars in cash sitting on the dash of our unlocked car, but it is done all the time with high priced electronic accessories commonly stolen from vehicles. In numerous cases the thief or thieves located the vehicle keys or a spare key in the vehicle and stole the vehicle as well.

Thefts from unlocked vehicles have occurred in all areas of the Village. Similar thefts have also occurred in surrounding communities. While taking theft reports our Officers

commonly hear people say that they didn't think this sort of crime occurred in Whitefish Bay, or that they didn't think they needed to lock their car doors because they don't park on the street or in an alley. The Police Department has taken theft reports from people who parked on the street,

There is one thing in common with all these thefts, they all occurred in unlocked vehicles. **What can you do to prevent yourself from being a victim of a theft from your vehicle?**

- Lock your doors, including auto, garage and residence. Don't forget the service door on your garage.
- Do not leave valuables in plain view.
- Report suspicious activity.

in alleys, in private driveways and in residential garages. If all residents make an effort to follow these simple steps we suspect that we can dramatically decrease the number of thefts from unlocked vehicles in 2009.

Overnight Parking Regulations

Village ordinance prohibits overnight parking at any time between 3 AM and 5 AM without permission or by permit. To make overnight parking requests, residents and their guests may call (414) 431-9060 or visit the Village website at www.wfbvillage.org. Parking is restricted to the portion of the street abutting property that is owned, rented or otherwise occupied by the requestor. Permission will be granted for up to 15 nights per call, with a maximum annual allowance of 15 nights per vehicle. Those exceeding the annual limit will be denied permission and referred to the Police Department during normal business hours to purchase a \$30 monthly overnight parking permit. Requests for overnight parking permission must be made prior to 3 AM of the current day. No parking permission will be granted during a declared Snow Emergency. As a reminder, all vehicles parked on the street must be moved at least once every 24 hours, regardless of any permission granted or parking permit held.

Residents may purchase monthly overnight permits for parking in front of their homes for a cost of \$30 per month between April 1 and Nov. 30. Parking permits may be purchased at the Police Department between the hours of 8:00 AM and 9:00 PM or normal business hours. Between Nov. 30 and April 1, overnight parking permits may be purchased at the Police Department for designated areas only.

Pet Reminders

Village ordinances require the following:

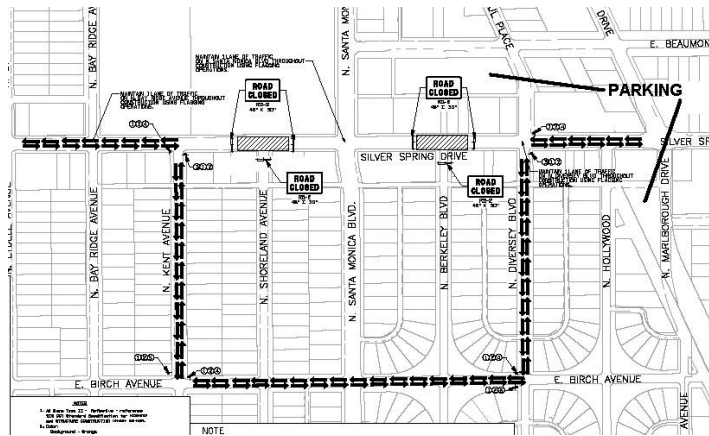
- Dogs Not Allowed in Public Areas – This includes Village Parks, all school grounds, and any other public areas.
- Dogs Not Allowed to Run at Large – A dog is considered to be at large when it is off the premises of its owner or caretaker and not controlled by the owner, caretaker, or some other person by a leash not longer than 6 feet.
- Valid License Required – Dogs and cats are required to have a valid license attached to a collar whenever the animal is outdoors. Residents are allowed up to 2 dogs and 2 cats. The fees for licenses are \$24 per animal, if the animal is not spayed or neutered; and \$12 per animal, if the animal is spayed or neutered. The deadline for licensing for both animals is March 31. After that time the fees will double for late licenses. Pet licenses are good for the year of issue only. This helps separated dogs and cats get returned to their owners. Untagged dogs are transported to the Milwaukee Area Domestic Animal Control.
- Waste Removal - 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. Dog owners are required to immediately remove fecal matter deposits.

WFB Public Works

Silver Spring Drive Streetscape Project

In Oct. 2008, the Village began utility construction along Silver Spring Drive from Lydell Avenue to Marlborough Drive to improve the sanitary, water, and storm sewer lines that are under the road and sidewalk. In April, the Village will begin a streetscape and road-resurfacing project that is scheduled to complete the Silver Spring Project by the end of June.

Streetscape improvements include additional trees, construction of a median at Berkeley, construction of bump outs at Shoreland and Berkeley, additional trees, new landscaping and flower pots, benches, parking meters, and many other design features to improve the appearance of the main business corridor. This work will also include decorative accents in and around the sidewalks along with spot repairs of the sidewalks and curb/gutter to be finished with resurfacing of the road



Detour route to be used during reconstruction of bump outs and median for a period of approximately 2-3 weeks.

and median. This process will allow for these features to remain through the future reconstruction of the entire street. During this time a detour route for both lanes will use Kent Ave., Birch Ave., and Diversey Blvd. until the road can be open to through traffic. Please see the attached map for more details. Please contact the Engineering Department with any questions at (414) 962-6690.

through mill and overlay.

It is anticipated that a majority of the streetscape work planned from April through June can be completed with two lanes of traffic with no parking on the street during certain periods. Parking is available at Village lots off of Beaumont Ave. and Marlborough Dr. The intersections of Shoreland and Berkeley will need to be closed for a period of 2-3 weeks to allow for the construction of the bumpouts

WFB Clerk/Treasurer

Local Election

The Spring Election will be held Tuesday, April 7. This election will include candidates for two Village Trustees serving three-year terms, one Village Trustee serving a one-year term, and three School Board members. If you are not registered to vote you may do so at the Village Hall, Monday - Friday from 8 AM to 4:30 PM. Proof of residency must be provided at the time of registration. Be a good citizen and register early to vote on Election Day.

As a reminder, handicap voting machines are available at every polling place to assist disabled voters mark their ballot. These machines help disabled voters with sight or sound impairments to vote. Please contact the Clerk/Treasurer's Office with any questions or ask poll workers on Election Day for more information.

Check wfbvillage.org for more information. If you are interested in serving as a poll worker, please contact the Village Hall at (414) 962-6690.

Running Requirements

Many people run or jog during hours of darkness when it is difficult for motor vehicle operators to see them. Village ordinance 8.01(6) requires that people who run or jog on a public right-of-way, during the period of time from one-half hour after sunset to one-half hour before sunrise, shall wear reflective clothing or material on both front and back.

Saturday Sessions With The Village President

On the third Saturday of each month, Village President Katie Pritchard holds an informal session to meet with residents who wish to discuss local matters. Upcoming dates are Mar. 21, April 18, May 16, and June 20. The sessions are held from 9 AM to 11 AM in the lower level Historical Room of the Village Hall.

WFB Public Works

Yard Waste Collection

Yard waste collection begins the week of April 13 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.

Yard Waste is considered garden plants, tiny branches and thatch. Crews cannot accept grass clippings due to State regulations at the disposal site. 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.

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.

Hazardous Material

The Village does not have authorization or a license to handle and haul hazardous material. Although the list is extensive, typical hazardous materials include batteries, paint strippers or cleaners, oil based stain and oil based paint, weed killers, brake fluid, and similar products. The Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewage District (MMSD) sets up local sites from April to October to collect these materials. To find a site and discard these materials properly please refer to www.mmsd.com.

Chipping

The Village will begin collecting and chipping branches the week of April 13. 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.

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.

Weight & Size Restrictions for Waste Containers

Please remember that all garbage, recycling, or yard waste receptacles/bags that are too heavy will be tagged and not picked up by Village collectors. This is to protect the Village collector from injury and the consumer from liability. Please consider these restrictions when placing any trash, recycling, or yard waste at the curb.

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. 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.

WFB Public Works

Storm Water Pollution

For several years the Village has been trying to increase its efforts in the management of pollutants that enter Lake Michigan and the Milwaukee River. The Village has stepped up its street sweeping program and the cleaning of its storm sewer system. About 170 tons of street sweepings are removed annually from Village streets. The Village removes about 1,200 tons of yard waste and 1,000 tons of leaves annually. Property owners can help in a number of ways. The following websites provide information to property owners to reduce storm water pollution:

- basineducation.uwex.edu
- www.clean-water.uwex.edu/pubs
- www.dnr.state.wi.us/runoff/outreach.htm

Catch Basins Are For Rainwater Only!

The steel grates along the curb line are for storm water and not garbage. Yearly the Village removes about 30 tons of debris from these catch basins. The Village crew has found and removed a significant amount of animal feces in nearly 90% of the catch basins. In addition, motor oil and household chemicals are still being discharged into the storm water catch basin. Disposal of oil, litter, chemicals and animal feces are considered illicit discharges and are a violation of State law and Village ordinances. If you see someone discharging oil or chemicals or depositing animal feces into those steel grates in the street, please contact the Village immediately.

Water Rate Increases

WFB recently applied with the Public Service Commission for a 3% water rate increase that was approved. In accordance with the PSC regulations, the Village is required to notify all residents of the water rate increases. The rates below will be charged for each billing commencing March 1, 2009, plus a volume consumption charge of \$1.18 per 100 cubic feet used tri-annually.

Tri-Annual Service Charge for General Water Service

5/8 inch meter	\$16.07
3/4 inch meter	\$16.07
1 inch meter	\$25.80
1 1/4 inch meter	\$33.99
1 1/2 inch meter	\$42.49
2 inch meter	\$66.90
3 inch meter	\$108.15
4 inch meter	\$162.23
6 inch meter	\$293.55
8 inch meter	\$389.34
10 inch meter	\$519.12
12 inch meter	\$648.90

Tri-Annual Public Fire Protection Service Charge

5/8 inch meter	\$12.36
3/4 inch meter	\$12.36
1 inch meter	\$31.21
1 1/4 inch meter	\$46.35
1 1/2 inch meter	\$63.19
2 inch meter	\$101.97
3 inch meter	\$186.33
4 inch meter	\$312.09
6 inch meter	\$621.09
8 inch meter	\$994.98
10 inch meter	\$1,492.47
12 inch meter	\$1,989.96

WFB Library

What's Happening at the WFB Library?

Winter Story Time

The Winter Story Time will be held on Wednesdays from Jan. 21 – April 8 at 10:30 AM, and Thursdays from Jan. 22 – April 9 at 10:30 AM and 2 PM. Please feel free to attend one or all sessions. This program is most appropriate for 3 – 6 year olds.

Buddies and Books

Join us for an informal gathering of children ages' birth through 4 years and their caregivers (moms, dads, grandparents, nannies, babysitters). The program will take place on Monday mornings from 10:15 – 11 AM in the Story Room from Feb. 2 through May 18. This is an opportunity to meet some new friends and find some good books!

Toddler Times

Toddlers of age 18 months to 3 years are invited with their caregiver to attend Toddler Times. The program is scheduled from March 3 – April 7 from 10:30 to 10:50 AM. Registration is required and begins at the Library on Feb. 23.

Abel the Dancing Chihuahua

Please join the presentation of Amy Ammen and Abel, her dancing Chihuahua on Tuesday, March 24 at 7 PM.

Middle School Book Group:

On Wednesdays from 6:30 – 7:30 PM the Library will be hosting a Middle School Book Group where middle school students can participate by reading the book and joining the discussion. Registration forms are available on-line or at the youth services desk. The following dates and books have been scheduled:

- March 18 - The Alchemyst: The Secrets of the Immortal Nicholas Flamel written by Michael Dylan Scott.
- April 22 - Peeled written by Joan Bauer.

Schools Out Movie Afternoons

Come to the Library for popcorn and a movie on March 13 and April 3 at 1 PM. Check the library web site at wfblibrary.org for information on the feature presentation.

Healthy and Delicious Cooking with Alamelu

The Library will again be hosting Alamelu Vairavan,

a WFB resident and nationally renowned cookbook author to provide demonstrations and information on preparing easy, healthy, and delicious dishes from her native India. Registration is required as space is limited. Please contact the Library at (414) 964-4380 to register for either the April 15 or May 20 program both from 7:30 – 9 PM.

Nonfiction Book Group

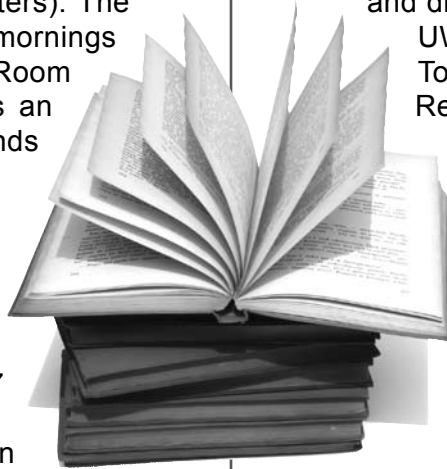
This group provides adults the chance to read and discuss different books as moderated by UWM History Professor John Schroeder. To register, stop by or contact the Adult Reference Desk at 964-4380. The meetings are held at the Library at 7 PM. The following dates and books have been scheduled:

- March 9 – Newton written by Peter Ackroyd, Isaac Newton written by James Gleick, Newton: The Making of Genius written by Patricia Fara, Life of Isaac Newton written by Richard Westfall, Never At Rest: A Biography of Isaac Newton written by Richard Westfall, and Isaac Newton: A Biography written by Louis T. More.
- April 13 – 1491: New Revelations of the Americas Before Columbus written by Charles C. Mann.
- May 11 – They Marched Into Sunlight: War and Peace, Vietnam and America, October 1967 written by Davide Maraniss.

BOOK & FILM CLUB

This group provides participants the opportunity to discuss books that have also been adapted as movies. Former Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel Film Critic Doug Armstrong will be the moderator for the discussions. Please stop by or contact the Reference Desk at 964-4380 to register. The meetings are held at the Library at 7 PM. The following dates and books have been scheduled:

- March 10 – Painted Veil written by W. Somerset Maugham.
- April 14 – Great Gatsby written by F. Scott Fitzgerald.
- May 12 – Remains of the Day written by Kazuo Ishiguro.



WFB Building Inspection

When is a Permit Required?

This information is not all-inclusive. It merely lists most of the projects that require permits in the Village. If you have any questions regarding your project, or your project is not listed here, please contact the Inspection Department before you start the project. The following require a building permit:

- Additions – ARC, S
- Exterior Remodels – ARC
- Remodels (kitchen, bathroom, attic, basement)
- Fireplace
- Foundation Repairs
- Fence – S
- Decks/porches/stoops – ARC, S
- New garage – ARC, S
- Demolition of Structures
- Roofing
- Siding
- Gutters/downspouts
- Accessory Structures – ARC, S
- Window Replacements
- Swimming Pools – ARC, S
- Any Structural Work
- New or relocated cabinets, and all walls opened to the studs

Those items listed with an ARC may require approval from the Architectural Review Commission and those items listed with an S may require a survey.

Electrical permits can only be issued to Village licensed electricians to do the following work:

- New or relocated lighting fixtures, switches and/or outlets
- New or replacement furnace, boiler or A/C units
- Upgrade electrical service

- Appliances (dishwashers, disposals, etc)
- Electric water heaters
- Hot tubs, whirlpool tubs, swimming pools
- Baseboard heaters

Plumbing permits can only be issued to licensed plumbers to do the following work:

- New or replacement sink, toilet, dishwasher, garbage disposal, laundry tray, tub, shower, whirlpool tub, sump pump, water heater, water treatment systems, laterals, sprinkler systems, on demand water supplies
- Re-piping
- Extensions of supply or waste lines

HVAC permits are required for the following work:

- New or replacement furnace, boiler, fireplace, air conditioner, vent fans, air exchange units, combined heat and air units, ductwork alterations
- Swimming pools

Right of way permits are required for driveway approaches, carriage walks, lateral repairs, and any other disturbance in the right of way. Dumpster permits are required for the placement of dumpsters on Village property including on the street, if necessary. It is the responsibility of the property owner or his/her delegated agent to procure the proper permit(s) for a specific project. The property owner is wholly responsible for any actions taken on their property. A permit must be applied for, and issued prior to the commencement of any project. Failure to obtain the proper permits will result in a four (4) times permit fee and possible citations. Citations may be issued each day the violation exists. If you have any question, please contact the Inspection Department at (414) 962-6690.

Inspection Postcards

The Inspection Department would like to complete final inspections on all projects prior to closing out the permits, and is looking to complete the inspections on all old permits. Projects may have been completed as early as January 2005. This will require that an inspection be completed by one of the building inspectors on staff.

If an inspection has already been completed, there may have been an error in the tracking of the project, or there may have been some corrections needed prior to closing out the project. Another inspection needs to be conducted to close out the permits. To schedule an inspection, please contact the Village Hall at (414) 962-6690 weekdays between 8 AM and 4:30 PM. One of the office staff can schedule the inspection.

Inspections can occur every half hour from 7 AM to 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM to 11:30 AM, and 1:30 PM to 3 PM weekdays. Also, on Tuesday and Thursday, inspections are available at 3:30 PM and 4 PM.

The building inspectors are willing to enter a property with an adult, a lock box, or an open door. Access arrangements must be made at the time the appointment is setup. Failure to provide access for an inspector during the scheduled appointment will result in a \$50 missed appointment fee. For all projects, it is required that all final inspections are completed within 30 days of completion. Failure to do so may result in a \$50 Failure To Call For Inspection Fee.

WFB Recreation & Community Education

Programming

Summer Recreation Guide

The Summer Recreation Guide should be available to residents mid to late March. Please reference our website www.wfbschools.com for further information on upcoming summer programs and registration dates.

Aquatic Programming Postponed During Pool Maintenance

The Whitefish Bay High School Field House and Auxiliary Pools will be closed for annual spring-cleaning and maintenance from April 10 through May 26. All Recreation Department Aquatic programming will be postponed during this time.

Exercisers Can Seek Shelter from the Cold

As winter approaches and the cold weather rolls in don't forget about the Morning Walk Fit and Evening Open Weight Lifting program that is available for WFB residents and non-residents. Those interested in staying fit while keeping out of the cold can enroll in Morning Walk Fit. Walkers can walk the WFB High School track on Mon., Wed., and Fri. from 5:30-6:30 AM from Jan. 5 – May 1 (excluding April 10, 20, 22 and 24). Interested residents can register for \$15 and non-residents for \$20.

Diapers to Duds

Get your child's wardrobe-ready for the upcoming season with our Diapers to Duds Clothing Sale scheduled for Saturday, March 21 from 9 AM to Noon at the Lydell Community Center. Buy or sell good reusable clothing for infants through school-aged children. Toys and Baby items are welcome.

To Buy: Doors will open to the public at 9 AM. There is no admission fee. Be prepared to find great bargains for your baby, toddler or school-aged child.

To Sell: Registration is required through the Recreation Department by March 14 or until spaces have filled. The fee is \$30 resident and \$40 non-resident for a 6-foot table. Additional tables may be rented for \$5 each. Sellers may begin setting up at 8 AM the Saturday of the event and must have their space cleared by 1 PM that same day.

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. Call the Recreation Department at (414) 963-3947 with any questions.

The Evening Open Weight Lifting program is located in the WFB HS Field House Balcony and is offered Mon. and Wed., Jan. 5 - June 3, 6:30-8:30 PM. Interested residents can register for \$25 and non-residents for \$30.

Lydell Preschool Enrolling For the 2009-2010 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 Whitefish Bay School District Calendar and is held on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 9:00 AM – 11:30 AM. Class size is limited to 16. Enrollment packets are available at the Whitefish Bay Recreation and Community Education Department or online at www.wfbschools.com/recreation/lydell_preschool.cfm for further information please call (414) 963-3888.

Senior Programming

3F (Friends, Fellowship, Food) Luncheons – 11:45 AM lunch, 1 PM program

Cost is \$5 held in the gym of the Lydell Community Center located at 5205 N. Lydell Ave.. Registration required one week in advance. The following programs have been scheduled:

- Tuesday, March 3 – Dennis McBride, author, on "The Potato Famine."
- Tuesday, April 7 – Stan Luth, Director of the Whitefish Bay High School bands presents a "Student Music Ensemble."
- Tuesday, May 5 – Bob Giese, author and lecturer from Historic Milwaukee, on "Milwaukee's Brewery History."

Upcoming Tours

- Mackinac Island – Sep. 28-Oct. 2 from Diamond Tour, \$459 for double occupancy. Deposit of \$75 due now, additional information available at Recreation Department.

Please contact Joan Brenk at 963-3992 with any questions.

North Shore Fire Department

As Spring Approaches

As Spring approaches, so does the thought of Spring clean up, getting lawn mowers, grills, and bicycles ready for warmer temperatures. The NSFD would like to remind you of the following "Spring Tips":

- Try to reduce and eliminate clutter and unused items. The basement, attic, and garage are popular spots for accumulating items. These are also common areas in which fires originate due to items being placed too close to electric and gas appliances.
- Limit the amount of gas that you store. Keep gasoline and other flammable liquids in approved containers and away from ignition sources.
- Take old paint, varnishes, and other chemicals to an appropriate chemical drop off site.
- For Household Hazard Waste Disposal information you may wish to visit Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District's website at www.mmsd.com or call 414-225-2066. This hazardous waste program is listed for Milwaukee County Residents.
- Clean out the lint trap and vent pipe on your clothes dryer. Periodically clean the back of your dryer as well. Always remember to clean the lint filter after each load.
- Make sure your address is clearly visible on your mailbox. Also, is your address clearly marked and visible on your home from the street.
- Change the battery in your smoke detector if you have

not changed it in the last year.

- Replace the detector if it is greater than 10 years old or unknown.
- Test your smoke detector monthly by pressing the "test" button. Every home should have a carbon monoxide detector in addition to smoke detectors.
- Design a fire escape plan with your family. Practice your plan at least twice each year!
- Think "Grilling Safety!" Position your grill well away from siding, deck railings and out from under eaves and overhanging branches.
- Grilling on decks and patios poses a fire hazard. The following NFPA code 10.11.7 applies to and is enforced in the North Shore Communities – For other than one- and two-family dwellings, no hibachi, gas-fired grill, charcoal grill, or other similar devices used for cooking, heating, or any other purpose, shall be used or kindled on any balcony or under any overhanging portion or within 10 ft (3 m) of any structure. Listed electric ranges, grills, or similar electrical apparatus shall be permitted.

Please contact our Public Education Office at jglanz@nsfire.org or 414-228-0292 for further information on these safety tips. Additional fire and life safety information, as well as program information, can be found on our website at www.nsfire.org. The NSFD wishes you and your family a safe spring!

Historic Preservation Commission

Bronze Medallions to Celebrate Village's History

From its early days as a fishing village 150 years ago, Whitefish Bay has evolved into a picturesque community of beautiful homes with diverse architectural styles, of which residents are justifiably proud and work hard to maintain. To honor their dedication to preserving our heritage, the Civic Foundation and the Village are partnering in an exciting project that pays tribute to what makes our community unique.

Eight-inch bronze medallions will be installed in the sidewalks in front of homes, businesses, and other sites within the Village that have been identified as architecturally unique or historic. The medallion reads "Historic Whitefish Bay" and includes the date when the property was built. All of the properties are on the Architectural and Historic Inventory (AHI), a catalogue developed by the Historic Preservation Commission for informational and educational purposes.

Installation of the medallions will begin in the summer of 2009 in the southeast corner of the village with 26 homes and Big Bay Park and over the next several years will salute hundreds of residences, commercial properties, and other distinctive locations in WFB.

The medallions will be placed in concert with replacement of sidewalk pads in the village's neighborhoods, which is done on a five-year cycle, so that the medallions are anchored in fresh concrete that will not need to be replaced for many years.

Bronze is a sturdy metal resistant to weather, chemicals, and wear, and ages to a protective and attractive patina. In addition to a circa date, each medallion will include an AHI number keyed to a history of the property on the Village website, and to brochures the village will later publish for neighborhood "historic walking tours."





Social Organizations

WFB Women's Club – Spring Programs

Boutique "Touch of Class" Sale

The WFB Woman's Club will host a boutique sale on Saturday, April 24 from 9 AM until 4 PM. There will be areas featuring antiques, collectibles, artwork, crystal, linens, designer and vintage clothing, purses, jewelry, holiday items, sports and unusual pieces. There will also be a bakery sale with many delicious homemade items. This promises to be a fantastic sale of nearly new and high quality material. For more information or if you would like to donate to this special sale, call (414) 332-7781 during the week from 8:30-11:30 AM.

Community Blood Drive

The blood drive will be held on Wednesday, April 29 from 12:30-5:30 PM. Walk-ins are welcome. For more information or to make an appointment, please call

Catherine at (414) 332-1570.

General Meetings

The following general meetings have been scheduled:

- March 4 at 1 PM with guest Jim Landwehr presenting Facts and Lore of the Great Lakes.
- April 1 at 1 PM with guest Rhonda Pelk presenting Got Vision Yet, a candid look at our values and choices of behavior.

Please contact Catherine (414) 332-1570 for membership information or the clubhouse for the events calendar (414) 332-7781. The clubhouse is located at 600 E. Henry Clay St.

Please contact Joan Brenk at 963-3992 with any questions.

North Shore Junior Women's Club

After two years of searching and researching new locations from Shorewood to Glendale, we have returned to the lower level of the Whitefish Bay Village Hall! It is the location with the most flexibility and convenience for our meetings. The NSJWC, is a 501c3 not-for-profit organization for women 21 years and older, we meet monthly (September- April) and conclude our year with a banquet in May. We also have social aspects that include spouses and sometimes children. New members are always welcome! Our

meetings are the fourth Tuesday of the month with socializing at 7 PM and the meeting beginning promptly at 7:30 PM. For Membership information contact: Karen 964-4373 or Joy 961-2651. Our current focus is a Fundraiser for Kyle's Korner, a bereavement center for children. To donate or volunteer for this fundraiser contact: Sandy 963-4034 or Nancy 332-0295.



Friends of WFB Library

Great Lakes Program

Mark your calendar for 7:00 PM Wednesday, April 1 to hear about "Our Changing Great Lakes" from Jim Lubner, Educational Coordinator of the UW Sea Grant Institute, with a field office at the Great Lakes WATER Institute. The presentation will be held on the Library's 2nd floor program room. This free program, sponsored by Friends of the Whitefish Bay Library, outlines the problems and opportunities connected with the Great Lakes and the damaging effects of invasive species, seagulls and fertilizer, among other threats to this water. Lubner will also share insights into the future

role of the lakes and what we can do to keep this precious water clean and useful. Please register by calling the Library at 414-964-4380 or stopping by the circulation desk.

April Celebrations

Friends' volunteers and Library Staff will be celebrated at the Library during National Volunteer Week, April 12-18 and National Library Week, April 27-May 2 respectively. When you stop at the Library, please look for special displays and say "thanks" to the librarians and circulation desk staff members for their excellent service.

North Shore Newcomers

Consider joining Northshore Newcomers, a social group of more than 100 local young families. Our goals are to make friends, have fun, and support each other and our community. We organize a variety of activities for new North Shore residents with and without children. Our events

include ladies and couples nights out, weekly children's playgroups, a monthly book club, and gourmet groups. To learn more or to find a membership form, visit www.northshorenewcomers.com.



WFB Civic Foundation

2nd Annual Green Day in the Bay

The Civic Foundation is sponsoring the 2nd Annual "Green Day in the Bay" event on Saturday, Apr. 25 at Cahill Park. The following events will be held throughout the day.

7:30 AM Eco-Friendly Workout with Myron Johnson of myjoustfitness.com

Myron will lead community participants in an iron-pumping workout without the use of electricity. To register for this green workout, please send an email to Gwen Koscinski at gwen.koscinski@geckogroup.net with your name and telephone number.

9:00 AM Village Wide Cleanup

Community groups will divide the streets and conquer the litter in our Village. Ask your friends, neighbors, organizations or family to form a "Green Team" to help clean the streets, parks and beaches. Then, contact Julie Erickson at either (414) 961-0595, or at julerickson@sbcglobal.net to register your team. Please include the number of people in your team, as well as the name and contact information for a team leader. Based upon the number of participating Green Teams, the Village will be divided into areas. Prior to "Green Day in the Bay," each Green Team will receive a map of its assigned area and a biodegradable garbage bag.

10:00 AM until Noon Green Gathering

The Foundation will host a Green Gathering and EcoFair at Cahill Park. Please help us recycle the following, by bringing your old electronics, gym shoes, crocs, and

gently used books to the event:

- Electronic recycling is available for the following materials: all cords, copy machines, CPUs, external/internal hard drives, keyboards, mice, mainframes, monitors (\$10 processing fee), printers, servers, routers, scanners, switches/hubs, terminals, and other peripherals. Items not accepted include air conditioners, appliances, bio-medical equipment, dehumidifiers, furniture, microwaves, televisions, telephones, fax machines, and digital cameras.
- Old gym shoes recycling provided by Fitness Together and Crocs recycling provided by Wear Them, Share Them.
- Book recycling by the Friends of WFB Library.
- Fun EcoFair where you can win a rain barrel in our eco-affle. Rain barrel display presented by Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewer District.
- Learn to pack a no waste lunch provided by the Healthy Schools Program.
- Drink a free cup of hot coffee in a reusable mug provided by Stone Creek Coffee.
- Samples of eco-friendly cleaning products provided by Simply Safe/Neu and Information on Natural Lawn Care.
- Also, back by popular demand are the reusable, insulated Civic Foundation grocery bags and a new this year, reusable produce bags!



Let's make every day a Green Day! See you at Cahill! Questions? Please contact Bob Kuesel at rkuesel@sbcglobal.net

Whitefish Bay Civic Foundation Accepting Scholarship Applications through April 1

The Whitefish Bay Civic Foundation is now accepting scholarship applications from high school seniors who are Whitefish Bay residents. The goal of the Whitefish Bay Civic Foundation Scholarship is to reward a student who has exhibited exemplary service to his or her community in the form of volunteer activities and commitments. The amount of the scholarship will be at least \$500 paid directly to the recipient at an awards ceremony. A complete list of selection criteria and the application are available on the Civic Foundation website www.wfbcivicfoundation.org.

Selection Criteria Include:

- Student must be a resident of Whitefish Bay.
- Student must be a graduating senior from a high school located in the metropolitan Milwaukee area.
- Academic standing, financial need, and participation in student activities within the student's school will not be primary components to evaluation.
- Student must commence continuing education no later than the fall term immediately after graduation.
- Completed Applications must be returned by 4:30 PM on Tuesday, April 1 to Whitefish Bay Civic Foundation, c/o Whitefish Bay Village Hall, 5300 N. Marlborough Dr., Whitefish Bay, WI 53217.

Health Department

Clinics

The Health Department is currently offering the following:

- * Adult Health Risk Screening (\$25) – 8 AM-noon on March 24, April 28, May 26, June 23.
- * Blood Pressure Clinic (free) – 4-6 PM on March 25, April 22, May 27, June 2.
- * Blood Lead Screening (\$5) – By appointment only for ages 1-5 years old.
- * Immunization Clinics (cost varies) – Mondays from 2-4 PM on March 9, April 13, May 11, June 8. Tuesdays from 7:30-9:30 AM on March 17, April 21, May 19, June 16.
- * Hepa-Vac Rental (\$25 deposit, \$10 per day) – Available for public rental to be used to cleanup fine, lead-laden particles.
- * Wisconsin Well-Woman Program – Providing free health screenings and diagnostic tests for several conditions for those individuals who are applicable.
- * Lead Testing (\$42 per sample) – Collection kits available with results sent directly to your home.

The Health Department is located in the lower level of the Shorewood Village Hall. Please contact the Health Department at (414) 847-2710 for more information and to schedule appointments.

Kindergarten Registration Cumberland & Richards School

For children whose birthdays fall into the following ranges:

- Junior Kindergarten – 4 years old between Sep. 1, 2004 and Aug. 31, 2005
- Senior Kindergarten – 5 years old between Sep. 1, 2003 and Aug. 31, 2004

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.

Bike Safety Rodeo

Saturday, June 6, 9 AM-Noon

Lydell Community Center Parking Lot

When warmer temperatures and sunshine return, so do bicycles! Your children will have the opportunity to test their riding skills over several courses, and they will receive information on safe bicycling and how to properly wear helmets. Bicycle helmets are needed to participate. In case of inclement weather, the event will be held in the Lydell Community Center gym. No bikes are allowed in the gym.

Sponsored by the WFB Police Department and Recreation and Community Education Department.

Bay Players – Senior Follies

The Bay Players is excited to announce the hilarious comedy Senior Follies written by Bill St. John and directed by Raymond Bradford. Pleasant Valley Retirement Home will never be the same with retirement home Romeo Howard romancing feisty divorcees. Scheduled for April 17, 18, 24, and 25 with all shows at 8 PM. Adult tickets are \$12 and senior/student tickets are \$10. All performances are held at the WFB High School Auditorium at 1200 E. Fairmont Ave. Additional information is available at www.thebayplayers.com or call (414) 299-9040

Whitefish Bay Numbers

Village Hall, www.wfbvillage.org	962-6690
Public Library, www.wfblibrary.org	964-4380
Public Works Garage	967-5128
EMERGENCY – Police, Fire, Ambulance	911
Police Administration	962-3830
Police (non-emergency)	962-4619
North Shore Fire Dept (non-emergency)	357-0113
Whitefish Bay/Shorewood Health Director	847-2710
Village Information	962-2158
Whitefish Bay School District	963-3921
Dept of Recreation & Community Education	963-3947
Overnight Parking	431-9060

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