

Bay Leaves

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The Official Newsletter of
the Village of Whitefish Bay

Greetings from the Village President

This issue of Bay Leaves rightfully focuses on the flooding that occurred in July and August, with results so severe Whitefish Bay was declared a natural disaster area. I wish to express my concern and sadness for the emotional and financial damages so many of our neighbors experienced as a result of the torrential rains over the last two months. People have lost things, replaced things and in some cases, lost them again. And people have lost irreplaceable things.



Kathleen J.
Pritchard

In what was an exceedingly difficult time, I want to thank the many good people of Whitefish Bay who offered help to their neighbors, and offered their help to the Village during this disaster. I want to thank the staff for their tireless work in addressing health and safety concerns, even when Village Hall was flooded and the power was out. The website updates offered valuable information and the rapid cleanup has gained the appreciation of many residents and the attention of neighboring communities. The Board and staff look forward to hearing from residents as we continue to uncover facts and explore solutions. There is not a single, or a simple or a short-term solution, but there is the political will for staff, residents, elected officials, outside experts and other jurisdictions to work together to address the most pressing needs and reduce the likelihood of similar damages or future flooding.

Several articles in this issue detail what has been done to date, what plans are in the works and what residents can do to help mitigate problems on private property that may contribute to basement flooding. The Village is securing the assistance of a consulting engineer to focus on the areas

See Flooding Questionnaire on Page 3

The questionnaire will provide the Village with more information about the extent of recent and past flooding and sewage backup problems throughout the Village. The information will be important going forward as the Village continues to review and discuss the basement backups and flooding events of July and August 2010.

that are most severe, televising sewers, and meeting with residents and representatives of other jurisdictions. If you experienced flooding and have not already reported it, I encourage you to complete the form enclosed and submit it to the Village. We are continuing to hold meetings, and explore options for short term and long-term relief.

The ability of Whitefish Bay's leadership to pursue long-term solutions for the residents of the Village was recently recognized by the Public Policy Forum. Together with the Village of Shorewood, we received the prestigious Intergovernmental Cooperation Award for the project on our Oakland border. The opening of this exciting new development will bring added opportunities for residents of both communities. Activities on Silver Spring are also delivering on our residents' clear desire for a vibrant business district. The Saturday morning Farmer's Market and the recent "Sounds of Summer" event are wonderful examples of the cooperative efforts put forth by our civic, business and resident leaders and their commitment to our community.

Finally, I'm pleased to report that the external audit of the village's 2009 fiscal year was quite favorable. As we begin our 2011 budget process this October, we welcome citizen input and encourage you to make your priorities known.

I wish you and your family a safe and healthy autumn.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Katie".

Kathleen J. Pritchard
Village President

Holiday Trash Waste Collection

Thanksgiving Day collection for residents who normally get their trash and recycling picked up on Thursday (Nov. 25) will have it picked up TWO DAYS EARLIER on Tuesday, Nov. 23.

The day after Thanksgiving Day collection for residents who normally get their trash and recycling pick up on Friday (Nov. 26) will have it picked up TWO DAYS EARLIER on Wednesday, Nov. 24.

July Storms Exceed Capacity of Infrastructure

The wettest July recorded in history created several situations where Village storm and sanitary sewers could not handle the volume of water that resulted.

A torrential storm on July 22 dumped over nine inches of rain in about four hours on Whitefish Bay and Shorewood. This followed a storm that produced over four inches of rain in a matter of a few hours on July 15. Following the July 15 storm, there were about 100 reports by residents of basement flooding and sewer back ups. On July 22, there were over 700 reports, most of which involved surface water entering basements through drains as well as overland flow in addition to numerous sanitary sewer back ups. Village Hall and local schools also experienced extensive water damage. The July 22 storm resulted in Milwaukee and its suburbs being designated a federal disaster area.

In a letter issued July 28, the Village Manager broadly outlined a response that includes:

- Analysis of data being collected to pinpoint any problems relating to the operation of the sanitary and storm sewer systems.
- Review of the Village's capital improvement plan to include any large projects that are identified as needed as a result of the analysis.
- Coordination of efforts with the Village's Environmental Advisory Commission (EAC) to facilitate public input and involvement.
- Development of strategies to assist homeowners to

identify measures they can take in their homes and on their property to help protect themselves in future events.

On Aug. 2, the Village Board held its first meeting to discuss the matter. On Aug. 10, the Environmental Advisory Commission convened to review a work plan prepared by the Engineering Department. This work plan is available for review on the Village's website at www.wfbvillage.org.

After reviewing the work plan, the EAC made the following recommendation, which was subsequently approved by the Village Board on Aug. 16:

The Whitefish Bay Environmental Advisory Commission recommends that the Village procure the services of an engineering consultant through a quality-based selection to evaluate July 2010 flooding and basement backups and make recommendations for improvements and mitigation focusing initially on five most-affected areas.

It is expected the engineering consultant's report will be available by May 2011. On September 1, the EAC held its second meeting to gather additional information from representatives of MMSD, engineering consultants, Village Staff, and input from residents.

In related action, the Engineering Department initiated a study of the storm water drainage system downstream of the Woodruff / Fairmount area. It is also televising sewers and working with MMSD and Shorewood officials to identify possible improvements.

Why Do Sewers Overflow?

U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY FAQ regarding National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System

Sanitary sewer overflows (SSOs) occasionally occur in almost every sewer system, even though systems are intended to collect and contain all the sewage that flows into them. When SSOs happen frequently, it means something is wrong with the system. Problems that can cause chronic SSOs include:

- Infiltration and Inflow (I&I): Too much rainfall or snowmelt infiltrating through the ground into leaky sanitary sewers not designed to hold rainfall or to drain property, and excess water inflowing through roof drains and foundation drains connected to sewers, broken pipes, badly connected sewer service lines.
- Undersized Systems: Sewers and pumps are too small to carry sewage from newly-developed subdivisions or

commercial areas.

- Pipe Failures: Blocked, broken or cracked pipes; tree roots grow into the sewer; sections of pipe settle or shift so that pipe joints no longer match; and sediment and other material builds ups causing pipes to break or collapse.
- Equipment Failures: Pump failures or power failures.
- Sewer Service Connections: Discharges occur at sewer service connections to houses and other buildings; some cities estimate that as much as 60% of overflows comes from the service lines.
- Deteriorating Sewer System: Improper installation, improper maintenance; widespread problems that can be expensive to fix develop over time, some municipalities have found severe problems necessitating billion-dollar correction programs, often communities have to curtail new development until problems are corrected or system capacity is increased.

Utilities in the Right-of-Way

Manholes, inlets, water valves and hydrants provide access points for the Village to provide maintenance and limit disruption of critical sewer and water services. These utilities may only be operated by village staff or appropriate emergency personnel. Operation of these utilities by non-authorized personnel is prohibited.

Removing manhole covers and inlet grates causes safety issues for both pedestrians and motor vehicles, and can allow objects to enter the sewer system that can impede flows. Removing manhole covers also adds water to the sanitary sewer system that can overburden the system. Operating hydrants can decrease water

pressure and cause property owners to have discolored water. Operating water valves can cause disruption to service and damage the water main.

Resident's can "adopt" the storm sewer catch basin nearest a house to keep it clear of leaves and debris in the spring, summer, and fall and keep it clear of snow in winter. Debris can collect on the grate over time and can impede surface water from entering the storm sewer system. This will decrease the likelihood of flooded intersections during rain or melt events. Resident's can also adopt the nearest fire hydrant and keep it clear of snow in the winter so emergency personnel can access it.

Permits Required

Due to the recent damage caused by the flooding, permits for replacement mechanical equipment will be issued free of charge. A permit application must be completed and issued as normal, but the fee will be waived. Licensed contractors will be issued properly completed permit applications. In addition to mechanical permit fees being waived, previously

permitted basement remodels will also have permits issued with waived fees. **Permits for flood damaged items will be waived through September 30, 2010.** Please contact the Inspection Department at (414) 962-6690 with any questions or concerns regarding flood damaged permits.

Questionnaire Regarding Basement Backups and Flood Damage from July/August 2010 Storms

Please review the following questionnaire and submit the answers to the Village Hall at 5300 N. Marlborough Drive, Whitefish Bay, WI 53217.

To verify your information has been recorded either by phone or through email, please visit the Flooding Information pages from the home page of the Village website at www.wfbvillage.org and view the maps that have been created to date for the July 15 and July 22 storms.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Which event did you experience either a basement backup or flooding in the basement (check all that apply)?

July 15 _____ July 22 _____ August 20 _____

What entered the basement (check all that apply)? Rain Water _____ Sewage _____

Where did the rain water or sewage enter the basement (check all that apply)?

Floor Drain _____ Foundation Walls _____ Window Wells _____ Toilet/Sink _____

Other (please describe): _____

What Can I do to Reduce Water in my Basement?

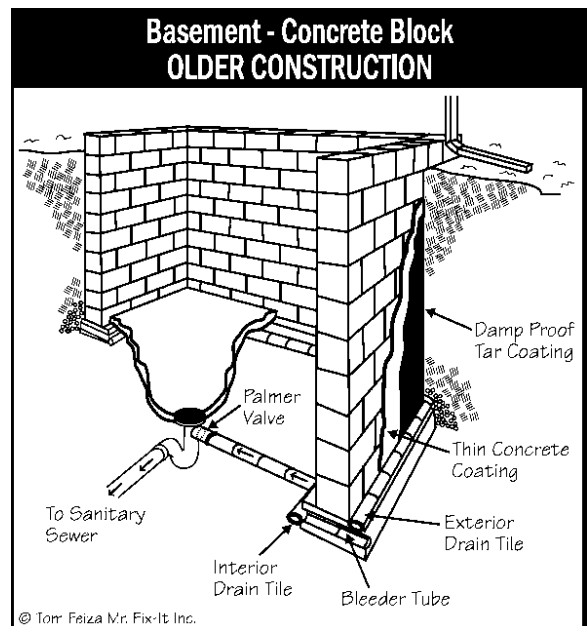
Numerous Whitefish Bay residents, as well as those of adjacent communities, have suffered significant water damage from the storms of July 15th and 22nd. The Village is working on a comprehensive plan to minimize the possibility of future basement back-ups. Upgrades to the Village's storm and sanitary sewers, however, will take time – it will likely take several years before substantial infrastructure changes can be made. Many residents have asked what they can do in the meantime to mitigate the potential of sanitary and storm water backing up in their basements.

The Whitefish Bay Environmental Advisory Commission will be reviewing measures that property owners can consider. In the meantime, a preliminary list of such measures is offered. This list is not meant to be comprehensive, but rather a starting point for further thought. The items range from inexpensive to costly (denoted '\$' to '\$\$\$\$' below). The protection afforded by the measures tends to be in proportion to their cost.

- *Minimize water use before and during major rainfall events.* This is probably pretty obvious, but we can all help by not washing clothes or running the dishwasher during rain storms. It is also important to disable automatic sprinkling systems. (\$)
- *Check your gutters and downspouts.* Clean your gutters and downspouts on a regular basis to clear them of leaves, dirt and debris. Plugged gutters and leaking downspouts can cause water to run down your walls and enter your basement – contributing to basement flooding. Downspouts should be inspected for any leaks, and the discharge should be extended at least six feet away from your basement foundation (unless you are certain that your downspouts are connected to the storm sewer system) to an area where the water will flow away naturally. Any leaks or disconnects should be repaired. You should also observe your gutters during heavy rains to determine if they are overflowing. It may be necessary to increase your gutter size from 4" to 6" to reduce risk of gutter overflow. (\$-\$\$)
- *Make sure ground water flows freely to the street, where it can be collected by the storm drain system.* The soil around your foundations should be pitched away from your house, dropping at least six inches every six feet. Your entire lot should pitch such that water flows toward the street, to the degree practical. (\$\$)
- *Make sure your sanitary sewer lateral isn't blocked.* If there have been problems with the sewer pipe between your house and the main sanitary sewer pipe in the street, this could cause a back-up and result in basement flooding during a storm. For

those residents that also have storm sewer laterals it is also important that they are free of blockage. You are responsible for maintaining the portion of these laterals that runs under your property. A contractor can perform a visual inspection of your sewer line(s) and remove tree roots or other blockage to keep these pipes flowing properly. (\$\$)

- *Make sure your Palmer Valve is functional.* Most homes in Whitefish Bay that were built prior to 1950 do not have sump pumps. In perhaps as many as 73% of residences (according to Earth Tech 1999 survey) the foundation drain tiles are connected to the basement floor drain through a device known locally as a "Palmer Valve." The valve, located in your basement drain, can easily corrode shut. Inspect it to make sure it opens freely, to avoid water backing up in your drain tiles and coming through your foundation walls. (\$)

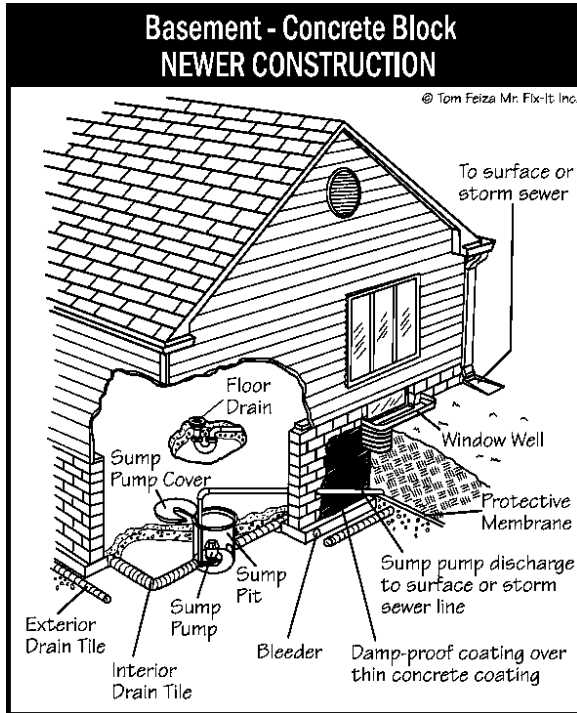


- *Install a Sump Pump.* During a major storm event, water flow from basement foundation drains is a major source of water infiltration. In fact, this water source is likely the most significant cause of sanitary sewer system back-ups in Whitefish Bay. In most cases, you can reduce the possibility of foundation leakage by installing a sump in your basement, as well as reduce water infiltration into the sanitary sewer system. Check with the Village staff about the requirements for such installations and necessary plumbing and electrical permits through the Inspections Department. (\$\$\$)

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What Can I do to Reduce Water in my Basement?

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- **Make sure that your sump pump is functioning properly, with the discharge properly directed away from your foundation.** If you have a sump pump, make sure you keep the intake clean and at least once a year, clean out any build up in the sump pit. Remember, if your sump pump gets blocked it's the same as not having a pump at all. Also, make sure the discharge pipe for your pump is at least 6 feet away from your foundation, so you don't pump the same water over and over again. It is preferable to discharge your sump pump above grade rather than through a storm sewer lateral, since under heavy rains the storm sewers can back up and block the sump pump from pumping out of your basement. If your sump pump capacity was inadequate in the most recent storms, consider replacing your 1/4 or 1/3 hp sump pump with a higher capacity pump. Sump pumps should run for 20 seconds during discharge. (\$)
- **Consider the use of rain barrels or rain gardens to help manage the flow.** The Metropolitan Milwaukee Sewerage District maintains excellent information and resources for installing rain barrels and rain gardens. They also sell rain barrels at low cost. If you use a rain barrel, however, please make sure that it is properly installed. During a major rain storm it will quickly fill. The overflow must be properly sized and directed away from the foundation of your house, or it will make the situation worse. (\$)
- **Reduce impervious surfaces to improve drainage.**

Over the years, Village residents have placed additions on their homes and added patios and other features that limit the ability of the ground to absorb water. New materials are now available for patios, walkways and driveways that are pervious – they allow water to pass into the ground. (\$-\$-\$)

- **Consider a back-flow preventer.** Backwater valves will stop water and sewage in an overloaded sewer line from flooding back into your basement. As water rises in the drains, the valve automatically closes and blocks the water from getting up the drain. Correctly installed backwater valves can prevent flooding through not only floor drains, but also toilets, sinks, and even laundry tubs. Be sure to discuss both the pros and cons with a knowledgeable contractor. Such installations require a plumbing permit and inspection, to insure that they are properly installed. They also require periodic maintenance to ensure that they will function when required and require the installation of sump pump if not already installed. (\$\$\$\$)
- **Check storm grates over street catch basins to make sure they are free of debris.** During storms, these grates often get plugged with yard waste and debris and as a result water backs up. Using a rake to remove such debris can help keep water flowing. It may be helpful for residents to volunteer to "adopt a sewer grate" or to designate someone for this task during storms on a rotating basis. It is also important for everyone to bag their yard debris, rather than leaving it loose on the parkway where it can be swept away during a storm and plug the street sewers. (\$)

While we believe the above measures will help, they should not be considered as providing a guarantee that would totally eliminate the occurrence of water in your basement. If a rainfall event is so severe that the surface water level is several feet above the ground at your house, water incursion may be inevitable. It is advisable to consult qualified contractors and experts for advice before proceeding with a costly measure.

While the Village believes it may be helpful to provide these suggestions, which were gathered from a number of different sources, it does so without accepting liability for any of the measures.

Tom Fieza, a Milwaukee area home inspector who has published a book entitled "How to Operate Your Home," also offers an excellent free article entitled, "Keep Your Basement Dry." The article is available at: http://htoyh.com/content/keep_your_basement_dry.pdf. Tom gave us his permission to use the illustrations included in the above list.



WFB Public Works

Leaf & Yard Waste Collection

When will leaf pick-up begin?

DPW will begin picking up leaves around mid October. The Public Works department does not schedule a day to pick-up leaves on your street. Although leaf pick-up is a priority and we try to make every effort to collect them weekly, it is dependent on crew availability and the volume of leaves that need collecting.

Where do I place my leaves?

Leaves shall be placed near or on the curb of the street. Please place your leaves away from storm inlets as leaf decay can clog storm sewers and add unwanted nutrients to Lake Michigan.

Can I throw yard waste in the leaf pile?

We encourage property owners to throw yard waste in the leaf piles to preclude a separate yard waste pick-up. Yard waste is plant material such as flowers and garden material. Branches, sticks and other woody material should not be placed with the leaves and should be left on the boulevard for chipping. The woody material makes composting of the leaves more difficult.

What does the Village do with the leaves?

Most of the leaves are temporarily stored and composted at a DNR monitored site shared with the City of Glendale. In the spring the somewhat composted piles are hauled away by a private sod grower and used as bedding material for sod beds.

Election Workers Needed

The Village wants your help! We are looking for election poll workers to participate in upcoming elections. Election worker's work from 6:30 am to the close of polls at 8 pm. This is a quasi-volunteer position paying \$75 for the day. We have 4 different voting locations in the Village and placement would depend on the need for poll workers. There are generally 2 elections in odd number years, February and April, and 4 elections in even number years, February, April, September & November.

If you would like further information or are interested in becoming a poll worker please contact the Village at 962-6690.

When is the last day that leaves or yard waste will be picked up?

Village crews will begin their last leaf collection on Nov. 15. To ensure your leaves and yard waste will be picked up in the curb, leaves and yard waste must be raked to the curb by Nov. 15. Leaves raked to the curb after the crews have made their final pass on your street will not be collected and must be bagged or containerized. The DPW will run yard waste crews to pick-up bagged and containerized material until the first significant snow fall or until Dec. 3. Due to Thanksgiving, the trucks and crew used for leaves are used for garbage pick-up and therefore there will be no leaf & yard waste pick-up from Nov. 22 to Nov. 24.

Chipping and Yard Waste Material Drop Site

DPW will not be chipping branches after Dec. 3. Chipping will resume in April of 2010. Due to winter conditions, the Village is unable to pick-up leaves, yard waste and chipping material from December to April. If you do have material after Dec. 3 and throughout the winter months you can take and dispose of the material at the Village's transfer station. The transfer station is shared with the Village of Shorewood and is located at 3801 N. Morris Blvd. The transfer station is open from 8 am to 2 pm on:

- December-March on the first Saturday of the month
- April-November on the first & third Saturday of the month

Fees to use the site are \$5 per car, \$10 per truck, van or SUV, \$5 per additional load with a trailer, and \$40 per multi-axle vehicle or dump truck. No construction or demolition debris will be accepted.

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 Oct. 16, Nov. 20, Dec. 18, and Jan. 15. The sessions are held from 9 to 11 am in the lower level Historical Room of the Village Hall.

WFB Police Department

Halloween Safety Tips

It is almost time for witches, ghosts and goblins to appear at parties and on neighborhood streets in search of fun and treats. In order to make the Halloween holiday safe, the North Shore Fire Department and National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) recommend the following tips:

- Purchase only costumes, wigs and props labeled flame-resistant or flame-retardant. When creating a costume, choose material that will not easily ignite if it comes in contact with heat or flame. Avoid billowing or long trailing features.
- Dried flowers, cornstalks and crepe paper are highly flammable. Keep these and other decorations well away from all open flames and heat sources, including light bulbs, heaters, etc.
- Use flashlights when illuminating Jack-o-lanterns. Use extreme caution when decorating with candle lit Jack-O-Lanterns, and supervise children at all times when candles are lit. When lighting candles inside Jack-O-Lanterns, use long, fireplace-style matches and be sure to place lit pumpkins well away from anything that can burn including doorsteps, walkways and yards.
- Remember to keep exits clear of decorations, ensuring

nothing blocks escape routes.

- Use flashlights as alternatives to candles or torch lights when decorating walkways and yards. They are much safer for trick-or-treaters, whose costumes may brush against the lighting.
- Instruct children to stay away from open flames or other heat sources. Be sure children know how to stop, drop and roll in the event their clothing catches fire. (Stop immediately, drop to the ground, covering your face with your hands, and roll over and over to extinguish flames.)
- Instruct children who are attending parties at others' homes to locate the exits and plan how they would get out in an emergency.
- Provide children with lightweight flashlights to carry for lighting or as part of their costumes.
- Send someone a special Halloween e-card with Halloween safety tips from Sparky the Fire dog at www.sparkycards.org.

Please contact the NSFD Public Education Office at (414) 228-0292, should you have any questions regarding fire safety.

Transient Merchants and Solicitors

Village Ord. 15.07 provides regulations relating to transient merchants and solicitors. Transient merchants include any peddlers or canvassers who engage in any temporary or transient business in the Village selling goods, wares, services or merchandise. Transient merchants must have a permit, issued by the Village, prior to conducting business. Solicitors include those who solicit money or items for donation in person. Solicitors must register with the Village prior to soliciting in the Village.

This ordinance does not apply to:

- Persons selling goods or materials at wholesale to dealers.
- Vendors of dairy products, fruit juices, bakery goods or groceries to regular customers on established routes.
- Local merchants delivering goods.
- Farmers selling products of their farm or garden.
- Governmental agents in the performance of their official duties.
- Persons solely engaged in acts of political or religious speech or the free exercise of religion to the extent such acts are protected under State and Federal Laws.
- Residents under the age of 21 years conducting door-to-door sales or solicitations on behalf of a charitable or non-profit educational organization, including, but not limited to the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, public and

private schools, UNICEF, and youth athletic leagues and organizations.

General Prohibitions (Transient Merchants, Solicitors, & Exempt Persons)

No person shall do any of the following upon visiting any business or residence in the Village:

- Falsely or fraudulently misrepresent the quantity, character or quality of any merchandise.
- Engage in door-to-door selling of goods, wares, merchandise, services, or soliciting other than between the hours of 9 am to either 7 pm or one hour after sunset (whichever comes earlier).
- Call on any dwelling or other place where a sign is displayed bearing the words, "No Peddlers", "No Solicitors", or words with a similar meaning.
- Call at the rear door of any dwelling place, or remain on the premises after being asked to leave.

If you have any doubt about whether or not the person has been issued a permit or registered with the Village, ask to see proof of the permit and/or registration. If you don't think that the person has registered, or has not complied with the general prohibitions, please call the Police Department immediately at (414) 962-4619. A police officer will be sent to check on the person.

Historic Preservation Commission

Jane Archer Home



JANE ARCHER in 1938.



HORST Schillbach as a young man (left). Jane Archer shortly after getting to the West in 1945.



Her life story sounds like it was written for Broadway – a war-time romance, stranded behind enemy lines, friendships with some of the most famous people of her time. It is lucky Jane Archer was an actress. Born in Connecticut in 1910, and for many years a performer on Broadway and in Europe, Jane Archer and her husband, Horst Schillbach, eventually settled in Whitefish Bay and lived for nearly 50 years in a Craftsman-style home at 5251 N. Idlewild Ave.

Aspiring to act, Archer in her 20's went to Vienna, Austria to the Max Reinhardt School of Acting, where she met, among other luminaries, Otto Preminger, an instructor who would become a famous director and actor in the U.S. They became friends, and while Preminger taught her

acting, Archer taught him English. Preminger later directed her in plays in the U.S. Archer also met Horst Schillbach, an engineering student at the University of Munich. Archer returned to the States to act on Broadway with Helen Hayes, Lynne Fontaine, Alfred Lunt, and other stars, but maintained a long-distance relationship with Schillbach. She returned to Germany in 1938 to marry him.

Archer took a job with the English Repertory Theater in Berlin and was intending to be there only one year when World War II broke out. Schillbach was then a research engineer at a Siemens electronics plant, making it impossible for them to leave the country. The couple endured bombings of both their neighborhood and his plant. As Russian troops were closing in on the city in 1945, they were able to escape to Munich.

The two made their way to the U.S. after the war, and in 1948 settled in the home at 5251 N. Idlewild Ave. They had a son, Robert, born in 1949. Archer for many years performed a one-person show entitled, "Helen Hayes: Life-Career-Roles" in which she would tell details from Hayes' life and dramatized scenes from her plays. Archer died in 1999 at the age of 89. Schillbach, who worked for Allen-Bradley Corp., died in 2002 at 94.

Their home at 5251 N. Idlewild was built in 1926 by architect Herbert Ebling. It features a high-pitched hipped roof, and a large bay window centered at the front of the house. The first owners were Leland and Sylvia Thorpe. Herbert Ebling later established Ebling and Plunkett Architects. The firm built several homes that are considered historic, and is the predecessor of Plunkett Raysich Architects LLC today. Jane Archer's and Horst Schillbach's home was placed on the Whitefish Bay Architectural and History Inventory in June by the Historic Preservation Commission.

Programs for Older Adults

3F (Friends, Fellowship, Food) Luncheons – 11:30 am registration, 12 pm lunch, and 1 pm program. Cost is \$5.25 held in the gym of the Lydell Community Center located at 5205 N. Lydell Ave. Registration required one week in advance.

- Tuesday, Sept. 14 – Douglas Armstrong, *Which is Better, the Movie or the Book?*
- Tuesday, Oct. 5 – Pat Pollworth, *Milwaukee City Safaris*
- Tuesday, Nov. 4 – Thomas Kroeger, Lakeshore State Park Manager, "An Overview of the Lakeshore State Park"
- Tuesday, Dec. 7 – Ed De Preter, WWII veteran, "My Experiences"

Upcoming Tours

- *Altera Coffee Shop*, 1899 N. Humboldt Ave. – Oct. 13, \$11. Tour and box lunch included.
- *Discover Croatia, the Dalmatian Coast, and Slovenia* – March 14-24, 2011 from Collette Vacations Tour, \$2,799 for double occupancy. An information and orientation meeting will be held on Sept. 16 at 10 am in room 15 of the Lydell Community Center.
- *New York City* – March 15-20, 2011 from Diamond Tour, \$515 double occupancy.

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

Health Department

Clinics

The Health Department is currently offering the following:

- Adult Health Risk Screening (\$25) – 8 am-noon on Sept. 28, Oct. 26, and Nov. 23.
- Blood Pressure Clinic (free) – 4-6 pm on Sept 22, Oct. 27, and Dec. 1.
- Blood Lead Screening (\$5) – By appointment only for uninsured ages 1-5 years.
- Immunization Clinics (cost varies) – Mondays from 2-4 pm on Sept. 13, Oct. 11, and Nov. 8. Tuesdays from 7:30-9:30 am on Sept. 21, Oct. 19, and Nov. 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 – Collection kits available with results sent directly to your home.
- Radon Testing (\$5) – 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 us at (414) 847-2710 for more information and to schedule appointments.

Protect Yourself from West Nile Virus

West Nile virus was bumped from the news by H1N1 for awhile, but the mosquito-transmitted virus is still around and problematic. The Shorewood/Whitefish Bay Health Department offers these tips for decreasing your risk:

- Use insect repellent (no more than 35% DEET for adults, less than 10% DEET for children).
- Wear long pants, long-sleeved shirts and socks while outside during the evening and dawn hours.
- Stay indoors when mosquitoes are most active.
- Keep door and window screens in good repair.

- Eliminate standing water in your yard, and whenever possible, eliminate surfaces where water can collect.
- Make sure rain gutters drain properly.
- Clean and chlorinate swimming pools and hot tubs; cover when not in use.
- Change bird baths frequently (every 3 days).
- Encourage your neighbors to do the same.

If you have questions on West Nile virus or mosquitoes, contact the Shorewood/Whitefish Bay Health Department at (414)847-2710.

Recreation Department

The WFB Recreation and Community Education Department is offering many NEW enrichment, fitness and sport classes for youths, adults and seniors. Don't wait to register programs do fill quickly! Fall Recreation Guides will be delivered to residents, available at the Recreation Department or found on-line at www.wfbschools.com in mid-August.

Lydell Preschool Enrolling For the 2009-2010 School Year, New Afternoon Preschool Session Added

The Lydell Preschool is offered in conjunction with the WFB School District and follows the district school 2010-2011 calendar. It is offered Monday, Wednesday, Friday or Tuesday, Thursday from 9 am to 11:30 am. Class size is limited to 16. Call to set up an informational meeting and tour at (414) 963-3888. Enrollment packets are available at the Recreation and Community Education Department or online at www.wfbschools.com.

Community Open Swim Program Summer Hours

The WFB Field House Pool is available for use on the first and third Sundays of each month from Sept. 19 to Dec. 19 at 1-3:30 pm. All children under 7 must be accompanied

by a parent or guardian. Any child of 7 years and older, but under 48" in height, must prove their swimming ability to the satisfaction of the lifeguards. Open swim payments are collected at the door of the field house pool prior to pool use, exact change is appreciated. Students and children ages 4-18 cost \$2.50, adults cost \$3, and the family maximum charge is \$6. Children under 3 years old are free. Contact the department at (414) 963-3947 with any questions.

Basketball Leagues

Games are played on Saturday mornings and afternoons from Nov. 6 to Feb. 12. The registration deadline is Oct. 15 and the fee is \$50 per resident (\$60 late) and \$55 per non-resident (\$70 late). The following leagues are being offered:

- Coed – Grades 1-2
- Girl's – Grades 3-4
- Boy's – Grades 3-6

Coed Dodgeball Leagues

The fee per league is \$20. The following leagues are being offered:

- Grades 5-6 – The games are played on Tuesdays from 3:45-4:45 from Oct. 12 to Nov. 16.



WFB Library

Fall Programming

Digitization of the Mimi Bird Historical Documents

The process is underway to digitize all the records, articles, photos and handwritten accounts compiled by longtime resident and local historian Mimi Bird. Thanks to donations from the Bird Family, WFB Civic Foundation and the WFB Garden Club we will be able to have digital access available to this fascinating collection of WFB history. Eventually you will see a link on the WFB Library's website to the historical documents and will be able to search it by a person's name, subject, keyword and other access points from your own computer or inside the library from one of our public computers. Funds are still needed for the completion of the digitizing, if you would like to donate please indicate that your donation is for the Mimi Bird Historical Documents project.

Get Your Knit On! – Sept. 25 from 1-3 pm

Get ready to start those fall knitting projects by making your own set of knitting needles. It's more fun to knit with needles you made yourself, and they make a great gift for your favorite knitter. This program is for adults and kids (grades 5 and up). Supplies are provided for each participant to make one pair of wooden knitting needles. Space is limited and registration is required. Call the library at 964-4380 to register, or stop at the adult reference desk.

Calling all Knitters! (and wannabe knitters)

Come to the library for our fall Sit 'n Knit program. This six week program is open to adults and kids (grades 5 and up) who are experienced OR beginning knitters. There will be limited instruction available for beginners and plenty of opportunity to work on projects, share knitting ideas, and learn new skills. Knitters must provide their own supplies. So, if you like to spend time with fellow knitters or would like to pick up a new hobby (in time to make some cozy holiday gifts for family & friends), join the Sit 'n Knit at the library. Wednesdays at 7 pm, from Oct. 6 through Nov. 10. Space is limited and registration is required. Call the library at 964-4380 or stop at the adult reference desk to register.

Book & Film Club

Read the book, watch the film, and join us at 7 pm in the upstairs program room for the discussion. Please stop by the Adult Services desk or call 964-4380 to register.

- Sept. 21 – Up in the Air based on the novel by Walter Kim
- Oct. 12 – About a Boy, based on the novel by Nick Hornby
- Nov. 23 – The Last Picture Show, based on the novel by Larry McMurtry

Fall 2010 Youth Programs

Call to find out more about the storytimes, programs, and clubs! Or see our website at www.wfblibrary.org. To register for programs, call the Youth Services Desk at 755-6555 or stop in! Space is limited!

Storytimes

- Buddies and Books, Mondays, 10:15-11:15 am (ages 1-4) No registration required.
- Twos Step, Tuesdays, 10:15-10:45 am (ages 24-35 mos) Registration is required.
- Family Time, Wednesdays, 6:30-7 pm (12 mos - 5 yrs) Registration is required.
- Ones Step, Thursdays, 10:15-10:35 am (12-23 mos) Registration is required.
- Preschool Stories, Thursdays, 10:45-11:15 am (ages 3-5) Registration is required.

Clubs

- Jr. Adventure Club - Sept. 13, Oct. 11, Nov. 8, and Dec. 6, 3:30-4:15 pm (grades K-2) Registration is required.
- Adventure Club - Sept. 21, Oct. 19, Nov. 16, Dec. 14, 3:30-4:30 pm (grades 3-5) Registration is required.
- Manga Club - Sept. 20, Oct. 25, Nov. 22, Dec. 20, 6:30-7:30 pm (grades 4-6) Registration is required.

- Young Adult Book Club - Sept. 28, Oct. 26, and Nov. 30, 6:30-7:30 pm (grades 6-8) Registration is required.

Programs

- Spooky Guessing Jar, Oct. 20-27 (ages 0-18)
- Olympians Party – Oct. 27, 3:30-5 pm (grades 4-8). Please register by calling the Youth Services Desk at 755-6555 by Oct. 25.
- Halloween Craft – Oct. 29, 10 am to 3 pm
- Let Down Your Hair! – Nov. 23, 3:30-4:30 pm (grades 2-4) Registration is required.
- Thanksgiving Day Craft – Nov. 24, 10 am to 3 pm
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Teen Programs - Celebrate Teen Read Week Oct. 17-23

- MP3/IPOD BEATnik Poetry - Oct. 19, 3:30- 4:30 pm (grades 6- 12)
- That Movie's Got BEAT - Oct. 20, 3:30- 5:30 pm (grade 6-12)
- BEAT That Ball - Oct. 21, 3:00- 5 pm (grades 6- 12)
- Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows Trivia Contest - Nov. 1- 17 (grades 6- 12)
- Teen Movie! Harry Potter and the Half Blood Prince - Nov. 18, 3:30-6 pm (grades 6-12)

Civic Foundation

The Pumpkins are Coming! The Pumpkins are Coming!

WFB's traditional pumpkin display will be from Wednesday, Oct. 27 to Sunday, Oct. 31 in Schoolhouse Park across from the Library. The event features hundreds of pumpkins carved by residents. Some pumpkins weigh several hundred pounds and are carved by a professional pumpkin carver. The other pumpkins are small and will be created by the youngest members of our community but creativity abounds. Open carving will be 6 to 9 pm each night. There will be live entertainment and food available from Pandl's and What's Poppin'. Bring the entire family!

Sponsors include the Milwaukee Admirals, Aurora Advanced Healthcare, Active Care Rehab, Johnson

Bank, Whitefish Bay Business Improvement District, Elements Salon, Hounds Around Town and Brian Houston Salon. The Whitefish Bay Civic Foundation thanks them for their support.

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.

WFB Business Improvement District



Are you getting married or know someone who is? Then, mark your calendars for the inaugural WFB Bridal Walk Saturday, Sept. 25, on Silver Spring Dr. Preparing for the big day takes more than a little coordination. And the little things can bring the most stress hair and makeup appointments, sending out invitations, finding the perfect attendants gifts, choosing the right officiate, packing for the honeymoon. What brides do not know is that one stop on Silver Spring Drive in downtown WFB can check off more to-dos than they thought possible. From the big choice of what to wear down to the small details that make a wedding pop, the retail corridor of WFB has more to offer than just dresses and cakes.

On Sept. 25, the merchants of Silver Spring Dr. will help brides-to-be, from all over Milwaukee, celebrate their engagement with the inaugural WFB Bridal Walk - featuring well known staples in every Milwaukee bride's experience, such as Zita's, Schwanke-Kasten and Regina's Bay Bakery. But the day is not just for the newly engaged. There will be plenty to see and do for anyone planning or attending a wedding, or for those who just love to shop. We look forward to seeing you at the Bridal Walk!

WHITEFISH BAY FARMERS MARKET



Thank you to the many supporters of your WFB Farmers Market. The Whitefish Bay BID is pleased that so many people were able to come out to enjoy this fresh, educational and family focused activity. The BID - in collaboration with the Shorewood/Whitefish Bay Health Department, the North Shore Environmental Health Consortium, and others were proud to present a great first season of farm fresh produce every Saturday morning in Aug. and Sept. right here on Silver Spring Dr. For more information visit www.facebook.com/wfbfarmmkt or www.shopwhitefishbay.com.

Bay Players *Forbidden Broadway, Greatest Hits*

The Bay Players will open their 2010-2011 season with the Special Tony Award winning musical comedy: *Forbidden Broadway, Greatest Hits*. Celebrating his 25th year as director, Ray Bradford will be directing this Special Tony Award winning musical comedy. It features a large cast of singers and actors from many familiar Broadway musicals that will leave audiences humming old tunes with new words long after the curtain comes down. Performances are on Sept. 24, 25, Oct. 1, and 2 with all shows at 8 pm. The theatre is located at the WFB High School Auditorium, 1200 E. Fairmount Ave., WFB. Due to construction at WFBHS music wing, entrance to the auditorium may be re-routed. Please consult the Bay Players website or call the school for further information about any changes to the entrance. Tickets are \$16.00 for adults, and \$14.00 for seniors/students. Contact the Bay Players at: 414-299-9040 or www.thebayplayers.com for more info.

Cub Scout Packs in WFB

Would your boy benefit from Cub Scouting? Boys in grades 1-5 can take part in our Village Cub Scout programs. Cub Scouting is now enrolling boys for the 2010-2011 school year:

- Pack 390 at St. Monica's – Contact Jim at jgchicogomez@gmail.com
- Pack 398 at Richards School – Contact Vincent at cubpack398@gmail.com
- Pack 400 at Cumberland School – Contact Jim at jpomes@wi.rr.com



The Whitefish Bay Woman's Club

The WFB Woman's Club extends a warm welcome to women of all ages to come, look us over, and consider becoming a member. General Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of the month, Oct. through May, at 1 pm at the clubhouse at 600 E. Henry Clay St. Programs are planned for the education, enlightenment and entertainment for our members and guests. In addition to these programs, there are numerous activities and functions allowing the Woman's Club to raise funds to support many local scholarships and charitable foundations. Some upcoming events are:

- Sept. 15 - Community Blood Drive
- Sept. 29 - Festa di Pasta
- Oct. 24 - HallowScream - a community children's party
- Oct. 27 - Book Review
- Nov. 1 - Community Blood Drive
- Dec. 8 - Holiday Tea

Stop in or call 322-7781 for more information. Office space at the west end of the clubhouse is also available for lease.

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) - Northshore Dispatch	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