



Patricia Jursik *Update*

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Milwaukee County Research Park Corporation Board

Milwaukee Gateway Aerotropolis Corporation

AFFORDABLE CARE ACT: Enrollment begins October 1

There is much confusion on the roll-out of the Affordable Care Act in addition to the histrionics taking place in D.C. including a government shut-down. I know this is a controversial topic, but I would like to suggest the following: First try to understand the new law. Here is a link to a very easy-to-watch video featuring the "You Toons" produced by the Kaiser Foundation which tries to explain the program without a heavy bias: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JZkk6ueZt-U>.

Second, since Wisconsin is one of the states that did not accept the Medicaid extension that would have provided more coverage to low income families, the County Board and Executive responded by funding several programs. The programs are too complicated to fully address in this short article, but there is a service available with the additional county funding. If you are a family that has received Badgercare, please call the social services hotline at 211. The county funded additional staff to answer questions and to assist those who will not get the expanded insurance with a substitute program available to Wisconsin citizens.

For more information visit www.healthcare.gov, or call the 24/7 hotline at: 1-800-318-2596.

Energy Assistance Program

With winter approaching and many still unemployed or underemployed, Milwaukee County has information which explains the energy assistance program and how to apply. [Click Here](#). Please share this with anyone that you know who may need this help.

Kelly Center Bike Ride

Sup. Jursik will participate in a bike outing with the Kelly Center on October 18, 2013, at 2:00; meet at the Warnimont Parking lot in front of the door to the Kelly Center. All riders are welcome. Sup. Jursik sponsors the Pedal in the Park ride each year in June, but also rides with the Kelly Center when planning permits. Enjoy the road!

Budget Season

Budget season is upon us again! The County deals with the budget about 9 months out of the year and the rest of our year is for implementing budget. As in years prior, I sit on the Finance Committee and will be in October sessions for the budget on nearly an all day, every day basis. The County Executive presented his budget to the board with a no tax levy increase. I know taxpayers are always happy to hear this. As always, the devil is in the details. I will provide more information in my next newsletter as we flesh out the details. Below is a chart to help the public understand the process. Your chance for input is at the Public Hearing. It will be held November 4 at the War Memorial Center starting at 4:00p.m.

April 2013

Preliminary Preparation: Direction to County Departments on preparation of the subsequent year budget.

Early June 2013

Departments submit new position requests.

Mid-June 2013

Departments submit capital budget requests.
Departments submit operating budget requests.

July & August 2013

Department of Administrative Services and County Executive review of department budget requests.

August 2013

Department of Administration submits summary of budget requests to the County Board

September 26, 2013

County Executive presents the Recommended Budget to the County Board. The Budget is then referred to the Finance, Personnel and Audit Committee for review

October 2013

Finance and Audit Committee reviews the Recommended Budget in public budget hearings scheduled throughout the month. Check [here](#) for details on which departments are reviewed on which days.

November 4, 2013

County Board public hearing on the budget.

November 12, 2013

County Board Annual Meeting and the adoption of the budget and tax levy. During this meeting, the County Board acts on the Amendments by the Finance and Audit Committee as well as amendments submitted by individual Supervisors.

November 21, 2013

Consideration of County Executive budget vetoes and final adoption of property tax levy.

January 1, 2014

County Executive and departments begin utilizing budget to provide public services.

Community Calendar

Patrick Cudahy, Inc.: Celebration of 125 years in business.

County and City recognition ceremony on October 3, 2013 at Cudahy Plant. County Board official citation recognizing the longevity of the Patrick Cudahy Co..and its importance as an employer in Cudahy, with congratulations on behalf of citizens by Sup. Patricia Jursik and Mayor John Hoehenfeld.

Saturday, November 2, 2013 – Family FREE Day at the Zoo, 9am-4:30pm

All visitors receive free admission. The parking fee remains in effect. At Milwaukee County Zoo, 10001 West Bluemound Road, Milwaukee. milwaukeezoo.org 256-5466

Kelly Senior Center Events

Embrace Your Wellness

Resource Fair & Open House Friday, October 4, 9:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m.

Join your Kelly friends and community members. Discover a wealth of community, government and health resources plus see all the fun, fitness and learning that the Kelly Senior Center has to offer.

After Hours Stargazing

Presented by Milwaukee Astronomical Society, Wednesday, October 9, 6:30 • Fee: \$4
First, enjoy a presentation on basic astronomy. Next, head outside to take a look through the telescopes and discover the magic of the night sky. Dress for the weather. Hot cocoa and coffee will be served. Don't forget to preregister.

Baby Boomers Brainstorm Session

Monday, October 21, 5:30

Attend this open invitation to those aged 50-70 to come to the Kelly Center for an informal discussion of interests and needs of the next generation of older adults. Light refreshments will be served.

Tai Chi Classes

Wednesdays at 9:30 am, Beginning October 2nd. \$25 for 5 sessions

At Kelly Senior Center at 6100 S. Lake Dr., Cudahy. Please call 481-9611 to register.

Thursday, October 10, 2013 – Grant Park Watch & Friends of Grant Park meeting, 6:30pm

At Grant Park Clubhouse, 100 Hawthorne Ave, South Milwaukee. Park Watch: 764-7262.

Friends of Grant Park: 764-0612 www.fogp.org

- **Saturday, October 5th 2013 – Fall Weed-Out at Grant Park, with Friends of Grant Park**
Two Sessions: 9:00 a.m. to Noon, and 1:00 p.m. to 4 p.m.
- Both sessions meet in the parking lot for Picnic Area #1 and the tennis courts.
- The fall "weed-out" work sessions focus on controlling woody invasive plants, such as buckthorn, European honeysuckles, etc.
- The cuttings from this work session will be used to rebuild the wattle fence in Seven Bridges, which should provide improved protection for the "slope restoration" work that was done this past summer. So, if you are not up to cutting buckthorn, you might consider helping to move the cuttings up to the "wattle fence" area.

Thank you for your interest in preserving the natural areas of Grant Park!

Tuesday, October 8, 2013 – Friends of Mill Pond meeting, 6:30pm

At Grant Park Clubhouse, 100 Hawthorne Ave, South Milwaukee 571-1191 www.smfomp.org

Saturday, October 12, 2013 - Fall clean-up of water course and Mill Pond

Contact www.smfomp.org for more info.

Wednesday, October 30, 2013 – Cudahy Neighborhood Watch meeting, 6pm

At Cudahy Family Library, 3500 Library Dr., Cudahy. 414-324-5531

Friday, October 18, 2013 - Cudahy Family Library Friends

7:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Wine Tasting at the library with Comedy program. Tickets may be obtained at the Library.

October 10, 2013 - South Milwaukee Market Fall Family Festival

The South Milwaukee Market puts on some truly special events throughout the year. Our Fall Family Festival is set for Oct. 10th. Mark your calendars!

Thursday, November 7, 2013 – County Board Meeting, 9:30am

At the Milwaukee County Courthouse Room 200, 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee.

Tuesday, November 12, 2013 – County Board Budget Adoption Meeting 8:30 a.m.

At the Milwaukee County Courthouse Room 200, 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee.

Thursday, November 21, 2013 – County Budget Veto Meeting, 1p.m.

At the Milwaukee County Courthouse Room 200, 901 N. 9th Street, Milwaukee.