



17TH DISTRICT MILWAUKEE COUNTY SUPERVISOR

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Dear Friends and Neighbors:

Thank you for allowing me to serve as your county supervisor this past year. I consider it an honor and a privilege to be your voice at the Milwaukee County Courthouse.

This is an exciting and challenging time for Milwaukee County. I thank everyone who has contacted me throughout the year on the important issues facing Milwaukee County. Hearing your input is very important in helping me to represent you.

Milwaukee County has many excellent recreational opportunities to offer. I have included information on some of the great opportunities and attractions in Milwaukee County in this newsletter.

As always, please contact me with your thoughts and concerns regarding Milwaukee County government.

Sincerely,

Tony Staskunas
Milwaukee County Supervisor, 17th District



Supervisor Staskunas speaks to the Milwaukee County Board in opposition to the wheel tax proposal.

Be an Organ Donor

In September, Municipal Judges Derek Mosley and JoAnn Eiring came to visit the county board and share their medical miracle story with us. Judge Mosley was going through kidney dialysis for 10 hours each day just to function and was entirely dependent upon finding an organ donor. He was one of the lucky few, because his friend Judge Eiring discovered she was a match. Here are some eye-opening facts that were shared with us from their experience as an organ donor and recipient:



Judges Mosley and Eiring speaking in front of the September board meeting about their personal journey with organ donation.

- Did you know that there are more than 116,000 people waiting for a life-saving transplant?
- Every 10 minutes a name is added to the national transplant waiting list.
- Every day 22 people die from the lack of available organs for transplant.
- Half of the people waiting for a kidney transplant are people of color.
- One deceased donor can save up to eight lives through organ donation and can save and enhance more than 75 lives through the lifesaving and healing gift of tissue donation.
- Organs that can be donated after death are the heart, liver, kidneys, lungs, pancreas and small intestines and tissues include corneas, skin, veins, heart valves, tendons, ligaments and bones.
- A healthy person can become a 'living donor' by donating a kidney or a part of the liver. Learn more about living donation at DonateLifeWisconsin.org.
- About 5,000 living donations occur each year.
- One in four donors is not biologically related to the recipient.
- Blood and bone marrow are also desperately needed. Check out BeTheMatch.org to learn more about the national marrow registry.



- Even if you have an organ donor dot on your driver's license or state ID, you may not be legally registered as an organ, tissue and eye donor. To authorize your donation decision, say YES to donation at the DMV or register online right now at DonateLifeWisconsin.org.

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Kulwicki Park Agreement



Supervisor Staskunas with representatives of Greenfield and Greenfield Little League after the Parks, Energy, and Environment Committee Meeting. The proposed lease between Milwaukee County and the City of Greenfield to take over Kulwicki Park was approved by the Board of Supervisors this September.

I am excited to report an agreement between Milwaukee County, the City of Greenfield, and the Greenfield Little League that will hopefully lead to an improved Kulwicki Park. The agreement calls for the City of Greenfield to assume all maintenance of Kulwicki Park for 2018. Greenfield Little League fees will be reduced retroactively for 2017. For 2018, Greenfield Little League will negotiate with the City of Greenfield for field fees.

The agreement will save Milwaukee County Parks money by shifting responsibility for park maintenance to the City. The City of Greenfield should be able to maintain and service the park more efficiently and the Little League fees should be reduced.

At this point, this is only a short term agreement for 2018. It does not address the long term repair and maintenance needs at the park. If this arrangement is successful in 2018, I am hoping that a long term partnership between Milwaukee County and the City of Greenfield can be negotiated. I believe that this type of partnership would be in the best interest of Kulwicki Park, Milwaukee County, the City of Greenfield, Greenfield Little League, and all other users of Kulwicki Park.

Call 2-1-1 for Assistance



IMPACT 2-1-1 is a central access point for people in need. During times of personal crisis or community disaster, the free, confidential helpline and online resource directory make it easy for residents to get connected to information and assistance. Simply dial 2-1-1. If you want detailed information please go to: www.impactinc.org/impact-2-1-1.

Whitnall Park Beer Garden

Earlier this summer, I had the honor of serving as the official keg tapper at the Whitnall Park Beer Garden on Root River Parkway. The event was a great success and a fun way to meet my neighbors. I also want to highlight the success of the permanent beer garden that opened in Whitnall Park this summer. This new beer garden is a great way to encourage everyone to utilize our beautiful park space and bond over food and drink.



Supervisor Staskunas celebrating the start of a great beer garden season at Whitnall Park.

Get To Know Your County Clerk



I would like to introduce George Christenson, our Milwaukee County Clerk. His office administers county-wide elections, provides support to the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors, and offers a variety of services to county residents, including:

- Applying for a Marriage License or a Domestic Partnership
- Applying for a Passport
- Sale of Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources licenses and permits (including hunting and fishing licenses)
- Sale of Milwaukee County Transit System bus passes
- Notary Public Services

Please visit the County Clerk's website for additional information on these services: county.milwaukee.gov/CountyClerk.

The County Clerk's Office plays an important part in ensuring transparency of our county government by overseeing the County's Legislative Information Center (CLIC). CLIC enables county residents and others to live-stream the meetings of the County Board of Supervisors, its standing committees as well as other select taskforces and special committees. Agendas and minutes involving those meetings are also available for view on CLIC. Please visit county.milwaukee.gov/CLIC to learn more.

Equifax Data Breach



Equifax, one of the nation's three major credit reporting agencies, reported a data breach several weeks ago that may affect as many as 143 million Americans—nearly 44% of the United States population.

Equifax has set up a website (www.equifaxsecurity2017.com) that allows consumers to check if their information may have been exposed in the breach. Equifax has also established a dedicated call center at 866-447-7559 to answer consumers' questions about the breach.

If you believe you may have been affected by this data breach, you can take the following steps:

- Consider placing a free 90-day fraud alert on your credit report by contacting one of the three major credit reporting bureaus: Equifax (888-766-0008), Experian (888-397-3742), or TransUnion (800-680-7289). When you place a fraud alert with one bureau, that bureau will relay the request to the other two companies on your behalf. A fraud alert warns creditors that you may be an identity theft victim and that they should verify anyone seeking credit in your name is actually you.
- Request a free credit report from the three credit bureaus by visiting www.annualcreditreport.com or calling (877) 322-8228.
- You may wish to place a security freeze on your credit reports. A freeze bars access to your reports to almost anyone without your express permission. You may freeze your credit reports through TransUnion at (877) 322-8228.

Mitchell Park Domes Update



The show dome in full bloom during one of its rotating exhibitions.

Repairs have been completed on the Mitchell Park Domes. These short term repairs should allow the current Domes to remain open for another ten years.

In the meantime, the Mitchell Park Conservatory Task Force continued to meet and discuss the future of the Domes. Recently, the Task Force hired the Milwaukee office of HGA Architect and Engineers. This company will develop at least six alternatives for Milwaukee County that address the future of the Domes, including the buildings and related structures, revenue and fiscal management, and the conservancy's social and economic impacts.

The consultants will develop specific plans for Milwaukee County based on the options created through this process. Preliminary cost estimates now range from \$16 million to \$64 million, depending on the extent of the work. Final approval of a recommended plan is anticipated in early 2019.

Governor Walker Appoints Supervisor Staskunas

Governor Walker has recently appointed me to serve as a Milwaukee County representative to the Milwaukee Child Welfare Partnership Council. The Child Welfare Partnership Council acts as an advisory board to the State of Wisconsin regarding child welfare services in Milwaukee County.

"I am pleased that Governor Walker has appointed me as a member of the Milwaukee Child Welfare Partnership Council. The Council does very important work in Milwaukee County by protecting children, strengthening families, and building communities. I greatly appreciate Governor Walker's confidence in appointing me to the important position."

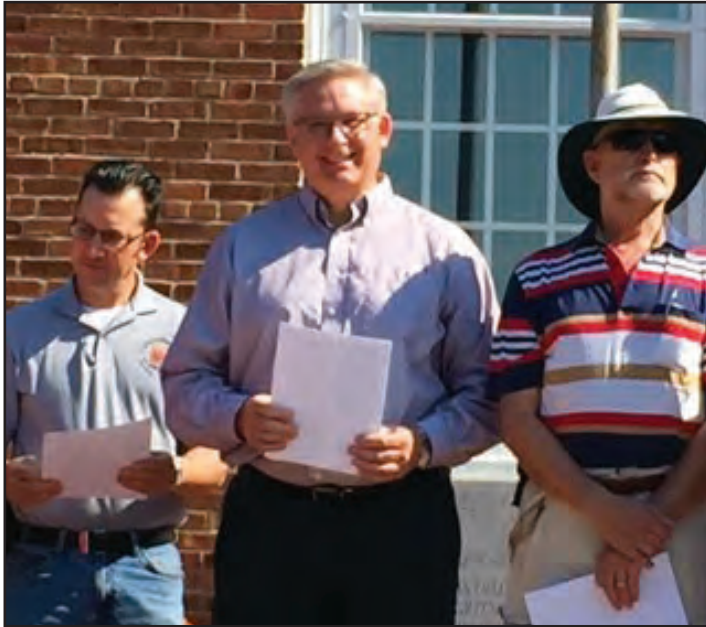


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Greendale 4th of July Celebration



Supervisor Staskunas reading the Declaration of Independence at Greendale Village Hall on the Fourth of July.

Energy Assistance Available Now

The Milwaukee County Energy Assistance Program is now available. Any household with a utility burden can apply for this one-time, annual benefit. Your benefit is based on your household's size, your household's income, and your utility usage. It's NOT based on whether or not you are behind on your bill or on how much you may owe. Energy Assistance is not intended to cover your entire bill, but to help make those bills a little more affordable. Every household situation is different, but most households receive a benefit that covers one to two months of utility service. In most cases the energy assistance benefit is paid directly to your household's energy supplier.

Applying is Easy! Make an appointment or walk in to any of our sites. There are 6 sites across Milwaukee County for your convenience. All sites are on a bus line and are handicapped accessible.

- Northwest - 4906 W. Fond du Lac Ave.
- Downtown/Central - 728 N. James Lovell St.
- West Allis - 6761 W. Greenfield Ave.
- Southeast/Bay View - 2701 S. Chase Ave.
- South - 5663 S. 27th St.
- North - 6918 W. Brown Deer Rd.



You can apply any time between October 1, 2017 and May 15, 2018. Hours are: Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Last applicant taken 30 minutes before closing and subject to availability. Closed on major holidays.

To schedule an appointment or for more info, call 270-4MKE (270-4653) or go online to www.EnergyAssistanceMKE.org.



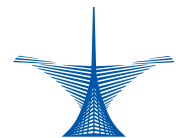
The Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors is excited to announce the launch of Polco, an innovative community engagement platform for neighbors to directly influence Milwaukee County's decision-making process! We have already started posting questions to the community that you can answer by going to <https://polco.us/milwaukeecounty> and creating an account.

Supervisor Staskunas Invites You To Enjoy Free Milwaukee County Attractions!



Kohl's Thank You Thursdays:
Free to all the first Thursday of every month. County residents get \$2 off every day.

800 W. Wells St., Milwaukee
(414) 278-2728
www.mpm.edu



MILWAUKEE ART MUSEUM

Free the first Thursday of every month for all visitors, sponsored by Meijer.

700 N. Art Museum Dr., Milwaukee
(414) 224-3200 • www.mam.org



Free on Mondays from 9:00 a.m. to Noon for Milwaukee County residents. Excludes major holidays.

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Family Free Days & Special Holidays
2017: 12/2. 2018: 1/6, 2/3, 3/3, 10/6, 11/3, 12/1, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day & New Year's Day.

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