

Handy-NEWS & NOTES

April 2014

2014 WISCONSIN EMPLOYMENT FIRST CONFERENCE

The 2014 Wisconsin Employment First Conference will be Thursday, **April 3, 2014** at the Kalahari Resort in Wisconsin Dells. The conference is open to anyone interested in integrated employment for people with disabilities. [Register now](#) or go [here](#) to learn more about the conference.



MUSIC UNDER GLASS

Mitchell Park Horticultural Conservatory (The Domes)
524 S. Layton Blvd, Milwaukee
414-257-5611



6:30pm – 9:00pm

Apr 3, Elvis in Hawaii w/ The Ocean Rush Band & Hale O Malo Polynesian Dancers

HAPPENINGS AT THE ZOO

Breakfast and Lunch with the Bunny
Sponsored by Racine Danish Kringles
April 12-13

Dining with the Easter Bunny!
Reservations at <http://www.milwaukeezoo.org>



Egg Day

Sponsored by Welch's and Pick 'n Save
April 19

A hopping good time includes a Bubble Wonders show (a "Bubbleologist" creates works of art with bubbles), a Hop-to-It Bunny Scavenger Hunt and an Easter Parade. Visit <http://www.milwaukeezoo.org>.

EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS!

In the February Bureau of Labor Statistics report, persons with disabilities working was 16.4% and persons with no disabilities working was 63.9%. See the current report here:

<http://www.bls.gov/news.release/empsit.t06.htm>

SPRING ELECTION DAY!

April 1, Spring General

The polls in Wisconsin open at 7:00am and close at 8:00pm, exercise your rights – **VOTE!**



SAIL AWAY 2014!

Sign Up Starts NOW! - Space is Limited!

The Summer Sailing 2014 reservation period is now open. There are eight (8) sailing dates scheduled. Included in this issue of Handy-NEWS & NOTES is the reservation form. Read it, complete it, and send it in along with a self-addressed **STAMPED** envelope. You will receive a confirmation via the US Mail. Don't delay! Sailing dates fill up VERY quickly!



For questions please call Tim at 414-278-3930 or email timothy.ochnikowski@milwaukeecountywi.gov.

SPECIAL EVENTS FROM OPD!

Throughout the year the Office for Persons with Disabilities schedules and/or hosts special events. There is now a central location where you can go to sign-up, it's Eventbrite! Use the link below to see what's scheduled and to sign-up. You can access this at any time on our mobile web (www.county.milwaukee.gov/OPD).



<http://milwaukeecountyopd.eventbrite.com>

HNN ON TWITTER!

Handy-NEWS & NOTES (HNN)



The HNN [Twitter](#) account is dedicated to persons with disabilities as well as those without disabilities who are looking for the latest news that may be impacting their lives. **"Follow" us & check in daily!**

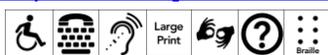
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NIGHT FOR INDEPENDENCE

'MasterChef' winner Christine Ha to speak at Night for Independence

IndependenceFirst is honored to welcome Christine Ha, who won "MasterChef" season 3 and who was the first-ever contestant on the show who is blind, to the Night for Independence Gala on **June 5, 2014** at Potawatomi Bingo Casino. This wonderful annual fundraiser celebrating the contributions of people with disabilities will feature a silent auction, dinner and a keynote delivered by Ms. Ha.



IndependenceFirst has held the Night for Independence event for the past 13 years to celebrate the achievements of people with disabilities. This year, we will also be celebrating the agency's 35th anniversary. Monies raised from the event will support education, independent living services, coalition building and advocacy for people with disabilities.

Tickets for the event are \$100 per person. Corporate sponsorships begin at \$1,250 and include a table for 8. For more information, visit www.independencefirst.org or call (414) 291-7520 V/TTY

TEXT &/OR EMAIL ALERTS!!!

Rec On Deck Handy-NEWS & NOTES

To get the latest recreation news/opportunities and/or general news as they happen, sign up to receive Text and/or Email Alerts from the Milwaukee County Office for Persons with Disabilities (OPD). Please visit: bit.ly/OPDTextAlerts OR:



Recreation News: Text **RECONDECK** to **84483**.

General News: Text **OPDHNN** to **84483**.

Text **HELP** for help. Text **STOP** to cancel alerts at any time. For customer support contact info@rainedout.com.
Message & data rates may apply.

SPRING FISHING CLINICS FOR CHILDREN

Saturday, April 12, 2014



Take your children, age 15 and under, to a FREE fishing clinic. Members of local fishing clubs will teach fishing basics to ensure safety and fun.

Clinics will begin on the hour from 9am-2pm. Use our equipment or bring your own. A limited number of rods and reels will be available for clinic use by those children without equipment. **Children 6 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Groups of 20 or more:** Call (414) 263-8614 or (414) 263-8494 to make arrangements prior to attending the program

Attend a clinic at

- Brown Deer
- Grant–Oak Creek (Mill Pond on Oak Creek Pkwy.)
- Greenfield
- Humboldt
- McCarty
- McGovern
- Mitchell
- Scout Lake (wheelchair accessible)
- Sheridan
- Washington (wheelchair accessible)
- Wilson Park



This program is free and open to the public. For details, call the DNR at 414-263-8614 or 414-263-8494.

<http://county.milwaukee.gov/Fishing9141.htm#fishingclinic>

LET'S GO BREWERS!!!

The Milwaukee Brewers are again participating with the Wil-O-Way Key Card Program to distribute discounted tickets to select home games to people with disabilities for the upcoming 2014 season. Membership in the Wil-O-Way Key Card program is required to gain access to these tickets.



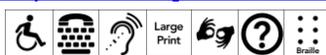
If you are interested in Milwaukee Brewers tickets through the [Wil-O-Way Key Card Program](#) but are not a member of the program, simply complete the application within this issue.

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VISION WALK 2014

The 2014 Walk Committee welcomes all residents of Wisconsin to our 6th Annual Wisconsin VisionWalk in Veteran's Park on the lakefront in Milwaukee on Sunday, **May 18, 2014**. Last year, nearly 900 people of the community affected by blinding diseases were joined by their friends and family to walk for a cure. They hope to welcome over 1,000 people this year, and they are asking for your help!



VisionWalk is in support of the Foundation Fighting Blindness, which is the world's largest private funder of retinal degenerative diseases such as retinitis pigmentosa (RP), macular degeneration, Usher syndrome, Stargardt disease, and LCA. The Foundation has been part of some very exciting new research which may someday soon lead to a cure for these diseases that affect more than 10 million Americans.

Walk Chairs Nicole Everson and Kelly Savasta are supporting VisionWalk because the cause is very near to both of them. Nicole has Ushers Syndrome, and Kelly has Stargardt. Until the last couple years, there hasn't been much promising research and potential for a cure. The Foundation has given them and many others hope that there is a cure in sight.

Nicole and Kelly have had teams from the very start of VisionWalk, and Nicole's team has raised more than \$10,000 on multiple occasions! She didn't have any big corporate contacts to help her raise that amazing amount ... just a lot of generous friends, family and co-workers who combined for a BIG total.

The 5K walk is a family-friendly event benefitting the entire state of Wisconsin and its resident, and is free to anyone and everyone, including pets! There will be bounce houses and giant inflatable slide, provided by Music On the Move Plus, the largest event management company in Milwaukee. The family of owner Taj Jordan has five members affected with vision loss, and has jumped on board to provide much of the equipment for the walk.

There will also be a lot of other fun stuff, including popular Milwaukee entertainer Eric Barbieri. VisionWalk will also have fire trucks, Ger-Bear the Clown, a face painter, mascots from area sports teams (Bango from

the Bucks, Roscoe from the Admirals, and Star Wars characters), and a whole lot more. There will also be a free lunch served after the walk.

If you would like to find out more about the walk, you can access through the Foundation's walk website at www.VisionWalk.org and go to the Wisconsin walk page. If you would like more information about the Foundation, and the 6th Annual Wisconsin VisionWalk, please contact Events Manager Steve Sroka at (847) 680-0100, or e-mail at SSroka@FightBlindness.org.

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County Supervisor Haas @TheFighting14th
County Supervisor Lipscomb @SupLipscomb
County Supervisor Rainey @Khalif_Rainey
County Supervisor Romo West @sup_dist12
County Supervisor Stamper II @SupvStamper
County Supervisor Taylor @SteveFTaylor
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Economic Development @MilwCntyED
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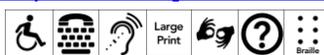
Please let us know if we missed anyone. Contact Tim at timothy.ochnikowski@milwaukeecountywi.gov

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APPLY FOR THE YOUTH LEADERSHIP FORUM

Attention high school students: [apply for this leadership training program by Apr. 21!](#)



The [Wisconsin Youth Leadership Forum](#) (YLF) is a week-long leadership training and career awareness program for high school sophomores, juniors and seniors with disabilities. YLF provides training in leadership, self-advocacy skills, and career awareness to approximately 25 students with disabilities from throughout the state of Wisconsin. The deadline to apply is Monday, April 21, 2014. YLF is a project of the Wisconsin Board for People with Developmental Disabilities.

YLF is for:

- Students who show leadership potential by being active in their school and community
- Students who have a disability (physical, learning, cognitive, emotional, sensory, etc.)
- Wisconsin residents
- Students who are currently sophomores, juniors or seniors in high school

Why Attend the Youth Leadership Forum?

- To give you a place to meet other students your age who are experiencing similar issues and concerns
- To help you increase your leadership skills so you can further your future goals and reach them
- To assist you in becoming a leader in your school and community.

Do you still have questions about YLF? If you do, check out the [Frequently Asked Questions](#) for more information.

WHERE: Edgewood College, Madison, WI
WHEN: July 13-18, 2014
COST: FREE

There is NO CHARGE to attend YLF. General program expenses are paid for by YLF sponsors.

If I'm interested, what do I do next?

- Complete the application ([PDF](#)) ([Word](#))

- Get 3 letters of recommendation that highlight your leadership skills
- Complete two essay questions
- Submit your application before Monday, April 21, 2014.

If you have questions, or for more information about YLF, contact Cassandra Lokker at: 715-307-2185 or wisconsinylf@gmail.com.

ACCESSIBLE WEAR!!!

Accessible Wear features fashionable and adaptive clothing that is easy on and



easy off for people of all ages who have temporary or permanent challenges with mobility, or fine motor skills. Hidden features such as Velcro, magnets, snaps and elastic are incorporated into the clothing, allowing individuals to maintain their independence and self-dignity.

Accessible Wear features a wheelchair friendly floor design, larger fitting rooms, spacious bathrooms and a relax area. An on-site seamstress provides complimentary pant hemming. Customized adaptations are available at an additional charge.

The store is centrally located at 11045 W. National Ave., West Allis. It is a freestanding store in the Home Depot Shopping Plaza (next to Taco Bell), has a private parking lot with wheelchair ramps and automated double doors.

The store prides itself on providing a feel good and affordable shopping experience that is personal and attentive. Accessible Wear is open 7 days a week. *We fit your needs just right!*

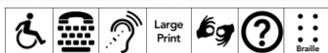
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www.accessiblewear.com email:
info@accessiblewear.com

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HAPPENINGS @ BOERNER BOTANICAL GARDENS

Adult Classes and Programs

\$10 members / \$15 non-members
To register, please call (414) 525-5656.

Morels to Maitake: A Seasonal Look at the Wild Edible Mushrooms of Wisconsin

Thursday, April 3, 6:30 – 8pm

FUNGI magazine editor, Britt Bunyard, will discuss the popular and edible wild mushrooms of Wisconsin. You'll learn where and when to look for wild mushrooms, preservation, cooking tips and dangerous "lookalikes" to watch out for.

Gardening for Birders

Saturday, April 5, 10 – 11:30am

With a little planning you can make your backyard plantings attractive to birds and butterflies! *Birds & Blooms* Magazine Editor Stacy Tornio will share some of the magazine's best plant suggestions through the years.

The Basics of Beekeeping

Sunday, April 6, 1 – 3pm

Are you considering beekeeping as a new hobby? Learn about hive equipment and learn the ins and outs of this hobby from an expert.

Yoga at the Gardens

\$72 for six-week session

To register, please call (414) 525-5656.

Yoga & Meditation at the Gardens - Open House/Demonstration

Wednesday, April 9, 6:30 – 7:30pm

Free Admission

Meet the instructor and preview of some of the movements that you will learn while taking this six week class. There will be a brief introduction to Raja Yoga.

Yoga at the Gardens

Wednesdays: April 23 - May 28, 6:30 - 7:45pm

Begin your yoga experience with Lata Massa, of the *Himalayan Yoga and Meditation Center*. We will be practicing gentle, beginning yoga in the *Pana Vidya* style, designed for adults of all flexibility levels. *Please dress comfortably, bring a yoga mat, a light blanket or shawl and a small cushion.*



Family Workshops

Families: \$20 members / \$25 non-members (Limit five people per family)

Individuals: \$10 members / \$12 non-members

To register, please call (414) 525-5656.

Creepy Crawly Zoo

Sunday, April 6, 1 – 3pm

Did you know that insects are the most dominant life form on the planet? Join FBBG and *The Bug Whisperer*, Antonio Gustin, for an afternoon sure to fuel your curiosity! Join us in the historic Garden House for an exciting display and learn all about creepy, yet beneficial creatures from the prairies of the Midwest to the deserts of the Southwest.

Family Events

Easter Family Event

April 20, 10am – 2pm

Free for FBBG members, \$6 non-members

Includes children's activities and Sparkle the clown creating balloon animals!

Volunteer Training

To RSVP, please call (414) 525-5656.

In-Garden, Docent and Children's Education

Volunteer Training

Wednesday, April 2, 9am – noon

OPD ON FACEBOOK

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The OPD [Facebook](#) page is dedicated to persons with disabilities as well as those without disabilities who are looking for the latest news that may be impacting their lives. **"Like" us and check in daily!**

Please feel free to use the link below and "like" us on Facebook. <http://on.fb.me/iPo0tO>

ACCESSIBLE VANS FOR SALE!

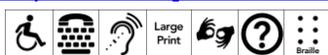
Are you, or do you know someone who is looking for an accessible minivan to purchase? If so, please check out the vehicle flyers attached to this issue.

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SOCIAL SECURITY UPDATE

By Karyl Richson
Social Security Public Affairs Specialist in Milw



HELPING AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES

The World Health Organization held the first World Health Assembly in 1948, and, beginning in 1950, every year on April 7 the world comes together to observe World Health Day. Each year, World Health Day focuses on a particular subject of interest to global health.

At Social Security, we focus on people's health every day. Specifically, we provide benefits for people with disabilities. To help expedite the disability process, we recently announced the addition of 25 new *Compassionate Allowances* conditions. These new conditions include twelve cancers, such as prostate cancer, as well as disorders that affect the digestive, neurological, immune, and multiple body systems.

The *Compassionate Allowances* program expedites disability decisions for Americans with the most serious disabilities to ensure that they receive their benefit decisions within days instead of months. By incorporating cutting-edge technology, the agency can identify potential *Compassionate Allowances* and quickly make decisions. To date, we have approved almost 200,000 people with severe disabilities through this fast-track disability process.

"We are dedicated to providing vulnerable Americans with faster access to disability benefits through our *Compassionate Allowances* program," Acting Commissioner Carolyn W. Colvin said recently. "Social Security disability benefits are a vital lifeline for individuals who are facing severe diseases and we must ensure that they receive the benefits they rightly deserve."

While Social Security joins individuals, groups and organizations around the globe to observe World Health Day on April 7, we work all year round to help Americans with health issues live a healthier life. In addition to cash benefits, beneficiaries obtain Medicare coverage after 24 months, a vital element in preserving an individual's health and, in the long run, world health.

Learn more about disability benefits at www.socialsecurity.gov/disability. For more information on the *Compassionate Allowances* program, including a list of all qualifying conditions, please visit www.socialsecurity.gov/compassionateallowances.

DUST OFF YOUR FINANCIAL PLAN

Spring is officially here. Before you get started with your spring cleaning, perhaps another matter deserves some dusting off—that long-term financial plan.

April is National Financial Literacy Month—the perfect time to spring into action when it comes to planning your financial future. If you already have a plan, this is a great opportunity to take another look at it and make sure you're still "on track" to reach your financial goals.

According to a 2013 survey by the Employee Benefit Research Institute, the past few years have seen a sharp decline in Americans' confidence about their retirement savings. Only 13 percent of workers feel very confident about having enough for a comfortable retirement and 28 percent are not at all confident. More than half of workers have less than \$25,000 in total savings and investments. Twenty-eight percent of workers have saved less than \$1,000.

If you haven't begun saving for retirement, now is a good time to start—no matter what your age. If retirement is near, you'll want to jump into the fast lane right away. If you're younger and retirement seems a lifetime away, it's still in your best interest to begin saving now. Here's how much the magic of compound interest will work to your advantage. For example, a 25-year old who begins saving \$100 a month and earns a modest 5 percent interest will have more than \$150,000 at age 65. Save \$200 a month and you're looking at more than \$300,000. Experts agree that saving when you're young will make a world of difference when the time comes to draw on your retirement savings.

Don't just take our word for it. You can check out the numbers yourself. A great way to start figuring out how much you will need for retirement is to use Social Security's online *Retirement Estimator*, which offers an instant and personalized estimate of your future Social Security retirement benefits based on your earnings record. Try it today at www.socialsecurity.gov/estimator.

We encourage saving for retirement, but there are reasons to save for every stage of life. A great place to go for help is www.mymoney.gov (the official U.S. government's website dedicated to teaching Americans the basics of finances.) Whether you are looking for information about buying a home, balancing your checkbook, or investing in your 401(k) plan, the resources on www.mymoney.gov can help you.

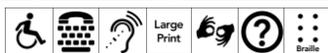
The *Ballpark Estimator* at www.choosetosave.org/ballpark is another excellent online tool. It makes complicated issues, like projected Social Security benefits and earnings assumptions on savings, easy to understand. If you have to choose between scrubbing down the house or scrubbing your budget to get your financial house in order, we recommend putting off the cleaning one more day. Get started on planning your future right now at www.socialsecurity.gov.

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SPRINT FOR SPINA BIFIDA

SAVE THE DATE!

Saturday, August 9, 2014, 9:00am

Mount Mary University, Milwaukee, WI
5k run and wheelchair, **10k** run and **2** mile walk/wheelchair

Contact Information: Spina Bifida Wisconsin, Ltd., Phone: 414-607-9061, Email: sbwis@sbwis.org or Website: www.sbwis.org



Sprint for Spina Bifida is a **5k** run and wheelchair, **10k** run and **2** mile walk/wheelchair. It will be chipped timed and the course is certified. It benefits people affected by Spina Bifida, the most common permanently disabling birth defect. Sprint for Spina Bifida is for anyone who wants to run, walk, wheelchair race or just wheel. Cost to be determined.

OPD (& MORE) ON THE GO!!!

Get the Office for Persons with Disabilities (OPD) & more on your mobile device TODAY!

Get access to: **Accessibility** (Building Accessibility Guides, Sign Language Interpreting, Assistive Listening Device, ADA Standards & Guidelines), **Employment** (DECA Program, Job Accommodation, Job Opportunities), **Facility Rentals** (Wil-O-Way's), **General Information**, **Handy-NEWS & NOTES**, **Recreation** (Festivals & Events, Rec Room, Rec Room Calendar, Rec on Deck Newsletter, Tap the Potential, WOW Disc Golf, WOW Recreation Programs, WOW Summer Camp), **Social Media** (Twitter & Facebook), **Transportation** (Milw County Transit System, Transit Plus, WI DOT, Airport, Dept. on Aging), and **Other County Departments**.



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LOOKING FOR A HALL?

Are you looking for a hall for your next function? Would you like to rent a beautiful hall in a woody setting near you? If you answered yes, please use the link below (or call the Office for Persons with Disabilities @ 414-278-3932) to check out the [Wil-O-Way Grant](#) and [Wil-O-Way Underwood](#) facilities. They may be just what you're looking for. But hurry, the 2014 calendar is filling up fast. You can check the **Rental Calendar**, get directions to the facilities and more on your mobile device by downloading our mobile website at county.milwaukee.gov/OPD.



[Wil-O-Way Grant](#) (South Milwaukee)



[Wil-O-Way Underwood](#) (Wauwatosa)



FYI – Optional **Catering Services** are available! Contact [LilyWorks Catering](#).



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

OTHER RENTAL FACILITIES – COUNTY PARKS

For your special family gathering, community-group event, or business function, you'll find a Milwaukee County Parks site to complement your event.

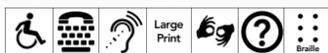
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BUSTING BARRIERS AT BUS STOPS

Milwaukee County Transit System (MCTS) is looking for a few good bus stops to bust! Through the Federal New Freedom Grant received by Milwaukee County, MCTS is now able to improve access to transit by upgrading bus stop locations throughout the county that are currently not ADA compliant. Last year, MCTS staff was busy installing new or repairing bus stop pads in the public right-of-way that were originally grass, dirt, gravel or non-compliant stops. Overall, 2013 was the most successful year busting bus stops by updating forty-four bus pads to ADA standards around Milwaukee County spanning seven municipalities.



However, MCTS is looking to the future in 2014 and we want your help! Our staff will continue to busting bus stops into 2014 to remove bus stop barriers and upgrade bus stops through Milwaukee County. Our staff welcomes transit users to report inaccessible locations that limit your use of MCTS buses. Please contact us, if you know of any bus stops in the public right-of-way that could be made accessible by replacing grass, dirt, or gravel with concrete or removing other barriers such as benches or newspaper holders.

Please contact Chris Fox at 414-344-4550 x 3500 or CFox@mcts.org with the following information: street location of the bus stop, description of what is preventing you from using the stop, and a way to be in touch with you.

Thank you for your help in improving our transit community! Keep your eyes open for upgrades and improvements around Milwaukee County.

REC ON DECK NEWSLETTER!!!

Get access to the latest Rec on Deck newsletter and much more recreation information by clicking on the link: <http://county.milwaukee.gov/RecRoom>

2014 WIL-O-WAY KEY CARD!!!

Don't forget to renew your Wil-O-Way Key Card membership. The 2014 application is attached.

ACTIVITIES - LIFE NAVIGATORS

Game Night

Join us for an evening filled with board games, friendship and food.



LIFE NAVIGATORS

Your Disability Partner
EST. 1949

Date & Time: Thursday April 24
from 4:00-6:00pm

Location: *Life Navigators*, 7203 West Center Street
Wauwatosa, WI 53210

Event: Have fun, play games and eat pizza!

RSVP: RSVP by April 22 and you will be entered into a drawing to win fun prizes! Contact Amanda at 414-774-6255 or amanda@lifenavigators.org.

More Information: Visit www.lifenavigators.org

Afternoon at the Movies

Join us and the Cardinal Stritch University Men's Basketball Team for an afternoon at the movies!

Date & Time: Saturday April 12 from 1:30-4:30pm

Location: *Cardinal Stritch University*, Schroeder Auditorium, 6801 N Yates Road Milwaukee, WI 53217

Movie: You are invited to this special showing of Disney's Frozen. Snacks and beverages will be served.

RSVP: Seating is limited. Please contact us early to reserve your seat. RSVP to Amanda Stahmann by April 4, 2014, at 414-774-6255 or amanda@lifenavigators.org

Directions: Cardinal Stritch is east of I-43, south of the Good Hope Road exit. Enter from Port Washington Road and follow the signs to Schroeder Auditorium.

Parking: Free parking and a wheelchair accessible ramp is available in General Lot 8.

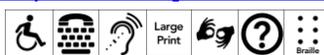
More Information: Visit www.lifenavigators.org

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UPCOMING CLASSES, WORKSHOPS AND SUPPORT GROUPS FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

For a complete list of upcoming workshops, classes and support groups, please visit



IndependenceFirst
The Resource For People With Disabilities

our website – www.independencefirst.org Programs are free and held at the IndependenceFirst, 540 South 1st Street, Milwaukee, unless otherwise noted. Please email or call IndependenceFirst to register.

Housing 101

**May 27th, August 26th, November 11th
12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.**

Looking for a place? Need some help getting started? Seeking information on housing assistance programs? Puzzled by housing laws? Want to know your rights? Then Housing 101 can help! To register and to request accommodations, contact Tiffany Payne or Mike Hineberg at 414-291-7520 Voice/Relay/TTY at least two weeks prior to the workshop. You can also reach them by email at tpayne@independencefirst.org or mhineberg@independencefirst.org. Accommodations cannot be guaranteed without a two-week advance notice.

Adult Asperger's Support Group

2nd Wednesday each month, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Join us for goal-oriented meetings covering topics such as goal setting, employment, social and independent living skills. Bring your suggestions, too! To register and to request accommodations, contact Peter Lucas at 414-226-8379 Voice/Relay or email at plucas@independencefirst.org Accommodations request at least one month prior to the meeting date.

Peer Power for High School Kids

April 18th, May 16th, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

To register and to request accommodations, contact Harvey Ross at 414-226-8127 Voice/Relay or email at hross@independencefirst.org

Something to Talk About! Peer Mentoring Support Group for Men with Spinal Cord Injuries due to Violence or any Spinal Cord Injury

April 11th, April 25th, May 9th, May 23rd, June 13th, June 27th, 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

To register and to request accommodations, contact Harvey Ross at 414-226-8127 Voice/Relay or email at hross@independencefirst.org

Money Management Workshops

**April 3rd, April 10th, April 17th, April 24th and May 1st,
1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

Does your income allow you to meet all of your needs? Could you use a little more money? Learn how to track your expenses, identify some ways to save money, how to develop a budget, how to gain an understanding of credit and debit cards and how to make good purchase decisions. To register and to request accommodations, contact Julia Loritz at 414-226-8380 Voice/Relay or email at jloritz@independencefirst.org

Advocacy Series Workshops

April 2nd, April 9th, and April 16th, 2:00pm to 3:00pm

What is Systemic Advocacy? Individual Advocacy? Self-Advocacy? Learn how to become an advocate and stand up for your rights. Understand legislation and the legal rights of people with disabilities. Gain a better understanding of how "the system" works and how to promote change within the system. To register and to request accommodations or for future schedule information, contact Leah Simmons at 414-937-5913 VP/Relay or email at lsimmons@independencefirst.org

Rent Smart Class

April 7th, April 14th and April 21st, 10:00am to 11:30am

These classes focus on educating individuals who are looking for rental housing by learning how to develop good relationships with landlords and reviewing tenants' legal rights. To register and to request accommodations, contact Tiffany Payne at 414-226-8340 or email at tpayne@independencefirst.org

Making Proud Choices

A workshop for youth with disabilities ages 11 and older. Learn to be safe and healthy in your relationships, protect yourself against the consequences of unhealthy sexual decision-making, increase yourself self-esteem and make goals for your future! To start a class and request accommodations, contact Alie Kriofske Mainella at 414-226-8112 Voice/Relay or email at akriofske@independencefirst.org

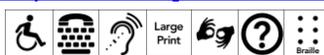
We have a variety of curriculums addressing many different topics, such as home and time management, assertiveness training, computer training, disability awareness, advocacy, wellness and nutrition, self-esteem, dealing with anger and conflict, communication, dealing with stress, setting goals and making decisions, boundaries and personal space, etc. Training is provided 1:1 or in a group. For more information, please contact Marian Ecklund, ILS Program Assistant Director at 414-937-5909 VP/Relay or email at mecklund@independencefirst.org

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MILWAUKEE COUNTY IS MOBILE!!!

Did you know that Milwaukee County has three mobile websites? It's true. You can take the Mitchell International Airport, Milwaukee County Transit System and the Office for Persons with Disabilities with you wherever you go.



Take advantage of these three mobile websites. They all offer great information to the benefit of those who have these mobile websites on their smartphone.



Get all three of these today. On your smartphones visit the following to get each mobile website.



Mitchell International Airport:
www.mitchellairport.com

Milwaukee County Transit System:
www.ridemcts.com

Office for Persons with Disabilities (OPD):
www.county.milwaukee.gov/OPD

SUPERSTAR CAMP

The Superstar Camp is a two week summer arts camp for students on the autism spectrum, their siblings and friends, fostering the development of social skills and acceptances through music, drama, and art in the creation of a performance. The 2014 camp will take place **June 16th – 20th and June 23rd – 27th.**

The Superstar Camp is held at St. Marcus School in the Brewers Hill area of Milwaukee. We are sponsored by St. Marcus School and Milwaukee Public Theatre. Superstar Staff includes: Certified Teachers, Professional Musicians, Professional Actors and Certified Visual Artists. Please call Julie Brouchoff at 414-699-9013 for more information.

"...Superstars has established a culture where kiddos on the spectrum are accepted and where their unique talents are praised and encouraged..."

- Andrea, Superstar Parent

SAVE THE DATE

Please save the date, Interfaith Older Adult Programs **6th Annual Pull Up a Chair** event will be held on Thursday, **November 6, 2014 at 11:00 a.m.** This is fundraiser raises valuable funding for our neighborhood outreach program which has volunteers and staff out in the community every day helping older adults in need. The luncheon will feature a live auction of unique hand painted chairs, a silent auction, raffle, and wine pull. It will be held at the Clarion Hotel at 5311 S. Howell Ave. Please join us for a great event and help us as we serve older adults. Call (414) 220-8648 or email msteinke@interfaithmilw.org for more information.



SPRING PROGRAMMING SUMMER CAMP Wil-O-Way



To see the latest Wil-O-Way spring-time programming provided by Easter Seals visit:
<http://www.county.milwaukee.gov/WiOWayRecProgram>

To see the 2014 Summer Camp information, including the **extended camp option**, visit:
<http://county.milwaukee.gov/WiOWaySummerCamp>

SUMMER CAMP EMPLOYMENT

Are you looking for a rewarding summer job? Easter Seals is now accepting applications for our 2014 Summer Camp season. If you have a love for the outdoors and all the other great things about summer as well as the desire for a unique employment experience, please check out the positions online at <http://www.easterseals.com/wi-se/who-we-are/careers-at-easter-seals>. Available positions include Camp Coach, Camp Site Leader, Camp Leaders, CNA's, and Pool Maintenance/Grounds Personnel.



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E-CYCLE DRIVE!

E-cycle event benefits IndependenceFirst Computer Recycling Program

By Ana Kleppin, Volunteer Manager

IndependenceFirst will host an e-cycle drive on **Saturday, April 26** in the Pettit National Ice Center parking lot, 500 S. 84th St., Milwaukee. The e-waste collection will run from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. IndependenceFirst is partnering with AT&T, River Run Computers, Digital Recyclers, Rocket Clicks and the Pettit Center for this great event.



All computer donations will benefit the IndependenceFirst Computer Recycling Program, a volunteer-driven program benefitting people with disabilities by providing them with a free computer. In addition to computers, other items such as large appliances, TVs and other electrical equipment will be accepted.

For more information call (414) 291-7520 V/TTY

SPRING FLING WITH A SPLASH OF COLOR!

May 4, 2014

Wil-O-Way Disc Golf, Underwood Course



This year is our 3rd year we are celebrating our Spring Fling (Disc Golf Event). This year we are adding a splash of color, so now we will have colorful events added to our Disc Golf Event. Participants will be given lessons by local disc golf players, and get a chance to play our accessible Disc Golf Course for FREE. In addition this year we will be having colorful activities going on inside our facility such as colorful crafts, tie dying t-shirts, face painting, and other colorful games.

[SIGN UP HERE!](#)

For more information on our Accessible Disc Golf Course please visit: <http://bit.ly/Wil-O-WayDiscGolf>

We would like to thank everyone who is involved in helping put on such a great event. Event Sponsors include: Office for Persons with Disabilities, Easter Seals of Southeastern Wisconsin, and the Girl Scouts of Wisconsin Southeast.

If you have any questions or problems registering please call Mike at 414-278-3938 OR <http://bit.ly/14SpringFling>

MOTHER'S DAY PLANT SALE

Mother's Day Weekend

Sat.–Sun., May 10 & 11, 2014, 9am–3:30pm

Wehr Nature Center, in Whitnall Park

9701 W. College Ave., Franklin, WI

Plan your landscape now with the [Early-Order Form](#) (due Thursday, April 24 by 4:30 p.m.--Sorry, NO EXCEPTIONS!)



Find just the right plants for your home's natural landscaping. Not only do these plants beautify your landscape, but also they provide the blossoms and seeds that attract birds and butterflies. Knowledgeable staff will assist you in plant selection, and literature will be available to provide additional information on natural landscaping topics.

Plants from a local nursery will be featured. Items for sale include spring ephemerals, prairie plants, woodland plants, and a few wetland plant species. Nursery-grown native wildflowers will be sold in 4-inch pots. The plants have been grown 2–5 years and are now of transplant size. Add some color to your native planting or restoration area this year.

This is a popular sale, so come early for best selection. Use the [Early-Order Form](#) to help us with our order—however, we cannot guarantee the selection. To learn more about plants listed on the order form, use the searchable database of the [Wisconsin State Herbarium](#) of the University of Wisconsin.

[Regular Parking Fee in effect](#)

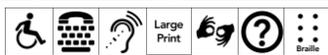
Questions? Contact Us: Wehr Nature Center, 9701 W. College Ave., Franklin, WI 53132, (414) 425-8550

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2014 MILWAUKEE BREWERS



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HOME AWAY (i) interleague game All games CST. Times subject to change.

MAY PROMOTIONS

- 7 - "Plant A Tree" Program: 1st 7,000 receive a tree seedling
- 10 - Brewers Coupon Book: 1st 25,000 fans 18+ receive book
- 11 - Kyle Lohse Bobblehead (sponsored by Toyota): All fans
- 13-15 - Spring Madness: Save on tickets, Pepsi and Klement's hot dogs
- 15 - University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Baseball Game: UWM Panthers take on Wright State Raiders after Brewers game

For 2014 ticket information, contact the Brewers Ticket Office at (414) 902-4000.

brewers.com



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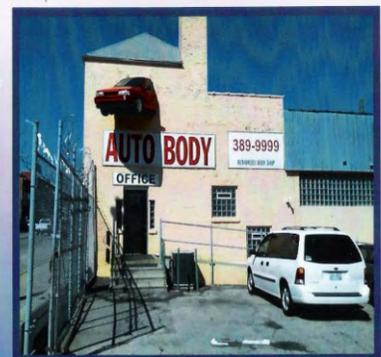
Learn about the new MCTS M•CARD at a Mobility Training class, offered Wednesday, May 21, 2014 Noon - 3:00 pm

For more information or to sign up, visit FreedomOnWheels.org or call Don Natzke at 414-937-3256.

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Milwaukee County Office for Persons with Disabilities & Milwaukee Community Sailing Center
Proudly Announce:



SAIL AWAY RESERVATION FORM

Eight (8) Dates Available – Hoyer Lift available



Any person with a disability, their family and friends are invited to join us for a refreshing sail on Lake Michigan. The Sail Away launches from the Milwaukee Community Sailing Center, 1450 N Lincoln Memorial Dr., Milwaukee, WI.

Please complete this form and return it *along with a self-addressed STAMPED envelope* to: **Sail Away, Milwaukee County Office for Persons with Disabilities, 901 N. 9th Street, Room 307-B, Milwaukee WI 53233.** Reservation requests will be limited as follows: Individuals with Disabilities = 4 people, Organizations = 8 people ** *You may request additional dates and will be put on the waiting list in case of cancellations or if we receive additional dates.*

X = Confirmed (office use only)		Times (Use an "X")		People Sailing (Use numbers please)		
		9:30am – 12:00pm	1:00pm – 3:30pm	Wheelchair ***	Non-wheelchair	Total
	Friday, June 6					
	Friday, June 13					
	Friday, June 27					
	Friday, July 25					
	Friday, August 1					
	Friday, August 8					
	Friday, August 15					
	Friday, August 22					

PROCEDURE

Please mark [X1, X2, X3, etc.] in the appropriate box for the date and time desired in priority order.

Please use numbers (1,2,3 ...) to indicate the number of people wanting to sail in the appropriate column and total column.

Please complete the contact and accommodation information needed below.

The boat we will be using is an Ensign (see picture) and can accommodate up to four sailors. There is no charge for the sail. **Reservations are required and will be accepted on a first come, first served basis.** If you have any questions please call Tim at 414-278-3930 or email Timothy.Ochnikowski@MilwaukeeCountyWI.gov

Other Recreation - If you are interested in other recreation available, call a recreation specialist from **Easter Seals SEWI** at 414-963-5952.

*** The Sailing Center's Hoyer Lift **IS** operational, however there **IS NO SPECIALIZED SEAT** for persons with limited upper body mobility / strength. All participants will need to be able to support their upper body!

Name: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Primary Phone: (_____) _____

Email: _____

Special Accommodations



Equipment Connection

April 2014

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Retail Price: \$1500

10 Tips For Saving Money from Disability.gov

From saving on energy costs, to effective coupon clipping, [this article](#) provides 10 tips and dozens of resources to help you save money.

Contribute Now

[Click here to see the full version of our most recent Equipment Connection!](#)




\$10 Off* (\$50 or more purchase)

* \$5 savings for past customers and \$10 savings for new customers. Please present coupon with purchase. Limit one per customer. Coupon is transferable. Can be used only on refurbished equipment purchase. Discount good only on sales paid in full at time of sale. For catalog of equipment, visit www.ifmobility.org. Expires 6/30/14 Code: SOCME6

2005 Chrysler Town & Country



Contact Information

Contact:
[Email seller](#)
 Phone: (414) 645-7000
Details

Type of Vehicle

Year 2005
 Make Chrysler
 Model Town & Country
 Body Style Ext Minivan

Vehicle Location

Milwaukee , Wisconsin 53215

Vehicle Information

Price \$21,250.00

Mileage 83,005
 Engine Type 6 Cylinder
 Drive Train 2 Wheel Drive
 Transmission Automatic
 Door Style Five Door
 Fuel Type Gasoline
 Exterior Color Gold
 Interior Color tan

\$19,250

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Vehicle Description

Stock Number z564

About the Vehicle
 ETE MOTOR SALES 414-645-7000 2005 Chrysler Town and Country Touring Edition AMS Mobility Conversion Van. Features include: 10" lowered floor with twin power sliding doors and power folding ramp. Removable passenger seat allow for ease of access and plenty of headroom. Loaded with standard features! This van features the standard AMS Vans side entry conversion which passed all crash test standards

according to the new stringent 2010 standards. Non-slip polyurethane coating, matching ground effects, and a remounted rear seat, this conversion looks just like a normal van. The ramp comes with remote entry, inside controls, or magnets on the outside of the van. The front seats are reinstalled on pedestals to maintain the normal height with the passenger seat removable in order to roll the wheelchair up front. The floor has multiple tie down securement strips. Call ETE Motors Today 414-645-7000 2727 S. 27th St. Milwaukee, WI 53215

Features

Accessibility

- Side Ramp
- Wheelchair Tie Down
- Lowered Floor
- Lowered Door
- Power Ramp
- Outside Entry
- Removable Passenger
- Rubber Floor Section
- Wheelchair Straps
- Remote Control Ramp

Safety

- Driver Air Bag
- Passenger Air Bag
- Anti-Lock Brakes

Comfort

- A/C Front
- A/C Rear
- Power Steering
- Cruise Control
- Tilt Wheel
- Keyless Entry

Seats

- Bucket Seats

Windows

- Power Windows
- Rear Window Defrost
- Rear Window Wiper
- Tinted Glass

Entertainment

- AM/FM Radio
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Other

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2007 Chevrolet Uplander



Contact Information

Contact:
[Email seller](#)
 Phone: (414) 645-7000

Details

Type of Vehicle
 Year 2007
 Make Chevrolet
 Model Uplander
 Body Style Ext Minivan

Vehicle Location
 Milwaukee , Wisconsin 53215

Vehicle Information

Price \$21,000.00
 Mileage 90,300
 Engine Type 6 Cylinder
 Drive Train 2 Wheel Drive
 Transmission Automatic
 Door Style Five Door
 Fuel Type Gasoline
 Exterior Color
 Interior Color Gray

\$17,950
SALE PRICE!
414.645.7000

Vehicle Description

Stock Number 583
 About the Vehicle

This 2007 Chevy Uplander Eldorado National Conversion is ready for personal or business use. ADA Approved, Features include: 12" Lowered Floor From Firewall to Rear Axle Manual Sliding Ramp Door and Ramp EZ Out Front Passenger Seat, Optional Drop Down Center Seat for extra Passengers. Multi-Position Wheelchair Tiedowns One Set of Tiedown Belts, Stylized Lower Body Panels Insulated & Commercial Grade Floor CHASSIS FEATURES: Chevy Uplander LS 3.9L V6

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Features

Accessibility

- Side Ramp
- Wheelchair Tie Down
- Lowered Floor
- Lowered Door
- Removable Passenger
- Wheelchair Straps

Safety

- Driver Air Bag
- Passenger Air Bag
- Anti-Lock Brakes

Comfort

- A/C Front
- A/C Rear
- Power Steering
- Cruise Control
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2007 Chevrolet Uplander



Contact Information

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Phone: (414) 645-7000

Details

Type of Vehicle

Year 2007
Make Chevrolet
Model Uplander
Body Style Ext Minivan

Vehicle Location

Milwaukee , Wisconsin 53215

Vehicle Information

Price \$21,500.00

Mileage 62,844
Engine Type 6 Cylinder
Drive Train 2 Wheel Drive
Transmission Automatic
Door Style Five Door
Fuel Type Gasoline
Exterior Color Beige
Interior Color tan

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Vehicle Description

Stock Number 586

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ETE MOTOR SALES 414-645-7000 2727 S. 27TH ST MILWAUKEE IS NEVER BEAT ON PRICE OR SERVICE. 2007 CHEVY UPLANDER BRAUN ENTERVAN Getting in and out of the Chevy Uplander is as easy as pressing a button. The vehicles easy-to-use keychain remote controls all of the accessible functions such as the sliding door and van ramp. As the automatic door opens, the rear suspension kneels to reduce the slope of the ramp even further, and the lightweight aluminum ramp extends to allow easy access to the lowered floor interior. The accessible functions are controlled by the remote and several interior switches placed for your convenience. From the firewall to the rear axle, the wheelchair van floor is 10" lower than conventional minivans. With a choice of seating positions, wheelchair users can choose to ride in their chair and enjoy the view. For those who wish to ride up front or even drive from their wheelchair, BraunAbility makes it easy: simply unlock the seat base and roll the entire

seat out of the handicap van. The seats can be reinstalled into the Entervan just as easily when needed. Each wheelchair van includes a standard floor-track and belt system that secures the wheelchair for transit. This van is loaded with standard features also: ETE MOTOR SALES 414-645-7000 2727 S. 27TH ST MILWAUKEE IS NEVER BEAT ON PRICE OR SERVICE.

Features

Accessibility

- Power Kneel system
- Side Ramp
- Wheelchair Tie Down
- Lowered Floor
- Lowered Door
- Power Ramp
- Outside Entry
- Removable Passenger
- Wheelchair Straps
- Remote Control Ramp
- Power Driver Seat

Safety

- Driver Air Bag
- Passenger Air Bag
- Side Air Bag
- Anti-Lock Brakes

Comfort

- A/C Front
- A/C Rear
- Power Steering
- Cruise Control
- Tilt Wheel
- Keyless Entry

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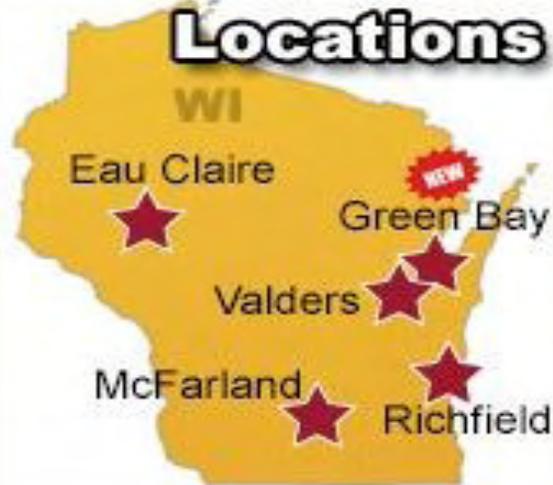
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- ___ Sweet Joe-Pye Weed (*Eupatorium purpureum*)
- ___ Wild Strawberry (*Fragaria virginiana*)
- ___ Wild Geranium (*Geranium maculatum*)
- ___ Pale-leaved woodland sunflower (*Helianthus strumosus*)
- ___ Virginia Waterleaf (*Hydrophyllum virginianum*)
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- ___ Cinnamon Fern (*Osmunda cinnamomea*)
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- ___ Jacob's Ladder (*Polemonium reptans*)
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- ___ Blue Marsh Violet (*Viola cucullata*)
- ___ Common Blue Violet (*Viola sororia*)

SPRING EPHEMERAL

- ___ Rue Anemone (*Anemonella thalictroides*)
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- ___ Trout Lily (*Erythronium americanum*)
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- ___ Virginia Bluebells (*Mertensia virginica*)
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- ___ Yellow Bellwort (*Uvularia grandiflora*)

PRAIRIE

- ___ Nodding Wild Onion (*Allium cernuum*)
- ___ Leadplant (*Amorpha canescens*)
- ___ Big Bluestem (*Andropogon gerardii*)
- ___ Canada Anemone (*Anemone canadensis*)
- ___ Thimbleweed (*Anemone virginiana*)
- ___ Pale Indian-plantain (*Arnoglossum atriplicifolium*)
- ___ Butterfly Weed (*Asclepias tuberosa*)

PRAIRIE (cont.)



- ___ Sky Blue Aster (*Aster azureus*)
- ___ Many-flowered Aster (*Aster ericoides*)
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- ___ New England Aster (*Aster novae-angliae*)
- ___ White Baptisia (*Baptisia alba*)
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- ___ Little Bluestem (*Schizachyrium scoparium*)
- ___ Compass Plant (*Silphium laciniatum*)
- ___ Cup plant (*Silphium perfoliatum*)
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- ___ Blue-eyed Grass (*Sisyrinchium angustifolium*)
- ___ False Solomon's Seal (*Smilacina racemosa*)
- ___ Ohio Goldenrod (*Solidago ohioensis*)
- ___ Riddell's Goldenrod (*Solidago riddellii*)
- ___ Stiff Goldenrod (*Solidago rigida*)
- ___ Showy Goldenrod (*Solidago speciosa*)
- ___ Spiderwort (*Tradescantia ohioensis*)
- ___ Culver's Root (*Veronicastrum virginicum*)
- ___ Birdfoot Violet (*Viola pedata*)
- ___ Heart-leaf Golden Alexander (*Zizia aptera*)
- ___ Common Golden Alexander (*Zizia aurea*)

WETLAND



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- ___ Turtlehead (*Chelone glabra*)
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April

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	4/1/14	4/2/14	4/3/14	4/4/14
	Quarter Pound Ball Park Frank American Potato Salad Calico Baked Beans Whole Wheat Hot Dog Bun Peanut Butter Cookie D. Banana Catsup and Mustard	A. Beef Liver smothered in onions B. Salisbury Steak smothered in onions Cheesy Diced Potato Casserole Crinkle Cut Carrots Seven Grain Bread Sliced Peaches	Grilled Chicken Strips Fettuccini with Alfredo Sauce Broccoli Cauliflower Mix Romaine Salad with Raspberry Dressing Sesame Seeded Italian Bread Grated Parmesan Cheese Pineapple Tidbits	Tuna Noodle Casserole Stewed Tomatoes with onions and green peppers Green Beans Marble Rye Bread Chocolate Chip Cookie D. Fresh Orange
4/7/14	4/8/14	4/9/14	4/10/14	4/11/14
Glazed Ham Mashed Sweet Potatoes Brussels Sprouts Rye Roll Oatmeal Raisin Cookie D. Fresh Apple	Sweet Sour Chicken w/ carrots, water chestnuts, green peppers and pineapple Brown Rice Wax and Green Bean Medley Whole Grain Bread Strawberry Swirl Ice Cream D. Sliced Strawberries	Happy 100th Birthday Leona ! Turkey Marsala Quartered Red Potatoes Spring Vegetable Blend Mini Caesar Salad Vienna Bread Marble Birthday Cake D. Fresh Fruit	BBQ Pork Riblet Grandmas Potato Salad Crinkle Cut Carrots Hoagie Bun Ranger Cookie D- Banana	A. Vegetarian Lasagna B. Meat Lasagna Seasoned Green Beans Whole Kernel Corn Garlic Bread Stick Mixed Fruit Cup
4/14/14	04/15/14	04/16/14	04/17/14	04/18/14
Pineapple Juice Hamburger Stroganoff Buttered Wide Noodles Honey Glazed Carrots Sour Dough Bread Tapioca Pudding D. Reduced Calorie Pudding	Veal Parmesan Penne Pasta with Basil Italian Blended Vegetable Mixed Greens with tomato, cuke and Italian Dressing Garlic Bread Chilled Pears	Spring Vegetable Soup with crackers Chicken Salad on Lettuce Leaf Fresh Fruit Cup Carrot Raisin Salad Croissant Lemon Pie D. Orange	Fruit Juice Pork Chop Suey Chinese Fried Brown Rice Asian Style Vegetables Wheat Dinner Roll Spring Confetti Cookie D. Seedless Grapes	Good Friday ! Baked Fish with lemon butter sauce Baked Potato Broccoli Marble Rye Bread Rainbow Sherbet D. Fresh Fruit Sour Cream Tartar Sauce
04/21/14	04/22/14	04/23/14	04/24/14	04/25/14
Belated Easter Wishes ! Grilled Polish Sausage Double Baked Potato Casserole Sugar Snap Peas Brat Bun Ambrosia Mixed Fruit Cup Catsup and Mustard	Philly Chicken Sandwich Baby Bakers Country Style Vegetables Whole Wheat Hamburger Bun Iced Cupcake D. Fresh Fruit Catsup	Swedish Meatballs Buttered Noodles Harvard Beets Romaine Salad with Ranch Dressing Dinner Roll Bakers Choice Cookie D. Fresh Orange	A. Teriyaki Chicken Thigh/Leg B. Teriyaki Chicken Breast/Wing Baked Fresh Sweet Potato Chefs Choice of Vegt Baking Powder Biscuit Mandarin Oranges	Peachy Pork Roast Yukon Mashed Potatoes Whole Baby Carrots w/dill Multi Grain Bread Apple Crisp D. Cinnamon Applesauce
4/28/14	4/29/14	4/30/14		
Meat Loaf with Gravy Red Skinned Mashed Potatoes Peas and Carrots Whole Grain Bread Sliced Pears	Grape Juice Italian Sausage w/green peppers and onions Brat Bun Pasta with Tomato Sauce Capri Blended Vegetables Chilled Fruit	Roasted Turkey (white & dark) with giblet gravy Stuffing California Blended Vegetable Pickled Beets Cornbread Muffin Pumpkin Spice Pudding		SUGGESTED DONATION \$2.50



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Hansel and Gretel: A Cautionary Tale is an entertaining retake on the classic tale using giant puppets, masks, music, and dance to support health education goals by teaching healthy eating habits and exercise. The production was created and performed by The Quasimondo Milwaukee Physical Theatre. ***Hansel and Gretel*** offers companion workshops and MPT’s Food for Thought resource guide.

Joey’s Lunch Money Blues is an interactive, entertaining, and empowering production that addresses issues of bullying by giving children opportunities to step into the action to make choices and help them find ways to defuse bullies and deal positively with conflict. The play is presented in collaboration with the Center for Applied Theatre, directed by Mark Weinberg and Jenny Wanasek.

Performances at area schools are underwritten by the David and Julia Uihlein Charitable Foundation, the Helen Bader Foundation, Milwaukee Public Schools, Milwaukee County CAMPAC, the Wisconsin Arts Board, with support from the National Endowment for the Arts and the United Performing Arts Fund through **Milwaukee Public Theatre’s Healthy Choices and Food for Thought** projects.

In-school shows presented by Milwaukee Public Theatre are open to the public with some limitations. Those wishing to attend a performance should call Milwaukee Public Theatre at **414-347-1685**.

For a complete schedule of performances, please visit
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MPT 2014 Season Outline and program links attached

Milwaukee Public Theatre 2014 Season

Spring Semester: Educational Outreach

- Mural Painting at Neighborhood House with Andrew Parchman
- Zumba at COA-Goldin with Gwen Miner
- HipHop Dance at Engleburg Elementary with Lauren Ashley
- Arts & Crafts at Engleburg Elementary with Tami Zwicke
- StoryBridge at Keefe Avenue School with Azeeza Islam
- African Drumming and Dance at 81st Street School with Lucky Diop
- Play development at Kosciuzsko Montessori with Deborah Clifton and Fox & Branch
- Urban Line Dance at Agape Community Center with Nzinga Khalid
- Zumba at Agape Community Center with Tammy Seawright
- Zumba during the March 26 Family Night at Fratney

Spring: Original Theatreworks/Educational Outreach

Shows touring to school audiences

- [Joey's Lunch Money Blues](#), with the Center for Applied Theatre
- [Pieces: In My Own Voice](#), with NAMI-GM
- [Hansel and Gretel](#), with The Quasimondo Physical Theatre

Summer: Cultivating Community through the Arts

Link: <http://www.milwaukeepublictheatre.org/parades--celebrational-events.html>

- [Bay View Tragedy Reenactment](#) with Milwaukee Mask & Puppet Theatre, Wisconsin Labor History Society
- 4th of July, Summer of Peace, National Night Out and other community celebrations featuring MPT artists and performers
- [Milwaukee Latino Carnival](#), parade float and mask-making workshops at 10 community locations
- [ARTery Puppet Parade and Pageant Project](#), with neighborhood artists and Holton Youth & Family Center
- [StoryBridge](#) at Auer Avenue School, Clark Street School and Westside/HAPA
- [Food for Thought](#) presenting *Hansel and Gretel* or *Out to Lunch performances*
- Food for Thought workshops at Urban Ecology Center-Menomonee Valley, Agape Community Center, Neighborhood House and other community locations
- **SuperStars Summer Arts Camp** for children on the autism spectrum and their friends and siblings ages 4 and up, June 16-27 at St. Marcus School, 2215 N. Palmer Street, and concludes with a Disney-themed .

Fall: Special Events

- September 19: [MPT Steampunk Circus of Metamorphosis](#), a 40th anniversary celebration and fundraiser
- October: [Tap the Potential](#), month-long presentations celebrating artists with disabilities

Fall/Winter: New Project

- [Stories from the Medicine Wheel](#), featuring master hoop dance classes with Ty Defoe and a revised production of *Winter Tales*, touring to school audiences, supported by a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts

For details, contact

MPT Outreach/Education Office: 414-347-1685 or mpt@milwaukeepublictheatre.org

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What is the Great American Cleanup?

The Great American Cleanup is a nationwide program that encourages you to get involved in your own community. Millions of volunteers clean and beautify their community as part of the Great American Cleanup each spring.

The Great American Cleanup is the nation's largest organized annual cleanup, beautification, and community improvement program. Last year, more than 50,000 volunteers participated in the Great American Cleanup in the Milwaukee area alone.

The Great American Cleanup begins on March 1st and runs until May 31st. Keep Greater Milwaukee Beautiful will host this year's cleanup program throughout southeastern Wisconsin.

You can join an existing cleanup listed here (or on our website at www.kgmb.org) or organize your own community, neighborhood, park or river cleanup.

How to Get Involved

There are many ways you can take part in the Great American Cleanup:

- **Organize your own neighborhood, park, or area cleanup** - If you would like to organize your own neighborhood, park, or area cleanup, simply fill out an online "Site Coordinator Registration Form" by [clicking here](#). If you do not wish to register online, you may send in the "Site Coordinator Registration Form" by mail or stop in to pick one up from our office. As a site coordinator registered with KGMB you can receive supplies for your cleanup event. Your event must be between March 1st and May 31st to receive garbage bags, posters, "Thank You" coupons, and other supplies (while supplies last).
- **Come to the Community Cleanup Day: Saturday, April 26th, 2014!** – This year's Great American Community Cleanup Kickoff event will be at Mitchell Park, 524 S Layton Boulevard, in Milwaukee. Registration begins at 8:30am. Join KGMB and hundreds of volunteers as we celebrate a cleaner, greener Milwaukee. Cleanup supplies will be provided. We encourage you to bring gloves, if available.
- **Volunteer at an existing park, river or neighborhood cleanup** - To join an existing clean up, contact the site coordinator directly by e-mail or phone. [Check our website calendar for updates](#).



Organize Your Own Litter Cleanup--

We invite *you* to be a 2014 GAC Site Coordinator!

What is a Site Coordinator?

A site coordinator is anyone who wants to organize a cleanup between March 1st and May 31st in any community, park, or outdoor area. You may also register to be a site coordinator if you plan on hosting a beautification event.

If you would like to be a site coordinator, **please fill out the online “Site Coordinator Registration Form”** at <http://fs8.formsite.com/KGMBGM/Registration-form/index.html>. Alternatively, you may send in the form by mail.

Your Cleanup Event **must be between March 1st and May 31st** (the dates of the Great American Cleanup) in order to receive garbage bags and THANK YOU coupons for your volunteers. Supplies may be picked up at KGMB (available beginning March 7th)

2014 Wil-O-Way Key Card

The Wil-O-Way Key Card is a product of the Milwaukee County Office for Persons with Disabilities and the Wil-O-Way Recreation Program. Membership in the Wil-O-Way Key Card program expands recreational opportunities for persons with disabilities at a reduced or no cost. *Benefits:* * Access to the Milwaukee County ticket distribution program. * Invitation to Milwaukee County recreation and culture special events. * Information about other low or no cost community recreation events. * Access to Wil-O-Way programming (Individual members only!). **ALL communication by EMAIL ONLY!!!**

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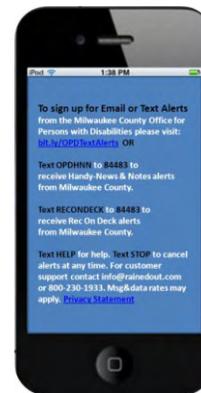
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YOUR MONEY AND ASSISTED LIVING

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Residents and Families should be open with Assisted Living Communities about Money.

The 2013 Genworth Financial study tells us that the median cost of private accommodations in assisted living in Wisconsin is \$3,538 per month. The monthly cost of assisted living has risen steadily over the past decade as acuity continues to rise. Ten years ago, in addition to meals, housekeeping and other IADLs (Instrumental Activities of Daily Living), the most common services received were assistance with medication management and bathing. Today, although medication management and bathing are still the most common services in assisted living, many residents are receiving help with nearly every activity of daily living (ADL) including toileting.

Considering that the average length of stay in assisted living is about 2.5 years, consumers are making significant commitments that may exceed \$100,000 when added up over several years. As you know, median means middle, therefore, some people will pay more over the course of their stay and some people will pay less.

For many people, their home is their greatest asset and the primary source of money to pay for the cost of assisted living. The US Bureau of the Census tells us that about 77% of adults 65+ own their own home. Therefore, many older adults use the sale of the home as well as other assets and investments to pay for the cost of assisted living.

As the industry has matured, new financial products have been developed to help pay for the cost of assisted living. A couple of those include an organization which can leverage an existing life insurance policy and a company that offers "bridge" loans to pay for assisted living while a home is on the real estate market. More information on these programs can be found at www.laureategroup.com.

Many assisted living facilities, including the Laureate Group retirement communities, have contracts with the Managed Care Organizations (MCOs), to accept Family Care which is the most common government funded program that pays for the costs of assisted living for people who are both financially and functionally eligible. In 2011, 13,365 people who were living in assisted living facilities throughout Wisconsin were receiving assistance through a long term care program, including Family Care, to help pay for services. Most assisted living

communities have limited participation in these programs due to the low reimbursement rate.

Although a person's financial status is a very private matter, it is very important for consumers to share information regarding the state of a resident's finances with the facility for planning purposes. Over the course of years, a lot can change. Perhaps the amount of care needed by the resident increased significantly which increased the rate charged. Perhaps the resident had a significant acute hospitalization which depleted some of the finances. Perhaps there was a significant change in the stock market and what was a \$240 per month dividend is now a \$2.40 dividend check. Things happen.

Unfortunately it is common for families to withhold information out of fear until the money is totally depleted leaving no time for the Medicaid application process. In addition, as the costs of assisted living are rising, there are new financial options coming on the market which may help bridge the cost of services. An experienced assisted living provider can help educate residents and their families on these options. What does this all mean? Residents and families should be open with assisted living communities about their money.

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GREAT NEWS!

CAREGIVER CIRCLE NEWSLETTER HAS A NEW LOOK

Interfaith Older Adult Programs' Family Caregiver Support Network Caregiver Circle newsletter has a new look. The new design features a more contemporary, modern look and aligns with our other agency publications. Our look has changed but our excellent services and resources have not. We will continue to provide useful informative news and information to caregivers and older adults.

Let us know what you think. Email our marketing department at marketing@interfaithmilw.org.

Programs for Caregivers

"THE RESILIENT CAREGIVER" is the theme for this year's keynote at The 28th Annual Caregiver's Spiritual Retreat being held on Sat. April 12th from 8:30 am -1:45 pm, at San Camillo, 10200 W. Bluemound Rd., Wauwatosa, WI. Participation is \$15 and includes continental breakfast and lunch. The retreat will host author/columnist Philip Chard and comedic relief from Comedy Sportz. Please mark your calendars for this day of fellowship and discussion for family caregivers! In home respite care will be available on a limited basis through St. Camillus Home Care and Interfaith's Family Caregiver Support Network. Call St. Camillus at 414 259-6310 to receive a registration brochure.

TAKING CARE OF YOU: POWERFUL TOOLS FOR CAREGIVERS

Feeling confused, burnt out or losing your stripes like "Z" the zebra? Need support or ways to interact with your family or the person you care for? Looking for more resources? FCSN will again be offering this popular six-week educational support program on Tuesday afternoons starting April 22nd through May 27th from 1 pm – 4 pm at St. Ann's Intergenerational Care Center – Board Room, 801 E. Morgan Ave. Milwaukee. Call Interfaith's Family Caregiver Support Network (FCSN) at 414-220-8600 for class information and registration. Registration fee is \$25 and includes a Caregiver Help book. Scholarships and respite care may be available. Call Today.

SUPPORT FOR GRANDPARENTS & OTHER RELATIVES PARENTING AGAIN...

The Grandparents Education & Support Group now offers a bi-monthly evening workshop. This free education and support group meets the third Wednesday of each month from 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm at Villard Square Grand Family Housing, 3427 W. Villard Ave. A light supper for adults and children will be provided and child care is available. Topics are selected by the participants and these workshops will replace the annual educational series. You probably did not expect to be responsible for a child/ren at this time in your life. Come and share your story, feel understood, exchange ideas, gain information and resources, develop a support system. Call FCSN, 414-220-8600 for information, directions or to attend.

Services

DO YOU NEED FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE WITH PRESCRIPTION MEDICATIONS?

The Prescription Advocacy & Referral Service (PARS) is a free service for income-eligible clients. Clients are provided assistance in obtaining free or low-cost prescription medications from participating pharmaceutical companies. For more information call the Social Development Commission (SDC) PARS at 414-906-2306 or visit www.cr-sdc.prg.

ARTS AT HOME – ISLANDS OF MILWAUKEE

Do you know an older adult living alone that feels under-connected to their community? If so, the Islands of Milwaukee project can help. This project is the work of a team of artists, older adults, volunteers, care providers and researchers seeking to create a sustainable system that brings meaningful engagement to older adults living alone or under-connected to community. It also uses art to open up a community-wide dialog about the importance of seniors remaining connected with their community as they age. Learn more about this project and get connected. Call 414-678-1653 or visit www.islandsofmilwaukee.org.



The Interfaith - Family Caregiver Support Network is primarily funded through the Milwaukee County Department on Aging with additional funding through United Way of Greater Milwaukee. **Donations to the program are gratefully appreciated.**

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www.CaregiverSupportNetwork.org

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www.Living-Options.org

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Wisconsin Caregiver
www.WisconsinCaregiver.org

Greater Milwaukee Area Caregiver Support Groups

Sandwich Generation Support Group at Alexian Village
9255 N 76th St, 2nd Tues, of the month, 6:30 pm. Contact: Chaplain Jessi Smedal at 357-5105 x5524. Free lite sandwich supper available. (*You do not need to be in the sandwich generation to attend.*)

St. Matthews Lutheran Church
1615 Wauwatosa Ave. Upper room
2nd and 4th Monday of the month,
1:00 pm Contact Sharon 414-427-8628

Wheaton St. Francis Caregiver's Support Group
3237 S. 16th St., 1st Saturday of the month, 10:30 am.
Contact Louise at 414-645-9095

Contact FCSN for other local support group information
Alzheimer's, Parkinson's, Stroke etc.
414-220-8600

For Family Caregivers throughout Wisconsin

Wisconsin Family Caregiver Call-In
Call in from the comfort of your home

Alternates monthly between call in chat and speaker talking on topic chosen by the group. 2nd Tuesday of the month, 1:00 - 2:30 pm.

Group size is limited. To register call Kathy Ford, Kenosha County ADRC at 262-605-6646 or 1-800-472-8088



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 ~ Andrea, SuperStars parent

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SuperStars Camp Registration Form

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 Daytime phone number _____
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