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Spring/Summer 2015

Dear Friends and Neighbors:

Thank you for the opportunity to represent you on the Milwaukee County Board. I consider it an honor and a privilege to be your voice at the Milwaukee County Courthouse.

I thank all who have contacted me throughout this year on issues facing Milwaukee County. Hearing your input is very important in helping me represent you.

Milwaukee County has many excellent recreational opportunities to offer. It is finally spring! Please take advantage of all that Milwaukee County has to offer during this spring and summer season.

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

Have a wonderful spring,

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Tony Staskunas Milwaukee County Supervisor, 17th District



Supervisor Staskunas speaking at the March 2015 meeting of the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

A Photo ID Is Now Required To Vote

The U.S. Supreme Court has cleared the way for enforcement of Wisconsin's 2011 voter ID law. A valid photo ID is now required to vote in Wisconsin. A Wisconsin ID card, driver license, state ID card or driver license receipt, passport book or card, military ID, tribal ID, certificate of naturalization, and some student IDs are among the acceptable forms of ID for voting purposes.



All voters must show proof of residence to register to vote, and a driver license or state ID card with a current address are just two of many documents can use to prove they are residents. A full list is available here:

gab.wi.gov/publications/voter-guides/proof-of-residence

The Wisconsin Division of Motor Vehicles has a process to allow people to obtain a free State ID card for voting purposes, even if the person does not have a birth certificate. Please use the following link to find out how you can get a FREE photo ID:

www.dot.wisconsin.gov/drivers/drivers/apply/idcard.htm

The Milwaukee County Register of Deeds provides free birth certificates for voting purposes. For more information go to: county.milwaukee.gov/VtialRecordsSystem9855.htm

If you don't have a birth certificate, please see the following link which explains the new policy regarding FREE photo ID's for people who do not have a birth certificate:

www.dot.wisconsin.gov/drivers/drivers/apply/petition-process.htm

Voters are also encouraged to visit the Wisconsin Government Accountability's voter services website, **MyVote.wi.gov**, for information about voting.

Next Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors Meeting

Thursday, June 25th, 2015 at 9:30 a.m.901 N. 9th Street, Room 200, Milwaukee, WI 53233



GO Pass Community Distribution Began May 1st

The Milwaukee County Transit System (MCTS) began heading out into the community on Friday, May 1st to continue distribution of the GO Pass to eligible riders. The pass allows all Milwaukee County residents 65 and older unlimited free rides on MCTS buses. The free pass will also be available for residents with disabilities who meet certain requirements, as listed on the application.

GO Pass applications will be processed and the passes will be handed out at 21 senior and community centers throughout the months of May and June. To see a complete list of dates, times and locations visit **RideMCTS.com**.

MCTS will continue to process applications at the MCTS Administration Building (1942 N. 17th Street, Milwaukee, WI 53205) between the hours of 9 a.m. and 2 p.m., Monday thru Friday. The free pass can be used immediately. Users must have the pass to receive the free rides.

Since March 31st, MCTS has processed more than 4,600 passes; the GO Pass has been used for more than 96,000 rides.

Anyone getting the pass at a community location or at MCTS is encouraged to fill out a GO Pass application in advance. Applications can be downloaded and printed out from **RideMCTS.com**. Applicants should be prepared for possible long lines and wait times.

There are four ways MCTS will confirm eligibility in the program, but only one of the four is required:

- Present a government issued picture ID card that includes age (65 and over) and proves residency in Milwaukee County.
- Present a copy of a Medicare card and a government issued picture ID that proves residency in Milwaukee County.
- Present a doctor's statement describing the nature of your disability on professional letterhead or prescription form AND present a government issued picture ID card that proves residency in Milwaukee County. You must have your treating physician or a Wisconsin Medical Licensed health care provider complete and sign the second page of the application.
- Present an existing MCTS issued Reduced Fare card and proof of residency in Milwaukee County.

For questions, please visit **RideMCTS.com** or call (414) 343-1700.

M•CARD Charge Went Into Effect April 6th

After giving away more than 79,000 MCTS M•CARDs over the past year, the Milwaukee

the Milwaukee County Transit System (MCTS) began charging I 6th. The \$2 fee

2 per card on April 6th. The 2 fee

is a one-time charge for the reusable smart card; after that, customers only pay for the fare that is put on it. All customers get a free 90-minute transfer when they use their MCTS M•CARD.

The M•CARD is a high tech tool that will help MCTS and passengers transition away from paper passes and tickets to a completely electronic fare system. The \$2 fee helps cover the cost of the card which has a potential lifespan of 10 years.

Customers can load 1, 7, and 31 day passes onto the MCTS M•CARD, or they can put stored value of any amount between \$2 and \$50 on the card at a time. While MCTS will still accept cash, the M•CARD offers a discounted rate versus paying cash (\$1.75 vs \$2.25).



2015 Greenfield Farmers Market

Market Season: May - October Every Sunday, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Konkel Park - 5151 W. Layton Ave.

Closed Memorial Day Weekend
NEW Makers Market on the 1st Sunday of each month!

24/7 Respite Care At St. Ann's

Respite care provides temporary relief for caregivers from the continuous responsibility of caring for an individual with special needs.

One of the greatest challenges a family can face is trying to make a home for a family member who has physical and/or cognitive disabilities or who suffers from the frailties of aging. The constant daily stresses of caring for a loved one with special needs is overwhelming. Caregivers often sacrifice their own health and well being as they provide a home and try to enhance the quality of life for their loved one. For this reason overnight respite care is the most requested and needed family support service.





At St. Ann Center we provide comfort, care and companionship for adults with special needs age 18 and up in a safe home-like setting. We care for a variety of individuals and needs. We are able to care for guests that require a Hoyer lift for transfer, those that may need help with feeding and many other care needs determined through our thorough assessment.

Respite Care Services Include:

- 24 hour care by experienced, professional and trained caregivers
- Private rooms with pillow-top queen size guest beds
- Housekeeping and bed linen daily
- Three hot, healthy, home-cooked meals a day and snacks



One of the respite rooms at the St. Ann Center.

- Personal care assistance, including a nightly foot rub, if desired.
- Medication management & medical needs supervision including, blood pressure checks and blood sugar testing, medication setup, all supervised by a registered nurse.
- Activities such as day trips, arts, crafts, group games, group discussions, live entertainment, movies, seasonal activities and parties.
- Religious services, if desired.

Additional services are available and can be arranged prior to a stay.

Take advantage of our excellent "bed and breakfast" respite services with a private room and all the wellness amenities of St. Ann Center for Intergenerational Care. Wheelchair accessible warm water pool, salon, massage and art activities beside a safe and caring stay! Call Sarah at: 414-977-5033.

The Milwaukee County Traveling Beer Garden to Visit Scout Lake Park



The Milwaukee County Traveling Beer Garden Tour will make a stop at Scout Lake Park in Greendale, June 10-20. All the revenue collected goes into improving our Milwaukee County parks.

The Traveling Beer Garden will feature craft beer, specialty sodas, hard root beer, hard ginger ale, and other refreshment from Sprecher Brewing, Co., Inc. Authentic German food from Sprecher's Restaurant and Pub will also be available for purchase.

Scout Lake Park - 5902 W. Loomis Rd., Greendale June 10-20, 2015 Monday through Friday: 4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Saturday, Sunday, and Holidays: 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Last call is at 9:00 p.m.

For more locations on the tour and any further information, please visit **www.countyparks.com** or call (414) 257-7275.

Milwaukee County Spring/Summer 2015 Events Guide



Milwaukee Art Museum

700 N. Art Museum Drive, Milwaukee, WI 53202 (414) 224-3200 • www.mam.org

Free the first Thursday of every month. Free for all visitors!



Milwaukee Public Museum

800 W. Wells St., Milwaukee, WI 53233 (414) 278-2728 • www.mpm.edu

Milwaukee County Resident Discount: Residents of Milwaukee County receive a \$2.00 discount on general admission on any day. Adult residents must present valid photo identification showing Milwaukee County residency to receive this discount, and children must be accompanied by an adult showing proof of residency to receive this discount.

Free General Admission Days:

- Thank You Thursday 9 a.m. 8 p.m. First Thursday of each month free for Milwaukee County residents. Additional charges apply for the Dome Theater, Daniel M. Soref Planetarium and special exhibitions.
- 2015 free dates include: June 4, July 2, August 6, September 3, October 1, November 5, and December 3
- Mother's Day Free for Mothers
- Father's Day Free for Fathers
- Veteran's Day & Memorial Day

 Free for Veterans and current members
 of the military
- Grandparent's Day Free for Grandparents



Milwaukee County Zoo

10001 W. Bluemound Rd., Milwaukee, WI 53226 (414) 256-5412 • www.milwaukeezoo.org

2015 Family Free Days sponsored by North Shore Bank: October 10, November 7, December 5.

All visitors receive free zoo admission, but the parking charge remains in effect



Mitchell Park Horticultural Conservatory (The Domes)

524 S. Layton Blvd., Milwaukee, WI 53215 • (414) 257-5611 county.milwaukee.gov/MitchellParkConserva10116.htm

FREE on Mondays from 9:00 a.m. – noon for all Milwaukee County residents with proof of residency; excludes major holidays and celebrations of major holidays.

That's Amore! - Spring Show

April 1- May 25 - times may vary, check web site for daily times. Love will fill the air, as will the aroma of Mediterranean herbs and scented geraniums surrounding the rustic courtyard in the Italian countryside.



The Traveling Beer Garden™ is run by Milwaukee County Parks staff. All the revenue collected goes back into improving the parks across Milwaukee County. It features craft beer, gourmet sodas, Hard Root Beer, Hard Ginger Beer, and other refreshments from Sprecher Brewing Co., Inc. In addition, great food is also available from Sprecher's Restaurant and Pub.

Beer Garden Hours

Monday-Friday: 4 p.m. - 10 p.m. Saturday, Sunday & Holidays: 11 a.m. - 10 p.m. Last call at 9 p.m.

May 20 - May 31

Root River Pkwy South/Whitnall - 92nd St. & College Ave. by
Picnic Area #1

Dretzka Park - 12020 W. Bradley Rd. by the Chalet

June 3 - June 14

Froemming Park - 8801 S. 51st St. Gordon Park - 2828 N. Humboldt Blvd.

June 10 - June 20

Scout Lake Park - 5902 W. Loomis Rd.

June 17 - June 28

Grant Park - 100 E. Hawthorne Ave. by Picnic Area #5 **Doctors Park** - 1870 E. Fox Ln. by Picnic Area #3

July 1 - July 12

Falk Park - 2013 W. Rawson Ave. Sheridan Park - 4800 S. Lake Dr.

July 15 - July 26

Greenfield Park - 2028 S. 124th St. by Picnic Area #3A **Mitchell Park Domes** - 524 S. Layton Blvd.

July 29 - August 9

Holler Park - 5151 S. 6th St. Brown Deer Park - 7625 N. Range Line Rd.

August 12 - August 23

Greene Park - 4235 S. Lipton Ave. **Red Arrow Park** - 920 N. Water St.

August 26 - September 7

Root River Pkwy South/Whitnall - 92nd St. & College Ave. by Picnic Area #1

Juneau Park - 801 N. Lincoln Memorial Dr.

Visit: www.milwaukee.gov/ParksCalendar for the entire Milwaukee County Parks Event Calendar