



Larson Report

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E-NEWS

STANDING COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Personnel

Parks, Energy and
Environment

Judiciary, Safety,
and General
Services

SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

Pension Study
Commission

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

What events would
you like to see
happen in our parks?

Please call me or
send me an email
with your thoughts.

Dear Neighbor,

Hope you are doing well and enjoying the great weather we've been having! As it begins to warm up outside, there are plenty of opportunities to get active in your neighborhood. From fishing clinics for kids to a free day at the zoo, there is plenty to do. See the events below for something you might like. Also, if you know of something happening next month, please pass on the info and we'll help spread the word!

-Chris

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Chris Larson on the April Edition of Inside the County Board

[Inside the County Board](#) is a monthly public service program to provide in-depth look at actions of the County Board of Supervisors

Be sure to check out April's edition to hear Milwaukee County Supervisors Chris Larson, Joe Rice, and Michael Mayo discuss regional transit and other important issues facing Milwaukee County.

The show aired Sunday, April 4th, at 9:00pm and is archived on *Inside the County Board's* website:

<http://www.county.milwaukee.gov/InsidetheCountyBoard>

Great American Cleanup Day

Friends and neighbors,

The Milwaukee County Parks and Keep Greater Milwaukee Beautiful NEED YOUR HELP! Starting April 17th - Keep Greater Milwaukee Beautiful and your Parks will be hosting Great American Cleanup Day. To help support your Parks and Community, please make sure to sign up with the information below:

The Site Coordinators packet is located at [this link](#) or go to the web page for the Great American Cleanup here: <http://kgmb.org/gac.html>

The coordinator this year is Johannah Waite. You can reach her at (414) 272 - 5462 ext. 104. She will be delighted to assist you with any and all supplies you will need and a location/park to go to"

There will also be clean ups at [Humboldt Park](#) and [South Shore Park](#) a week later, on Sat., April 24th starting at 9am. We'll be meeting up at the Humboldt Park Pavilion and the South Shore Park Pavilion.

Thanks in advance for your support!

Wilson Park Bench Painting

April 24th, join your neighbors around Wilson Park to paint new benches for the park. Meet at the Shelter area by the playground at Wilson Park from 10-1. Lunch will be served.

Hope you can stop by and please help spread the word!

Any questions, please contact Tammy at TammyKukla@aol.com

Fraud Hotline

Since its inception in 1994, the Department of Audit Hotline program has been the primary means for concerned employees, citizens, and contractors to communicate allegations of fraud, waste and abuse involving County government. Investigation of these allegations by the Department of Audit has led to considerable savings to the taxpayers of Milwaukee County and other jurisdictions, including a combined total of \$1.1 million over the past two years.

Many thanks to the numerous employees and others who have helped make the Audit Hotline program successful and a word of encouragement to all employees to contact the Hotline to report any of the following:

- Concerns over inefficient Milwaukee County government operations
- Incidents of fraud or waste in County government
- Ideas for improving efficiency and/or effectiveness of services

Individuals contacting the Hotline are not required to identify themselves.

Our bright green colored Hotline flyer, which is posted at employee work locations across the County, provides information on the various ways to contact the Hotline. Additionally, links to the Hotline flyer are available on the County internet and intranet home pages.

A direct link to the flyer is provided below for your convenience.

<http://www.county.milwaukee.gov/ImageLibrary/Groups/cntyAudit/HOTLINEcurrent.pdf>

Safe and Sound Community Organizers Conference

Safe & Sound is in the final preparations for a Community Organizers Conference on April 9th, 2010. The conference is a collaborative effort with Safe & Sound, Milwaukee HIDTA, Marquette University Center for Community Transformation, and the Milwaukee County Sheriff's Department. The audience will be composed of community organizers and neighborhood leaders who work to improve the safety and security, as well as the physical and social environment of Milwaukee block-by-block.

The theme of the conference is "mobilizing resources for safer neighborhoods." The services and resources many organizations, government entities and individuals provide are a truly valuable asset to community organizers and neighborhood leaders in their collaborative efforts to improve Milwaukee. The focus of the conference is to create a dialog among community mobilizes which fosters collaborative relationships that leverage these assets. Moreover, we hope attendees will learn about new resources and begin to see their existing neighborhood attributes in a new light.

The conference will be a one-day event focused on capacity building, training and resource mobilization. It will be held at the Milwaukee County Sheriff's Academy on **April 9th from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM**. We expect over 100 participants to be involved and feature an introduction by local Milwaukee leaders. A two hour presentation on neighborhood asset mobilization by Marquette's Center for Community Transformation will kick-off the day. The afternoon will offer three one hour-long presentations, as well as seven community resource tables.

For more information and to register download the conference flyer and registration form: [Conference Flyer and Registration Form](#)

Did you know?

Milwaukee County supports the [Warmline](#), a call center that provides support for people living with mental illness and takes over 800 calls a month. For more information on the [Warmline](#) call (414) 257 – 5775.

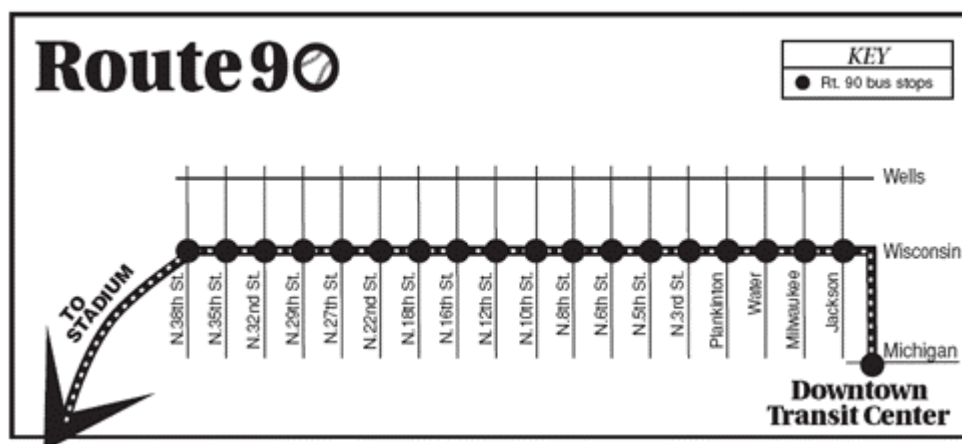
MCTS Route 90 Service to Brewers Games

Milwaukee Brewers fans can catch an MCTS Route 90 (Miller Park) bus on Wisconsin Avenue from the Downtown Transit Center to Miller Park any day the Brewers are playing.

Route 90 begins two hours before game time. On specific games when the Brewers project heavy attendance (including Opening Day), buses will operate every 10 minutes. During all other home games, buses will operate approximately every 20 minutes.

Route 90 begins at the Downtown Transit Center and makes stops along Wisconsin Avenue. From Van Buren to 10th Street, the buses stop roughly every two blocks. After 10th Street, Route 90 stops about every four blocks up to N. 38th St. Route 90 drops off passengers at the MCTS Transit Area on Yount Drive on the north side of Miller Park. Return trips operate from Yount Dr. along Wisconsin Avenue to the Downtown Transit Center. After the game is completed, buses leave from the MCTS Transit Area at Miller Park up to one-half hour after the game.

Brewers fans can also ride Route 10 (Humboldt-Wisconsin) and Route 18 (National Avenue) that stop within walking distance of Miller Park. Fares for Routes 10, 18 and 90 are \$2.25 for adults and \$1.10 for seniors (65 and over) and disabled individuals with identification, and children 6 through 11 years.



Music Under Glass 2010 Season at the Domes



This month, the Milwaukee County Parks continues its after-hours “Music Under Glass” at the Mitchell Park Domes, 524 S. Layton Boulevard. The Mitchell Park Domes Concert Series runs through April 18 every Tuesday and Thursday evening from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Light shows will occur during the evening concert breaks and after performances.

For the price of admission, attendees will be entertained by live music, an awe-inspiring, computer-generated light show and the option to tour all three Domes with their rare and exotic plant life from every continent on Earth. Food and beverages are available for purchase.

For more information, go to countyparks.com or call the Parks Office at (414) 257-PARK.

Series Schedule:

April 9..... Boo the Band..... 6:30 – 8:30
April 11..... Reilly 6:30 – 8:30
April 16..... Leroy Airmaster featuring Steve Cohen ... 6:30 – 8:30
April 18..... King Solomon..... 6:30 – 8:30

**Note – Performance schedules may be subject to change.*

Free Day at the Zoo: Saturday, April 10th

Saturday, April 10 – Family FREE Day at the Zoo

All visitors receive free admission from 9am to 4:30pm. The parking fee remains in effect. Milwaukee County

Zoo is at 10001 West Blue Mound Road, Milwaukee. More info at milwaukeezoo.org or by calling 256-5412



April Park Happenings

Free Fishing Clinics for children ages 15 and under will take place on **Saturday, April 10, 2010 from 9am to 3pm** at eleven Milwaukee County Parks, including Humboldt, Wilson, and Grant Park. The clinics begin every hour with the last clinic starting at 2 pm. Children ages 6 and under must be accompanied by an adult and groups of 25 or more must pre-register. Fishing equipment is available, but participants should bring their own rod and reel if possible. Everyone completing the clinic will receive a certificate and instructional handouts. Members of local fishing clubs will teach knot tying, safe use of equipment and proper fishing techniques. For more info, please call 263-8614.

Golf: With springtime in the air and the warming sunshine outside, the Milwaukee County Parks Department has **opened for play the following golf courses:** Brown Deer (back 9), Currie (all 18), Dretzka (all 18), Grant (all 18), Greenfield (all 18), Hansen (all 18), Lincoln (front 9), Oakwood (all 18), Warnimont (all 18), and Whitnall (all 18). Carts are available at all courses except Currie. For a limited time all golfers may play for the lowest posted fee.

The Mitchell Park Domes, 524 S. Layton Boulevard, invites visitors to attend its **Spring Floral Show “Jung at Heart”** featuring breathtaking displays of hundreds of colorful and fragrant springtime flowers blooming in the Show Dome. A brilliant, white gazebo adds to the entire scene. For more information call the Domes at (414) 649 - 9830.

The BrewCity Bruisers, Milwaukee's own all-women's roller derby league, will host their **semifinals** on Saturday, April 10 at the Milwaukee County Sports Complex, 6000 W. Ryan Rd. in Franklin. Doors open at 6 pm with games starting at 7pm. Tickets are \$12 in advance or \$15 at the door. For more information go to brewcitybruisers.com

Be sure to check out Milwaukee County Parks on [YouTube](#) and [Facebook](#)!

Register for E-Notify

If you would like to continue receiving e-newsletters from my office, you will need to sign-up for e-notify at <http://www.milwaukee.gov/enotify>. Once you have registered, you can choose what type of information you would like emailed directly to you. This includes news releases, meeting notices, agendas and job notices to name a few. This e-newsletter will be sent out through our email list until the end of summer when it will be going directly through the e-notify program. Feel free to pass this information along to anyone you think might be interested in it.

If you would like to hear live audio of the board and committee meetings check out the links below:

Live audio of County Board meetings

<http://media.county.milwaukee.gov/room200>

Live audio of Committee meetings in 201-B

<http://media.county.milwaukee.gov/room201b>

Live audio of Committee meetings in 203-R

<http://media.county.milwaukee.gov/room203r>

If you would like to get Milwaukee County Board Meeting Schedules click [here](#). For the Milwaukee County Committee Meeting Schedule click [here](#).

April Neighborhood Group Meetings:

Bay View Neighborhood Association

Contact: Patty Thompson at (414) 403 – 8003 or (414) 297 – 9783

bayviewneighborhood@gmail.com <http://www.bayviewneighborhood.org>

April District 6 Crime & Safety Meeting

When: Thursday, April 28, 6:30pm – 7:30pm

Where: St. Luke's Hospital Auditorium, 2900 W Oklahoma Ave.

Town of Lake Neighborhood Association

Contact: Julia O'Connor (Interim President) at (414) 430 – 4711

April Meeting

When: Thursday, April 8th (2nd Thursday of the Month), 6:30 pm

Where: The Water Tower (6th & Howard)

Oklahoma Gardens Neighborhood Association

Contact: (414) 672 – 6758

April Meeting

When: Monday, April 12th (2nd Monday of the Month), 6:30pm

Where: The Child Development Center of St. Joseph's, 1600 W. Oklahoma Ave.

Holt Park Neighborhood Association

Contact: Diane Kosarzycki

(414) 645 – 1967 (home) dianekosarzycki@att.net

For April meeting information contact Diane Kosarzycki

Tippecanoe Park Watch

Contact: (414) 278 – 4252

No Meeting in April

City Meadows Neighborhood Association

Contact: Cindi Herzog at (414) 817 – 8000

<http://www.Citymeadows.org>

April Steering Committee Meeting

When: Thursday, April 1, 6:30pm – 7:30pm

Where: Benny's Café, 5354 S. 27th St

Garden District Neighborhood Association

Contact: Michael Murphy at (414) 364 – 8762

April Meeting

When: Tuesday, April 20th (3rd Tuesday of the Month), 6:30p.m.

Where: 1122 W Boden Ct. 2nd Floor Conference Room

Uncas Park Neighborhood Association

Contact: Connie Wilson

(414) 759 - 9009

April Meeting

When: Contact Connie Wilson regarding meeting dates and times

Where: House of Hamburg, 5937 S Howell Ave.

Airport Gardens Neighborhood Association

Contact: Perry Buck (414) 747 – 2470 (home) or (414) 759 – 1189 (cell)

<http://www.airportgardens.org/index.html>

South Shore Park Watch

Contact: Barbara Chudnow at southshoreparkwatch@yahoo.com

April Meeting

When: Thursday, April 8th (2nd Thursday of the Month), 7:00p.m.

Where: South Shore Park Pavilion, 2900 S. Shore Dr.

Holler Park Neighborhood Association

Contact: President, Chris Kuester at (414) 769 – 1815

April Meeting

Where: Holler Park Easter Seals Pavilion

When: Monday, April 26th (Last Monday of every month), 7:00pm

Humboldt Park Watch

Contact: Ruth Simos at (414) 483 – 9330 r.simos@sbcglobal.net

For April meeting information contact Ruth Simos

Wilson Park NA

No April Meeting - Newsletter to come out mid to late April

Contact: Tammy Kukla (414) 383 – 2007 TammyKukla@aol.com

Supervisor Larson Working on Your Behalf



Supervisor Larson with Student Government Day participant Jeremy Cain, Milwaukee County Commander of the American Legion Pete Goosens, And State Vice-Commander for the American Legion Marv Brozynski.



Tom Rave, Executive Director at Airport Gateway Business Association, Supervisor Larson, Dennis McBride, Wauwatosa alderman, Wendal Harris, Milwaukee Chapter NAACP Vice President, Annie Wacker, Milwaukee Labor Council Vice President, Bob Bauman, Milwaukee Alderman, Louise Petering, League of Women Voters Milwaukee County, Nik Kovac, Milwaukee Alderman, Miek Fabishak, Association of General Contractors of Greater Milwaukee, Barbara Beckert, Disability Rights Wisconsin, and Eric Isbister, CEO of General MetalWorks speaking at the RTA Rally on March 11.

