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Dear Friends:

I hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable Memorial Day weekend, which I always believe is the kickoff to summer. Now that the weather is finally getting better I hope you will be able to enjoy the many opportunities Milwaukee County has to offer. Whether it is the lakefront, the zoo, our 15 golf courses or the museum, I am sure that you will find something that sparks your interest.

I especially encourage you to visit the two County-owned attractions right in our back yard: the Boerner Botanical Gardens and the Wehr Nature Center. The upcoming classes and activities for both are listed at the end of each edition of *Privileged to Serve*.

If at any time you feel the need to contact my office for additional information or any general questions please do so. I am here to serve you and I always look forward to talking with the fine residents of Franklin, Hales Corners and Oak Creek.

All My Best,



DREXEL TOWN SQUARE CEREMONIAL GROUND BREAKING

The April edition of Privileged to Serve newsletter included a report on the development of Drexel Town Square, Oak Creek's newest retail, commercial, residential and civic development, soon to be built on the corner of Drexel and Howell Avenues. Reminiscent of a traditional downtown, the new development will include a real Main Street with a newly constructed City Hall and Library on a town square, surrounded by retail stores, restaurants, shops, businesses and apartments.

Supervisor Taylor attended the ceremonial groundbreaking on Saturday, May 12th along with Oak Creek Mayor Steve Scaffidi, State Senator Chris Larson and other elected officials representing Oak Creek. The dignitaries in attendance performed the ceremonial turning of the ground that marked the beginning of this exciting and monumental step for Oak Creek.

It is very pleasing to see Oak Creek take this exciting new step as the new development will not only benefit the residents of Oak Creek, but will also help boost economic development in the surrounding communities as well.



State Senator Larson, Supervisor Taylor and Mayor Scaffidi at the ceremonial groundbreaking.

LEGISLATIVE ROUNDUP

The Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors met for its regularly scheduled meeting on May 22, 2014. The most pertinent legislation considered was:

- 8-9 vote to withdraw a resolution providing for an advisory referendum on the Nov. 4, 2014, ballot on whether tax revenue should be used to help pay for the renovation or construction of a new sports and entertainment arena. Supervisor Taylor voted against withdrawing the referendum resolutions as he believes that, due to the recent sale of the Milwaukee Bucks, more information is needed before the referendum question is finalized and posed to the public.
- 8-9 vote against establishing policy of Milwaukee County to maintain services with Milwaukee Transit Services, Inc. for management of transit while the Dept. of Transportation explores multiple transit management and operations structures. Supervisor Taylor voted against this resolution as it has potential to further delay contracting for our transit system operator.
- 13-4 vote in favor of a resolution requesting the Facilities Management and Procurement staff of the Dept. of Administrative Services, the Dept. of Transportation and the Dept. of Health and Human Services issue a Request for Proposals for the provision of housekeeping and janitorial services in County Facilities. Supervisor Taylor opposed this resolution as the Board should have finalized the contract with Clean Power at the last meeting, effectively saving the county \$ 2 million.

To view the votes on all actions taken by the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors, please visit the [Milwaukee County Legislative Information Center](#).

SUPERVISOR TAYLOR HONORS ALYSON DUDEK

Supervisor Taylor recently presented Alyson Dudek – our very own Olympian from Hales Corners – with an honorary citation on behalf of the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors, honoring her second appearance in the Olympic Games competition as part of Team USA.

Alyson began skating at age seven and has been a Category 1 short track athlete since 2003, a Category 1 long track athlete since 2004 and is currently a member of the U.S. Speed Skating National Short Track Training Program in addition to being a member of the 2010 and 2014 U.S. Speed Skating Olympic Team.

As an exceptional athlete and well-rounded individual, Alyson is also a fast-pitch softball veteran who made the All-Star Team, and also ran varsity track for four years.

Keep on making us proud Alyson!



Supervisor Taylor presenting the Milwaukee County Board citation to Alyson Dudek

MILWAUKEE COUNTY 2014 SENIOR CITIZEN HALL OF FAME

On May 23, 2014 the Milwaukee County Department on Aging held its annual Milwaukee County Senior Citizen Hall of Fame Award ceremony. As a member of the Milwaukee County Commission on Aging, Supervisor Taylor attended the event where five outstanding seniors from Milwaukee County who have served the community as volunteers and as advocates on behalf of the elderly were inducted into the Hall of Fame.

The Commission on Aging appoints a committee to review nominations for the Hall of Fame Award. This committee then recommends five seniors from the applicants to be inducted into the Hall of Fame.

Mr. Fred Knueppel of Franklin was one of the 2014 inductees. He becomes the third inductee from the City of Franklin, which is extremely proud of his accomplishment. Supervisor Taylor presented Fred with a citation from the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors in honor of this outstanding achievement. His volunteer efforts with the Franklin Seniors, the Lion's Club, Independence First as well as his service on Franklin's Planning Commission are among many accomplishments that make him worthy of this great honor. Congratulations on your well-earned recognition Fred!



County Executive Abele joined Supervisor Taylor to present Fred Knueppel with the honorary citation.

WEHR NATURE CENTER

NatureNauts- Fantastic Fathers

Mon, June 16, 9:30am – 10:30am

\$10 per child

\$7 for Milwaukee County residents

\$5 for members of Friends of Wehr

Celebrate nature's fantastic fathers! We'll learn how animal dads feed, protect and play with their babies and take a walk to meet some fantastic animal fathers that live at Wehr.

Pre-registration is required for all children's programs. Deadline is the Friday before the program date.

Sky Viewing With Wehr Astronomical Society

Sat, June 7, 1pm – 5pm

Solar viewing with experts from the Wehr Astronomical Society. Telescopes with special sun filters will be on hand. Cloudy skies will cancel the session.

For details, go to: www.wehrastro.org

Please click [here](#) for the entire
Milwaukee County Parks
Event Calendar

Milwaukee County Free Days!

Complimentary admission to Milwaukee County residents
ONLY with valid photo ID on the following days:



MILWAUKEE ART MUSEUM
**FREE the first Thursday
of every month**
Free for all visitors. Visit www.mam.org
for additional information.



FREE Days for 2014:
1/4, 2/1, 3/1, 4/5, 11/1 & 12/6
Special Holidays:
Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day
& New Year's Day
Visit www.milwaukeezoo.org



**MITCHELL PARK
DOMES**
**FREE on Mondays
from 9:00 a.m. - Noon**
Excludes major holidays.
Visit www.milwaikedomes.org
for additional information.

BOERNER CORNER

Pulling Weeds Not Your Back

June 1 @ 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Members \$10 Non-Members \$15

Kathy Schuh of Krsko Chiropractic Clinic will offer information about how chiropractic care can help us maintain mobility as we age. Kathy will share materials and demonstrate stretching techniques and exercises specifically for gardeners. A guided walk after the talk is available.

Please [click here](#) for more info and to register.

Art in the Garden

June 11 @ 10:00 am - 11:00 am

Members \$10 Non-Members \$12

Stroller Rolls Mom & Me Garden Walk Program are a mom and me stroller-based walking program designed for moms with little ones. Each 60-minute program includes a guided walk through the garden with activities and a snack based on a garden theme.

Art in the Garden – June 11 Herbs and the 5 Senses – July 9 Garden Zoo – August 13 Pre-Registration is required.

Please [click here](#) for more info and to register.

GOLF SEASON HAS BEGUN

The golf season at the Milwaukee County Parks is in full swing.

Head on over to the Milwaukee County Parks Golf Courses [website](#) to check on the course conditions and book your tee time.

You do not have to travel far to enjoy a great golfing experience!

