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COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Finance and Audit

Judiciary, Safety and
General Services

Transportation,
Public Works,
and Transit

Economic Stimulus

Our office continues to follow the progress of the stimulus funds. Chairman Lee Holloway has appointed a task force on behalf of the county to address this issue. I am honored to have been appointed to this task force. It will give me an opportunity to advocate for our South Shore communities. The best information I have at the time of this writing is that stimulus money will be sent to the County in the form of grants (similar to block grants). Stay tuned to this developing story.

County Board Approves RTA Under Certain Conditions

The County Board approved the concept of a Regional Transit Authority but urged that any authority give Milwaukee County fair representation; prioritize buses; ensure that money collected in a county stays in that county; identify dedicated funding for transit that provide property tax relief; and address debt and contracts.

The Governor's proposed budget did provide dedicated funding for transit but only if the county adopts the RTA. This budget has a long process before finalization and will continue to develop.

Technology Agreement with South Milwaukee

The County Board approved an agreement to provide Information Technology services to the City of South Milwaukee. The City will benefit from access to County technical expertise and efficiencies.

Congratulations to Sister Edna Lonergan

I joined the St. Francis Association of Commerce in recognizing Sister Edna as 2008 St. Francis Citizen of the Year. Sister Edna is president and visionary of St. Ann's Center for Intergenerational Care. She has developed a community care model from the concept that people of all ages benefit from interaction with each other. The Center enables participants of all generations to be active in their communities through a day program, respite care, therapy, and arts programming.

Pullin' o the Green

Participate with Friends of Grant Park in their annual benefit to preserve and enhance Grant Park. With admission, you are welcome to food, beverage or a beer, and an evening of great music by the Garlic Mustard Pickers. Admission at door is \$10. Reduced-price tickets will be available in advance at local businesses, including Parkway Floral, Greg's Soup-Er-Desserts, Wild Flour Bakery, and Village Gifts.

Sunday, March 15, 2009, 5-7:30 pm

Grant Park Clubhouse, 100 Hawthorne Av., South Milwaukee. 764-0612

Community Calendar

Saturdays and Sundays through March 8- Door County Sled Dog Rides, 11am-1pm, also during Tuesday and Thursday evening training sessions

Conditions permitting (temperature below 40°F and about 4 inches of snow). At Veterans Park, 1010 N. Lincoln Memorial Drive by open-air pavilion near the Lagoon and Brady Street Bridge. Adults ride for \$15, children for \$10. Dog sled hotline 414-967-9677.

Saturday and Sunday, February 28 and March 1 – Indian Summer Festivals Winter Pow Wow, 11am-10pm and 11am-6pm

Experience dance, drumming, marketplace with arts and crafts, and traditional foods. At Wisconsin State Fair Park, Wisconsin Products Pavillion, 640 S. 84th St. (gate 5). General admission \$7, 60+ \$5, youth 12 and under free. Free admission to those attending 10am Sunday spiritual ceremony. 604-1000 www.indiansummer.org

Wednesday, March 4 – City of Cudahy Draft Comprehensive Plan Open House, 6-7:30pm

Learn and give your input on this project that will guide development for 10 years. At Cudahy Family Library, 3500 Library Dr., Cudahy.

Thursday, March 5 –Talk on Bird Migration: Following the Flyways - Facts, Fiction, and the Future, 6:45pm

At this inaugural event of the Grant Park Ecology series, noted ecologist and author Dr. Noel Cutright will discuss the movement of birds from their southern overwintering locations and how patterns may change. The talk is open to the public and free; a \$5.00 donation is suggested. Bring questions. At Grant Park Clubhouse, 100 Hawthorne Av., South Milwaukee. Contact 764-9244.

Friday and Saturday, March 6 and 7 – Streets of Old Milwaukee Come Alive, 10am-2pm Experience the *Streets of Old Milwaukee* as docents in period attire share stories and artifacts that highlight Milwaukee businesses and homes as they were 100 years ago. Do crafts and enjoy music or dance performances. Free with Milwaukee Public Museum admission. www.mpm.edu/events/coc 278-2702

Saturday, March 7 – Family FREE Day at the Zoo

All visitors receive free admission. The parking fee remains in effect. Meet some new additions to the golden lion tamarin family. At Milwaukee County Zoo, 10001 West Blue Mound Road, Milwaukee. milwaukeezoo.org 256-5466

Saturday, March 7 – South Shore Noon Lions Club Spaghetti Dinner, 4-6:30pm

Join for food, fun, and raffles to benefit Human/Project Concerns, Interfaiths, and Lions Foundation. Meal tickets are \$7. At Grobschmidt Senior Center, 2424 15th Avenue, South Milwaukee. Contact: 762-5349

Tuesday, March 10 – Friends of Mill Pond meeting, 6:30pm

At Marquette Manor, 2409 10th Av., South Milwaukee.

Thursday, March 12 – Community Meeting on the State Budget, 6:30-8:30pm

Learn about the \$5 billion + hole in the budget and alternatives to major service cuts and higher property taxes. Sponsored by South Shore Citizens for a Prosperous Future. At Chase Bank Community Room, 4702 S. Packard Av., Cudahy. Contact 967-1682

Thursday, March 12 – Friends of Grant Park meeting, 7pm

At Grant Park Clubhouse, 100 Hawthorne Av., South Milwaukee. Contact 764-0612

Friday and Saturday, March 13 and 14, 7:30pm, and Sunday, March 15, 2pm – South Milwaukee High School Musical: Grease

Directed by Bill Jackson. Tickets \$10 for Adults and \$8 for Students and Seniors. \$3 High School Student Ticket when purchased in advance with student ID. Family 4-packs may be purchased for \$30 when ordered in advance. At South Milwaukee Performing Arts Center (801 15th Avenue, South Milwaukee, Enter Door #9). Box Office: 766-5049

Saturday, March 14 – St. Patrick's Day Parade, Noon

Parade route follows Wisconsin Av. east from 3rd to Plankinton, north along Plankinton and 3rd, and Juneau east to Water St. in Downtown Milwaukee. www.saintpatricksparade.org

Saturday, March 14 – The Garlic Mustard Pickers play at Sheridan's Café, 6:30-9:30pm

5133 S. Lake Drive, Cudahy. Reservations recommended: 747-9800
www.sheridanhouseandcafe.com/TheCafe.htm

Saturday and Sunday, March 14 and 15 – Behind the Scenes at the Zoo

Visit the overnight lions den, the “animal grocery store,” and the aviary kitchen. Tours are free with regular admission and run 10am-2:45pm. At Milwaukee County Zoo, 10001 West Blue Mound Road, Milwaukee. milwaukeezoo.org 256-5466

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Tuesday, March 17 – The Garlic Mustard Pickers play at the Carlton Grange Pub, 6-8pm

3807 S. Packard Avenue, St. Francis (just north of Howard Ave)
www.carletongrange.com

Tuesday, March 24 – Frank P. Zeidler Memorial Lecture, 7 pm

Milwaukee historian John Gurda speaks on “Public Enterprise: How the Socialists Saved Milwaukee.” At Centennial Hall, Milwaukee's Central Library, 733 N. 8th St., Milwaukee.

Thursday, March 26 - Music Under Glass, 6:30 pm (with 5:30 light show)

Bikini Beachcombers (Tiki lounge to beach party hits of the 60s). At The Domes. 649-9830 www.county.milwaukee.gov/FloralShowampEventSc10360/MusicUnderGlass.htm

Sunday, March 29 – St. Francis Association of Commerce Spaghetti Dinner, 11am-6pm

At St. Paul Church Hall, 1720 E. Norwich Av., Milwaukee. Tickets 744-5835