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*Bridges* is the official magazine of the City of South Milwaukee and the School District of South Milwaukee. *Bridges* provides news and feature stories about the people, businesses, places and events that make our community a very special place to live, work, visit and invest in.

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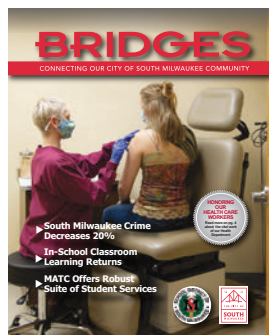
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## ON THE COVER

Our heroes at the South Milwaukee/St. Francis Health Department have been working tirelessly to address the challenges of COVID-19 and keep our community safe. The patient here is one of our healthcare workers.

(see more on pg. 4).

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## MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

# Choose Positive – and Look for the Helpers

Dear South Milwaukeeans,

*"When I was a boy and I would see scary things in the news, my mother would say to me, 'Look for the helpers. You will always find people who are helping.'"* This quote from Fred Rogers always heartens me, especially in these challenging times, especially during the pandemic.



Look for the helpers. Look for health care workers. Look for our public health workers. They are the ones stepping up where others haven't to slow the spread of the virus, keep the community safe, and help us reopen safely and responsibly.

From the agonizing decisions in the early days of the pandemic; to education and advocacy efforts; to partnering with local schools, businesses, event leaders and others around reopening plans; to working with our neighbors to deliver testing and vaccines, the South Milwaukee and St. Francis Health Department – and many others across the county, state and country – have fought the battle against COVID-19 on the front lines.

They have risen to the challenge, and you can learn more about their work on vaccinations on page 4. Has it been perfect? Of course not. Have we learned along the way? Absolutely. But that's what comes with a generational challenge like this.

You make the best decisions you can with the information you have, anchored in science, adapting along the way, and keeping the best interest of the community in mind. Our Health Department – and I – have done that for over a year, and we'll continue to do that as we vaccinate our City and move to a new normal.

This virus has torn us apart. Mask, no mask. Vaccinate, don't vaccinate. Reopen, stay closed. You don't have to look far to see how divided we've become – at a time when unity is needed more than ever. That is sad to me.

But I choose positivity during these difficult times. I choose the vision of the Health Department, choose to get behind their work to ensure we are "empowered to live well."

I choose to look for the helpers. Let's all look for the helpers!

**Sincerely, Erik Brooks-Mayor,  
City of South Milwaukee**





*Captain Egner of the South Milwaukee Fire Department gets his vaccine.*



## ► COVID-19 Update: Testing, Vaccinations And More

### A COVID-19 Update from Our Heroes at the Health Department



The South Milwaukee/St. Francis Health Department continues to work on controlling the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. The department has worked tirelessly for months to address the pandemic and keep our community safe. The department has eight permanent staff members, with five additional temporary staff members hired to assist with vaccinations and other COVID-19 related duties.

The South Milwaukee Health Department has been collaborating with the School District and City administrators to develop policies related to staff, students and general public safety. The department has also been partnering with the Oak Creek and Cudahy Health Departments to ensure our response to the pandemic is regionally based. These three departments (known as the Zone E district) have worked in concert to establish the COVID-19 testing site in South Milwaukee, and they have plans for a vaccination site in Cudahy.

#### TESTING

The South Shore testing site at 1625 10th Ave. will be open through March 30,

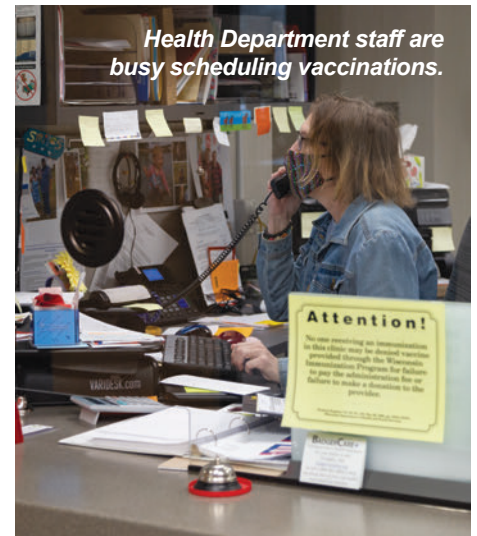
2021. For the most current information on testing sites in Milwaukee County, call 2-1-1, or check the City website: [smwi.org](http://smwi.org).

#### VACCINATIONS

Currently there are two vaccines available to protect against COVID-19, with a third approved for use in late February. The South Milwaukee/St. Francis Health Department is working in coordination with the Cudahy and Oak Creek Health Departments to establish a South Shore vaccination clinic.

Even after you are vaccinated, you will still need to practice good pandemic behavior while we build community immunity (when enough people in a population are vaccinated so that the virus can no longer spread, also called "herd immunity.")

Residents can register to receive information and communications regarding vaccine clinics on the City's COVID-19 vaccinations webpage. For those residents that are not able to sign up electronically, please call the Health Department at 414.768.8055. We are able to add individuals to a phone call



*Health Department staff are busy scheduling vaccinations.*

list for vaccination communication regarding clinics.

#### SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS OF COVID-19

- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat



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Department



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- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting/diarrhea

If you develop signs and symptoms, self-isolate by keeping your distance from others, and if you suspect COVID-19 get tested.

Visit the South Milwaukee Facebook page and website for the most up-to-date information on the vaccine and its distribution. And please remember that COVID-19 is still present in the community. We should all be monitoring ourselves for signs and symptoms. Community immunity will take months to reach – and to make it easier for the vaccine to do its job in the future, we need to reduce the spread of COVID-19

## SIGN UP TO RECEIVE COVID-19 VACCINE EMAIL UPDATES!

The South Shore Health Departments of Cudahy, Oak Creek, South Milwaukee, and St. Francis want to keep our communities up-to-date on the latest vaccine information.

**\*Disclaimer:** This is NOT a sign up for an appointment to receive the vaccine or to be added to a waitlist. We cannot guarantee that you will be able to receive a vaccine from the South Shore Health Departments as vaccine supplies are limited. As vaccine supply increases, vaccines will be available to eligible individuals through several locations including healthcare providers and pharmacies.

Please continue to monitor our website and Facebook page for more information.

## Protect Yourself AVOID COVID-19 Vaccine Scams

As COVID-19 vaccine distribution begins, here are signs of potential scams:

- You are asked to pay out of pocket to get the vaccine.
- You are asked to pay to put your name on a vaccine waiting list or to get early access.
- Advertisements for vaccines through social media platforms, email, telephone calls, online, or from unsolicited/unknown sources.
- Marketers offering to sell or ship doses of the vaccine for payment.

✓ **Protect Yourself. Do not give out your personal information to unknown sources.**

! If you believe you have been the victim of COVID-19 fraud, immediately report it to:

- HHS-OIG Hotline: 1-800-HHS-TIPS | [tips.hhs.gov](https://tips.hhs.gov)
- FBI Hotline: 1-800-CALL-FBI | [ic3.gov](https://ic3.gov)
- CMS/Medicare Hotline: 1-800-MEDICARE

For accurate, up-to-date information about COVID-19, visit: [oig.hhs.gov/coronavirus](https://oig.hhs.gov/coronavirus), [fbi.gov/coronavirus](https://fbi.gov/coronavirus), [justice.gov/coronavirus](https://justice.gov/coronavirus)

today. Please continue to take the following preventative measures to protect yourself and others from COVID-19.

## USE THESE PROTECTIVE MEASURES

- Wear a mask or cloth face covering.
- Maintain physical distance between people that do not live in the same household.
- Use alternates to hand shaking and hugging.
- Wash hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds as frequently as possible or use hand sanitizer.
- Cover cough and sneezes (into the sleeve or elbow, not hands).
- Regularly clean high-touch areas (door handles, light switches, etc.).



**For COVID-19 related statistics and other information, visit the City website at [smwi.org](https://smwi.org) or the City Facebook page.**





## ► Spring Election: April 6, 2021

### Safety Measures Remain in Place To Keep Voters/Poll Workers Safe

**D**ue to the pandemic, the City continues to put safety measures in place to keep our voters and poll workers as safe as possible, for in-person absentee voting as well as voting at the polls.

Since the start of the pandemic, the City has been experiencing higher than usual absentee ballot requests. For those electors that have already requested an absentee ballot, they will begin to be mailed to your residences on March 16. When you receive your ballot, read all the instructions carefully. Failure to follow the proper requirements could cause your vote to not be counted.

If you are interested in voting by absentee ballot, please go to [MyVote.wi.gov](https://MyVote.wi.gov) and click on the vote absentee icon to have a ballot sent to you through the mail. Absentee ballots are only mailed to those residents that request a ballot be sent to them.

You may also check the [MyVote.wi.gov](https://MyVote.wi.gov) website to see if you are registered to vote, and register if you are not already registered. You will be required to upload a photo I.D. when registering online.

The City will offer in-person absentee voting at the Clerk's office located at 2424 15<sup>th</sup> Ave. The dates and hours of in-person absentee voting and voter registration are:

- **Monday, March 22 through Friday, March 26:**  
7:30 a.m.-4 p.m.
- **Monday, March 20 through Thursday, April 1:**  
7:30 a.m.-4 p.m.
- **Friday, April 2: 3-5 p.m. (please ring bell at front door for assistance).**

City staff at the polls and behind the scenes continue to do everything possible to ensure the electors of the City can stay safe during this pandemic.

**ABOUT THE SPRING ELECTION:** This election will have races for all of our local Alderpersons. The City has four districts and two Alderpersons per district are elected to represent the constituents in each district. Election day is Tuesday, April 6, 2021. Polls are open from 7 a.m. through 8 p.m.

#### **WHO ARE THE CITY CANDIDATES?:**

- **District One:** Brett Briesemeister and Craig Maass.
- **District Two:** Tim Backes, Ray A. Navarro and R. Patrick Stoner.
- **District Three:** Joseph R. Bukowski and Lisa M. Pieper.
- **District Four:** David Bartoshevich and Peggy Clark.

#### **WHERE DO I VOTE?:**

- **District One:** Divine Mercy School, 695 College Ave.
- **District Two:** Divine Mercy Church, 800 Marquette Ave.
- **District Three:** South Milwaukee Administration Building (Council Chamber), 2424 15<sup>th</sup> Ave.
- **District Four:** Grobschmidt Senior Center, 2424 15<sup>th</sup> Ave.

#### **WHO ARE THE SCHOOL BOARD CANDIDATES?**

- Steven Champagne
- Jon Shelenske
- David Maass
- Angie DeFord





## ▶ South Milwaukee Crime Decreased 20% in 2020

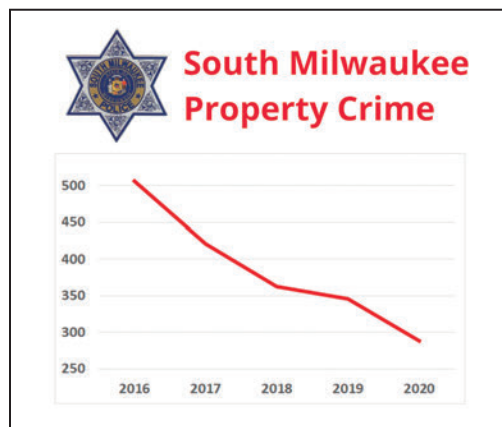
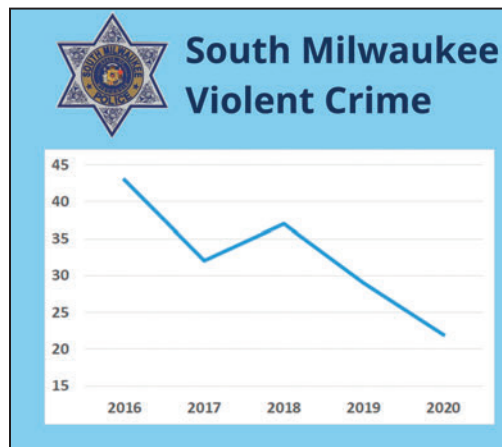
### Significant Decreases Reported in Several Categories of Crime

**T**he South Milwaukee Police Department has released its 2020 crime summary. We report crime to the state and federal government through the National Incident-Based Reporting System (NIBRS).

We are pleased to report that in 2020 we saw some significant decreases in several categories of crime, including aggravated assault, simple assault, burglary and theft. Unfortunately, we experienced a slight increase in robberies and weapons law violations. Overall, however, crime decreased by 20% from 2019.

The men and women of the South Milwaukee Police Department work diligently to keep our community safe and we truly appreciate the assistance that we receive from many of you who call us when you see something suspicious. Thank you for your support!

View the full 2020 crime summary on the City's website: [smwi.org](http://smwi.org).



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# ► City Staff Spotlight: Announcing Police and Fire Promotions and Welcome To New Library Director

**T**he City of South Milwaukee is pleased to announce promotions for two of its staff: Police Captain Dan Fournier and Fire Department Captain Kurt Egner. The City also welcomes its new library director Tristan Marshall. Read more below about these dedicated employees.



## **CAPTAIN DAN FOURNIER**

Dan Fournier was promoted to Administrative & Services Captain for the Police Department last September. He has been with the Police Department since May of 2007, serving as a patrol officer from 2007 to 2017 and a patrol lieutenant from 2017 to 2020. Captain Fournier has a bachelor's degree from UW-La Crosse, and is currently attending the American Military University in pursuit of his master's degree.

The South Milwaukee Police Department has two divisions: the Operations Division and the Administrative Division. In his role as Administrative & Services Captain, Captain Fournier is responsible for overseeing the Police Department's Investigations Bureau, the Police & Fire Dispatch Center, and the Police Department Clerical Staff. For the past several years, he has also served as the coordinator for the Police Department's annual Community Night Out held in August.

Captain Fournier has been married to Sam for 9 years, and they have 2 children: Payton and Adelyn. When not attending one of his children's soccer or basketball games, he enjoys spending time with family, hunting, fishing, sports, watching the Packers, and home remodeling projects. Fournier is a member of the South Milwaukee Police & Fire softball team.

**What was your first job?** "I was a bagger at Piggly Wiggly, where I learned to put the customer first."

**What is your favorite thing about working in local government?** "I enjoy getting to work closely with the citizens of our City. Local government allows you to have a more personal connection with the citizens that you serve."

**What do you love most about South Milwaukee?** "The community events that occur each year, e.g., Heritage Days."

**Describe South Milwaukee in three words.** "Close knit, evolving, and hardworking."

**If you were to check out one book from the South Milwaukee Library, what would it be?**

Any book on crime, both fiction and non-fiction.

## **CAPTAIN KURT EGNER**

Kurt Egner was promoted to the role of Fire Captain in October 2020. It should be noted that he is not the first Captain Egner the SMFD has seen. His father, Donald, filled the seat for 10 years before becoming Fire Chief in 1989. Donald was the first SMFD fire officer to hold a bachelor's degree, receiving it in 1987 from the Fire Service Management program held at the Chicago Fire Academy via Southern Illinois University. Kurt received a degree in the same discipline from the same institution 30 years later.



While their careers never overlapped, the younger Egner has drawn benefit from lessons left by his father, and that drive him to maintain the culture of the Fire Department's demand for excellence in the service it provides to South Milwaukee.

Captain Egner is a lifelong resident of South Milwaukee and began his career with the South Milwaukee Fire Department in 1998 as a paid-on-call firefighter. After completing an associate's degree in fire science, he was hired as a full-time firefighter and EMT in 2004. Shortly afterward, he was trained to provide advanced life support as a paramedic. He was promoted to lieutenant in 2014 and has coordinated SMFD's Emergency Medical Services that involves training medical providers, representing the interests of the citizens of South Milwaukee during the development of county-wide medical protocols, and ensuring that SMFD remains on the cutting-edge of emergency medical care. Egner's duties include fire investigation and he represents SMFD on the seminar committee of the Wisconsin Chapter of the International Association of Arson Investigators. He assists in holding semi-annual educational seminars for firefighters, law enforcement and insurance industry investigators, and has represented Wisconsin at the parent organization's international training conference.

When not on duty in South Milwaukee, Captain Egner serves the citizens of Milwaukee County as a supervisor for the Office of Emergency Management EMS Division, where he oversees the operation of the medical services at public venues such as Fiserv Forum, Milwaukee County Zoo and the UWM Arena. While these services have declined due to the pandemic, his team – comprised mostly of off-duty area firefighters – has filled other roles providing medical care to under-served areas of the

community via drive-through COVID testing, at-place testing, and operating a vaccine administration site. This role also offers him the opportunity to participate in the county-wide continuing education of all paramedics, providing care through the fire departments within Milwaukee.

**What was your first job?** “I was first employed at the South Milwaukee Blockbuster Video.”

**What is your favorite thing about working in local government?** “In a small city, with a small Fire Department, it’s easy to see the direct impact that can be made on the community by the services we provide. I enjoy serving familiar faces, but even more, I enjoy BEING a familiar face for someone that needs help.”

**What do you love most about South Milwaukee?** “I love that South Milwaukee stands for itself. We have our own identity that we’ve carved out from the urban sprawl between Milwaukee and Chicago. We have our own street system, our own water and wastewater treatment, our own protective services, our own DPW, and our own overall government. It’s that sense of pride in our community that unites us all and keeps us vested in supporting new ventures like the Farmer’s Market, the Community Garden, local businesses new and old, and innovative plans for Milwaukee Avenue, the Market area, and the Bucyrus ventures.”

**Describe South Milwaukee in three words?** “Independent, self-reliant and resilient.”

**If you were to check out one book from the South Milwaukee Public Library, What would it be?** “*South Milwaukee: Then to Now*, written by Gertrude Endthoff.”

**Do you have an interest in employment with the City of South Milwaukee?** We are often looking for hard-working individuals that desire a career in public service. Visit the City website ([smwi.org](http://smwi.org)) for open employment opportunities. Diverse candidates are encouraged to apply.

## New South Milwaukee Public Library Director

**T**ristan Marshall has been appointed as the new Library director for the South Milwaukee Public Library. The City’s Library Board unanimously named Marshall to the position at its February 2 meeting. Marshall becomes only the fourth Library director in South Milwaukee since the 1970s. The Library Board is extremely pleased and excited that Tristan will be leading our great South Milwaukee Public Library.



Since 2013, Marshall has been the circulation supervisor at the Wauwatosa Public Library. She is scheduled to start in South Milwaukee in March.

In 2019, the South Milwaukee Public Library had 78,409 patron visits and nearly 7,000 active Library users, about one-third of the City’s population. The Library also delivered 284 programs for children, young adults and adults that were attended by 7,681 people. Find out more at [smlibrary.org](http://smlibrary.org).

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# CITY HIGHLIGHTS

## Student Summer Employment Opportunities

Do you like to be outside as much as possible in the summer? Would you like to work full-time, and still have all your nights and weekends free? The City of South Milwaukee is looking for students ages 16 and up to fill summer help positions. These positions pay \$9 per hour, and the hours are Monday-Friday, 7 a.m.-3 p.m. This is your chance to make your community a better place – and make some money! Applications can be found on the City's website: [smwi.org](http://smwi.org).

## Please join us for the SMPD 19th Annual D.A.R.E. Golf Outing Monday, July 19 • 8 a.m. start Oakwood Golf Course

A four-person scramble format that will include 18 holes of golf, cart, sleeve of balls, tees and ball marker, lunch, on-course contests and raffle prizes. The South Milwaukee Police Department currently teaches the D.A.R.E. program to every public and parochial 5th grade student in South Milwaukee. All money raised from the golf outing supports the D.A.R.E. program. For additional information, contact Officer J.J. McLean or Officer Stephen Goratowski at 414.768.8060.

**19th Annual Community Night Out**  
**Wednesday, August 4 • 5:30-9 p.m.**  
Sponsored by the South Milwaukee Police Department, this night of family fun will include music, children's games, food, prizes, police and fire education exhibits, fireworks, and other enjoyable activities. Held behind City Hall/Police Department, 2424 15th Ave. Please join us for this fun community event. *Please note: The events above are subject to cancellation or postponement.*

## 2021 Curb Appeal Awards

It's not too early to start planning for the 2021 Curb Appeal Awards! These awards are given out in August to South Milwaukee businesses, homeowners, and civic organizations that devote extra effort to their property's beautification – through landscaping and other street-facing efforts, with special attention paid to use of color, appropriateness of the architecture, originality, lawn upkeep and decorative exterior structures. Check the Beautification Awards page on the City website: [smwi.org](http://smwi.org).

## Meals for Seniors

Drive-thru meals are still being served to seniors 60 years and older through the Grobschmidt Senior Center. To get meals, fill out a senior dining registration form – available on the Milwaukee County Department of Aging website, or at the Center during pickup times – and bring it to the Center prior to picking up your first lunch. Or, you can email it to Sandy Quinlan ([quinlan@smwi.org](mailto:quinlan@smwi.org)). Meals are distributed in the back parking lot of City Hall from 11 a.m. to noon. Reservations must be made by 11 a.m. the previous day at 414.768.5722. Monday reservations should be called in on Friday.

## South Milwaukee Named A Tree City Again

For the second straight year, South Milwaukee has been named as a Tree City USA. It is a recognition of our "commitment to effective urban forest management," and it's really about the people, processes and programs we have put in place in the last six years that are truly making a difference. Special thanks belongs to the Street and Engineering Departments for making this a reality and continuing to live this commitment to urban forestry every day.

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## ► City of South Milwaukee Public Library Upcoming Programming

Here is a sampling of spring/summer Library programs for children, teens and adults. Please visit [smlibrary.org](http://smlibrary.org) or call 414.768.8195 for more information – dates/events are subject to change.

### **National Library Week**

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### **2021 Summer Reading Program**

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This year's Summer Reading Program is going to be a great one! All ages can sign up online at [smlibrary.beanstack.org](http://smlibrary.beanstack.org) or on the Beanstack app, or participate at the library with paper logs for the chance to win awesome prizes! Participate in take & make and virtual programs, and give to our animal supply drive to donate to local animal rescues Rescue Gang and Second Hand Purrs.

### **ADULT PROGRAMS**

**Take & Make: Indoor Herb Garden**

Kits available starting Thur., April 1  
Pick up a kit with everything you need to start growing three different herb plants indoors. Kits available while supplies last. One kit per person.

**Take & Make: Scrabble Magnets**

Kits available starting Wed., May 5  
Make a magnet out of Scrabble tiles! Kits available while supplies last. One kit per person.

**Take & Make: Butterfly Puddler**

Kits available starting Wed., June 16  
Attract butterflies to your yard with a homemade butterfly puddler.

Kits available while supplies last.

One kit per person.

**Take & Make: DIY Beeswax Wraps**

Kits available starting Wed., July 7  
Learn to make your own beeswax wraps for a safe and plastic-free way to save your leftovers. Kits available while supplies last. One kit per person.

**Take & Make: Bird Feeders**

Kits available starting Wed., Aug. 4  
Make a bird feeder with supplies from the Library. Kits available while supplies last. One kit per person.

### **TEEN PROGRAMS**

**Take & Make: Rock Cactus Garden**

Kits available starting Tue., March 23  
Create a cactus garden needing even less water than actual succulents. Kits available while supplies last. One kit per teen.

**Take & Make: Blackout Poetry**

Kits available starting Tue., April 13  
Celebrate National Poetry Month by creating blackout poetry with old books. Kits available while supplies last. One kit per teen.

**Take & Make: Ice Cream Cone Keychain**

Kits available starting Tue., May 18  
Make a fun ice cream keychain with supplies from the library! Kits available while supplies last. One kit per teen.

**Take & Make: DIY Sloth Plush**

Kits available starting Tue., June 29  
Everyone needs a pocket sloth! Create your own with this easy sewing project. Kits available while supplies last. One kit per teen.

**Take & Make: Bee Hotel**

Kits available starting Tue., July 13  
Make a backyard habitat for bees, important creatures that our environment can't stand to lose. Kits available while supplies last. One kit per teen.

**Take & Make: Animal Shrinky Dinks**

Kits available starting Tue., Aug. 10  
Make Shrinky Dinks of your pet or favorite animal. Kits available while supplies last. One kit per teen.

### **CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS**

**Virtual Storytimes**

Tuesdays at 10 a.m. on Facebook Live  
Contact the Library at 414.768.8195 or visit our website [smlibrary.org](http://smlibrary.org) for more information. No registration required – this event is free!

**Mystery STEM Bags**

Pick up a STEM (science-themed) paper bag from the Library every other week. Take it home and complete the challenge inside. Contact the Library at 414.768.8195 or visit the website [smlibrary.org](http://smlibrary.org) for more information. No registration required – this event is free!

### Take-Home Crafts

Pick up a craft bag at the Library every week, then take it home and put the craft together. Contact the Library at 414.768.8195 or visit our website [smlibrary.org](http://smlibrary.org) for more information. No registration required – this event is free!

### Rhyme Time

Fridays at 10 a.m. on Facebook Live

Join us for 10-15 minutes of rhymes and flannel boards for babies and toddlers. Contact the Library at 414.768.8195 or visit our website [smlibrary.org](http://smlibrary.org) for more information. No registration required – this event is free!

### Coming this summer: Outdoor Storytimes

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## ► State Gets Behind Bucyrus Club Project with \$250,000 WEDC Grant

**W**ork on the Bucyrus Club is moving full speed ahead. The project has received a major boost from the Wisconsin Economic Development Corp., which on January 20 announced awarding a \$250,000 grant to support the project.

### From the WEDC press release...

*The Community Development Investment Grant from the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) will support renovations to the Bucyrus Club Banquet and*

*Meeting Center and Museum, more than 100 years after the first Bucyrus Club opened in the building.*



*"A vibrant downtown is key to a community's overall economic health, and this renovation is expected to bring more visitors to downtown, which will benefit other businesses and the entire community," said Missy Hughes, secretary and CEO of WEDC. "This project is another example of the many ways in which WEDC works with communities throughout Wisconsin to enhance their business districts and in doing so, add to their quality of life."*

*"This is a transformational project for our downtown and city," said South Milwaukee Mayor Erik Brooks. "I can't thank the WEDC enough for their support. These funds will go a long way toward making this game-changing project a reality, and ensuring future generations know the heritage of Bucyrus in South Milwaukee through the Bucyrus Club."*

The Bucyrus Club is scheduled to open in June 2021. The building will include a premier banquet facility for corporate events, wedding receptions, etc. that will be operated by Skyline Catering (owned by South Milwaukee residents Ernie and Kathy Wunsch). Also included will be the new South Milwaukee Industrial Museum LLC, a non-profit educational center that will showcase Bucyrus engineering archives from its rich history, along with artifacts, photos and publications.



**Visit [bucyrusclub.com](http://bucyrusclub.com).**

We are excited to share the design plan for our public space at 11th and Madison Ave., including a stage, covered pavilion, restrooms and more.

## Downtown Public Space Project Advances

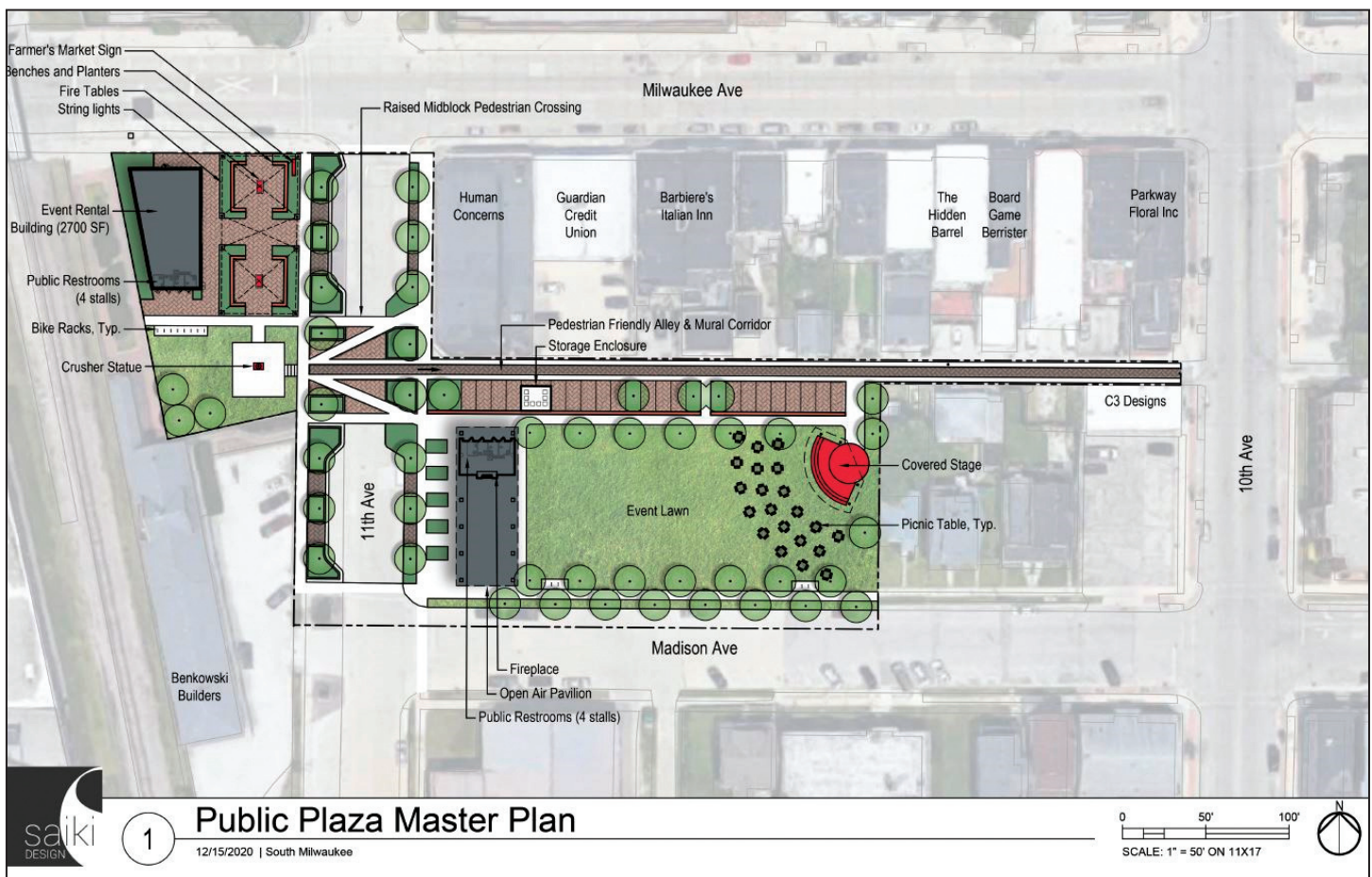
In early 2020, the City of South Milwaukee, in partnership with the Bucyrus Foundation, announced plans to invest in a public space at 11th and Madison Avenue.

The site at 11th and Madison Avenue is currently used for the Downtown Market, a beer garden, and as the home for events like Crusherfest and the Festival of Trees. In 2020, the City, looking to make the site into a more permanent space, hired a design firm to help determine the future of the site, in partnership with the community at large and a number of stakeholders. After several stakeholder committee meetings and two public surveys, a design concept was created.

The redevelopment is likely to be phased, with the initial focus on the “event lawn” area as phase one. Plans for the

first phase include construction of a stage and covered pavilion, with restrooms and creation of an improved lawn seating area. Improvements to the adjacent areas – that could include a beer garden, heated seating area, improvements to 11th Avenue and the addition of an activated alley space with murals – are in the City’s long-range plans.

The Plan Commission, Common Council and Joint Review Board will be exploring this potential project further in 2021 and 2022. Thank you to everyone who took part in the feedback process! More than 720 people offered their thoughts and opinions, and we’ve incorporated that feedback into a design we think the entire community can be proud of. (See diagram below.)



The site at 11th and Madison Avenue is being transformed into a public space.





James Moran, owner of Moran's Irish Pub.



## Business Spotlight: Moran's Irish Pub Historic SM Building Houses Irish Pub Four Generations Strong

**M**oran's Irish Pub, located at 912 Milwaukee Ave. in South Milwaukee's business district, is a popular sports bar and meeting spot for soccer fans from around the City. This family-owned business has been serving the South Milwaukee community since 1995. To commemorate the Pub's 25-year milestone anniversary, owner James Moran has completely renovated the historic building's interior and exterior spaces over the last 12 months, taking them back to the original "look" of 118 years ago.

Moran proudly explains how local carpenters, blacksmiths, electricians, designers and architects from South Milwaukee have combined their talents to create a true rustic pub environment of another era, and what it may have looked like in 1907. For example, the original brick-and-tin ceiling has been restored to its full beauty, and it is now complemented by a rustic floor, fans, lighting, stained glass, restored wood, large sliding windows, and a new "speakeasy" door.

This new environment is the perfect setting to showcase the Moran family's history and the family's journey from Dublin and Belfast, Ireland, to Birmingham, England and, ultimately, to South Milwaukee in the 1990s. You can walk down memory lane with the Moran family as its story is told through a series of historic photos on display, traveling back four generations to great grandfather, Jim Moran, who is seen photographed while recovering in a military hospital during WWI. You will also see uncle Mick caught partying in the '70s with the band, "Thin Lizzy," after a concert.

On arrival here, James Moran's parents, Jim and Joan, opened their Irish pub. In 2015, James started managing the business, and when his parents retired two years later, he purchased the business and building from them. James has had a diverse background since moving to the U.S. from England in 1996, with soccer always on his mind. He first attended MSOE, where he also played soccer. Upon graduation, he moved to Madison to work for Johnson Controls, and then moved back to Milwaukee a few years later to work for Siemens. From there, he started a non-profit organization, the Milwaukee Soccer Development Group, that focuses on providing opportunities for under-served youth to play soccer in the City of Milwaukee.

As for the pub experience, James encourages everyone to "check out our online reviews to see how our customers feel about the pub." He adds that the responses are overwhelmingly positive – and we agree. To quote a few:

- "Very quaint bar with excellent service! The drinks are fantastic and reasonably priced. Great place to hang out with friends or for a nice date night."
- "Bartenders are friendly and attentive."
- "A great line up of taps and bottles (more than 50 local, craft and imported). And it's not a local place that stops when a new face walks in."
- "One of the best, if not THE BEST bars (and people) I've been to in a long time. James has carried on from his dad Jim Moran and his done the place proud."

In addition, there are plenty of T.V.s to catch all the local sports teams (Bucks, Brewers, Badgers, Packers), as well as soccer, rugby and hockey games. Plus, you can enjoy

board games, pool, dart leagues and golf leagues. (Currently, Moran's is looking for more volleyball, soccer and kickball teams to sponsor.) And when the pandemic is over, Moran's hopes to return to its popular events such as beer tastings, Packer parties, party rentals and more.

If the 50+ beers are not enough for your palate, Moran's offers a variety of craft cocktails, and they are most known for their Mules and Old Fashioneds. And every day of the week features a drink special, from \$5 classic cocktails on Tuesdays, half-priced bottles of wine on Wednesdays, \$5 Mules on Thursdays, and on Sundays enjoy \$15 bottomless Mimosas and \$5 Bloody Marys. Right now, the pub's only food item is pizza, but plans are underway to open a small kitchen later in the year.

James is quick to point out that the support from the South Milwaukee community during the pandemic has been amazing. "To be able to survive and pay the bills during this pandemic has been such a relief, and we recognize that it all comes down to the ongoing patronage of our customers and friends," notes James.

So what better place to enjoy a brew or watch an exciting international match on T.V. than South Milwaukee's own Moran's Irish Pub? At Moran's you will find kindred spirits who love the game, and you will enjoy the camaraderie of rooting for your favorite team with friends who share the same passion – all while sipping your favorite beverage from a frosty mug.

And this summer, Moran's Pub will be operating the European Beer Garden in downtown South Milwaukee from May 1 to October 31. You won't want to miss this traditional European garden to meet your friends over a cold beverage!



Fortunately for South Milwaukee, giving back is also an important part of the pub's mission. Moran's supports a variety of local charities and organizations, including South Milwaukee High School sports teams, South Milwaukee Little League, the South Milwaukee Performing Arts Center, Hunger Taskforce and Mexican Fiesta. "We are a family business that takes great pride in supporting and building community," says James.

With more than 3,000 "likes" on Facebook, it is obvious that Moran's is a popular choice for soccer fans and many others. (Did you know that football, better known as soccer in the U.S. and Canada, is the most popular sport in the world?) The City of South Milwaukee is grateful for Moran's Irish Pub and the investment it has made in its property renovations, as well as its place as a downtown destination.

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"Every student is important to us. Our teams really care about the students and make sure they have everything they need," says Oak Creek Campus Executive Director Mark Felsheim, Ph.D.

The college also provides career counseling to students so that they are prepared for employment opportunities while attending college and after graduation. Career coaches help students set goals for future employment opportunities, research and identify jobs associated with their educational path, and connect students with industry professionals. Coaches also help undecided students find the right path.

### **TUTORING SERVICES**

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Since MATC launched the Promise program, the college has served more than 1,900 eligible students. Learn more at [matc.edu/promise](http://matc.edu/promise).

## **Oak Creek High School Alumnus Connects Students to MATC**

One of the MATC professionals supporting students is Oak Creek High School graduate Will Johnson, who also has a master of science degree from Concordia University. Johnson has been employed at MATC four years as a recruiter, and has helped hundreds of students during that time.

His favorite part of the role is "helping students with entry points and access to college." Prior to MATC, Johnson worked as a recruiter for University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. Fellow Oak Creek High School alumni may remember him from classes, band, basketball or track. Reach the MATC recruiting team at 414-297-6228.



*Will Johnson*





## ► WE'RE BACK! In-School Classroom Learning Returns

### Significant Investments Made in Air Ventilation and Filtration Systems

**A**t the beginning of the pandemic, there were many unknowns. This caused school districts across the country to move to remote learning in order to keep students and staff safe. The School District of South Milwaukee (SDSM) followed health department guidelines regarding the use of burden rates (average number of new COVID19 cases per 100,000 people in a two-week period) and the positivity rate (percentage of positive tests). This guidance was based on Harvard University's Pathway to Zero study that was published this past summer.

The team of experts that published this guidance based their research on what they learned when all schools were in remote learning during the spring of 2020. Early on, the SDSM school board made a conscious and deliberate effort to follow the recommendations of experts in the field of public health. At the beginning of the school year, the recommendation was to monitor levels of the virus in the community to determine when schools should be in virtual, hybrid or in-person learning.

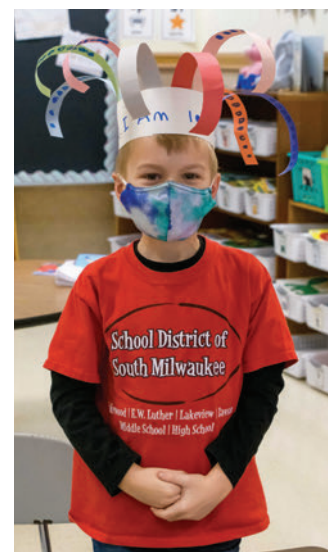
In mid-December, Pathway to Zero was updated. The health experts now had data from schools that remained using in-person and hybrid learning from the beginning of the fall. What they learned was that the spread of COVID-19 in communities where school was conducted in person was no greater than in communities where remote learning was used. The guidance changed from using levels of the virus in the community to using internal data regarding the levels of the virus in schools.

The researchers identified several key strategies that are needed to reduce the spread of the virus in schools:

- Universal wearing of face masks.
- Air ventilation or filtration.
- Regular hand washing or sanitizing.
- Social distancing whenever possible.

SDSM requires ALL individuals on school grounds to wear face coverings. This is separate from any State of Wisconsin order. If the mask order for the State of Wisconsin is changed, the School District mask requirement will remain in effect. Face masks are one of the most effective ways available to reduce the spread of the virus.

The District also invested in significant air ventilation and filtration systems to help reduce the spread of COVID-19. Researchers found that the virus spreads as an aerosol. They recommend four-to-six air changes with outside air per hour in order to reduce the presence of the virus indoors. Air exchange audits were conducted to ensure there are adequate air exchanges in our schools. This fall, SDSM deployed portable air filtration units for classrooms and large industrial air filtration systems for the cafeterias.





Regular hand washing is also practiced in our schools. Plus, our classrooms and entranceways have hand sanitizing stations available. We are also reminding our students to maintain as much distance as possible between each other.

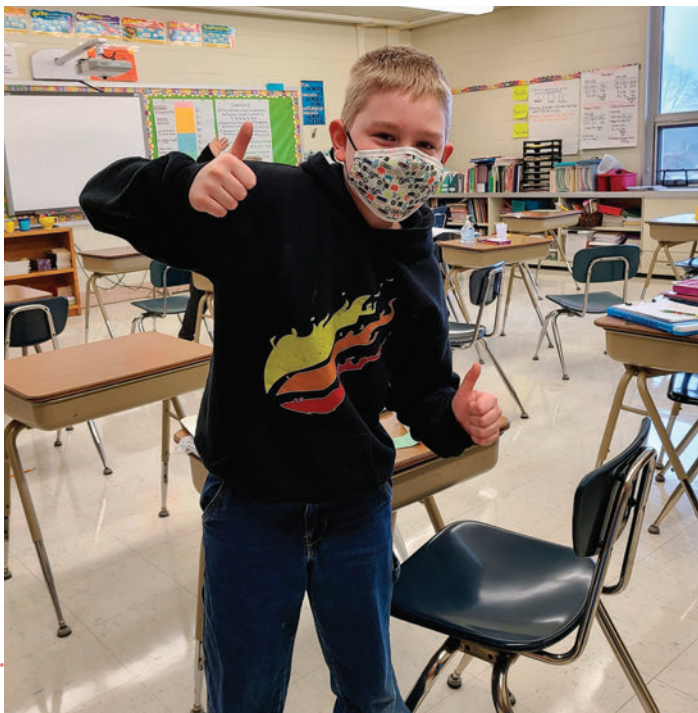
Based on this new research and the District's ability to implement the key mitigation strategies, the school board voted in early January to phase students back to in-person learning by mid-February. Elementary students returned to school on January 18 in a hybrid model. The elementary students moved to full in-person classes on February 1. Middle and high school students returned to hybrid classes on January 25 with a return to full in-person classes on February 8. Approximately 20% of SDSM families chose to remain in the South Milwaukee Virtual Academy for the remainder of this school year.

As the District continues with in-person instruction, we will monitor our internal data to determine if we need to move back to hybrid or virtual learning. The internal metrics that we are monitoring include:

- Staff absences due to COVID-19.
- Student absences due to COVID-19.
- Substitute availability.
- Levels of Personal Protective Equipment.
- Mask wearing by students and staff.
- Ability to socially distance.
- Contact tracing capabilities.

This data is updated weekly and available to be viewed at [tinyurl.com/fv5sz7nk](https://tinyurl.com/fv5sz7nk).

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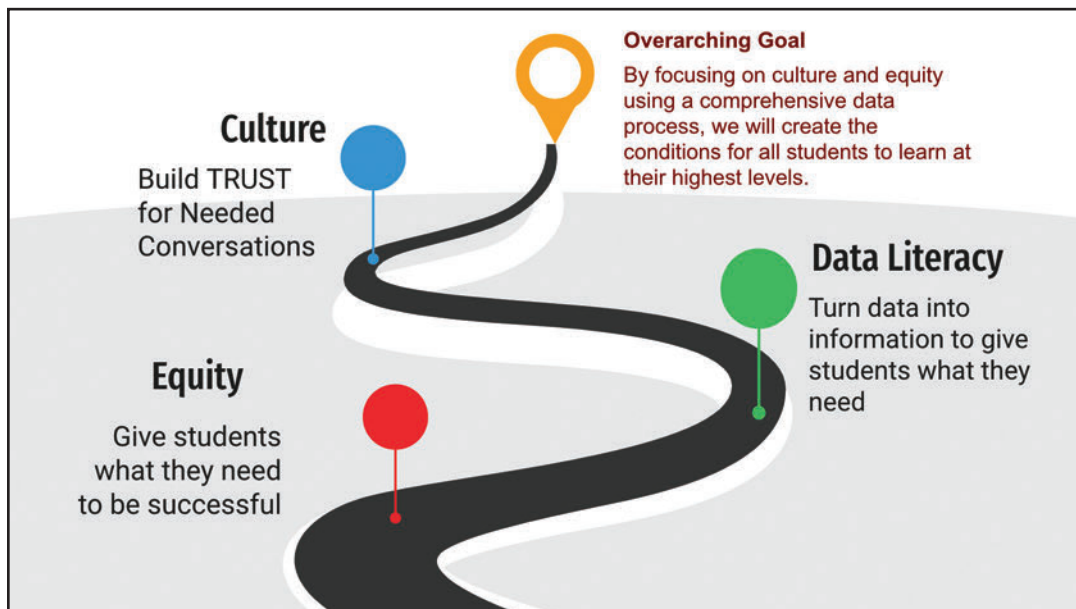
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## ► Focusing on Culture, Equity and Data Literacy

In the fall of 2019, the School District of South Milwaukee (SDSM) identified an overarching goal as well as three priority areas in order to achieve this goal. SDSM's overarching goal is that by focusing on culture and equity and using a comprehensive data process for student learning, we will create the conditions for ALL students to learn at their highest levels.

The three priority areas are:

- **CULTURE** Building trust needed for challenging conversations around professional practice and student learning.
- **EQUITY** Giving students what they need in order to be successful. Different students will need different support.
- **DATA LITERACY** Using information about students and their performance to change instruction to meet their needs.

Within each one of these priority areas are multiple strategies and initiatives designed to help realize our goal. This article will delve deeper into the area of Data Literacy.

The main strategies for Data Literacy are:

- **Professional Learning Communities (PLCs)**
- **Responsive Teaching**
- **Common Formative Assessments**

Although these are separate strategies, they work in unison. Professional Learning Communities are a way of thinking about student performance and working collaboratively to plan instruction that reaches all students. PLCs allow teachers to review student work and use that information to ensure students progress toward becoming

proficient. There are specific strategies and protocols for reviewing student work as a team in order to learn from each other about how best to help students. For example, teachers analyze how students perform on Common Formative Assessments. Common Formative Assessments are a type of assessment that teachers use to find out how well students are learning a new skill. These assessments can take the form of short, ungraded quizzes, assignments or one-on-one conferencing with students. The information from these assessments is then used to change or adjust instruction. This process is called Responsive Teaching. The students' needs are used to determine the instruction they receive.

We are very excited to start our journey toward creating Professional Learning Communities in SDSM.

For more information on Professional Learning Communities, responsive teaching or formative assessments, please refer to the following resources:

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## CARES Act Funds Pandemic Mitigation Investments

**O**ur buildings have come to life with the return of students! We have new protocols, and mitigation efforts that have been put in place to enhance student and staff safety. The students have taken the mitigation efforts seriously and have been impressive with their adherence to our mitigation efforts. So please accept our sincere THANK YOU, for working with our school community to allow for the successful safe return of our students.

As you can imagine, returning to in person instruction during the pandemic is not without its challenges. Throughout the fall as the pandemic evolved, we strategized around how to ensure a safe return of students. The Federal Government passed the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) act that included some funding for COVID-19 mitigation. The CARES funding became accessible in September and the District began allocating the funds in a way that would ensure a successful return to school.

Below you will find the mitigation efforts that were in part funded by the CARES Act:

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- Nursing
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- Paraprofessional
- Cleaning

### EQUIPMENT

- Technology Hardware and Software
- Personal Protective
- Air Purifiers
- Mitigation Supplies (sanitizer, cleaning supplies)
- Air Ionization
- HVAC Updates
- Air Scrubbers

As we return we will need to focus on the unfinished teaching from the time we were virtual. This focus will require us to invest our limited resources wisely and maximize our instructional capacity. With that in mind, we find ourselves at the beginning stages in the development of the 2021-23 Wisconsin Biennial Budget. The Wisconsin budget has a significant impact on South Milwaukee, and the pandemic's significant impact on student enrollments. Throughout Wisconsin there has been an average enrollment loss of 3%. That type of enrollment decrease will result in decreased funding, unless the State builds in some funding flexibility due to the pandemic.

Stay tuned, as the budget process plays out we will want to be advocates for fair funding that takes into consideration the impact of the pandemic. We will need the Wisconsin budget to mitigate the financial impact of the pandemic, and get us to a post-pandemic period where enrollment can stabilize.

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# ► South Milwaukee High School Athletics & Activities



**W**hat a year for freshman **Connor O'Donnell**! He is the first South Milwaukee Rocket Freshman to not only qualify for the State Wrestling Meet, but also the first to make it to the podium, finishing 6th overall. Connor also was the 120 lb. Woodland Conference Champion, 113 lb. Regional Champion and 113 lb. Sectional Champion. Congratulations to Connor, his coaches and the entire wrestling team. The team finished third in the Woodland East with a 3-2 dual meet record with wins over Greenfield, Cudahy/St. Francis and Brown Deer/Milwaukee Lutheran.

The **Rockets Girls Basketball team** finished as Woodland East co-champs for the third year in a row. This is only the third team in Rocket history to 3-peat as conference champions. (The other years were 1973-75 and 1983-85.) The overall record of 11-1 in conference play is outstanding!

**Rocket Swim and Dive** for the boys team sent three boys to Sectionals and all three set PRs (personal records) at the meet. A great way to end the season!

The **Rocket Cheer team** had an amazing year, placing in many of their competitions. At the time of writing this article they had just finished taking first place for the third competition in a row in the Game Day division. We are cheering for them in the WACPC Winter Championships!

The **Rockets Boys Basketball team** improved their record this year under new coach Lance Marifke. Sophomore Jake Dunham led the team in points per game, with seniors Alex Brion and Bennett Laine finishing close behind. Bennett also led the team with more than 10 rebounds per game!

Our **Rockets Dance Team** placed in several of their competitions this year. As with the Cheer team, many of the competitions this year were virtual, which was a whole new experience for all. The team still has two more competitions on the schedule in March, including WACPC Regionals.

This spring our **Football and Boys Soccer teams** will be playing outside of their normal fall season, starting practice in March. Additionally, baseball, golf, girls soccer, softball, boys tennis, and our boys and girls track & field teams will be starting as early as mid-April. A huge thank you in advance goes to our SM grounds crew for keeping all of our fields ready for our student athletes.

**GO ROCKETS!**

**SMHS Theatre** will be holding its spring show, "*33 Variations*," on March 12-14. The students and staff have been working hard on this play and have had multiple opportunities to showcase their skills on our wonderful PAC stage. We look forward to this show!



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# #SMWay

## ► Keeping Us Safe and Open

**H**ow are we able to keep schools open in the midst of a pandemic? It is because of the contributions of every single staff member to keep students and staff safe. And one particular staff member in each building spends his or her day thinking about safety in a special way – the lead custodian.

Rob Steiner, the head custodian at Lakeview, works with the principal, secretaries and staff to plan important considerations such as, “How will students walk through the halls safely?” and “What would a safe lunch schedule be for students?” In addition, Rob monitors air quality, supervises a team of building service helpers who clean, ensures our HVAC and air filtration systems are working optimally, and so much more. Somehow he also finds time to clear snow – a LOT of snow! The custodian in any school this year is truly a valued member of the team that keeps everyone safe and helps keep our schools open for learning!

A key to Rob’s success at Lakeview is not only his attention to the requirements of his job, but also his attention to effective communication and teamwork with the staff. He credits the entire Lakeview staff for bringing situations to his attention so that issues can be identified and resolved before they become problems. One of Rob’s values is the belief that relationships are at the heart of what makes an organization work. According to Manager of Buildings and Grounds for SDSM, Bill King, “Rob takes extra time to communicate expectations to operations staff at Lakeview, and also ensures that his expectations are met to his satisfaction. Rob has a great work ethic and working relationship with the staff at Lakeview, and the school is a safer, cleaner and more organized building because of Rob’s efforts.”

Additionally, fourth grade teacher Kristen Mortier says, “This year I feel safer coming to work each day because of all that Rob does to keep the building clean. It’s clear that Rob takes pride in his work and never considers anything too small or unimportant. He always checks in with staff to ensure their room is being cleaned thoroughly each night, and immediately follows up with any concerns.”

***By building relationships and creating trust, Rob Steiner is embodying the #SMWAY. Thanks for all you do, Rob!***



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# OUT AND ABOUT IN THE CITY OF SOUTH MILWAUKEE

**1.** Members of the South Milwaukee School District Cheer Team are pleased with their many recent awards. Read more on pg. 24. **2.** The Fire Department was provided with a unique opportunity recently by being allowed to train inside a large former manufacturing facility. **3.** The Police Department spent time with 11 awesome kids during their annual Shop with a Cop event on December 12. **4.** The Da Crusher statue was sporting an Aaron Rodgers jersey throughout the Packers' playoff run. Let's hope for a Super Bowl next year! **5.** South Milwaukee's tree lighting ceremony was held on December 3. Congratulations to honored guest and local nurse Deanna Hebner for "flipping the switch." **6.** Moran's Irish Pub in downtown South Milwaukee has been undergoing renovations to return the building at 912 Milwaukee to its original 118-year-old splendor. Read more on pgs. 16-17.

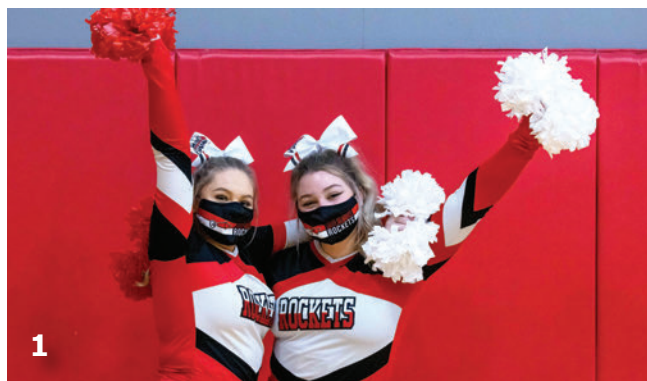


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**7.** South Milwaukee High School seniors (class of 2021) show their school pride. **8.** The Rocket Girls Basketball Team had an 11-1 record in conference play. Read more on pg. 24. **9.** New South Milwaukee business Sista Sista Clothing & Jewelry opened at 2412 10<sup>th</sup> Ave. on Dec. 19. Mayor Brooks was on hand to help with the ribbon cutting.



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# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Due to the pandemic, this calendar is smaller than usual. Special events and activities are subject to change. Please call ahead or visit digital platforms to confirm dates and times.

## MARCH

- Mon., Mar. 29–Mon., Apr. 5: Spring Break for South Milwaukee School District

## APRIL

- Tue., Apr. 6: Classes Resume for South Milwaukee School District
- Tue., Apr. 6: Spring Election Day See pg. 6.
- Wed., Apr. 14: Schools Early Release HS/MS at 11:30 a.m., Elementary Schools at 12 noon
- Wed., Apr. 21: Schools Early Release HS/MS at 11:30 a.m., Elementary Schools at 12 noon
- Wed., Apr. 28: Schools Early Release HS/MS at 11:30 a.m., Elementary Schools at 12 noon
- Fri., Apr. 30–Sun., May 2: Second Real Estate Installment Due

## MAY

- Wed., May 5: Schools Early Release HS/MS at 11:30 a.m., Elementary Schools at 12 noon
- Wed., May 12: Schools Early Release HS/MS at 11:30 a.m., Elementary Schools at 12 noon
- Fri., May 21: No School Professional Development
- Wed., May 26: Schools Early Release HS/MS at 11:30 a.m., Elementary Schools at 12 noon
- Mon., May 31: Memorial Day, No School and City Offices Closed

## JUNE

- High School Graduation TBD
- Thur., June 3: First day of Downtown Market, through Oct. 14. Visit [smmarket.org](http://smmarket.org).

- Thur., June 10: Last day of School for South Milwaukee School District High School and Middle School at 11:30 a.m., Elementary Schools at 12 p.m.
- Fri., June 18: Tentative Bucyrus Club Opening See pg. 14.

## JULY

- Sun., July 4: Independence Day
- Mon., July 5: City Hall Closed
- Mon., July 19: 19th Annual DARE Golf Outing, 8 a.m. Start Oakwood Golf Course, Oak Creek. See pg. 11.

## AUGUST

- Wed., Aug. 4: 19th Annual Community Night Out, 5:30–9 p.m. See pg. 11.
- Fri.–Thur., Aug. 6–19: New Teacher Mentor Days
- Mon.–Thur., Aug. 23–26 and 31: All Teachers Professional Development
- Tue., Aug. 24: MS/HS Open House, 5–7 p.m.
- Wed., Aug. 25: Elementary Schools Open House, 5–7 p.m.
- Thur., Aug. 26: 9th Grade Morning Orientation

## SEPTEMBER

- Wed., Sept. 1: First Day of School South Milwaukee Schools
- Mon., Sept. 6: Labor Day No School for South Milwaukee School District
- Wed., Sept. 15: School Early Dismissal MS/HS at 1:30 p.m., Elementary Schools at 2:05 p.m.
- Thur., Sat., Sept. 16–18: South Milwaukee School District Homecoming (tentative)
- Fri., Sept. 24: No School Professional Development



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## HERE'S WHAT YOU SHOULD DO:

- Place ALL recyclables INSIDE of the commingled green recycling cart and place all other trash in your brown tipper garbage cart. Only items in the appropriate carts will be picked up – no items left outside of the cart.
- If the material is NOT listed for recyclable on the back of this guide, discard the material with your normal household refuse.
- Recycling carts mixed with household refuse or garbage carts mixed with recycling will NOT be picked up.
- Carts require four feet of clearance on both sides as well as behind them for automated pick-up.

## Garbage and Recycling Pick-Up Dates for 2021 Holidays

Holiday	Regular Pick-up	Rescheduled Garbage Pick-Up	Rescheduled Recycling Pick-Up
Christmas Eve	Thur., Dec. 24, 2020	Sat., Dec. 26, 2020	Sat., Dec. 26, 2020 (Orange)
New Year's Eve	Thur., Dec. 31, 2020	Sat., Jan. 2, 2021	Sat. Jan. 2, 2021 (Yellow)
Martin Luther King	Mon., Jan. 18, 2021	Remains as Mon., Jan. 18, 2021	Fri., Jan. 22, 2021 (Orange)
Memorial Day	Mon., May 31, 2021	Fri., May 28 & Fri. June 4, 2021	Fri., June 4, 2021 (Yellow)
4th of July	Mon., July 5, 2021	Fri., July 2 & Fri., July 9, 2021	Fri., July 9, 2021 (Orange)
Labor Day	Mon., Sept. 6 2021	Fri., Sept. 3 & Fri. Sept. 10, 2021	Fri., Sept. 10, 2021 (Yellow)
Thanksgiving Day	Thur., Nov. 25, 2021	Sat., Nov. 27, 2021	Sat., Nov. 27, 2021 (Orange)

## 2021 RECYCLING SCHEDULE

To identify the recycling week where you live, check the recycling collection map on the City's website or call the Street Department.

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