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## Fall 2017 President's Message

*By Tory Kress*

Saying goodbye to summer is always difficult, but the promise of fall helps me look forward to the new season. There is so much I love about autumn—the sights and smells of the leaves turning, the crisp air, the rich abundance of the fall harvest, and the back-to-school excitement for students young and old. To those new student residents that are joining our community—welcome! We hope you enjoy and appreciate our neighborhood for all its diversity and we encourage you to reach out to your neighbors and introduce yourself.

For those residents who were unable to attend our August meeting focusing on maintaining a peaceful transition into the fall semester, I'd like to summarize a few take-home messages from our guest speakers representing UWM and MPD District 1. The close coordination between MPD, the UWM Police Department, and the UWM Dean of Students office will continue this year, despite some staff turnover within these organizations. A good system is in place between these agencies to follow up on incidents, but the foundation of the system is an engaged citizenry that is willing to report nuisance violations. So please take action if you encounter problem properties (414-286-CITY) or problem situations (MPD non-emergency: 414-933-4444).

Fall is also the season that brings us annual board elections! This October we will be electing the following board positions: vice-president, treasurer, and two directors. Many of you know Gerard Capell, our former board president and long-time resident and neighborhood advocate. He will be embarking on an exciting new chapter in life that is taking him to faraway places! Sadly for us, we will be losing him from the board. Are you that person that could jump into the role of vice-president and be a future leader of our organization?

Perhaps you have some new ideas for us? Please reach out to me if you have interest in filling one of our board positions. Or maybe you are interested in getting involved, but aren't sure about the vice-president role—would you consider assisting as treasurer or a director? We have many dedicated long-time volunteers on our board, but nearly all of them would prefer to step aside to encourage new members!

I would like to introduce you to our new editorial team for the Murray Hill News newsletter. Mike Varney has assumed editorial duties for the thrice-yearly neighborhood newsletter. Mike was a former newspaper reporter and photographer before embarking on a 24-year Air Force career. He has been a career counselor for the past 14 years. Kevin Walzak has stepped up to provide layout and design services. Kevin is a veteran of the ad and marketing world here in Wisconsin. He and his wife, Toni, have operated their marketing and communications design firm in Milwaukee since 1980, providing web development, social media and traditional design services. Both are longtime Murray Hill residents and we are so pleased they have volunteered their time to help carry Murray Hill News forward!

Again, please reach out to me if you have any interest in joining our board in any capacity. I'd love to hear from you about your interest and share with you what is involved in serving on the board. ■



**See Back Page for Upcoming Meeting Details**

## Pam Frautschi Gets the Ball Rolling on Newberry Boulevard Island Plantings

By Steve Horvath

There had been a conversation brought up from time-to-time over the past several decades regarding the look of the islands on Newberry Boulevard. Why can't they look more like Menlo Boulevard in Shorewood or Kilbourn Boulevard downtown? Newberry Boulevard has been listed on the National Register of Historic Places since 1994, a walking link designed by Frederic Law Olmstead to connect Lake Park and Riverside Park.

Pam Frautschi, a longtime resident of Newberry Boulevard, recently related to Murray Hill News how the plantings at each end of Newberry Boulevard came about.



There were some discussions several years ago on how beautifying the Newberry islands might happen. A possible solution in those discussions, suggested by the City of Milwaukee, was to create gardens and have the neighbors get involved. That wasn't a bad idea except organizing, coordinating, implementing and maintaining the plantings on an annual basis could be an organizational feat in itself.

Discussions began taking place at East Side Community Council (EMCC) meetings on how to possibly move forward. A petition was distributed gathering over 200 names of residents in the Newberry Boulevard neighborhood interested in having plantings and historic marker designations at each end of Newberry Boulevard. Pam is past President of EMCC, an organization that tries to be aware of issues that are important to the whole community.

Pam thought it would be a good idea to scale back a bit and focus on each end of Newberry rather than have plantings on each island. She approached our Alderman, Nik Kovac, to get his take on the idea. Nik arranged a meeting with Pam and Carlen Hatala, Historic Preservationist with the City of Milwaukee. Also at the meeting was Steve Duback a member

of Lake Park Friends who wanted to see a historic marker on Lake Drive at Newberry Boulevard as that organization was aware of the historic connection between Newberry Boulevard and Lake Park.

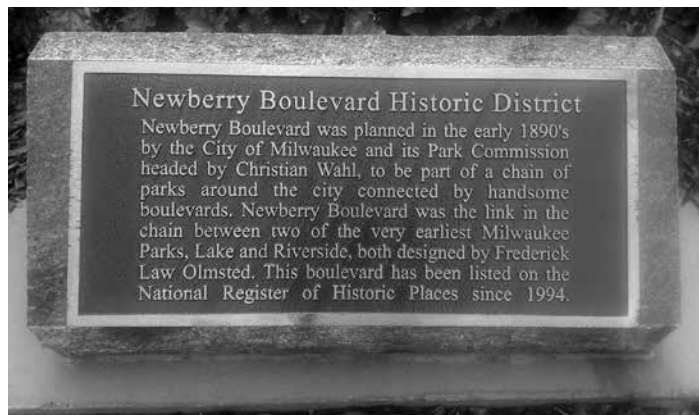
It was also noted at the meeting that there was already a water source in place at each end of Newberry Boulevard, which is very important if plantings are to be watered and, most important, a construction cost that would not have to be incurred. It was also important that the City of Milwaukee was going to maintain the plantings on an annual basis. Pam suggest the annuals and perennials that could be planted.

She worked closely with Scott Baran and Aimee Balistreri, foresters with the Department of Public Works. They organized the construction and implemented the installation.

Pam worked with the Department of Public Works on the look and suggested the plantings that might work best for the two locations as well as the descriptive placard that would be affixed to a large piece of stone to identify historic designation of Newberry Boulevard.

A Thank You must go to the anonymous individual who financed the Newberry Boulevard Historic District placard and stone at the Lake Park end of the boulevard and to EMCC who financed the placard and stone at the Oakland Avenue end.

And, of course, thanks must go to Pam Frautschi who, if you do not know her, is not only a great neighbor and gardener but is also known for her neighborhood involvement on what is taking place in our community. And because of her community minded spirit we are enjoying these beautiful plantings and the descriptive designation for Newberry Boulevard. Be sure to thank Pam when you see her working in her own garden along Newberry Boulevard. ■



## My Home Video Security Story

*By Gregory James*

I'm no expert on home security camera systems. I have no professional experience with selling or installing them. But I do have more than six years personal experience at my own home here in Murray Hill and I've learned a thing or two since installing my first camera in early 2011. Why had I done it? Nighttime disruptions had become so bad during the first decade of the new century that I decided to document events. I needed a camera that I could install myself and that could record at night and one that was able to record audio as well as video. I found a solution at Best Buy, one manufactured by Logitech, a company known for computer peripherals like keyboards and mouse input devices. They also entered the "do it yourself" home security market. They have since left the market.

My first camera cost \$350. I installed it on our front porch. It paid for itself almost immediately when in early April a highly intoxicated young man tried to enter our home. He seemed to think he belonged at our address but eventually stumbled off. I turned a copy of the video over to MPD and it turned out that this fellow had previously attempted entry into someone else's house as well. He was apprehended and ended up in court.

Over the past six years prices have dropped and camera quality has improved. I now have several high-resolution cameras covering both the front and the rear of our home. My current cameras cost between \$75 and \$100 each. I've learned that it is worth putting the effort into running Ethernet cable between the cameras and my home computer network. You can avoid running Ethernet by using wifi cameras, but those don't work as reliably and they aren't really wireless since they require some kind of power cable be strung out to them anyway. And I've learned that one of the main considerations to think about is how easy or hard the camera's software makes it to save, review, and export recordings. Camera systems these days all seem to include software of some sort but it isn't all equally useful. You may need to purchase a package beyond what comes with the cameras (I did).

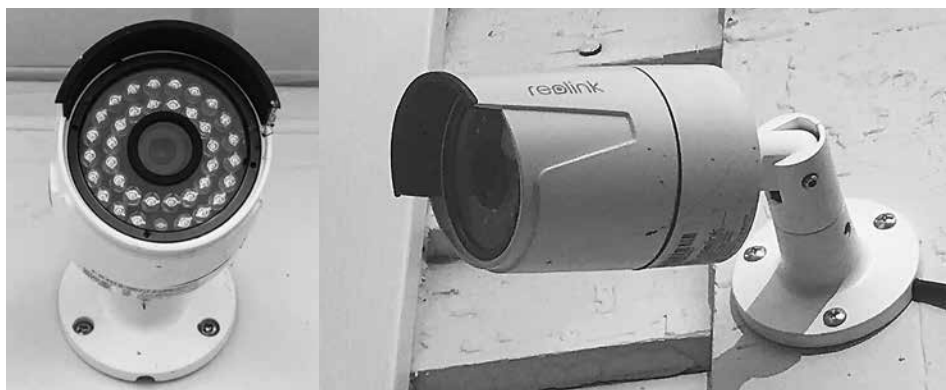
But if you do install cameras you are likely to witness some interesting activities. I've saved much of my interesting video including:

- The drunk at the door
- Illegal fireworks from porches on the block
- Multiple auto break-ins and attempted break-ins (one just a few nights ago)
- People trying to roll over an auto

- Vandalism in the form of flag thefts
- Garbage carts knocked over
- Port-a-john being toppled
- Car clunking into our house
- Political signs being trashed
- People urinating outside
- People vomiting from a neighbor's porch
- A man trying to illegally enter a neighbor's back door
- Countless noise nuisance events

I've also recorded some more pleasant things. There is far more wildlife on the streets than you might realize, raccoons, turkeys, skunks, woodchucks, possums, and even a family of foxes have wandered past our cameras. I even saw a coyote once.

I'm not the only person in the neighborhood with cameras. A couple of months ago the neighborhood was



plagued by a rash of packages thefts. UPS/Fedex deliveries were disappearing from porches. Some of the thefts were recorded by security cameras and the evidence was useful to MPD in apprehending the culprits.

As stark as my list of unfortunate events may look, I think the recording actually have helped improve the neighborhood. It is difficult for interested parties (landlords, tenants, UWM, MPD) to dismiss recordings like these. There was a time that I feared developing a reputation as "that grumpy old man who complains for no reason." My word was, after all, no better than someone else claiming "it didn't happen." Recordings make it easy to know exactly what happened "that night" and when exactly it happened. My own confidence in being able to report events is now much higher than before. It is subjective, but conditions on our block seem to be noticeably improved from the winter I installed our first camera. There are probably many reasons for that but from my point of view, security cameras have significantly contributed. ■



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## Officers Familiar with Murray Hill

by Mike Varney

**M**ilwaukee Police Department's District 1 Community Liaison Officer Tom Kline has seen relations improve between MPD, UWM police, and the Murray Hill Neighborhood Association in his two and one-half years on the job.

"The Community Liaison Officer used to work from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. We adjusted the hours to when we

were needed. The more community relations we have, the better—we want to gain the trust of the community," he said. In fact, a second CLO was hired but that position is currently open.

Officer Kline feels his role is two-fold—both to

educate and to help. At the beginning of the UWM school year, MPD has officers walk the beat. "They sense where eventual problems may occur and try and head them off beforehand," he said. "The officers try and keep things as small as possible."

"The most challenging students aren't the freshmen who have to live on campus, it's the sophomores who are allowed to live on their own," he said.

Captain Diana Rowe took the helm of District 1 last February. She has three shift commanders. Lieutenant Gregg Duran runs the second shift from 4:00 p.m. till midnight. He is a 25-year MPD veteran and walked the Murray Hill beat when he was a sergeant.

"We work collaboratively with the UWM Police. What has really worked is referring students to UWM's Dean of Students, who then meet with the students," Lt. Duran said. Part of that collaboration has been a \$50,000 UWM Deployment grant, allowing MPD to use the money as best it sees fit (overtime, etc.).

Lt. Duran concluded, "We would like to strike the right balance between peace, quiet, and safety. We've come a long way since I was serving this neighborhood as a sergeant." ■



MPDs District One Community Liaison Officer, Tom Kline (left), and Second Shift Commander, Lt. Gregg Duran, pose next to a historic 90-pound Milwaukee Police call box in Murray Hill.

## Historic Sentries Stand Silently By

by Mike Varney

**H**istory abounds in the Murray Hill neighborhood. We have 14 reminders standing silent duty to remind us on daily basis. The once state-of-the-art blue police call boxes lost their status as a communication link between dispatchers and the cop on the beat when the 911 emergency call system made their use obsolete forever more.

When 8,000 Wisconsin telephone workers went on strike in April 1947 the Milwaukee police and fire departments made available to all local residents their police call box system because it wouldn't be affected by the strike. Keys were welded in place so the boxes could be used by anyone in case of an emergency. The order to do so came from Police Chief John Polcyn himself.

The Milwaukee Journal reported, "The keys were left in the boxes after the strike, and scores of citizens who were

unable to get other telephones have used police phones to summon aid. Unfortunately, some persons abused the call boxes. Vandals damaged the telephones. Drunks tried to call taxis. Juveniles reported false emergencies."

Reporting to one such call in April 1965, two police squad cars collided, injuring four policemen and a pedestrian. The next day, Police Chief Harold A. Breier

ordered all of the city's then 1,500 call boxes locked. Today no new officers are given keys to the call boxes; however, many older officers still have keys.

About 1,200 of the call boxes are still in place, including our 14. They come in two distinct styles—an older, more ornate 90-pound cast iron model trimmed with fluting and leaf patterns and a newer, plainer aluminum model.

Five years ago, two neighbor ladies unknown to each other before, protested the removal of their local cast iron police call box from the corner of Newport and Shepard. They fought City Hall to get it back—and won. ■



# Hartford Avenue University School—100 Years and Going Strong!

*By Cynthia Sommer*



**H**artford Avenue University School (K4-8 grades) is celebrating its 100th year (1917-2017) as an anchor in the neighborhood and a gem in the city. Congratulations and thanks to the many teachers, parents, staff and students through the years who have contributed to the vibrancy and success of this school in our neighborhood.

Hartford Avenue School was established in 1917 because of the rapid population growth of Milwaukee. In 1900, Milwaukee was ranked as the 14th largest U.S. city with a population of 285,315 and the City had become number 13 by 1920 with a population of 457,147. While the school was being built children were taught in four barracks in the middle of farm fields. The nearby buildings of the established Milwaukee Downer College could easily be seen to the north of the 3.03 acre plot. The school that opened in 1917 was 46,776 square feet at a cost for the grounds and building of \$169,160. The main building that contained 12 classrooms was positioned

on an angle facing the intersection of Hartford and Maryland Avenues. A small, separate boiler house and a chimney stack were also added at the back of the property.

Enrollment increased rapidly as people moved into the neighborhood. Records indicate that there was an enrollment of 614 students in 1927—comparable to the current enrollment at Hartford Avenue University School of around 680 students. The need for more space was evident! In 1932, a 36,683 sq. ft. addition was completed behind and parallel to the current structure at a cost of \$190,000. Four classrooms, a gymnasium and auditorium were provided by this addition. Current residents who have voted in previous government elections at the school may remember this “new” space as they walked on the well-maintained but creaking wood floors of the gym. The building of the Hartford Avenue School addition was a real commitment by the School District because the depression created hard economic times. Teachers were asked to take a 10% pay cut in their salaries in 1932. In 1972, a small addition in the back was added for building maintenance. This 85,700 sq. ft. building still serves the education of Milwaukee children to this date.

At the time of the establishment of Hartford Avenue School, the importance of reading, writing, arithmetic and spelling were evident in the curriculum, but education in Milwaukee was making progressive changes. In writing, the common sense free-hand movement approach to penmanship was adopted. In arithmetic, teachers would add practical problems relevant to the students’ lives and time into their lessons. For example, pupils were asked to calculate interest on bonds and war savings and compute the cost of transportation and supplies used in World War I. Memorization of a selected verse designated for each grade level was considered important to help students learn vocabulary and the flow of language.



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## Hartford Avenue University School *Continued from previous page*

Students would commonly recite such a verse when the Superintendent came for a routine visit to a school to evaluate their learning. In the three upper grades (6-8th), the socialized method of recitation was emphasized to encourage active learning and oral expression by the pupil. The subjects of the upper grades were starting to become specialized such that students would have their “home room” and then have certain subjects taught by advanced teachers in a special room such as a geography room or music room. This approach aided the teachers in the amount of their preparation, and an intensive study of a subject led to greater interest and concentration on the part of the student.

Learning was affected not only by WWI but also by infectious diseases. Schools were closed at times because of the 1918 Influenza epidemic and by regular outbreaks of measles, whooping cough, and mumps. The Milwaukee School Tuberculosis Committee helped to establish in 1917 a Nutrition Clinic to address the concern for the “large number of children suffering from the effects of insufficient nourishment.” Most students walked home for lunch but

those involved in the MPS lunch program, first established in 1917, could get a “penny lunch” (price of lunch went up to 5 cents by 1940!).

The growth of the city and the economics of the time demanded concessions by all to insure the education of Milwaukee children.

Through all these early

years, the citizens of Milwaukee recognized the importance of education. Between the years 1906 and 1967, the voters approved 27 of the 29 requests for tax levying or bonding power to meet the cost of schools and their programs. Teachers were very dedicated individuals and in 1918 they only received a “flat annual salary with a minimum of \$720 and a maximum of \$1,500.” Salary increases were based solely on experience at the rate of \$60 per year until the maximum was reached.

While the physical building at Hartford Avenue School has not changed much since those early years, many changes have subsequently occurred in education. The school has shifted from its early years as a neighborhood school to a college preparatory school. The unique location of this school in the heart of the UW-Milwaukee (UWM) campus provides a number of wonderful learning opportunities for preparing their students for college and beyond. Hartford maintains linkages with not only UWM but other colleges, businesses



Above: Site of Hartford School, 1916. Note: Milwaukee Downer College (now UWM) on the right and temporary classroom barracks on the left horizons. Below: A kindergarden classroom scene from the 1920s.



and professionals to enhance the academic success of their students. The emphasis on academics is augmented by a vibrant arts program and a focus on creating a sense of social justice. Extensive field trips, partnership with the Urban Ecology Center, Arts in Community Education (ACE), Danceworks, and Project Lead the Way engineering opportunities create unique learning experiences. Hartford maintains full-time art and music programs which is evident to anyone in the community who walks by the school and sees the display of creative student artwork.

Traditional subjects, including reading, writing, mathematics, science, social studies and the arts are taught to enhance critical thinking skills, creativity and an awareness of the real life issues of urban communities. Hartford Avenue University School was a Wisconsin Positive Behavior Intervention and Support (PBIS) School of Distinction and has implemented the Playworks program to coordinate playground activities to teach cooperation, teamwork and community building. The school will be developing this upcoming year a special educational program for grades 4-8 to better prepare and integrate their students for the top college bound urban high schools in the city. Hartford Avenue University School needs the support of the community to keep up the tradition of rich academics and vibrant arts—consider sharing your talents and energy by volunteering.

Murray Hill Neighborhood Association sends our sincere wishes to all in the Hartford School family for a successful 100th anniversary school year and years to come. ■

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## Get Energized with Local Milwaukee Rec Offerings

by Cynthia Sommer

**D**o you want to get fit, do some creative activities or meet some new people? The extensive list of classes offered in your neighborhood through the Milwaukee Recreation program is sure to provide something for everyone.

A variety of adult enrichment classes as well as youth/teen sports and activities are being presented at Riverside University High School (RUHS) and other neighboring sites. At RUHS, you can adventure into:

- Cooking (Taste of the World (Scotland, Turkey, Austria), French Bistro Cafe, International Desserts or Calling All Garlic Lovers);
- Fitness (Yoga [Gentle, Power or Meditation], Barre Fitness, Couch Potato to 5K, Hoop Dancing, Insanity, NIA, Nordic Walking, Pilates, PiYo, Tae Kwon Do, Women and Weights, or Zumba);
- Dance Classes (African Dance, Sizzlin' Salsa for Couples, American Tribal Style Belly Dancing);
- Creative Classes (Guitar, Leather and Jewelry Making, Acrylic Painting, Landscape Painting, Portraits from Photos, Rubber Stamping, Sew Easy, Cycling and Bike Maintenance, Basic Home Repair, Conversation Spanish, Introduction to French);
- Finance (Intellectual Investing, Retirement Investing, Estate Planning).
- Aquatic/swim classes (Aqua Zumba, Aqua Boot Camp, Aqua natal, Water Aerobics, and Deep Water Aerobics) and open lap swim are also available locally.

The Recreation Guide print schedule is mailed regularly to each household in the area. You can also register online at [www.MilwaukeeRecreation.net](http://www.MilwaukeeRecreation.net) or at RUHS the day of classes. Call the office at 414-475-8780 with questions. ■

## New Neighborhood Restaurant Opening in September



"The Original" will be opening its doors on September 20th in the former Red Dot space on the corner of Bradford and Bartlett. Murray Hill residents, and brothers, Eric and Craig Rzepka, are the proprietors. Neighborhood residents

are invited to a special preview on Saturday, September 16th starting at 2:00 p.m.



## Oriental Anchors Milwaukee Film Festival

by Mike Varney

The Oriental Theatre has reason to celebrate. Besides a 90th birthday this summer, the 1927 movie house is about to come under new ownership next July.

The venerable 1,100-seat cinema will literally get a new lease on life starting July 1, 2018, when Milwaukee Film begins a 31-year contract. Before that, though, the Oriental will once again serve as the anchor cinema for the ninth annual Milwaukee Film Festival running from September 28 – October 12 this fall. Five screens across the region host the festival; nearby Downer Theatre also participates.

According to Jonathan Jackson, Milwaukee Film's executive director, the decades-long lease will allow for much needed maintenance, especially in the projection, sound, seat and HVAC areas. It will also allow Milwaukee Film to expand diverse cinematic experiences beyond the film festival dates.

Jackson earned his early experience running UWM's Union Theater cinema.

While the popularity of our local film festival grows every year, Milwaukee Film's 32-member Board of Directors

is toying with moving the dates of the 15-day gala back just a bit. Currently our festival dates overlap with the New York Film Festival.

While the Oriental will get a new lease, the Downer's contract with Landmark Theaters runs for a few more years.

In an interview with WUWM radio, Jackson said the Oriental "has been such a piece of the Milwaukee Film Festival. We've kind of branded around it even. And that 1,100-seat main house is such an amazing, magical movie going experience. We couldn't be more excited or proud to now be the custodian of, what I think is, one of the best cinemas in the country or the world." ■



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## Business Spotlight:

**Kith and Kin – A Great Getaway***By Cynthia Sommer*

The one year anniversary of Kith and Kin, a family focused play café on the corner of E. Park and N. Murray (1932 E. Park Place), is coming and they are ready to celebrate with the neighborhood! This unique place lets parents and caretakers enjoy coffee, tea and a bite to eat while nurturing their children to imagine and explore in a safe, creative and bright space. It is a great setting for parents to connect and kids to make new friends.



The owners, Baily Prochnow and Emily Sunderland, have a shared friendship for over ten years as well as a common vision of creating a welcoming parenting community on the Eastside. The bright space allows children (0-6 years) to create new worlds in imaginary play areas. Creativity can soar with available costumes, musical instruments, a kid-size stage, reading center, art corner, imaginarium tables, home-play area, hanging swing pods, an indoor slide and more. The lower level has a large carpeted area with a mirrored wall for classes and other activities.

A variety of classes are available for kids (8-10/group) including mom and baby yoga, kids yoga, twinkle toes ballet, music for Aardvarks, Sing-along-Spanish or story-telling. Families can choose workshops such as slime fun, face painting, gingerbread house making and more. Parents can add to their kids memory album with photoshoot events with real

bunnies or indoor hot air balloon props.

Birthday or dress-up tea parties can be scheduled on Saturday afternoons and Sundays with a maximum of 20

children. Story telling keeps the kids entertained between open play. Parents can bring cake and food to add to provided beverages and color-themed balloons, tablecloths and streamers.

An event on the 4th Friday of every month from 6-9 pm is a "Parents Night Out." Parents can enjoy some free time or get out for a nice dinner and know that their children are also having fun with crafts, story time



and an optional healthy dinner. This scheduled event can take a maximum of 10 children, ages 1.5 to 7 years of age. Adults can also schedule 30, 60 or 90 minute massages by owner Baily Prochnow, a trained therapist in Swedish, Deep

Tissue and Pre-natal massage. Last year, Kith and Kin also sponsored a Mini-Market with local artisans offering their wares for purchase in time for the winter holidays.

Kith and Kin is open on Tuesday through Friday, 9 am to 3 pm and Saturday, 9 am to 1 pm. They are closed for private events on Sunday and Monday. Check their web site at [www.kithandkinmke.com](http://www.kithandkinmke.com) or call 414-210-5805 for pricing and more information. Their Facebook page contains many pictures and comments.

In celebration of their anniversary, Kith and Kin are sponsoring a Block Party (E. Park and N. Murray) with local food and music on Saturday, September 9th from noon to 5 pm. If you can't make this gathering, stop by another time at Kith and Kin to find out what they have to offer. Murray Hill Neighborhood Association wishes you many more successful years and appreciates your contributions to the neighborhood. ■



## UWM Welcomes Students As Fall Semester Kicks Off

*By UWM Neighborhood Relations Staff*

**W**ith the start of another fall semester, we are excited to welcome new and continuing students back to UWM and Milwaukee. We eagerly look forward to a wonderful Fall Welcome.

This year you will see a few new faces at UWM. In the Dean of Students Office, Becky Freer is serving as the Interim Dean of Students. She has 14 years of experience working in higher education including working at UWM for seven years as an Assistant Dean of Students and teaching graduate courses in the Adult, Continuing, and Higher Education master program.

Additionally, Alyssa Conrardy is the new Coordinator for the Neighborhood Housing Office. She has worked at two other Universities while completing her Master's degree, prior to returning to UWM; we are proud she is a UWM alum!

Though there are a few new faces, you will find the same services, attentiveness, and care from your UWM partners. The Dean of Students Office, Neighborhood Housing Office, Norris Health Center, UWM Police Department, Department of Neighborhood Services, and the Milwaukee Police Department continue to be strong partners.

We will continue efforts to prevent harmful and disruptive behaviors at UWM and in the neighboring communities with educational programs and conversations that encourage students to think critically about their role in a community, quality of life, safety, and how to be a good neighbor.

Incoming first-year students received information about our neighborhoods and behavior expectations through mandatory New Student Orientation programs. Specifically, students and their families attend interactive Health and Safety presentations which have proven to complement our efforts throughout the academic year. We foster partnerships with students' families to enhance our educational efforts and to develop responsible, committed, and caring citizens and community members.

This year, our efforts include:

- A streamlined point of contact for all Neighborhood Relations: Phone: (414) 229-6999 or email: [neighborhood-relations@uwm.edu](mailto:neighborhood-relations@uwm.edu).
- Continuation of the COAST Leader and Good Neighbor Programs:  
To nominate a neighbor for outstanding displays of community support and neighborly conduct please send your nomination to the Neighborhood Housing Office.
- Strategic social media campaigns that focus on safety and responsibility in the neighborhoods.
- Increased community policing and bike patrol by the UWMPD.



- Continuation of the "yellow card" referral program which facilitates information sharing between the Milwaukee Police Department and the Dean of Students Office. This typically requires students involved in neighborhood misconduct to meet with staff in the Dean of Students Office.
- UWMPD proactively addressing houses and apartments that appear as though they may develop noise issues and providing early warnings and education.
- Sharing of information and cooperative deployment to calls for service by both UWMPD and MPD.
- Campus late-night programming to engage students in safe and healthy ways to hang out with peers.
- Continuation of community programming, such as UNITE, where faculty, staff, and students go door-to-door to encourage students to meet their neighbors, help them develop a sense of belonging, and promote civic responsibility in the neighborhoods.
- Weekly meetings between UWM, MPD, and DNS to assess community standards and strategies to address and intervene early.

### ***Go Panthers!***

Becky Freer, Ph.D.  
Interim Dean of Students

Alyssa Conrardy  
Neighborhood Housing Office Coordinator

Joe LeMire  
UWM Police Chief



**— Meeting Information —**

General Membership Meetings will be held at  
Urban Ecology Center • 1500 E. Park Place  
at 7pm on the 4th Tuesday of the month  
414-964-8505 • urbanecologycenter.com

Upcoming Meetings:

September 26:

Multi-Modal Milwaukee: Updates on the  
Streetcar and Bublr Bikes

October 24:

Milwaukee Riverkeeper, DNS Property Data  
Primer and MHNA Board Elections

November 28:

DNS Commissioner Preston Cole and  
Inspector Kim Lyons

Topics and presentations will be released via  
e-mail. Dates are subject to change at any time.

**Upcoming Calendar of Events**

**September 16**

Milwaukee River Challenge

**September 21**

Milwaukee On Tap,  
A Talk By Historian John Gurda,  
at North Point Lighthouse

**September 22-24**

Harvest Fair/Maker Faire,  
State Fair Park

**September 23-24**

Doors Open Milwaukee

**September 28-October 12**

Milwaukee Film Festival

**October 20-21**

Gallery Night and Day,  
Third Ward

**November 4**

Veteran's Day Parade

**November 17**

Milwaukee Holiday Lights Festival begins

**November 17-19**

Holiday Folk Fair International,  
State Fair Park

**November 18**

Milwaukee Holiday Parade

**About MHNA**

**M**urray Hill Neighborhood Association is a group of diverse residents working together to keep Murray Hill a great place to live, work and study. Murray Hill is the 58-block area bounded by Hartford Avenue to the North, Bradford Avenue to the south, Downer Avenue to the East and Oakland Avenue to the West.

Our goals are to develop an atmosphere of respect for the rights and lives of all residents in the neighborhood, build a safe and clean community that improves the quality of life for all residents, and maintain open communications with UWM students and representatives to effectively find positive solutions to problems.

Benefits to the neighbors include information on safety and crime, regular updates from elected officials, business owners and UWM representatives on neighborhood issues, providing monthly speakers on relevant topics, provide quarterly newsletter, maintaining a cleaner neighborhood through adopt-a-block program and neighborhood-student clean-up events, and welcoming and informing neighbors of the workings of the city.

Residents of the area, including students renting property off-campus in this area, property owners, landlords and owners of businesses within the area are encouraged to be members.

**Murray Hill Neighborhood Association is about making a  
wonderful neighborhood even better.**

**Consider signing up for a membership today.**

**Murray Hill Membership Application**

**NOW is the time to join!**

Clip and mail with your payment to:

MHNA / PO Box 71133 / Milwaukee, WI 53211

Membership Chair, Gregory James: 414-429-6080 or gregbjames@icloud.com

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

The Murray Hill Neighborhood Association serves a 58-block area from Hartford Ave. to Bradford Ave., and Oakland Ave. to Downer Ave. Membership is open to all residents, property owners and businesses. General membership meetings are held the fourth Tuesday of the month at the Urban Ecology Center (1500 E. Park Pl.) from 7-8:30 pm. To find out more about the association, or to share your interests and concerns, please attend one of our upcoming meetings, or contact us.

**Family** ..... ☐ \$25

**Individual** ..... ☐ \$15

**Business** ..... ☐ \$30

**Senior** (age 65+) ..... ☐ \$5

**Student** ..... ☐ \$5

**Please mark all that apply:**

Homeowner ..... ☐

Renter ..... ☐

Landlord..... ☐