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Dear Residents,

Meet your neighbor, Larry Kreiner. Larry is an events planner extraordinaire. He has orchestrated extravagant events throughout the United States. His clientele included former Presidents George H.W. Bush and Bill Clinton, and also the first President of the Soviet Union, Mikhail Gorbachev. Some of the celebrities he served include: actress and singer, Debbie Reynolds; entertainer, Eddie Fisher; the Queen of Soul, Aretha Franklin; Olympic ten-time gold medalist, Carl Lewis; and many, many others.

And yet, ultimately Larry’s service is not about fame or ego. He’s down to earth, which is exactly the quality that drew celebrities to Larry. Celebrities aren’t the only individuals that Larry attracts. Everyone is drawn to Larry’s warmth, and rightly so. Larry pays attention to everyone he meets, no less for a neighbor than for a celebrity. With Larry, no one is small.

Although Larry grew up in Cape Town, the capitol of South Africa, and has traveled and lived throughout the United States, Larry has no intentions of leaving here. “Whitefish Bay reminds me so much of Cape Town, the trees, the flowers. There aren’t cookie cutter homes. There are gardens and sidewalks. That’s how I grew up, where neighbors are friendly, warm and welcoming. I have never been more at home than I have been in Milwaukee, otherwise I wouldn’t be here. I love, with all my heart and my soul, this city, and I love Whitefish Bay. I love living here.”

People are not the only individuals who gravitate towards his kindheartedness. He has always had an affinity for rescue dogs. Today he cares for his trusty companion, Luke (Lucas Isaac), who is just as fortunate as anyone else to be in Larry’s presence. And that is, a present.

Thank you for the gift of sharing Larry’s story with you.

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# Larry Kreiner Makes Dreams Come True

BY JOSHUA BECKER

Larry wearing a leadership medallion for volunteer service, given by President George H.W. Bush. Seated alongside Larry is some memorabilia, notably artifacts from U.S. presidents and items from his birthplace in Cape Town, South Africa. To Larry's right is his beloved pet, Luke (Lucas Isaac).



What is a leader? Not who, but what? A manager? A coach? An expert? Someone with credentials, with life experiences? Yes, all of the above are pieces of the puzzle, but more than anything else, a true leader has a noble vision. Otherwise, what's the point?

For Larry Kreiner, the vision is clear, to make dreams come true—for others. Everyone has dreams, everyone, from world renowned politicians and celebrities, to the guy next door. And every dream is significant, no less for the “average guy” than for someone famous.

As a youngster in his native South Africa, Larry wanted nothing more than to help others achieve their dreams. While some youngsters dream of becoming professional athletes, or rock stars, at the ripe age of sixteen, Larry knew he was destined for the hotel industry.

What's the connection between dreams and the hotel industry? As it turns out, lots. The hotel industry is all about serving others, catering to people's desires, their banquets, their wedding celebrations, their political rallies, their charitable benefits. More aptly, it's a hospitality industry, a venue to serve others while they reach for dreams.

As a child, Larry was surrounded by individuals who dreamed big, in particular his parents. His mother, Gilda, realized

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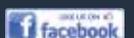
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her dream of becoming an acclaimed South African gymnast, as well as an inspiring teacher in service to her students. Larry also learned the importance of service from his father, Louis, and uncle, Solomon, both of whom exemplified civic duty as mayors of Cape Town. Larry was also fascinated with mayoral events: inaugurations, ceremonies, ribbon cuttings, and how those events shaped dignitaries' experiences.

So when the Peabody Hotels were looking to bring international talent to the United States, Larry jumped at the opportunity. Larry arrived at a Peabody Hotel in Memphis, with \$1,500 in his pocket, without knowing anyone. Six months later, Larry helped open a brand new Peabody Hotel in Orlando, where his career soared.

From Orlando, Larry made a move to the Ritz Carlton in Atlanta, where his reputation as an events planner extraordinaire continued to grow, so much so that his work eventually led to the White House! Larry was entrusted by former Presidents George H.W. Bush and Bill Clinton to coordinate their events. Both presidents were



A close-up of the memorabilia, including candies from Air Force One, presidential cuff links and tie clip, and first ever Clinton Presidential Library Holiday Ornament. The pictured American flag flew over the U.S. Capitol on May 2, 1997, given to Larry by then Senator of Tennessee, Fred Thompson, a week after Larry received citizenship. The flag with the red lion is the official flag and emblem of the City of Cape Town, the capitol of South Africa, Larry's birthplace. On this flag is a replica of a Cape Town mayoral medallion, received by every mayor of the city in recognition of service.

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# Larry Kreiner

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attracted to Larry's warmth as much as to his skills as an event planner. Whatever one's views might be, Larry's experiences of both presidents was overwhelmingly favorable. "I got to know their personal sides, a side others didn't see," said Larry. "Since I was from a foreign country, they were interested in my culture, my background, who I am."

As a testament to Larry's trustworthiness, he supervised meals for Air Force One. When a president eats offsite, a meal must be prepared in front of the Secret Service, whereupon it's frozen, sealed, and signed by the Secret Service. Then the meal is brought aboard and stored for 24 hours. If a single meal involves so many details, imagine the innumerable intricacies that go into an event! Thanks to Clinton, Larry also worked with Mike Huckabee, the former governor of Arkansas.

Lest presidents and a governor weren't enough for a resume, Larry coordinated events for celebrities. To name only a few,

Larry's clients included Aretha Franklin, Itzhak Perlman, Jeff Foxworthy and Carl Lewis. The full extent of celebrities will forever remain a mystery to the public, as for some identities, Larry is sworn to secrecy.

Sometimes, celebrities and politicians had interesting requests. One individual refused to eat any food that was orange. Others requested the same foods in a certain situation. Another asked that restaurants always lower the temperature.

Yet, Larry isn't critical of those with unique requests. To the contrary, he welcomes and embraces them. Every detail necessarily forms an event's overall success. A real leader puts oneself aside to accomplish the mission. It's not Larry's event. It's Larry's privilege to unveil the individual's dream, from concept to completion.

Larry was so highly sought after, he continued to direct functions throughout the U.S., where he made his way to the Ritz Carlton in Phoenix. While there, a colleague learned of and recommended a position

at a country club in Mequon, Wisconsin.

Today, Larry continues to make dreams come true at the River Club of Mequon. Every person who walks through its doors is embraced with the same attention that Larry gave to celebrities and presidents. For Larry, nobody's dreams are small. "Whether working with a president, a bride, an awards banquet, or a fundraiser, you have to understand the motive, the goal, the end objective of every event," emphasized Larry. "Mediocrity is not in my vocabulary."

At every marriage ceremony, Larry escorts the bride into the threshold of the banquet hall. Here, she takes her first steps into marriage—the climax after months of meticulous planning—thanks to Larry's leadership, vision and love.

Every event is a labor of love. No one is small. Dreams can come true. And Larry can make it happen. Now that's a leader.

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**Whitefish Bay Garden Club Celebrates a Successful Spring**  
By Katie Hermann, Publicity Chair



The Whitefish Bay Garden Club invites Whitefish Bay residents who are interested in Garden Club membership to attend the annual Summer Soiree on Tuesday, July 21<sup>st</sup>. Join Garden Club members and guests for a casual dinner and warm conversation. To request event details and to RSVP, please email [wfbgardenclub@gmail.com](mailto:wfbgardenclub@gmail.com).

The Whitefish Bay Garden Club recently concluded its 2014/2015 season with the annual President's Dinner, held this year at the Lynden Sculpture Garden on Tuesday, June 16<sup>th</sup>. The dinner provided an opportunity to reflect upon the Club's work over the past five and a half decades.

The Whitefish Bay Garden Club, founded in 1958, celebrated its 57<sup>th</sup> year this past spring. Since its inception, the club has partnered with other local organizations to accomplish civic projects, such as restoration of the Butterfly Garden at Cahill Park Square. Since 2012, the Garden Club has worked to remove invasive plants and refresh the soil with compost. Plants have been added from Garden Club members' gardens while incorporating colorful annual plants along the way. This April, the Garden Club installed a diorama depicting the lifecycle of a butterfly, just in time for prime viewing during the Whitefish Bay Civic Foundation's annual Green Day in the Bay's celebration on May 2<sup>nd</sup>.

The Garden Club is currently offering personalized Celebration Stones as a fundraising effort to support the Butterfly Garden and other Garden Club projects around the village. Please visit the Whitefish Bay Garden Club's website, listed below, for more information.

In addition to the Butterfly Garden, other Whitefish Bay Garden Club projects this spring included a visit to third grade classes at Richards Elementary School to speak about International Migratory Bird Day. Another successful event included a chilly April evening planting spring flowers up and down Silver Spring Drive. The Club also submitted its annual entry as a floral design team during Milwaukee Art Museum's Beauty in Bloom event.

Comprised of up to 40 members who are current or former residents of Whitefish Bay, the Garden Club aims to stimulate local interest in horticulture, develop home gardens, beautify civic gardens and protect the village's natural surroundings. The Club's members volunteer their time and expertise to fulfill their motto: "Growing a Greener Village—One Garden at a Time."

Please visit the Whitefish Bay Garden Club's website at [www.whitefishbaygardenclub.weebly.com](http://www.whitefishbaygardenclub.weebly.com) for more information and "Like" us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/pages/WhitefishBayGardenClub](http://www.facebook.com/pages/WhitefishBayGardenClub).

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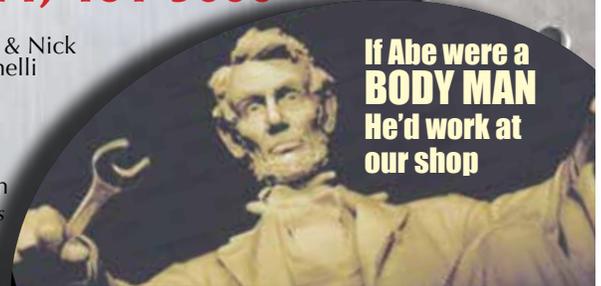
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By Mike Kelley, Sea Scout Ship 5069  
Committee Chair and Whitefish Bay Resident

If you're a young man or woman between 14 and 20, take a sail on Sea Scouts' 28-foot sailboat, *Highlight*. There is no cost and no obligation (except to have fun). Parents are welcome, too. Space is limited.

The 'ship' (as a Sea Scout unit is called) has been sailing *Highlight* on Lake Michigan since early June. Scouts who sailed the boat last summer are teaching the new kids the ropes, plus how to trim the sails and plot a course using GPS. Later this summer the ship is planning a multi-day cruise to another Lake Michigan port.

A person does not need any prior experience in order to join. It's a learn-as-you-go program. In addition to sailing, scouts learn about weather, using GPS, radio communications and lake ecology.

Sea Scouts combines sailing with community service in a fun way to build character and to develop leadership, while teaching skills that last a lifetime. The program stresses that



youth members plan and lead the activities while guided by trained adults. The program adheres to strict safety protocols and at least two adults are always present. Dues are only \$30 a year.

To sign up for the July 18th sail, send an

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Sea Scout Ship 5069, with members from Milwaukee and Ozaukee Counties, has been sailing for over 50 years.

## Whitefish Bay Public Education Foundation

By Crystal Luehne, Board Member



### Run the Bay

Amazing! That word is the best descriptor from our terrific Run the Bay on Saturday, May 16th, 2015! We had over 750 runners and walkers!

Our run/walk co-chairs, Lindsey and Adam King and Sara and Dave Milia, did a phenomenal job of organizing the event (even after Sara delivered a baby boy on May 14!). The Whitefish Bay Education Foundation would like to extend a heartfelt thanks to the run/walk co-chairs, the community participation and our corporate sponsors for a successful 9th Run the Bay! This event has become a great community gathering with so many runners and walkers! We love the extremely high level of school participation and appreciate the friendly competition between schools for the most registrations. The funds we raise through this effort directly benefit our great Whitefish Bay School District. Thank you to all for your support and participation!

## 50th Anniversary of Divinity-Divine Charity

By Rev. R.J. Dick

Sun., July 19, 9:30 am,  
900 E. Henry Clay Street

The 50th anniversary celebration of Divinity-Divine Charity Ev. Lutheran Church takes place soon. The Rev. David Rutschow, the Wisconsin Synod Southeastern District President, will preach. After the anniversary service, the Ladies Guild will host an Ice Cream Social until 11:30 am.

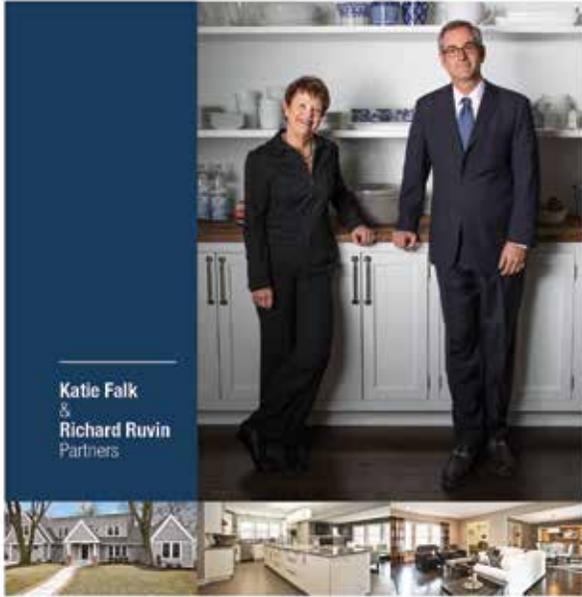
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In 1925, Divinity Evangelical Lutheran Church was founded in Whitefish Bay and called itself Pentecostal Evangelical Lutheran Church. The name was changed to Divinity in 1940. In 1965, Divine Charity Evangelical Lutheran Church, then on the corner of North 1st Street and East Chambers St., Milwaukee, moved to the Bay to form Divinity-Divine Charity Ev. Lutheran Church, affectionately known as DDC.

During the first 25 years, DDC was served by the late Rev. Alfred Walther. For the last 25 years, DDC has been served by the Rev. Robert Dick, who also serves Whitefish Bay and the six other communities of the North Shore by volunteering as a Chaplain with the North Shore Fire Department.

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## Whitefish Bay Community Center "55 and Better Programs"

By Carolyn Noori, Program Supervisor

### Lacrosse Boats & Bluffs Tour Sept. 29, 2015 (Registration due date: Aug. 25)

Enjoy a ride on the La Crosse Queen Paddle Wheeler. This program includes lunch, sightseeing tour of "River Town," stops at Granddad Bluff and shopping at Southwind Orchards. Cost: \$99 per person. The due date to register is August 25th.

### Trip to Myrtle Beach, South Carolina

Are you interested in out-of-state travel? If you missed our trip to beautiful Maine this summer, please look ahead to the next trip to Myrtle Beach for a New Year's Celebration! Registration information will be forthcoming.

### Sensational Senior Programs

Seniors, watch your mailboxes in August for the fall Whitefish Bay Recreation guide for information on the upcoming luncheons, day and extended trips, exercise sessions, retirement and technology courses, adult literacy outreach opportunities and free blood pressure clinics.

All programs must be pre-registered and pre-paid. For additional program and registration information, please contact Carolyn Noori, Whitefish Bay Senior Program Supervisor at (414) 963-3992 or email Carolyn.noori@wfb-schools.com.



## Whitefish Bay Civic Foundation News

### 4th of July in Whitefish Bay

By Cindy Seaman, Board Member



It wouldn't be summer in Whitefish Bay without the annual Whitefish Bay 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration, presented by Shorewest Realtors. The 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade starts at 11:30 am at the corner of Kent and Silver Spring and heads east to Lake Drive, then north to Klode Park. Following the parade, join friends, family and neighbors, at Klode Park to enjoy an afternoon of food, kids' activities, and live entertainment. Performances are by The Middle Ground, Southbound, and Something To Do. The fireworks display, presented by Sendik's, starts at 9:30 pm at Klode Park.

Remember, chairs and blankets cannot be placed along the parade route until sunrise on July 4<sup>th</sup>. All picnic tables at Klode Park are for festival use only, not private group gatherings. Items, including blankets and chairs, left unattended at Klode Park before 4:00 pm will be removed.

Find the full 4<sup>th</sup> of July schedule on our website at [wfb-civicfoundation.org](http://wfb-civicfoundation.org).

## Whitefish Bay Recreation and Education

### Recreation Flag Football League Registration in Progress

By Carin Keland,  
Director of Recreation and Community Education

Are you ready for some football? Youth grades, 1-4, are encouraged to register for the Whitefish Bay Recreation Department's Fall Flag Football Leagues. Each week, players will have a half-hour practice session followed by a game.

Volunteer parent coaches are needed. A coach's meeting is set for Wednesdays, Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 pm, at the Lydell Community Center. Parents should indicate their interest in coaching on their child's registration form. Location of the practice and games takes place at Whitefish Bay High School practice fields. More info and registration materials can be found at [www.wfbschools.com/recreation](http://www.wfbschools.com/recreation). Deadline to register is Aug. 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Fall Football Flag League Schedule**  
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### Connects Before and After School Program is Currently Accepting Registration for the 2015-2016 School Year

The start of school will be here before you know it. Do you have your before and after child care arrangements taken care of yet? The Whitefish Bay School District through its Recreation Department provides before, after and K4 wrap-around care through its Connects Program for its students that attend Richards and Cumberland Elementary Schools. Registration for the 2015/2016 school year is currently in session. All registration takes place at Lydell Community Center. Please call Alicia at (414) 963-3801 for registration materials and assistance.

# For Ilissa Boland, There Really Is No Place Like Home

BY JOSHUA BECKER

“There’s no place like home” was a powerful mantra in one of our country’s most well-known films because, well . . . it’s true. It’s a retreat from work, a place to put your feet up, a place to embrace—there really is no place like home. Let’s face it, home even feels good to return to after a vacation.

Yet, when it comes time to finding your perfect home or selling your house, Ilissa Boland is far from being on vacation. She takes the time to listen carefully to each client, to care for every person’s needs, concerns and hopes. There is no cookie cutter approach. “I view my position as different for each client,” noted Ilissa. “Some need a guide to be with them through every step. Some want straight forward expert advice and others want creative insight to explore options. I am all of these roles and am there to help with the best decision for everyone involved.”

Everyone involved with Ilissa is quick to note her exuberant personality, a buzzing positivity that invigorates clients and makes the entire process enjoyable. Those who think that buying and selling

a home is necessarily stressful, one long headache, have yet to meet Ilissa. Ilissa’s innate personality will make you feel right at home, pun intended!

While Ilissa’s warmth and fun personality naturally draws people to her, at the same time she is able to professionally navigate all the intricacies of real estate in order to accomplish goals. This is as true for a buyer as it is a seller.

For a seller, “It is my job to make sure the house looks the absolute best when it first goes on the market. I also position it to achieve the maximum exposure through pricing and marketing. I utilize my years of negotiating experience from beginning to end to help achieve the sellers’ goals and the sellers’ timeline.”

In regards to buying, Ilissa carefully advises clients based on many factors. Ilissa ensures individuals develop a focus for what they’re looking for, to be cognizant of a budget, how to assess a house’s condition, how to write an offer, and much more. The bottom line is that Ilissa can help navigate through it all.



Ilissa is able to accomplish goals through her affiliation with Shorewest Realtors. “The fact that I work at Shorewest with a top website, cutting edge technology, and in-house marketing designers gives me powerful tools to compliment my personality to get the best result for my clients.”

While Ilissa is well versed in the many facets of real estate, ultimately there’s a simplicity to her approach. “When it comes to trust, it’s simple. Be the type of person you would want to work with. You need to be true to yourself; otherwise, what’s the point?”

Ilissa is here to point you in the right direction. Please call her directly at (414) 688-7942, or email, [iboland@shorewest.com](mailto:iboland@shorewest.com).



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1109 E Lexington Blvd	124	\$749,000	\$720,000	4743 N Woodruff Ave	44	\$339,900	\$350,000
133 W Monrovia Ave	46	\$254,900	\$252,500	5211 N Lake Dr	182	\$595,000	\$585,000
1051 E Circle Dr	40	\$429,900	\$419,500	4954 N Elkhart Ave	33	\$299,900	\$305,000
5945 N Kent Ave	35	\$279,900	\$284,400	131 W Belle Ave	32	\$219,900	\$225,000
1122 E Sylvan Ave	43	\$425,000	\$422,500	4735 N Woodruff Ave	5	\$294,900	\$295,000
5133 N Shoreland Ave	78	\$314,900	\$306,000	4875 N Lake Dr	53	\$719,900	\$710,500
5961 N Shore Dr	77	\$699,900	\$650,000	5732 N Shoreland Ave	22	\$449,900	\$449,900
617 E Lexington Blvd	10	\$525,000	\$530,000	423 E Lexington Blvd	34	\$529,900	\$540,000
4969 N Newhall St	46	\$338,900	\$338,900	5117 N Lake Dr	25	\$499,900	\$520,000
4777 N Woodruff Ave	25	\$199,900	\$199,000				
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5250 N Kimbark Pl	32	\$624,900	\$600,000				
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709 E Lexington Blvd	59	\$545,000	\$535,000				
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## Whitefish Bay Public Library

By Scott Lenski, Community & Adult Services Librarian and Katie Kiekhaefer, Head of Youth Services



### "Discovering Austen"- Live Performance Wed., July 15, 6:30pm

Join us for the one-woman production of the show *Discovering Austen*. Discovering Austen takes place in the dressing room of an actress who has been cast as Jane Austen. Still searching for the essence of her character only hours from opening, she explores Austen's writing in an attempt to find the author in the pages of her novels and letters. Discovering Austen is a wonderful opportunity to see Austen's characters, and the author herself, come to life. To register, please visit our website or call the library.

### Yoga @ the Library Thurs., July 9 & July 23, 6pm

All levels of experience are welcome, and the instructor will give modifications as needed for those newer to the practice. Please bring a mat, water and any props that would be beneficial.

### A note from Katie Kiekhaefer, Head of Youth Services For Kids and Teens

It's not too late to sign up for a summer reading program! Sign up and receive your reading log. Then, read on your own, read together, listen to someone else read or read to someone else. Keep track on your reading log and earn wonderful prizes.

You won't want to miss the wonderful programs we have during July. We have story time for little ones, paper airplane building, paper sculpting, and balloon engineering for elementary school students. In addition, there are paper cosplay challenges for teens and wonderful performers—perfect for families. Visit our website to see a list of events: [www.wfblibrary.org](http://www.wfblibrary.org).

#### Holiday Garbage/Recycling Change:

Collection for residents who normally get their trash and recycling picked up on Friday, July 3rd, will have it picked up one day earlier on Thursday, July 2nd.



## Leave the Fireworks to the Professionals

By Lieutenant Dan Tyk,  
North Shore/Fire Rescue Community Relations Officer

As we draw closer to the July 4th festivities, North Shore Fire/Rescue would like to take an opportunity to remind everyone that there are numerous options for viewing professional fireworks displays throughout the seven North Shore communities. Additionally, we would like to stress that lighting fireworks privately is extremely dangerous.

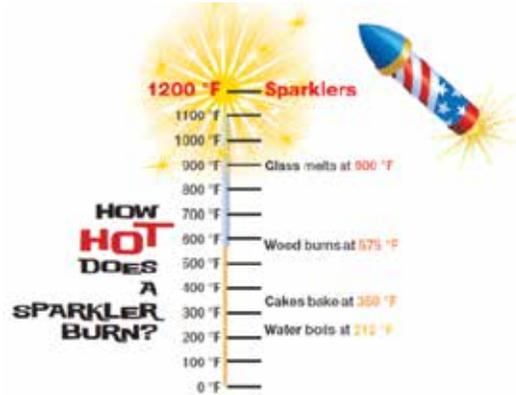
Each year on Independence Day, the U.S. records more fires than any other day on the calendar. According to the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), fireworks account for more than 17,000 fires every year, damaging more than 1,200 structures and 400 vehicles. This results in more than \$32 million in property damage. In addition, these fires cause an average of 8 civilian deaths and 40 civilian injuries.

Just as staggering, emergency rooms treat an estimated 8,700 people annually for fireworks related injuries. The NFPA notes that the highest risk for fireworks related injuries were those between the ages of 15 and 24.

While the ordinances in each community vary, generally speaking, if a firework is de-

signed to fly into the air or shoot off sparks that are more than a couple of inches in height, they are prohibited without a proper permit. Some communities allow sparklers and toy snakes, but even these can be dangerous.

The tip of a sparkler burns at more than 1,200 degrees Fahrenheit and can cause significant burns. If you do choose to partake in using fireworks, you are encouraged to use a proper metal container, partially filled with water for disposal. Likewise, adults need to keep a close eye on children, and participants should be sure to have on tight-fitting clothing. Baggy clothes or jackets significantly increase the likelihood



of getting caught in a fire while using fireworks. It is also essential that there is a way to extinguish any embers and a phone close by to dial for help in the event of an emergency.

All of us at North Shore Fire/Rescue wish everyone an enjoyable and safe July 4th celebration. If you have more questions or would like to learn more about the safety and wellness programs offered by North Shore Fire/Rescue, please visit our website [www.nsfire.org](http://www.nsfire.org) or call our Community Risk Reduction Bureau at (414) 357-0113, ext. 1513.

## Walk the Walk—FriendsWalk 2015

By Mendy Bronstein, Friendship Circle Program Director



It's not every day you see individuals with special needs being embraced and accepted for who they are as precious and unique individuals. Yet at Friendship Circle, it is a part of life for many Milwaukee children and adults with special needs. Friendship Circle provides their "special friends" a chance to learn and socialize in an environment that not only accepts them, but celebrates their spirit.

You see, the spirit of a child or an adult with special needs is one of pure love. Their ability to see the world through innocent, nonjudgmental eyes is a quality that most people only dream of achieving. This qual-

ity is a gift that is given every day between dedicated volunteers and their special friends at Friendship Circle.

To support the vital work of the Friendship Circle, we invite you to join the second annual FriendsWalk on August 30th. FriendsWalk is a 3k walk that raises crucial funds and community awareness for Friendship Circle and children with special needs. Join us in promoting an inclusive community that welcomes and nurtures all children regardless of their abilities.

For more information, or to join, please visit [www.friendswalk.org](http://www.friendswalk.org).

# WHITEFISH BAY FARMERS MARKET

**WHITEFISH BAY FARMERS MARKET**  
**Saturdays, 8am to noon**  
**July 11 – October 3, 2015**  
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The Whitefish Bay Farmers Market will be returning to downtown Whitefish Bay this July! Come join your friends and neighbors as we kick off the 2015 season on Saturday, July 11<sup>th</sup>, from 8:00 am to noon.

The open-air market is a family-focused community event with educational activities, children's crafts, cooking demonstrations, and live entertainment. Enjoy music and dancing alongside local vendors that sell fresh and organic produce, meats, eggs, honey, flowers, homemade treats, and more! New this year, we'll be hosting a chef's table where local chefs will conduct cooking demonstrations and teach you new ways to enjoy your farm-fresh produce!

## CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS: THE WHITEFISH BAY FARMERS MARKET NEEDS YOU!

Volunteers of all ages are needed to host the market, provide entertainment and assist with children's activities. Contact Karen Mathu at (414) 964-1400 or email [marketing@shopwhitefishbay.com](mailto:marketing@shopwhitefishbay.com).

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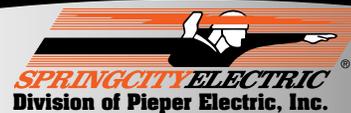
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Great work, happy customers! References upon request. Call (414) 559-5207.

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# Take the Coffee Table Challenge!

By Joshua Becker, your Community Writer

I'd like Bay Leaves to earn a place at your coffee table, and by extension, me. Please forgive me if you find this brazen or imposing, but I yearn for our cozy publication to add a heartfelt touch to your table, to become a meaningful conversation piece. I hope Bay Leaves is a publication that you consider valuable, a source that you will refer to again and again. I even hope that each current issue will remain on your coffee table until the next issue arrives, where that new issue will be just as proudly displayed. I've been doing this for months in my own home and hope you'll join me.

If you accept my gentle appeal, I encourage you to send a photo of Bay Leaves on your coffee table, along with your family's name, so that I could include the photo in a future issue. It's another way to fulfill the magazine's motto: "Bringing neighbors together."

To start, I'll volunteer a photo of my coffee table, found below.

Thanks, All the best,

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Our sidewalk sale has never been more fun. Come one, come all, to an event whisked out of your wildest dreams as shops on Silver Spring Drive take their wares to the streets!

New this year, we've invited your favorite food trucks to the street and are offering expanded LIVE music.

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The annual Sidewalk Sale is an event not to miss, with incredible deals on fine, distinctive merchandise that are displayed street-side. Stop down, swing by, and browse to your heart's content. Discover all the wondrous wares that our shops, salons, boutiques, and spas can provide, items at your fingertips to peruse during a relaxing summer saunter down Silver Spring Drive.

Please note, deals and shopping hours vary per business. Yet rest assured, each merchant has very special plans—*just for you*. The full food and music lineup will be posted on-line. Details will be available at [www.shopwhitefishbay.com](http://www.shopwhitefishbay.com).



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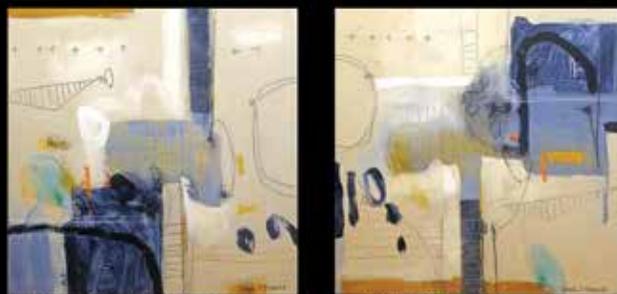
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