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Supervisor Logsdon pictured with her family following her swearing in to the Milwaukee County Board.

Dear Neighbor, **Fall 2026**

The Milwaukee Board of Supervisors' 2026-2028 legislative term is officially underway, and I am deeply honored to represent the wonderful communities of District 9 for my fifth term!

If you are ever mapping out our corner of the county, District 9 spans the Village of Hales Corners, the western stretches of Franklin and Greenfield, and a vibrant slice of southwest Milwaukee. As always, I encourage you to stay plugged in, drop by a town hall, speak up at a public hearing, or just reach out to my office with your thoughts. Your voices are what shape our community's future every single day!

Budget Realities & Fighting for Our Priorities

In other county news, County Executive David Crowley dropped his recommended budget on October 1, kicking off our annual budget season. While we certainly face our share of challenges, smart, common-sense adjustments are helping save the County money.

At the same time, this budget cycle highlights a fundamental flaw in Milwaukee County's financial engine: our costs for basic services (like infrastructure and bus transit) keep climbing, but our revenue sources are strictly capped. Even though the state's overall budget is in great shape, state aid has barely budged over the last decade. Combined with our already high property taxes, these long-term structural funding problems aren't going away on their own. Rest assured, I will keep fighting tooth and nail to secure the funding we need for public safety and to protect our treasured parks. (Be sure to check out more budget details later in this newsletter!)

Growing Community Through Partnerships

Even with financial hurdles, we have so much to be thankful for—and it inspires creative solutions! I've been working closely with the Parks Department to foster local partnerships, and I recently had the absolute pleasure of celebrating a major win: the ribbon-cutting for the Hales Corners Park Pavilion lease agreement between the Hales Corners Lions Club and Milwaukee County Parks!

Not only does this give the Lions a fantastic regular "home base," but it also brings much- needed revenue, maintenance support, and community spirit back to our parks. It is a true win-win! Another stellar example of local partnership right here in our district is the County owned Farm and Fish Hatchery in Franklin. Turn to page 2 for a deeper dive into the hatchery!

Enjoy the Season!

I hope you carve out some time to enjoy this 2026 Fall Newsletter alongside our gorgeous Wisconsin autumn weather. It is the absolute best time of year to explore our local county parks or take a stroll through the stunning Boerner Botanical Gardens.

Thank you for trusting me to be your voice in county government. I am so excited about the future we are building in Hales Corners, Greenfield, Franklin, and Milwaukee. Please never hesitate to reach out to me with any questions or concerns!

Warmly,

Patti Logsdon

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Milwaukee County Supervisor, District 9

Budget Presentation in Franklin



Dan Laurila, Milwaukee County's Operating Budget Director, presenting the Milwaukee County 2027 budget to the Franklin Seniors at their monthly luncheon.

"I alone cannot change the world, but I can cast a stone across the waters to create many ripples." – Mother Teresa

A Budget That Delivers for District 9: *A Milwaukee County 2027 Budget Update*

As your County Supervisor, my priorities are to protect taxpayers, focus on essential services, and ensure public investments deliver real results. While I disagree with the County Board majority on some spending priorities, I believe in recognizing investments that make sense for our community. Below are a few highlights from the County Executive's 2027 Recommended Budget.

A New Sprayground for Hales Corners Park

The recommended capital budget includes $835,418 to replace the aging playground at Hales Corners Park with a new Class 2 playground and sprayground. Installed in 1998, the existing playground is nearing the end of its useful life.

This investment would create a modern, accessible space for families while offering water recreation without the operational demands of a traditional swimming pool. I will also continue working with the community on a responsible path forward for the Hales Corners Pool, which has served generations of families.

Protecting Our Parks and Investing in District 9

Milwaukee County Parks faces significant financial pressures. The recommended budget proposes a paid parking pilot expected to generate approximately $670,000 to help protect park services and avoid closures of a pool and 15 splash pads, along with seasonal staffing reductions. I believe exploring responsible revenue options is preferable to automatically asking taxpayers to pay more.

District 9 also stands to benefit from a nearly $76,000 state grant to study flooding at the Milwaukee County Sports Complex in Franklin. The budget also identifies the Whitnall Golf Course irrigation system and Alcott Park playground for replacement in 2028. Addressing these needs now can help protect existing investments and avoid more costly problems down the road.

A Necessary Investment in Our Courthouse

I voted yes on funding for a new courthouse because replacing the aging Public Safety Building is necessary for public safety. The decision is a fiscally responsible one as well; further delays could increase the overall cost to taxpayers as the building continues to deteriorate and construction costs as well as maintenance costs for the current building rise. First recommended in 2016, the replacement will improve security, accessibility and the efficiency of our justice system. Supporting this project does not mean giving the County a blank check. I will continue scrutinizing its costs and financing to ensure taxpayers are protected.

Looking Ahead

The 2027 budget has not yet received my final vote. I will continue reviewing the County Board's amendments and advocating for responsible spending, accountability and a government that lives within its means.

A new playground and sprayground, flood mitigation planning, continued investment in our parks and progress toward a safer courthouse are meaningful investments to District 9. I will keep fighting for our community, protecting taxpayers and supporting investments that deliver real value.

A Historic Farm: *A Community Resource Worth Protecting*

Driving along South 68th Street in Franklin, you may have noticed the roughly 200-acre farm, but did you know what is housed under the Gothic-style barn roof and in the water behind it? Through Partnerships, this farm is a true treasure for the entire county!

English settler Edmund Carman arrived in 1837, purchasing 160 acres to farm. His family cemetery became a landmark in 1982. The farm later grew to 200 acres, supplying food and work opportunities for county inmates across the road. Its 1946 dairy barn eventually housed fisheries research and the county fish hatchery.

Our County Hatchery Matters

Currently operated by Hunger Task Force (HTF) under a lease agreement with the County, the hatchery receives little recognition for **growing 40,000 fish annually** as the primary source for urban pond stocking. Historically, it has raised yellow perch, sunfish, rainbow trout, bluegill, and largemouth bass, while WI DNR stocking contributes but is limited to rainbow trout. With funding constraints leading to the closure of 2 state hatcheries in 2026, maintaining our own local source is especially important to secure our urban pond fishing programs. Residents should not need a boat or a long drive to access shore fishing in their own communities.







Aerial shot of the Red Barn at Hunger Task that houses the fish hatchery and some of the generous fish donations.

Fishing Organizations Support Food Pantries and Education Without Public Funding

For over 40 years, the Wisconsin Council of Sport Fishing Organizations (WCSFO) and its affiliated fishing clubs have been vital partners contributing funding, equipment, and volunteer service:

- **Free family fishing clinics**: Next dates are **January 30 and April 10, 2027**, rely on the County hatchery for stocking.
- 2013-2026, **anglers contributed an incredible 17,321 pounds of cleaned fish to food pantries** through the Brew City Fish Tournament. In 2026, **a new record was set with 2,080 pounds** processed by WCSFO-affiliated club volunteers and HTF in a single day with a retail value of $52,000! Lake Michigan stocking is by WI DNR efforts.
- Thanks to the **donated freezers** at McKinley Marina, **an extra 1,694 pounds of fish have been donate**d. The impact will grow in May 2027 when a new donated freezer is added at South Shore Marina. Both locations will also feature donated, certified weighing scales available for public use.
- **Fishing Has No Boundaries Annual Event, June 5, 2027**: Volunteer captains, crews and partners make fishing accessible to **people with disabilities and veterans** at no cost to participants.

I support protecting this local resource and strengthening the partnerships that give so much back to our community.

Making Milwaukee County a Better Place

Legislation Authored and Co-sponsored by Supervisor Logsdon

- **26-297** - A resolution requesting the Department of Administrative Services - Information Management Services Division (DAS-IMSD), in conjunction with DAS-Procurement, the Office of Corporation Counsel and the Office of the Comptroller, to develop a plan to implement a public dashboard of contracts subject to County Board approval

- **26-340** - A resolution/ordinance amending Appendix C - Traffic Laws of the Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances to create Section 23(1) - Impoundment of vehicles used in reckless driving offenses as authorized in Wis. Stat. § 349.115. (Referred to the Committees on Judiciary, Law Enforcement, and General Services; and Intergovernmental Relations) (County Board Meeting 03/19/26: Referred to the Committee on Intergovernmental Relations)

- **26-288** - A resolution requesting a report from the Office of Corporation Counsel regarding current policies, practices, and strategies for contract drafting and enforcement including performance standards and related accountability provisions

- **26-299** - A resolution requesting the Comptroller's Audit Services Division to audit recent benefits contracts negotiated by the Milwaukee County Department of Human Resources Total Rewards Division, to assess the contracting process and ensure compliance with County requirements and timelines

- **26-470** – A resolution requesting a proactive flood prevention and preparedness plan that includes intergovernmental coordination and climate resiliency funding for Milwaukee County

- **26-507** - A resolution/ordinance amending the Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances Section 63.047 - Graffiti to permit the limited use of chalk on horizontal publicly owned surfaces

- **26-419** - A resolution requesting annual reporting from We Energies to support Milwaukee County's climate, infrastructure, and energy planning

- **26-517** - A resolution updating the composition and quorum standard of the Milwaukee County Cultural, Artistic and Musical Programming Advisory Council (CAMPAC)

- **26-372** - A resolution recognizing May 2026 as Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Awareness Month

GO BREWERS GO!



Supervisor Logsdon in the Community



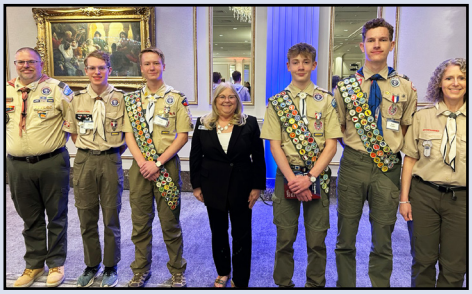
Supervisor Logsdon along with Supervisors Capriolo, Eckblad, Gómez-Tom, Rolland, Taylor & Rep. Sinicki joined Airport Director Brian Dranzik at a celebration to honor MKE Airport's 100 Years of Flight!



Supervisor Patti Logsdon & Sky Capriolo presented a Citation to the Milwaukee Brewers honoring Bob Uecker's Legacy.



Supervisor Logsdon at the MCTS press conference for "A Week Without Driving"



Supervisor Logsdon was proud to attend the annual Three Harbors Council's annual Scouting Fundraiser event.



Supervisor Logsdon was honored to participate in four Fourth of July parades in District 9!



Official Franklin Lions new member Supervisor Logsdon attending the Franklin National Night Out event.



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Welcome, Jennifer and Katie!

There's something exciting happening at Boerner Botanical Gardens: we have two new leaders helping shape its next chapter.

Please join us in welcoming Jennifer Gamez, the new Director of Boerner Botanical Gardens, and Katie Bruner, the new Executive Director of the Friends of Boerner Botanical Gardens.



Jennifer Gamez and Katie Bruner enjoying Boerner Botanical Gardens fall colors.

For generations, Boerner has been a special place – shaped by beautiful horticulture, dedicated people, and a community that believes in the importance of gardens and green spaces. For more than 40 years, the Friends of Boerner Botanical Gardens has been proud to be part of that story.

Now, Jennifer and Katie are looking ahead together, with a shared belief that Boerner is strongest when the people and organizations who care about it work together.

Milwaukee County Parks brings the horticultural expertise and stewardship that keep Boerner's living collections, grounds, and facilities thriving. The Friends brings education, community engagement, philanthropy, and support for the Gardens. Each has an important role to play---and together, there is an opportunity to think even bigger about what Boerner can be.

Over the past several months, Jennifer and Katie have been visiting public gardens across the country and learning from successful public-private partnerships. Those experiences are helping them develop a shared vision for strengthening education and engagement, supporting the Garden, and working closely with Milwaukee County Parks.

It's an exciting time for Boerner, and we're delighted to have Jennifer and Katie leading the way.

Welcome to Boerner, Jennifer and Katie! We can't wait to see what grows from here.

2-1-1 Get Connected. Get Answers.

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-211**.

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Sheriff ..... **(414) 278-4788**
Register of Deeds ..... (414) 278-4021
Veterans Services ..... (414) 266-1234
Aging Resource Center ..... (414) 289-6874
Disability Resource Center ..... (414) 289-6660
Clerk of Circuit Courts ..... (414) 278-5362
Mental Health Crisis Hotline ..... **(414) 257-7222**

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Village of Hales Corners ..... (414) 529-6161
City of Franklin ..... (414) 425-7500
City of Greenfield ..... (414) 329-5200
City of Milwaukee ..... (414) 286-2489

Enjoy Free Milwaukee County Attractions! Visit county.milwaukee.gov/freedays

MPM Milwaukee Public Museum
One free day remains at current location - December 3, 2026. Stay tuned for free days at the new location in 2027.
800 W. Wells St., Milw.
(414) 278-2728
www.mpm.edu

Villa Terrace Decorative Arts Museum
Free for SNAP, EBT recipients, military and indigenous families. Also, free on Garden Open Day in June and Doors Open.
2220 N. Terrace Ave., Milw.
(414) 271-3656
www.villaterrace.org

Milwaukee Art Museum
Free every day for kids 12 and under and WI K-12 teachers. Thursdays 4-8 p.m. pay what you wish.
700 N. Art Museum Dr.
Milwaukee
(414) 224-3200
www.mam.org

Charles Allis Art Museum
Free the first Thursday of every month.
1801 N. Prospect Ave.
Milwaukee
(414) 278-8295
www.charlesallis.org

Milwaukee County Zoo
Check website for Family Free Days and other discounted admission. Parking fees still apply.
10001 W. Bluemound Rd.
Milwaukee
(414) 256-5412
www.milwaukeezoo.org

betty brinn children's museum
Free admission on the third Thursday of each month (excluding groups).
929 E. Wisconsin Ave.
Milwaukee
(414) 390-5437
www.bbcmkids.org

War Memorial Center
Free and open every day 8 a.m.-close.
750 N. Lincoln Memorial Dr.
Milwaukee
(414) 273-5533
www.warmemorialcenter.org