

# Town Tidings



Covering all the news, events and happenings in the Town of Brookfield

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## Points of Interest

- Big Splash Day will be August 4 from 12:00—2:00 pm at Marx Park
- Call the Mosquito Hotline at 262-796-0945 or go to the website for updates on mosquito spraying throughout the town
- Town Hall will be closed May 30 and July 4
- Starting with Tornado Awareness Week through Labor Day (approximately the second week of April through September), the sirens will be tested weekly on Wednesdays at 2:00 pm
- Town Truck Day will be on Saturday, August 20 at Marx Park from 10:00 am—12:00 noon
- Household, pet, and yard waste MAY NOT be placed in park trash barrels. Violators may be issued citations. Please respect these rules and Keep Our Parks Clean
- All dogs must be on leashes if off your property and all waste is to be picked up immediately

### TOWN INCORPORATION BY JAY WALT

The Town July 4<sup>th</sup> Celebration is right around the corner (see below!) The true spirit of our Community is proudly put on display. With this as a backdrop, I recently filed with the State for Incorporation which will change our status from a Town to a Village. Assuredly – the long-term positives for Town residents are many.

The most common question I have received is “Why?”

Simply put, our Community provides a high level of services at a responsible, reasonable tax rate. Our sewer and water rates are among the lowest in the state. Every citizen here can reach out to a Town official and get prompt, professional answers to concerns or questions. In short, my Town experiences have shown that “Bigger is not better” when it comes to local governments.

The petition to apply for Village status will protect our borders from encroachment; allow for more local control in zoning; maintain our conservative tax rate approach; and preserve the heart, spirit, and integrity of the Community I raised my family in. See you at the 4<sup>th</sup>!

## Fourth of July Picnic & Parade

### MONDAY, JULY 4

#### THE PLACE TO BE

Marx Park is located at 700 S. Barker Rd. across from Elmbrook Church. Please remember to leave your dog home as they are not permitted in Marx Park.

Pie and desserts—\$1.50  
Hamburgers and brats—\$1.00  
Hot dogs—\$.50  
Soda—\$.50  
Water—\$.50

Tickets must be purchased for food the day of the event. Free ice cream and juice boxes for the kids.

#### GAMES FOR KIDS

- Baby Crawl
- Sack Races
- Backward Crawl
- Fire Hose Squirt
- Much, much more

#### GAMES FOR OUR “OLDER” KIDS

- Egg Toss
- Pie Eating Contest

#### FUN FOR ALL

- Hockey Haven Slapshot

#### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

##### 8:45 am

All parade participants assemble in the Elmbrook Church north parking lot at Barker and Davidson Roads

##### 9:00 am

Parade starts at Elmbrook Church and runs east along Davidson Road and turns south on Linden Lane to the park. *Tip: Make sure to bring your lawn chairs to sit and watch along the parade route; they will come in handy at the picnic as well!*

##### 9:45 am

Singing of our National Anthem  
Picnic begins

##### 10:00 am

Inflatable Moon Walk opens  
Games begin

##### 10:30 am

Pie sales and food available

##### 11:15 am

Games end/ice cream handed out

##### 11:30 am

Fire Department Hose Down

##### 12:00 pm

Picnic Ends

**FIRE SAFETY TIP**

More than 13,000 fires a year start in laundry rooms in the United States, resulting in 10 deaths and \$97 million in property damage. Nearly 4,000 of these fires arise from lint buildup that occurs when people fail to clean their dryer vents. Lint can block the flow of air, cause excessive heat buildup, and result in a fire in some dryers. The US Consumer Product Safety Commission recommends the following measures to prevent dryer vent fires:

- Clean the lint screen/filter before or after each load of clothes.
- Clean the dryer vent and exhaust duct periodically.
- Clean behind the dryer, where lint can build up.
- Replace plastic or foil, accordion-type ducting material with rigid or corrugated semi-rigid metal duct.
- Take special care when drying clothes that have been soiled with volatile chemicals.



firefighters obtain critically needed equipment, gear, training and other resources needed to protect the public and emergency personnel. This last year over 20,000 fire departments submitted a grant application with approximately 1,900 receiving awards. The Town of Brookfield Fire Department has received a \$60,000 grant award. This grant money will be used to purchase two new monitor/defibrillators to replace aging equipment. This upgrade will provide the department with 12 lead cardiac monitoring capabilities on both of our ambulances as well as the engine. In 2010 the department responded to 531 emergency medical calls that required patient assessment and care. On 210 occasions that patient care required cardiac monitoring. These monitors provide cardiac diagnostics that are critical to the on-scene care as well as the care provided by the receiving hospital. EKG's obtained on-scene are transmitted immediately to the hospital so that the appropriate resources and care can be standing by when the patient arrives.



**FIRE DEPT RECEIVES FEDERAL GRANT**

Since 2001 the Assistance to Firefighters Grant program has helped

**EAGLE SCOUT**

An Eagle Rank Presentation Ceremony for Kyle Schaefer was held at St. John's Lutheran Church on January 14. Jim Kieso, the troop unit commissioner representing the Potowatomi Council, presented Kyle with his Eagle Badge. Jeff Gubbins, Kyle's church mentor, gave the presenter's address. The troop presented an impressive scout values candle light and flag ceremony. A reception with refreshments followed.

Kyle lead the organization and implementation of installing 31 nature trail posts at the Wehr Nature Center at Whitnall Park for his Eagle Service Project. He earned 37 Merit Badges



**POLICE DEPARTMENT TO MOBILIZE FOR CLICK IT OR TICKET SAFETY BELT ENFORCEMENT**

The Town of Brookfield Police Department will team up with hundreds of law enforcement agencies throughout Wisconsin for the Click It or Ticket safety belt enforcement mobilization from May 24 to June 6.

"During Click It or Ticket, our officers will be patrolling in greater numbers and for longer hours, including at night when safety belt use declines. Our objective during the mobilization is not to write more tickets but to save lives and reduce injuries through voluntary compliance with Wisconsin's mandatory safety belt law. However, if voluntary compliance fails, we will enforce the law. We won't accept excuses and you won't get a warning if you are stopped by an officer and are not buckled."

Consistent safety belt use is the single most effective protection against being ejected from a vehicle or thrown around violently inside it during a crash.

"Far too many people are killed or injured needlessly everyday because motorists are not buckled up," "Our ultimate goal is to reduce the number of preventable traffic deaths to zero in Wisconsin. That's why we urge you to buckle up every time you get behind the wheel or ride in a vehicle. However, if you ignore the law and common sense, we'll also be ready to provide you with a very convincing reminder."

-Chief Chris Perket



**YARD WASTE COLLECTION**

Yard waste includes: brush, grass, leaves, garden debris.

Yard Waste Specifications:

1. Grass, leaves & garden debris shall be bagged in paper biodegradable yard waste bags, disposable cardboard boxes 3'x3'x3' (Appliance boxes ARE NOT acceptable), or unlined 32-gallon garbage cans with handles. You may also use plastic bags by purchasing and placing a sticker on each bag. Stickers in lots of 25 for

\$.70 per sticker can be purchased at the Town Clerk's Office or by sending a payment of \$17.50 along with a self-addressed stamped 4 1/8" x 9 1/2" envelope to the Town Hall.

2. Brush (branches less than 2 inches in diameter) must be cut to 4 foot lengths and bundled securely.
3. No bag or bundle shall weigh more than 60 pounds.

Yard Waste must be at the curb the night before pick up.

**Collection Calendar**

June 18                      October 22  
November 19

**Town Hall Drop Off Dates**

May 25; 2-7 pm              June 29; 2-7 pm  
July 16; 8 am-noon              July 27; 2-7 pm  
Aug 20; 8 am-noon              August 31; 2-7 pm

Go to the town's website for additional Drop Off Dates

## PARK & REC NEWS

### ART ATTACK

All art classes will be held at Marx Park. Severe weather will cancel classes which will be rescheduled. Register for each class separately; sign up for as many as you would like.

Literary Works: Thursdays, June 23, 30, July 7; 10:00 am - 11:00 am

This is the perfect class for kids who want to write and illustrate their own story. Over the course of three weeks kids will spend time writing a short story from rough draft to final book. They will illustrate it and then all stories will be combined into a book for the kids to take home. All materials will be provided but be prepared come with some ideas in mind for stories. Class is for kids in 2nd through 5th grade. Three, one-hour classes

Paper Crafts: Thursdays, June 23, 30, July 7; 11:15 am - 12:15 pm

Paper isn't just for drawing: punch, fold, cut and craft projects made primarily out of paper. Options to create include cards, origami, tags, photo pages and more. We will even learn a little history about the creation of paper. This class is for kids in 2nd through 4th grade. Three, one-hour classes.

Jazzy Jewelry: Tuesdays, June 21, 28; 12:00 - 1:00 pm

Have a designer on your hands. Maybe a fashion diva? Well give them a creative outlet and let them create earrings, bracelets, necklaces. They will learn basic techniques and build from there depending on interests and skill levels. All materials will be provided. This is for 4th through 6th graders. Two, one-hour classes.

Art Survey: Tuesdays, July 12, 19, 26, August 2, 9; 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

This five week course is great to let littler ones make a mess and try new things while not having to clean up the mess yourself. Materials will include the traditional ones like paints and paper but branch out into found objects and other fun items. The goal is to let kids create projects while exploring what options are out there in the art world. All materials will be provided. This class is for 5 year kindergarten through 2nd grade. Five, one-hour classes.

**WHERE:** Marx Park

**FEE:** \$25 per course

### TENNIS

Some openings remain for our always-popular tennis lessons at Marx and Wray Park. Check the Rec Guide and call in to check availability for Session I (June 13-23), Session II (June 27-July 8), and Session III (July 11-22). All levels of player can be taught so sign up today. Only \$30 per session.

### CARP-O-RAMA

Carp O' Rama is back and will take place at Brook Park on Saturday, June 4 from 8:30—10:30 am. This free fishing contest is open to kids ages 4—12 and will include prizes for longest fish caught in several age categories.

Bring your pole and some bait and get ready for some great fishing action! Pre-registration is required before June 2. Call 262-796-3781 or email [parkrec@townofbrookfield.com](mailto:parkrec@townofbrookfield.com). Volunteers also needed.

### TRUCK DAY

An annual event has been spawned! On Saturday, August 20 from 10 am - noon, we will once again have fantastic trucks, equipment, and tools to check out at Marx Park. Mother's & More will provide great food this year including hot dogs, chips, soda, water, bakery items, and raisins. Check the website for more information.

### FALL SOCCER

4 year old and 5/6 year old soccer registration will take place August 9—25. The season will run approximately September 6—October 14 at Wray Park. Participants can sign up for both the Fall and Spring season at this time if they wish. \$40 for both Fall and Spring seasons; \$25 for Fall only.

Teams will practice/scrimmage once per week in the evenings with coaches determining the night of practice (become your child's coach and you get to choose!)

There is immediate registration for all of these courses. Go to town hall for forms and to complete registration.

### BIG SPLASH DAY

#### PRESENTED BY WATERSTONE BANK

Who needs a pool!! Beat the heat and come to Marx Park for a day of wet, wild fun!! Bring your squirt guns (the bigger, the better), water balloons, and your swimsuits and get ready to **get wet**. We will have hoses and sprinklers to keep the water flowing and plenty of places to fill up water balloons and squirt guns. Refreshments will be provided for everyone to keep the insides as wet and cool as the outsides. Bring the whole family down for the day. We'll run around in the sun and have tons of fun!

**WHEN:** Thursday, August 4  
12:00 pm - 2:00 pm

**WHERE:** Marx Park

**FEE:** FREE

#### SPONSORS

Thanks to Waterstone Bank for sponsoring a softball team this summer, as well as the Easter Egg Hunt and Big Splash Day. Also thanks go to Texas Roadhouse for stuffing Easter Eggs and Baker's Square for treats at the event.

### EBLE ICE RINK - LEARN TO SKATE

This 5-week class consists of developing basic ice-skating skills for youth ages 4-12. Youth will develop confidence on the ice by learning to forward and backward skate, turns and stops, and falling and recovery. Participants will receive a coupon for open skating usable for the duration of the lessons. Admission to public skate is Monday—Friday, 12:00 – 3:00 pm. It is suggested that young children bring helmets (bike or other helmet is fine), gloves, and warm clothes to the class. Skate rental is also included in the price of the class. Family members will be welcome to participate during public skating.

#### WHEN:

Mondays: July 11, 18, 25, August 8  
Ages 4-6: 10:15 am—10:45 am  
Ages 7-12: 11:15 am—11:45 am  
Ages 7-12: 9:45 am—10:15 am

**WHERE:** Eble Ice Rink

**FEE:** \$45

# Clerk's Corner

## Read the Town Notification Boards

These Boards are located at:

Marx Park    Town Hall    Mayrose Blvd.  
Weyer Road    Wisconsin and Woelfel

- Attend Town Meetings. All town meetings are held at Town Hall, 645 North Janacek Road
- Visit the town website at [www.townofbrookfield.com](http://www.townofbrookfield.com) for agendas, minutes and town information.
- Read the Brookfield News, Brookfield Herald, Waukesha Freeman and Milwaukee Journal/Sentinel for notices and updates.

### Just stop in!

The Town hall is north of Bluemound Road on Janacek Road (196th and Bluemound). Call us 8:00 am to 4:30 pm Monday through Friday at 796-3788 for additional directions or information.

### Town Hall Numbers

#### Emergency: Police and Fire

911

Police Dept. Administration  
(non-emergency) 796-3798

Police 24-hour Dispatch 446-5070

Fire Dept. (non-emergency) 796-3792

Clerk of Courts 796-3780

Park & Recreation 796-3781

Building Inspection 796-3790

Town Hall 796-3788

Sanitary District 798-8631

### REFUSE/RECYCLING COLLECTION REGULATIONS

Normal household refuse collected must be in bags or containers no larger than 32-gallons in capacity and can not exceed 60 pounds in weight.

Refuse and recycling items must be placed on the drivable area of the driveway. The contractor is not responsible for any items left within 10 feet of the garbage and recyclables.

**Non-Freon Appliance** pick-ups must be scheduled with Veolia Environmental Services at (262) 367-6040.

**Freon Appliances** will be collected for an additional fee, contact Veolia Environmental Services.

**Other large items** are collected on your regular route day but must be placed at the curb or by the road. Valuables are to be kept away from your recyclables and trash for pick up.



Building materials will be picked up if confined to one, 32-gallon canister, once per week.

Carpet cut into rolls (maximum roll size 3' x 4' x 60 pounds) and TVs **larger than 27"** will be collected without charge. Contact Veolia for other charges for item pick up.

Additional carpet and building material waste will be picked up at a charge of \$50 per cubic yard.

There is a \$15 call back fee if you miss your pick up time.

Garbage collection will be a day late the week of May 30, July 4, September 5 for holidays.

### ELECTION NOTES

The Town receives requests for absentee ballots from parents for their children away at school. Students attending college away from home

### BURNING ORDINANCE

Burning is allowed as long as the following conditions are met:

1. There is no burning of garbage, material producing a noxious odor, material creating a health hazard, flammable liquids, open areas of standing grass, woods or brush, or combustibles in an amount exceeding two feet in height and five feet in diameter
2. Burning is allowed during daylight hours only
3. No burning when the wind exceeds 10 miles per hour
4. Burning in roadways or ditches is prohibited
5. Burning or combustibles must not exceed five feet in diameter and two feet in height. Burning must occur at least 25 feet from the front lot line, 15 feet from the side lot line and ten feet from the rear lot line
6. Adequate protection, such as a garden hose or fire extinguisher, must be readily available
7. When burning in a container, it must have a wire mesh cover with opening of ½ inch or less and be more than 25 feet from any building

should register to vote prior to leaving for school. They may also request an absentee ballot at that time for the Fall Election. We suggest that they come to the office anytime this summer to have the paperwork completed.

**Registration to Vote:** May be done by mail and must be received in the Clerk's Office by 5:00 pm on the second Wednesday preceding the election. It can also be done in municipal clerk's office by 5:00 pm the day before an election, or at the polls on the day of election.

**Absentee Ballot procedure:** All requests for absentee ballots must be in writing with the signature of the voter. The application shall be received no later than 5 pm the Thursday immediately preceding the election. If application is made in person it shall be made no later than 5 pm on the day preceding the election. This excludes electors who are sequestered jurors or hospitalized.

Go to [www.townofbrookfield.com/voting.htm](http://www.townofbrookfield.com/voting.htm) for additional information.



Officials from the state and town witness Governor Scott Walker sign legislation allowing the first Developmental TIF District in the state for an unincorporated town

**VON MAUR**

Von Maur department store recently announced their intent to be the anchor tenant of a new \$120 million dollar open-air retail/office complex on Bluemound Road in the Town of Brookfield.

The project will ultimately create hundreds of local jobs, offer shoppers an unparalleled retail experience like none other in the state of Wisconsin, provide businesses exceptional I-94 visibility and access, enhance property values, stimulate additional redevelopment, and secure the future of the entire Bluemound Corridor as a regional shopping destination.

This project is exactly the kind of project that the Town of Brookfield Board envisioned several years ago when we embarked on a master redevelopment plan, and is just the type of project we hoped to lure by keeping our tax rates one of the lowest in the county, retiring all debt by 2012, while still offering top-notch municipal services.

We thank Von Maur, Marcus Corporation and the development team for their vision in choosing the I-94/ Bluemound location. And we look forward to Von Maur grand opening in summer 2013!

**GOVERNOR WALKER SIGNS TIF BILL INTO LAW**

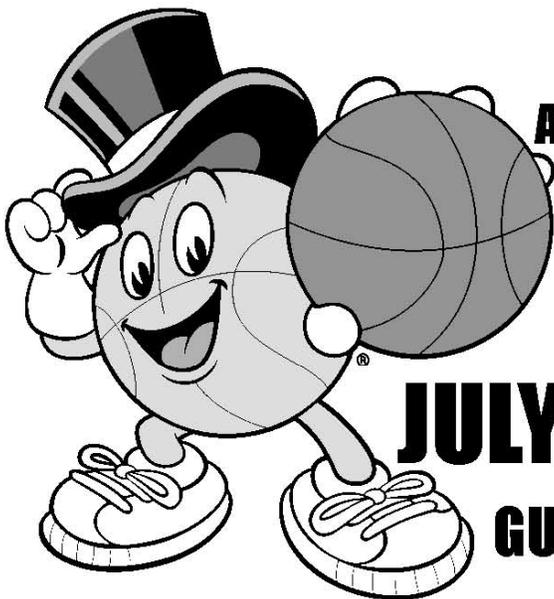
With the Von Maur project looming, history was made when Governor Scott Walker visited the Town Hall to sign a Developmental TIF District bill into law. This law will allow the town to use financing tools for infrastructure upgrades to attract new businesses into the town. It was an exciting day and was momentous for the town's future.

**KID-POWERED PLAY PANELS INSTALLED AT MARX PARK**

More great stuff to play on. You can even record your voice and play it back with different distortions!



**YOU CAN'T WIN IF YOU DON'T PLAY!**



**COME TO BROOKFIELD AND PLAY IN THE GUS MACKER 3-ON-3 BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT JULY 23&24**

**GUS MACKER 3-on-3 BASKETBALL**

**Go to [visitbrookfield.com/gus](http://visitbrookfield.com/gus) and sign up today!**

**All ages - All skill levels**

- Slam dunk contest**
- 3 point shootout**
- ...and more!**

Register online at [visitbrookfield.com/gus](http://visitbrookfield.com/gus) or call 262-789-0220 for more information.

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M&I is proud to support the Town of Brookfield  
in making the community a better place.



## **FOURTH OF JULY PICNIC & PARADE**

Monday, July 4

We keep rolling along with the finest small-town based event anywhere! Our kids will decorate their bikes for the parade with ribbons, balloons and other goodies, wagons will be shined up and adorned, buggies and costumes will spice up the day, all culminating in our favorite parade of the season. Prizes will be given out for the best of these in the parade so go ALL OUT! Your neighborhood, Boy Scout, Girl Scout, school or service organization are all welcome to participate. Businesses should contact Chad at the Park & Rec if they wish to join us.