



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,

I hope that you are enjoying your summer! There are a lot of great events coming up in our neighborhoods for you and your family to get involved with including the kick-off of Chill on the Hill this Tuesday at Humbolt Park. There are also 3 different park clean-ups coming up that will help make our parks look great through the summer.

There are also going to be free bus rides the morning of Wednesday, June 9th and a great event involving the Brewers at Humboldt Park on June 15th. Check out the rest of the Email Newsletter for more info.

Legislative Update:

-In an effort to address the growing problems at the Mental Health Complex, I voted with unanimously with the rest of the Board to create a Community Advisory Council to provide input on patient safety and mental health treatment on the Acute Care Unit at the Mental Health Complex. This committee will be chaired by Disability Rights Wisconsin, a patient's rights organization. I continue to seek answers as to what is going on there and will continue to work to ensure that patients there get the quality care they deserve and our community expects.

-As promised, I voted at the last Board meeting to ensure that our waterways and the constituents of Milwaukee are still held in high priority when I helped override the veto of Scott Walker. With this override, we prevented treated wastewater from Waukesha from being redirected to Underwood Creek pending the selling of Milwaukee water to Waukesha. Because Waukesha never consulted with Milwaukee County and because no one in Milwaukee is allowed to dump wastewater in our Parks, I voted to take this option off the table and ensure the Waukesha works directly with Milwaukee County to find solutions to their water dilemma.

-I voted with the minority on a 9-8 vote to keep prisoner transport from being taken over by the British company G4S. I believe that the Sheriff's department and the moving of prisoners is something that falls under the direct responsibility of Milwaukee County and the Sheriff. By handing this duty over to a private, for-profit firm, the chain of command changes

and Milwaukee County can no longer directly guarantee the safety of the communities the transport rides through.

-I am continuing to fight to restore the 10 positions at our airport, including 1 so that noise complaints from neighbors can be more directly addressed. These 10 people were laid off in order to fill an accounting hole, despite record profits and record growth at Mitchell Field. Mitchell Field is tax levy neutral and no tax money goes into operations nor can funds raised there fund other County functions. I tried to make the transfer happen last week but couldn't get the motion heard on the Board floor. It will be coming through the proper committees this month and I am confident the workers will be restored soon.

-Chris

Humboldt and Saveland Park Cleanups/Cattail Removals

Tired of those pesky cattails at Humboldt and Saveland Park? Let's get out and do something about it! There will be a community cleanup and cattail removal with members of the [Park People](#), neighbors, workers from the Milwaukee County Parks, and me. Chest waders and loppers will be provided so we can get at the roots of these invasive species. Don't forget to bring gloves!

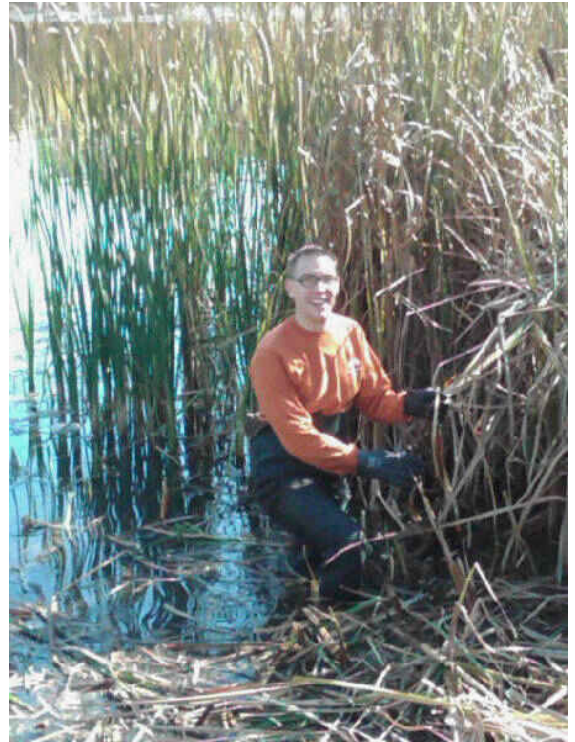
The cleanups will be:

Humboldt Park

Saturday, June 5th, from 9am – 1pm
Meeting at the Humboldt Park Pavilion

Saveland Park

Saturday June 12th, from 9am – 1pm
Meeting at the Saveland Park lagoon



Uncas Park Cleanup and Cookout

Join neighbors, friends, local community leaders, and park advocates for the 2010 Uncas Park Cleanup and Cookout! Where else can you mingle with friends, beautify Uncas Park, and get a good meal at the same time? Participants will be provided with soda, chips, hot dogs, and hamburgers.

This is a **free** event and will take place **June 12th** at **10am** to about **1pm** at **Uncas Park**. If you have any questions or would like more information, contact Connie Wilson at (414) 759 – 9009.

Chill on the Hill, 2010!

Chill on the Hill has returned for another summer of family-friendly fun! This year's musical line up will include Indie rock, zydeco, rockabilly, and more! Come on down, grab a picnic basket and bring your friends and family to Humboldt Park every Tuesday this season to enjoy this diverse selection of local bands. The weekly entertainment runs **June 8th- August 31st** starting at **6:30pm**.



Chill on the Hill 2010

Season: http://www.bayviewneighborhood.org/images/stories/pdfs/chill_2010.pdf

Every Tuesday 6:00pm - 8:30pm

June 8 – Navy Band Great Lakes (Contemporary)

June 15 – Anna Johnson and Friends (Alt. Country)

June 22 – Leroy Airmaster featuring Steve Cohen

June 29 – American Legion Band (Classics)

July 6 – Electri-Violet

July 13 – Conrad Plymouth 6:30 & Longacre 7:30

July 20 – Late for London 6:30 & Mike Benign Compulsion 7:30

July 27 – Copper Box, Run for the Park 5K Fun Run

Aug 3 – Holly Haebig and Friends 6:30 & Bikini Beachcombers 7:30

Aug 10 – Liam Ford Band

August 17 – 5 Card Studs

Aug 24 – Juniper Tar 6:30 & Decibully 7:30

Aug 31 – Paul Cebar Tomorrow Sound

Volunteers Needed for Chill on the Hill!

BVNA's Chill on the Hill is just a short week away! The concert series begins on **Tuesday, June 8**, and runs through **August 31st**, and the BVNA is looking for volunteers for the event!

Chill on the Hill is BVNA's largest and most visible event, and is the place where neighbors and friends connect on a weekly basis. To make this even successful, volunteers will be needed each night, at 5:15pm, to set up the booths, greet and assist sponsors and vendors, and offer a warm welcome to the guests of Chill on the Hill including information sharing, membership exploration, and raffle registration. Booth break down and clean up help after the event is also needed.

There is also a need for someone to help coordinate these volunteers. If you are interested in being a Volunteer Coordinator, please let the BVNA know! Thank you in advance for any help you have to offer.

Please respond by emailing [here](#). For a complete listing of Chill on the Hill dates and performers, please visit www.bayviewneighborhood.org.

Brewers Game

Looking for an affordable evening of fun out of the sun? Following the stylish alternative county sounds of Anna Johnson and Friends there will be a live broadcast of Brewers baseball! That's right, and all you have to do is sit back, relax and watch our Milwaukee Brewers take on the Los Angeles Angels on the big screen (the band shell that is!).

This will take place on **June 15th** from **9pm – 11pm***. Special thanks to [Newaukee](#), [Time](#)

[Warner Cable](#), and the [Bay View Neighborhood Association](#) for sponsoring this event.

** Pending approval, check the [Newaukee website](#) for confirmation*



June 9th – Free Morning Bus Rides

The Milwaukee County Transit System's (MCTS) celebration of 150 Years of Public Transportation continues on **Wednesday, June 9** with Miller Lite Free Rides on ALL ROUTES from **when the buses pull out in the morning until 9 a.m.**

Route and schedule information is available by calling 1-800-FREE-RIDES (1-800-373-3743), by texting "FREERIDES" to 30364 or by visiting

<http://www.millerlitefreerides.com/www.MillerLiteFreeRides.com>.

For 150 years, public transportation in Milwaukee has not only been connecting residents with job opportunities, education, and the community, but has also helped keep the environment clean and green:

- Public transportation saves more than 855 million gallons of gasoline a year by taking thousands of cars off the road. This number is equivalent to the amount of energy used to cool, heat and operate one fourth of all American homes each year.
- For every mile traveled, public transportation is twice as fuel efficient as private automobiles.
- Less congestion, better air quality and less overall fuel consumption.
- One full bus takes 30 cars off the road reducing congestion and making the air healthier to breathe. That's comparable to a line of cars six blocks long traveling at 25 mph.

Thanks to the generosity of **MillerCoors, Northwestern Mutual** and **Milwaukee Career College**, MCTS will be able to give special offers to encourage both regular and new riders to try transit this year.

Find out more at <http://www.ridemcts.com/RideMCTS.com>.

Wilson Park 4th of July Needs Volunteers

Soon enough it will be that time of year again when we will be celebrating this great nation's birthday. Once again, with community support, Wilson Park will have another great 4th of July event. If you are interested in volunteering, you can hand out ice cream, help with the children's games and contests, or you can help with concessions. An hour or two of your time on Monday, **July 5** would mean a lot for the community and would help continue moving this great tradition forward. If you are interested in helping, contact **Joanne** at **(414) 481 - 4136**.

June Park Happenings



"From Boerner to Your Backyard: 2010 Garden Walks with Melinda Meyers" - Join gardening expert, TV host and author Melinda Myers at Boerner Botanical Gardens for this unique first-time series of garden walks guided by Melinda. The walks will feature a season long look at plants providing color, texture or form that can add beauty to your landscape at different times of the season. Walk away with plenty of ideas for improving your gardens and brightening your landscape throughout the year during this unique experience that will enable you to get your questions answered by Melinda directly within an intimate group setting. (Space is limited. Walks are held rain or shine.) ***Ground Covers and Vines, June 23: Walking Tour 6:30 - Sunset*** (To register or for more information call 414-525-5659)

Enjoy your **Friday night fish fry** in the beautiful surroundings of the Milwaukee County Parks. Join us at our popular Friday Fish Fry in the Parks, through Labor Day weekend! **Traditional Milwaukee Fish Fry Served every Friday, Memorial Day Weekend through Labor Day Weekend 4-8 p.m. (4-9 p.m. at Whitnall.** Traditional Fish Fry \$9.25 (\$9.75 at Brown Deer) per person, kid's portion (for age 12 & under) \$4.25 (\$4.75 at Brown Deer) **Call for reservations (at locations below with *) or for carry outs:** Brown Deer Park Golf Clubhouse*, (4-8 p.m.) 7625 N. Range Line Road, (414) 352-8220 Fridays in June, at Brown Deer, Grant Park Golf Clubhouse*, (4-8 p.m.) 100 E. Hawthorne Ave., (414) 762-4817 Whitnall Park Golf Clubhouse, (4-9 p.m.) 6751 S. 92 St., (414) 425-1810

The Blue Angel Air & Water Show is coming to Milwaukee's Lakefront! The show will take off with the Night Air Show, starting June 11th and the festivities will wrap up June 13th. The Milwaukee Air & Water Show is located at the beautiful Milwaukee Lakefront, between Bradford Beach and McKinley Beach, with the show center-point located at 2272 North Lincoln Memorial Drive. **Reserved Seating Information:** see the Air Show from a spectacular reserved seating area, located close-in near Air Show Centerpoint, and also at Bradford Beach! [Click here to see a current map of reserved seating.](#) **Volunteer Information:** [Please Click](#)

[Here to Volunteer for the Air Show!](#)

The Milwaukee Air & Water Show is in conjunction with [Navy Week 2010 Milwaukee](#). We would like to extend our gratitude to [Visit Milwaukee](#).

Cool off at the Milwaukee County family waterparks! [Cool Waters in Greenfield Park](#) and the [David F. Schulz Aquatic Center in Lincoln Park](#) are now open and ready for you and your family to get some fun and relief from that hot summer sun. Enjoy a summer of swimming with a season pass. Act now and receive a 10% discount!

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

Pulaski Pool Open House

Wednesday, June 9th, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM at Pulaski Park Indoor Pool - 2701 S. 16th Street.

Pulaski Pool will have an open house to discuss the expansion so come on down to see what's going on.

This will be a great opportunity to share your thoughts and ideas for the proposed indoor family aquatic center addition. Displays of other similar sized indoor family aquatic facilities will be available for viewing. Staff will be on hand to discuss the project goals and answer your questions.

If you have any questions, call (414) 278 – 4863

Stockboxes for Milwaukee County Seniors

Milwaukee County currently serves meals to 5,000 Milwaukee County seniors that meet the federal income requirements. The Federal Government has decided to double the program enrollment for Milwaukee County, if 5,000 additional seniors sign up before the end of July.

Basically these are boxes full of great canned food, juice, fresh meat, cheese, and much more available for seniors in Milwaukee County over the age of 60 with a combined household income that is less than \$1579.

If you know of anyone who might benefit from this program, please have him or her call (866) 211 – 3380 in order to find the nearest pick up location.

For more information on the program click [HERE](#).

Landmark Dedication of the Alexander Eschweiler House

In 1903, this house was designed by Alexander Eschweiler for Doctor William Batchelor and built by Elias Stollenwerk and the Meredith Brothers of Bay View. Three generations of doctors, Dr. William Batchelor, Dr. Earle Thompson and Dr. Joseph Halser, were the owners of this fine building. They used it both as their medical office and as their home. In 2009, Bill and Janice Doyle purchased this building by request of the family of Dr. Joseph Halser, and they intend to restore it to its former glory. You can read more about their project [here](#).

There will be a landmark dedication of the house, located at **2445 S. Kinnickinnic Avenue**, in Bay View on **Sunday, June 27th at 2pm**. This will be a **free** event and refreshments will be provided.

Special thanks to Bill and Janice Doyle for all of their hard work in restoring the building and for all the other great projects he has worked on in Bay View. Bill and Janice have been life long residents of Bay View. They have remodeled or rehabbed many houses in the area. Finally, Bill and Janice deserve another set of thanks for providing refreshments and hosting this event.

I hope you can join me for this historical dedication.

Everyone is invited to attend this **free** program. If you have any questions or are interested in attending, please contact John Manke at (414) 304 – 5039

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](#).

June Neighborhood Group Meetings:

Bay View Neighborhood Association

Contact: Community Liaison Officers Felix and Wolf (414) 935-7198

<http://www.bayviewneighborhood.org>

June District 6 Crime & Safety Meeting Guest speaker: Milwaukee Public Schools

When: Monday, June 28, 2010, 06:30pm - 07:30pm

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

June Meeting

When: Thursday, June 10 (2nd Thursday of the Month), 6:30 pm

Where: The Water Tower (6th & Howard)

Oklahoma Gardens Neighborhood Association

Contact: (414) 672 – 6758

No June Meeting

Contact: Jose Vasquez

jvasquez@villastfrancis.org

Holt Park Neighborhood Association

Contact: Diane Kosarzycki

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

For June meeting information contact Diane Kosarzycki

Tippecanoe Park Watch

Contact: (414) 278 – 4252

No Meeting in June

City Meadows Neighborhood Association

<http://www.Citymeadows.org>

Garden District Neighborhood Association

Contact: Connie Wilson at (414) 759 - 9009

June Meeting

When: Tuesday, June 15 (3rd Tuesday of the Month), 6:30pm

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

Uncas Park Neighborhood Association

Contact: Connie Wilson (414) 759 – 9009 or uncaspark@yahoo.com

June Meeting

When: Tuesday, June 29 (last Tuesday of the month), 7:00pm

Where: House of Hamburg, 5937 S Howell Ave.

Airport Gardens Neighborhood Association

Contact: airportgardens@earthlink.net

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

South Shore Park Watch

Contact: Barbara Chudnow at southshoreparkwatch@yahoo.com

June Meeting

When: Thursday, June 10 (2nd Thursday of the Month), 7:00pm

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

Holler Park Neighborhood Association

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

June Meeting

Where: Holler Park Easter Seals Pavilion

When: Monday, June 28 (last Monday of the month), 7:00pm

Humboldt Park Watch

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

June Meeting

Where: Humboldt Park Pavilion

When: Tuesday, June 8, 6:00pm

Wilson Park NA

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

For June meeting information contact Tammy Kukla

Copernicus Park Neighborhood Association

Contact: Kelly Hughbanks k_hughbanks@yahoo.com

June Meeting

Where: Cooper School Library, 5143 South 21st Street

When: Tuesday, June 1, 6:30 – 7:30pm

Supervisor Larson Working on Your Behalf



Supervisor Larson riding the bus on May 7th in celebration of 150 years of transit in Milwaukee and handing out the new “15 on the 15” flier to highlight 15 great stops along route 15.