

# Executive Update

Milwaukee County Executive Scott Walker's Weekly Newsletter

June 13, 2008

## Message from County Executive Walker

*The Governor and I toured flood sites in South Milwaukee and Oak Creek on Monday. We were joined by the Sheriff, the Mayors of South Milwaukee, Oak Creek and Cudahy, Brig. General Dunbar of the Wisconsin National Guard and emergency personnel from across the county. The impact of the rain was amazing and the response was even more impressive.*

*Public employees and private citizens stood together to take on the flood waters. County staff joined with municipal staffs, state and federal officials, and disaster relief agencies to respond to the storms and flood waters.*

*While the response was outstanding and the fact that there were no deaths or major injuries, one thing did trouble me – kids in water. At numerous sites, we saw kids playing in the water. In many cases, parents were nearby watching as we chased the kids out of the water and back outside police tape. Pass on the word: stay out of the water!*

*To report damage done by the flooding that will assist in Milwaukee County getting federal aid for relief efforts, call 278-3000 and provide details to the staff or fill out the E-form on the Sheriff's website at <http://www.county.milwaukee.gov/Damageform>*

*Scott*



## David F. Schulz Aquatic Center groundbreaking



County Executive Walker joined members of David F. Schulz' family, (top photo: son Bobby, widow Jo Ann, Jerry and Barb Schulz, Amy Chieffo and Peggy Schulz), along with Supervisors Gerry Broderick, Theodore Lipscomb and Chris Larson, and Parks Director Sue Black for the official groundbreaking ceremony for the David F. Schulz Aquatic Center at Lincoln Park. The waterpark will feature the largest outdoor Lazy River in the region, heated pools, zero depth entry, lap lanes, diving boards, tube and body slides, interactive children's play area, shade trees and Fun-brellas, concessions, and a new dressing facility.

David Schulz, former Milwaukee County Executive serving from 1988-1992, and former Parks Director, was a strong advocate for the waterpark concept. "His legendary passion for the county, particularly the parks and pools, deserves recognition," said Walker. "This aquatic center is a fitting tribute."

## County Pools Open Saturday with Free Day

County Executive Walker announced a free opening day at county pools along with free swim lessons to the first 100 children who sign up between 9am – 11:30am at each county pool. Chartered Financial Analysts (CFA) Society of Milwaukee is sponsoring the free swim day, and Northwestern Mutual partnered with the Parks Department to sponsor the free swim lessons. For a complete listing of county pools, hours and fees, visit [www.countyparks.com](http://www.countyparks.com).

## 2009 Budget Town Hall Meetings

County Executive Walker will hold two town hall meetings to give county residents the opportunity to comment on the 2009 Budget. He will be joined by department heads to listen to public comment in advance of receiving departmental budget proposals for the coming year.

Walker will give an overview of the fiscal outlook for 2009 as he begins planning for the 2009 budget process. Public input is sought for the preliminary budget planning process.

**Monday, June 16, 2008 - 3:30pm – 5:00pm**  
**Brown Deer Public Library – Community Room**  
**5600 W. Bradley Road, Brown Deer**

**Friday, June 20, 2008 – 9:00am – 10:30am**  
**Wilson Park Senior Center – Main Hall**  
**2601 W. Howard Avenue, Milwaukee**

## Milwaukee County Historical Society Gets Starring Role



County Executive Walker toured the set for the filming of “Public Enemies” with Milwaukee County Historical Society Executive Director Bob Teske and Robert Brumder - the capital campaign co-chair. Actor Johnny Depp was in town this week to film scenes, and crews worked for months restoring the building to its original use as a bank. Those efforts helped, but restoration projects are still underway. Interested individuals who would like to contribute to the Historical Society restoration can call (414) 273-8288.

## Community Events

County Executive Walker joined the 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration for the Lake Express Ferry and welcomed the participants of the Wisconsin Entrepreneur Conference this week.

Walker met with federal officials in Washington, D.C. this week on county-related issues. Meetings were held with the Federal Transit Administration, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, Senator Herb Kohl, and Congressman Paul Ryan, Congresswoman Gwen Moore, and Congressman Jim Sensenbrenner.