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NEWSLETTER

City of Saint Francis

Winter 2013

A Letter From Your Mayor

FORWARD, ST. FRANCIS!

The New St. Francis Civic Center

We're ready to move forward on our building! The Groundbreaking/Kick-off event for our new Civic Center will be held on Sunday, October 27 at 11:00 am at 3400 East Howard Avenue (at Lipton Avenue). This is the future home of the St. Francis City Hall, Fire and Police Departments, and Historical Society.

Please be a part of this important Groundbreaking event. Under pop-up tents, right on the site, our City staff and volunteers will have homemade treats, cider and coffee. A sneak peek into the exhibits from the Historical Society will be on display, as well as our Fire and Police vehicles, and some of our DPW equipment. Commemorative key chains will be given to those who attend, while supplies last. The St. Francis Lions Club will give a special surprise to children who color a Civic Center coloring sheet, available now at the St. Francis Library. After a short program, you're invited to take up a shovel and help break ground on your new Civic Center!

Trick or Treat will take place later in the day from 2:00 to 4:00, so be sure to wear your costumes. You can even meet our Head Baker (and City Clerk) Anne Uecker in her chef costume!

This Groundbreaking is an exciting step forward. I'd like to thank the members of our Construction Committee for working toward this important juncture in the project. The Committee includes Mike Hacker; Matt Woefert from Bray Architects; City Administrator Tim Rhode; Council President Don Brickner; Police Chief Brian Kaebisch; and Fire Chief Frank Lockwood.

Our Municipal Building Citizen Committee continues to work on the Groundbreaking and will stay involved throughout the project. I thank them for their commitment. Committee members are Alderwomen Fliss and Bostedt; Alderman McSweeney, Judy Phillips, John Gleason, Al Tarnowski, LuAnne Pankowski, Richard Adamczewski, Terry Duffy, Bill Drehfal, Al Richards and Stanley Ralclaw. Also contributing are Tom Keipzcski, Rich Grubanowitch and Dennis Wojtecki. The City Council continues to lead the way, and is committed to the idea that the Citizen Committee put forward: "The Civic Center will be a symbol of pride and our unique sense of community." I thank the Council once again for its support and partnership with our Committee.

A SALUTE TO ANOTHER GREAT ST. FRANCIS SUMMER

A New Patio at Vretenar Park, and More to Come!

It was a great summer of fun, with so many people enjoying St. Francis, our beautiful City on the South Shore!

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STAY CONNECTED

Visit the City's website to view the City calendar and sign up for notifications.

www.stfranciswi.org



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Groundbreaking/Kick Off Event - St. Francis Civic Center Sunday October 27th at 11a.m.

Taking Place at the
Site of the New Civic Center
3400 E. Howard Ave. (Howard Ave. at Lipton)



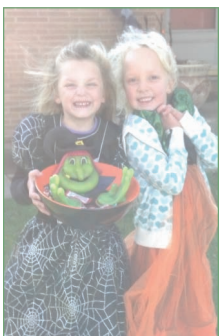
This Kick Off event will be special for the entire Community young and old! Cookies, Apple Cider and Coffee will be served after a short program. Costumes are encouraged to be worn. (St. Francis Trick or Treat is the same day from 2-4 p.m.)

Children are invited to go to the St. Francis Public Library and get a sheet to color of our new Civic Center. They can bring it to the Kick Off to get a special surprise!

Commemorative Civic Center Key Chains will be provided to those who attend. (while supplies last)



Trick or Treat



The City of St. Francis will hold Trick or Treat on Sunday October 27th from 2:00pm until 4:00pm. The City of St. Francis prides itself on our sense of community. Please be extra cautious during this time of all the little ghouls, goblins and princesses excitedly running through our neighborhoods.



The City of St. Francis would like to thank Ronald Ewald for over 30 years of volunteer services to our City. Mr. Ewald has worn many hats for the City and we appreciate all of his dedication and hard work.

2014 Local Elections

2014 brings local elections to the City of St. Francis. Spring 2014 will have three Aldermanic positions on the ballot, one each for the three Aldermanic districts. There are two Aldermanic representatives for each district. Aldermanic terms are four years, with alternating elections.

Prior to announcing your candidacy for office or circulating nomination papers, you must file a Campaign Registration Statement in the City Clerk's Office. Candidate packets will be available in the City Clerk's Office beginning November 25th. Papers can first be circulated beginning December 1st and completed nomination papers are due in the Clerk's Office, Tuesday, January 7, 2014.

The Election date for these positions will be April 1, 2014; with possible Primary on February 18, 2014.

Website Photo Contest

We want your best shot of the City. Whether it is a beautiful shot of our many lake views or an active shot of one of our many City events. Old and new photos welcome for submission.

Please submit as many photographs as you would like to rbontempo@stfranwi.org. If you have an older photo you can submit that to City Hall so that we can scan it in for consideration. Please turn in your submission by November 20, 2013.

The winning shot(s) will become the cover photo(s) on the City website's home page.

The only rule is the photo must have been taken within the City of St. Francis. *Good Luck!*

City Garbage Information

Clean Up & Garbage

Collection Rules:

Alley/Curb Service: Approved containers shall be placed for collection at ground level on your property (not in the street) as accessible as possible to the alley or curb line. Containers may not be placed more than 24 hours prior to collection and shall be removed within 12 hours after collection. Remember materials must be out by 6:00 a.m. on collection day. Garbage must be secured when you place it out for pickup. Do Not Litter!

Summary of Materials to be Collected by the Contractor:

- Garbage (refuse/rubbish/trash) must be properly wrapped in 32 gallon container (max). The weight limit is 80 pounds per unit to be able to be handled by one man.
- Only the fruit and vegetables from plants.
- Furniture and Miscellaneous (sinks, tubs, chairs, sofas, beds, dressers, etc.): Contractor has 7 days to pick up larger (2-man) items. Hay or straw, small amounts of building materials, lumber (less than 4' in length), stone, rocks, concrete, sod, sod/soil mix or soil in containers—less than 80 pounds per unit (2 to 3 containers per week).
- Tree stumps, roots or shrubs with intact root balls (max 80 pounds per item).
- Paint Disposal: Water based—use absorbent such as oil dry, kitty litter, sawdust, etc. to soak up paint. Place absorbent in container for disposal or let air dry outside. Place dried paint cans with covers off at the alley/curb for pick up. For oil based paints, call MMSD at 225-2066.

- Carpets—roll and tie in lengths of 4 feet or smaller. Maximum weight of 80 pounds per roll. Please keep carpet dry.

- Concrete blocks or bricks:

Waste management has changed their procedure regarding concrete pick up. Place concrete, block or bricks out on your scheduled day. Waste Management will collect the debris the next day.

Items Banned from Landfill:

The following appliances are banned from the landfill: air conditioners, furnaces, dehumidifiers, water heaters, water softeners, dishwashers, washers, dryers, stoves/ovens, microwaves, freezers and refrigerators. Pick up may be arranged through Refrigerant Recovery at (414) 643-7740.

As of September 1, 2010 it is illegal to dispose of:

- Consumer computers, consumer printers and printer/fax/copier/scanner combinations.
- Consumer video display devices, including televisions, laptop computers and computer monitors with displays of at least 7" in the longest diagonal direction
- Computer peripherals
- Fax machines
- DVD players, VCR's and other video players (i.e. DVR's)
- Phones with video displays (i.e. cell phones)

When purchasing new electronics, discuss recycling options with the place of purchase. Also, the City has posted on their website (www.stfranciswi.org)

other locations to recycle equipment.

Missed Pick-ups:

If you have missed the regular garbage or recycle collection (which is subject to holiday adjustments) notify Waste Management at (888) 960-0008 immediately between 7:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday—Friday or via email at WMEservice@wm.com.

If you notified Waste Management and your garbage/recycling was not picked up the next day, contact the Engineering Department (481-2300) each day until pick up is made.

During Holiday adjustments, you must place your containers out on your regular pick up day. The Contractor will pick up as soon as possible the next day.

Remember, yard waste, tires, car batteries, motor oil and toxic waste must not be placed in containers for removal.

All these items (except toxic waste) may be brought to the Recycle Center. Do not mix any other substance with the motor oil. Please note the hours of the drop-off site. Leaving items at times other than those posted is not permitted.

Bulk Trash :

Metro Recycling and Disposal Facility
10712 S. 124th Street
Franklin, WI 53132

414-529-6180 (F)414-529-6192

Dumpsters:

Dumpster permits are now required for placement on City right of way and private property. Any dumpster on the street must have a flashing barricade at each end. Contact the Engineering Dept. for details.

Are You Being Alerted?

The City has launched our new interactive website and traffic has been high. Did you know that on our new website you can register to be alerted via email or text message of everything from Snow Emergencies to City Hall Meetings?

Sign up today at: www.stfranciswi.org.

We are also now on Facebook, come on over and like our page to stay in the loop.



City Recycling Information

Recycling Information:

Please recycle the following after rinsing the container clean as necessary:

Plastic bottles and containers #1-7
 Glass bottles and jars
 Aluminum cans, tin or steel cans, foil and pie tins
 Paperboard from cereal, cracker, snack boxes, etc.
 Paper cardboard from cartons, dairy and juice containers
 Flattened cardboard
 Junk mail
 Phone books
 Magazines, Newspapers, Office Paper
 Brown paper bags

Place your cart on the opposite side of the driveway from your garbage cans. For alleys, place your recycling cart at least three (3) feet to the side of your garbage and as far away from the garage as possible without blocking the alley. The recycling cart must be out at the street or alley for it to be picked up.

Recycling Electronics

The City cannot accept electronics for recycling. Our contractor will not pick up any type of electronics.

Please visit the City's website for a list of acceptable locations to recycle electronics.

When purchasing electronics, discuss recycle options with the retailer.

City Recycling Center:

2125 East Bolivar Avenue

The City Recycling Center may accept: Yard Waste, Tires, Motor Oil & Vehicle Batteries.

Proof of Residency Required

Summer Hours:

April 1st-October 31st Monday 4:00-7:00 p.m. Wednesday 9:30-11:30 a.m. Saturday 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Winter Hours:

November 1st-March 31st Saturdays 11-2 & Mondays 4-6

This is a self-help facility.

Accommodations for disabled persons are available.

NOTE: Branches should be left as long as possible. Do not mix grass, leaves, twigs, branches-they are stored separately. Containers must weigh less than 50 pounds. Sod or, sod/soil mix, hay or straw are not yard waste.

Special Yard Pick Up

Brush or tree stumps can be picked up by the City for a fee. Call 481-2300 during office hours for information.

Yard Waste:

Yard waste has been banned from landfills since 1993. Wisconsin Act 296 defines yard waste as leaves, grass clippings, gar-

den debris and brush including clean, woody vegetable material no greater than 6" diameter, pine needles and cones.

Hazardous Waste:

Household hazardous waste and antifreeze can generally be disposed of free by calling MMSD at (414) 255-6655 or 225-2066.

Hazardous Waste Permanent Collection Sites

(www.mmsd.com for mobile sites) Milwaukee

City of Milwaukee Self Help Station (Open to all Milwaukee County residents for HHW)

3879 West Lincoln Avenue

HOURS:

Thursday, Friday and Saturday - 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Menomonee Falls

Veolia Environmental Services

W124 N9451 Boundary Road (124th Street)

HOURS:

Monday and Wednesday - 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday - 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Franklin

Veolia Environmental Services

10518 South 124th Street

HOURS:

Tuesday - 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Saturday - 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.



Fall/Winter Procedures

Fall leaf collection has begun. The last day to put your leaves in the gutter is November 24th. A reminder you can only put leaves in the curb. There are to be no branches, grass clippings, pumpkins or other materials put in the street, as those items will very easily damage the City's equipment.

Snow Emergency. Yes, we have to start thinking about snow. We want to keep everyone safe on the roadways and sidewalks of St. Francis. Please keep in mind that whenever 3" or more fall within a 24 hours period a Snow Emergency may be declared in the City. When a Snow Emergency has been declared parking on arterial highways is prohibited and strictly enforced. If a vehicle interferes with or impedes snowplowing the vehicle will be removed at the owner's expense.

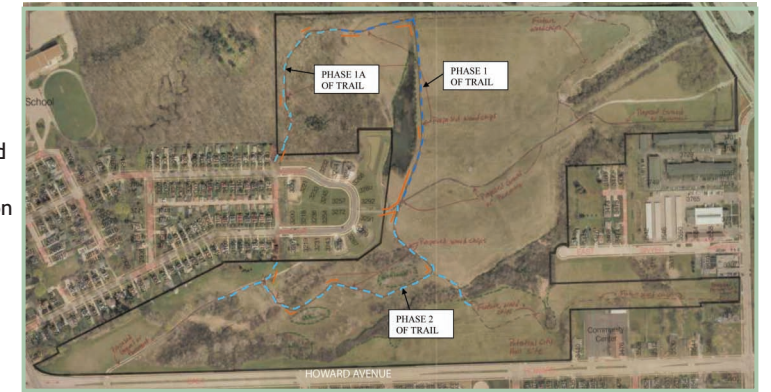
To keep our neighbors safe, snow must be removed from sidewalks within 24 hours of a snow fall. If you live on a corner, please take the time to clear snow from the corner walk to the best of your ability. Ice on sidewalks must also be maintained by using ashes, sawdust, sand or salt. If snow/ice is not removed in a timely manner, the City may take care of it at the property owners expense. When removing snow/ice please be mindful that it is unlawful to pile snow in the streets or alleys.

Let's work together to keep our City safe this winter. If you have questions or concerns regarding snow emergencies, please contact the D.P.W. at 481-2300 ext. 128. If after normal business hours, please contact the Police Department's non-emergency number at 481-2232.

Visit the City's website to sign up for alerts. You will then be notified if the City would declare a snow emergency.

New Trail System

We are excited to introduce a new trail system being established in St. Francis by grants. The City requested that residents submit a name for the trails. After reviewing many submissions, and taking into consideration the history of St. Francis, the name submitted by Phil Raphael was approved. The new trail system is called the "Nojoshing Trails" (pronounced nee-ah-shing).



The name Nojoshing by the Native Americans who inhabited St. Francis meant "land that projects into a lake or river". Nojoshing was important to the Native Americans because of the rich soil for their rice crops. They created trails or paths throughout Nojoshing since travel was difficult through the prairie and forest that were in St. Francis. Later fur traders, and then settlers used the trails to travel through Nojoshing. In 1849, the Sisters of St. Francis of Assisi located in Nojoshing which is now St. Francis. So the name Nojoshing Trails seems to be a perfect fit for the name as it reflects a bit of history of St. Francis.

Why are the trails being made? The property was purchased from WE Energies by St. Francis. The property abuts the Seminary Woods and it has been a conscious effort to preserve the property which is inhabited by rare plants and wildlife. The property already has trails throughout, and use of the existing trails is being utilized. Please see the map of the trail system above.

The Nojoshing Trails will provide recreation, promote the preservation and education of the outdoor area, and be part of the history and future of St. Francis.

We are looking for volunteers to help in creating the trail system. The St. Francis High School Science Club and the Shop class have offered to help. We are trying to get residents involved in this project as well. Please email the Engineering Department at Engineering@stfranwi.org or call City Hall and leave your name and phone number so we can contact you in the near future.

City of St. Francis Tax Collection

The City of St. Francis will be accepting tax payments in several different ways. You can pay your taxes in person at City Hall. The hours for tax collection are Monday - Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.

Tax payments can also be dropped off 24 hours a day in the drop box located in the front door of the City Hall. Those payments should only be in the form of checks.

Payments can also be made to the City's lockbox. A self-addressed envelope for the lockbox will be included with your tax bill.

As in the past, several local banks will take **full** payments of your property taxes. They are:

Associated Bank	3719 South Kinnickinnic Avenue
BMO-Harris Bank	4677 South Packard Avenue
PNC Bank	3454 South Kinnickinnic Avenue
Tri City Bank	4698 South Whitnall Avenue

The last day the City will be accepting payments for 2012 is December 30th. City Hall will not be open for tax collection on December 31st. Payments can be made at the banks or placed in the drop box.

You can view your tax bill online via the City's website at: www.stfranciswi.org. 2013 tax bills will not be available until mid December.

Health Department News

The Flu Season is upon us. Flu can put you at risk for other illnesses such as pneumonia, bronchitis and sinus and ear infections. The flu vaccine is available at the St. Francis Health Department. The cost is \$25.00

There are also other prevention measures you can take to protect yourself and your family:

WASH YOUR HANDS FREQUENTLY

DISPOSE USED TISSUE PROPERLY

STAY HOME WHEN ILL

AVOID CROWDS

Winter is upon us. The St. Francis Health Department is urging people to use carbon monoxide detectors and perform regular inspections of gas heaters and appliances to guard against carbon monoxide poisoning. Carbon monoxide detectors can be purchased at most hardware stores and function like smoke detectors, sounding an alarm if carbon monoxide levels are high enough to cause illness.

NEED A PLACE TO DISPOSE NEEDLES, SYRINGES OR LANCETS? The South Shore Aurora Pharmacy located at 2000 East Layton Avenue, inside the Lake Shore Medical Building will dispose of these items. You need to purchase a biohazard container from the pharmacy.

Are you the parent of a child between the ages of 1 and 5 years old? Are you wondering if your child is developmentally growing? Contact the Health Department for more information on the Ages and Stages Program. It's free, only takes a few minutes to complete and can be done in the comfort of your own home.

Don't forget, fall is a beautiful time to get out and walk. Take the family, take the dog or go by yourself.

DO IT FOR HEALTH!

Changing the Face of Men's Health

The members of the St. Francis Fire Department will be taking part in **November** Activities. November has been designated as the month to bring attention to Men's health. During the month of November members of the Fire Department will get their Mo's on, meaning they will grow, or attempt to grow Mustaches to bring attention to the importance of men's health. Special T-shirts will be available and will be worn by department personnel during the month of November. T-shirts are available to the general public and all proceeds will go to the Prostate and Live Strong Foundations. For T-shirts contact Derrick Zolinski or stop by the station. Don't want to, or can't grow a mustache, donations are welcome.

It's growing, I mean coming soon, so prepare to get your Mo's on! Additional information can be found by typing Movember into your browser.



The School Year Has Begun. Children no longer will be under your constant supervision; however there are things you can do to keep them safe.

- * When you drop off or pick up your child from school, make sure they are seated in the BACK SEAT of the car with proper safety belts applied.
- * If you smoke, DO NOT SMOKE WHILE YOUR CHILDREN ARE IN THE CAR. It has been proven that second hand smoke can be more dangerous than actually smoking.
- * Make sure they have eaten a good nutritious breakfast.
- * Check to see that the clothing they are wearing is appropriate for the weather.

The St. Francis Health Department offers free screening to residents regarding home safety. A nurse will come to your home and help you solve safety issues, free of charge.

The St. Francis Health Department has a FREE Blood Pressure Screening Program. It is held on the second Tuesday of the month at the Faircrest Apartments, 1920 E. Tripoli from 10am – 11am and the 4th Tuesday of the month at the St. Francis Health Department, 4235 S. Nicholson from 9am-11am. No appointment necessary.

Have health questions? Call the St. Francis Health Department at 414-481-2300 x133.

Building Inspector's Office

Building. Permits are required for the following: New construction, home additions & alterations, garages, sheds, gazebos, greenhouses, pools, hot tubs & spas, decks, signs, retaining walls, fences, fireplaces, woodburners, gas fired appliances, structural alterations, furnace & air conditioner installations, reroofing, residing, window replacements requiring opening enlargement, basement rec-rooms and bedrooms.

Electrical. All electrical work done in the City requires a permit before work is started and must be done by a licensed electrical contractor.

Plumbing. The owner of a single family home may do plumbing work such as repairs or alterations. All other properties require a licensed plumber for repairs or alterations. Permits are required.

The City website has information on many building projects for planning purposes as well as links to sites with information on Radon, Asbestos and Mold. Permits are available on line as well.

Roof Drains & Sump Pump discharge is to be three feet from any structure and directed to a public way. It cannot be directed by hose or pipe directly onto a City sidewalk, street or alley and create an icing condition. It is required to dissipate on your lawn area. Extensions of drains require written request to Plumbing Inspector for approval.

Have your furnace checked by a trained professional prior to the heating season. Make sure all gas appliances are properly vented and maintained to prevent carbon monoxide from entering your home. Carbon monoxide is a odorless toxic gas. A carbon monoxide detector installed in the home per the manufacturers specifications is a good precaution. Unvented or ventless heaters are not allowed by code to be installed in your home.

When venting dryers is advisable to use metal, either galvanized steel or aluminum pipe to the exterior outlet. When using flexible plastic pipe it should be checked bi-annually for any cracks or holes which may allow carbon monoxide into the home if you have a gas dryer and moisture into the home with any type of dryer. The vent pipe should be cleaned at least once per year of any lint. Also note the interior of dryers should be cleaned of lint yearly as well. This is typically a manufacturers requirement to avoid a dryer fire.

Building Inspection general office hours are 8 to 9 AM and 1 to 2 PM Monday to Friday. Call the Inspection Department if you have questions.

Summer Fun in Saint Francis



Library News



E-newsletter

The library has a new monthly newsletter featuring our calendar of events, information about library services, and other fun features. You can pick up a copy in the library, see it on our website OR you can get a copy emailed directly to your inbox. To sign up, go the library's website (www.stfrancislibrary.org) and click on "Subscribe to eNewsletters".

Library Survey Feedback

Many, many thanks for the feedback you gave to the library in our patron survey this summer! For the most part, you rated the library very favorably - and we appreciate it! We are also paying very close attention to those areas where you felt there could be some improvement. The September issue of our library newsletter (which you can find on our website) outlines some of the changes we have already made in response to your comments, and we are continuing to explore other ways to improve our collection, service and programs. As it turns out, sometimes just asking the question leads to better service. We asked how many of you had tried downloading ebooks through the library and were surprised to hear that 40% didn't even know we offered them! However, since the survey, ebook downloads have gone up. Clearly, we needed to do a better job of promoting ebooks - but apparently just putting them in the survey helped some of you find them. We've also re-written our brochures to make the downloading process a bit easier to understand. If you still need help, a librarian can walk you through the steps.

You don't need to wait for another survey to make suggestions. We have a suggestion form on our website, plus a listing of email addresses to contact the library and staff with your comments. Of course, you can also just stop in or give us a call.

Record-breaking Summer!

Not only did we have an increase in the number of kids and adults participating in our summer reading programs, we have been seeing record numbers for circulation. For five months in a row (April - August), we had patrons checking out more books than in previous years. In July, we hit an all-time record, breaking the 13,000 mark for the first time ever for one month. Our patrons checked out 13,462 items during the month of July. Let's keep the streak going!



ST. FRANCIS PUBLIC LIBRARY

4230 S. Nicholson Ave. | St. Francis, WI 53235 | (414) 481-7323

UPCOMING EVENTS

Fall Storytime

Now through November 20

Pajamarama (ages 2 - 6)
Mondays from 6 - 6:45 pm

Preschool Storytime (ages 3 - 6)
Tuesdays from 10:15 - 11 am

Toddler Storytime (ages 2 - 3)
Wednesdays from 10:15 - 10:45

To Be! Shakespeare Here & Now

Tuesday, October 8 at 6:30 pm

Resume Workshop

Thursday, October 10 at 10 am

Wisconsin's Most Haunted Locations

Wednesday, October 16 at 6:30 pm

Halloween Spooktacular

Friday, October 25 from 1:30 - 3:30 pm

Forensic Science for Mystery Buffs

Thursday, November 7 from 6 - 7:30 pm

Autoharp & Mountain Dulcimer with Local Artist Lou Neilsen

Saturday, November 9 from 2 - 3:30 pm

Investment Basics

Thursday, November 14 at 6 pm

Build a "Ginormous" Suspension Bridge with John & Sylvia Peine

Saturday, November 16 from 1 - 3 pm

Tree Lighting Party

Saturday, December 7 from 1 - 3 pm

Christmas Cookie Exchange

Monday, December 9 at 6 pm

(Register by November 30)

Edible Holiday Houses

Wednesday, December 11 from 6 - 7 pm

Library Hours

Monday - Thursday	9:30 am - 8 pm
Friday	9:30 am - 5 pm
Saturday	9:30 am - 4 pm
Sunday	Closed

A Letter From Your Mayor (Continued from page 1)

The St. Francis Library's children's programs saw record attendance this year—my thanks to the Library staff! Although several staff members were new, they stepped up quickly to bring more citizens into our beautiful Library.

Special thanks to our anonymous donor, who saw the need to renovate our precious Vretenar Park, in honor of his old friend, Milton Vretenar. Our Park Commission, Chairman Alderman Wattawa, Alderwoman Bostedt and other citizen volunteers, worked with Hauke's Landscaping, contracted by the donor, to coordinate the improvements. The result was a patio addition and concrete pad renovation that was entirely donated! Alderwoman Fliss and the Beautification and Arts Council volunteers suggested seating as well, also donated, which is perfect for elderly and disabled citizens. Umbrellas will be added next season.

Keep your eyes on the park for more donations to come: The Park Commission voted to accept the donation of new entrance signs and a playground upgrade! The Commission and City Engineer Melinda Dejewski and her DPW staff worked this season to transform the concession building with new roll-up doors, grill, sink and other improvements. Much of the craftsmanship was done in-house by our DPW crew. Other necessary improvements to toilets, stage and parking lot have been earmarked by the Park Commission, which will work toward these improvements in the future, and make further recommendations to the Common Council.

Maple Leaf Tar Spots

What is tar spot? Tar spot is a common, visually distinctive and primarily cosmetic fungal leaf spot disease. While tar spot can affect many species of maple including big leaf, mountain, red, Rocky mountain, sugar, and sycamore maple, in Wisconsin, this disease most commonly affects silver maple. Boxelder (also known as ash-leaved maple), willow and tulip-tree can also be affected by tar spot.

What does tar spot look like? Initial symptoms of tar spot are small (approximately 1/8 inch) yellowish spots that form on infected leaves. These spots may remain relatively small, or may enlarge over the growing season to roughly 3/4 inch in diameter. As tar spot progresses, the center of the infected area becomes

raised and turns black. This black area resembles a blob of tar on the leaf surface. Careful examination of the tar-like areas reveals convoluted line patterns that resemble fingerprints.

How do I avoid problems with tar spot in the future? You can reduce or even eliminate tar by simply removing fallen, infected leaves from around the base of your trees each fall. Infected leaves can be buried away from the maple tree, composted or brought to the City of St. Francis recycle center. Leaves may also be raked into the street **during**

fall leaf collection which begins September 23rd, and the **last day to put leaves in the gutter is November 24th.**



St. Francis Civic Center - Buy a Stone

Opportunity for remembrance, commemoration or recognition now available through the St. Francis Civic Center "Buy a Stone" Program. Stones will be displayed in the public plaza and seating wall.

- Remember a loved one, pay tribute to someone gone before, or be recognized as a partner in our Civic Center Public Plaza, with the purchase of an engraved Stone.
- Stone Purchases offer a way to involve everyone in the new Civic Center. Funds raised from the purchases will help support the construction of outdoor surroundings, walkways and seating areas of the Civic Center.

The "Buy a Stone" program is an important stepping stone for our Civic Center. It will enable our outdoor surroundings of our Civic Center to be a destination place for everyone. The engraved stones will uniquely display our sense of community. With your help the Plaza will become a wonderful gathering and welcoming place we can all enjoy and take pride in as individuals, groups, and businesses in St. Francis.

<u>Cost</u>	<u>2 Options for Placement of your Stone</u>
120.00 - 1 line (brick size 5x18 inches)	"Buy a Stone" in Civic Center Seating Plaza Wall
145.00 - 2 lines (brick size 7x18 inches)	"Buy a Stone" in Civic Center Plaza
180.00 - 3 lines (brick size 10x18 inches)	

Our Civic Center "Buy A Stone" program kicked off at St. Francis Days and the Citizen feedback received was very positive. We have now developed a list of citizens that have requested to receive updates on the Civic Center. Contact the Mayor to be added to this list.



ST. FRANCIS CIVIC CENTER
BUY A STONE

Order forms are available at City Hall or at the Library (no deadline has been established for orders at this time)

City of St. Francis Recycle Weeks

The highlighted weeks are **RECYCLE weeks**. Dates circled are **Holidays**, which will delay pick up by **ONE day**.

2014

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4	5 6:00pm- Finance Com. 6:45pm-License 7:00pm-Common Council Mtg	6 5:00pm-Library Board (located at the Library)	7 4:00pm- Police & Fire	8	9
11 4:00pm-Municipal Court	12	13	14 5:45pm- Traffic Safety 6:30pm- Board of Public Works	15	16
18	19 6:00pm-Legislative 6:45pm- License 7:00pm-Common Council Mtg	20 6:00pm- CDA & Plan Commission 6:30- Joint Comprehensive Plan Mtg	21 4:30pm- Aesthetic Control	22	23
25 4:00pm- Municipal Court	26	27	28 THANKSGIVING City Hall Closed *No Garbage/Recycle collection- delayed by one day*	29 City Hall Closed **Garbage/Recycle <u>WILL</u> be collected today**	30

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2	3 6:00pm- Finance Com. 6:45pm-License 7:00pm-Common Council Mtg & 2014 Budget Hearing	4	5 4:00pm- Police & Fire	6	7
9 4:00pm-Municipal Court	10 4:00pm- Economic Development	11 5:00pm- Library Board (located at the Library) 6:30pm- Park Comm 7:15pm- Plan Comm	12 8:00am- Board of Health 6:30pm-Board of Public Works	13	14
16 4:00pm-Municipal Court	17 6:00pm-Legislative 6:45pm- License 7:00pm-Common Council Mtg	18	19 4:30pm- Aesthetic Control	20	21
23	24 ** City Hall Closed ** **Garbage/Recycle <u>WILL</u> be collected today**	25 ** City Hall Closed ** <u>No</u> Garbage/Recycle Pick Up. Delayed by 1 Day	26 7:00pm- Zoning Board	27	28
30	31 ** City Hall Closed ** **Garbage <u>WILL</u> be collected today**	1 ** City Hall Closed ** <u>No</u> Garbage Pick Up. Delayed by 1 Day	2	3	4

City Council Resolutions and Mayoral Proclamations:

City Resolutions and Mayoral Proclamations/Commendations serve as an important way the City of St. Francis can officially and publically thank and give recognition to individuals and groups in the Community. For more information call 481-2300.

- Resolution: Business of the Year – Layton Fruit Market - honored at our 44th annual dinner on Sept. 25th by the Association of Commerce and the City of St. Francis
- Proclamation : Sister Dorothy Schroeder - Celebrating her 100th Birthday she is a resident of the mother house of the Sisters of St. Francis, and a former teacher & volunteer who worked throughout the U.S.
- Proclamation: To Archbishop Jerome E. Listeck– Distinguished resident of St. Francis, given to him as part of a dinner where he was being honored a Polish American of the Year at the annual Pulaski Day celebration at the Polish Center of Wisconsin
- Proclamation: To the volunteers on the City 4th of July Commission and City of St. Francis DPW staff.



Thank You 4th of July Volunteers! Pictured here left to right : Chris, Donna, Gail, Alderwoman Bostedt, Ray & Richard



St. Francis Business Of The Year

At the 44th Annual Industry & Commerce Appreciation Night, we honored Layton Fruit Market as our Business of the Year. Owned and operated by Joe Proite, with his wife Angela and their family; they have kept a 30 year family tradition in St. Francis.

were proud to welcome our new and expanding businesses and present a Council resolution to Layton Fruit Market as part of the program. The Mayor would like to also acknowledge and thank the Economic Development Committee for helping the City make this event possible.

We were happy to welcome guest speaker Tim Sheehy, President of the Milwaukee Metropolitan Association of Commerce. Tim, who is a major voice for economic growth in our region, acknowledged St. Francis as a part of a larger Milwaukee Metropolitan area that has much to be proud of and to build on for the future. Our Milwaukee Area has a Fortune 500 and S & P 500 business Community that matches up with any throughout the Nation in its productivity and influence.

Congratulations Layton Fruit Market! Please pay them a visit to congratulate them and visit their wonderful market.

St. Francis has always taken pride that generations of business owners have chosen to make St. Francis their home and this event honors them past and present for their commitment to our City, they have always helped our City become the best it can be. Our industry and commerce leaders play an important role in sustaining our quality of life and sense of community. We



The Fire Department

Raking the leaves, cleaning the gutters, servicing the furnace and de-cluttering the basement. I know, I know, I keep throwing in the basement no matter what season it is but mine is ALWAYS a mess. These are just some of the things to be done this fall. The real fun is in the holidays that approach along with the cooler weather. As if we didn't get enough cool weather this summer, right? But here's our list of safety tips for the fall season:

If you decorate your children for Halloween along with your home, make sure the store bought costumes are listed as *flame resistant*. They're not "fireproof" (nothing really is) but they're harder to start on fire and if it does happen, they should go out fast.

If you're crafty, and I mean artistically, not in any sort of *fiendish* way, and want to make your child a costume, try to use flame resistant materials like polyester and nylon. These fabrics resist burning if exposed to flame. The tree's my mom made for me and my brother one year were definitely not safe. And on another personal note, I don't care how old you are for candy, but make an effort on the costume guys. A jersey doesn't make you a football player. A hobo is a great go-to for an easy costume.

While we're on the subject, teach your kids to stay away from the candles, jack-o-lanterns and any other open flame while in costume. We're happy to see an increase in the battery operated "flicker lights" used in the pumpkins now, but there's definitely an increase on the outdoor fire pits people are now enjoying while handing out candy. Let's all be safe around those so we can continue to enjoy them. Municipal Ordinance #1084 covers their usage, copies are available at the fire department or on the City Hall hallway counter.

As always, remember, don't use any decorations that aren't *UL* listed and don't use more than three strands of lights strung together. The cord can heat up and start a fire.

If you have any questions on safety or if there's anything else your fire department can help you with, please don't hesitate to call. Be gracious, be polite, BE SAFE and have a GREAT Autumn!



The Police Department

On behalf of the St. Francis Police Department we hope everyone had a safe summer. We started our summer events with a family oriented outdoor movie night and concluded with our award winning National Night Out program. Our Community Resource Officers will continue to provide quality programs and events in 2013- 2014. Our School Resource Officer also will return to school and continue his positive relations with teachers and students.

The start of the school year always raises safety concerns for pedestrian and vehicle traffic. Congestion becomes a major concern around our schools. Officers will be conducting traffic enforcement so please slow down and obey the signs and crossing guards to help ensure the safety of our children. Reminder, no left turn during specific times when exiting the drive at Deer Creek onto Kinnickinnic Avenue. Also, be advised Delaware Avenue between Bolivar and Whittaker Avenue has become a **one way** street for southbound traffic with the intent to alleviate some of this congestion during school hours. We hope these adjustments make the neighborhoods safer.

The Fall and Winter Climate usually results in slippery roads and obscured vision so check your driving habits. Please slow down and arrive at your destination safely. Cell phone use and

texting often result in inattentive driving and accidents that could cost lives. The Holiday Season means gathering of friends and relatives who are responsible for setting a good example involving alcohol consumption. Drunken Driving Enforcement remains a top priority throughout Milwaukee County.

In closing, we continue to urge our residents to partner with us in preventing crime. Common sense and precautionary measures help to reduce your chance of being a victim. More information is available on our Website and Facebook. Don't hesitate to contact us with any questions or concerns.

Keep an eye on our website and Facebook page for up coming events. We will also post crime alerts on those venues.

Sincerely,

St. Francis Police Department



Saint Francis City Hall 2013 Meeting Schedule & Recycle Calendar

All meetings are located at City Hall unless otherwise noted.

If you have a question regarding a meeting, please contact City Hall at 414-481-2300

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October

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14 4:00pm-Municipal Court	15 6:00pm-Legislative 6:45pm- License 7:00pm-Common Council Mtg	16 3:30pm- Finance Meeting	17 4:30pm-Aesthetic Control	18	19
21	22 6:30pm- Community Development	23 3:30pm- Finance Meeting 7:00pm- Plan Comm.	24 7:00pm- Zoning Board	25	26
28 4:00pm-Municipal Court	29	30	31	1	2

Upcoming Events

Sunday October 27th

Civic Center Groundbreaking at 11am

Trick or Treat: 2pm-4pm. If you are participating in Trick or Treat, please put your outside light on.

City Hall Holidays: Closed

November 28th & 29th

December 24th, 25th, 31st

January 1st