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# Murray Hill News

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## Spring 2017 President's Message

It's that time of year again! The birds are chirping (OK...they've been at it since January), the snow has melted (...for the second time...remember that 70-degree day in February?) and we'll all be getting outside more to enjoy our community and see our neighbors again.

What are your plans for 2017? There is so much to do in Murray Hill, on the East Side, and throughout Milwaukee. We work to keep neighbors informed of great opportunities and events in the neighborhood (check out our webpage events calendar!) but we need your help with this. If you know about a great community-oriented event or opportunity, let us know, so we can help get the word out!

Do you want to organize a cleanup, and outing, or an event? Reach out to see how we can help. MHNA exists to support a great quality of life for all its residents, so we want to hear from you! What do you love about Murray Hill and the East Side and how would you like to see it improved?

What talents or ideas can you offer to help enhance your neighborhood? Do you have some time to volunteer? Reach out to any of our board members with your questions, comments, and ideas. ■

## Business Spotlight:

## Knauer Plumbing, Heating and Cooling

*by Mike Varney*



Cheryl Knauer and Jennifer Knauer, run the show. Their father, Norman M. Knauer, started working in the family firm as a teenager. Jennifer said, "In fact, Cheryl and I started at a very early age, literally scrubbing the floors." They may be sisters by birth, but they are business partners by choice.

The quirkiness of older neighborhood homes doesn't faze our spotlight business in the least. "Our service technicians are very skilled and highly educated. They know the ins and outs of almost every home—steam, hot water heat, and oil heat. From galvanized to copper pipes, there are no problems that our technicians can't fix," Jennifer said.

While having two women run a business in a male-dominated trade is unique, it may also aid its tight-knit culture. "Our six employees have become part of the family since they have

The popular farm-to-table dining movement features food grown nearby. Murray Hill residents have had that luxury, in the plumbing and HVAC-world, for nearly a century. Knauer Plumbing, Heating and Cooling opened its doors in 1922 and has been a valued neighbor ever since.

Today, Erwin B. Knauer's granddaughters,

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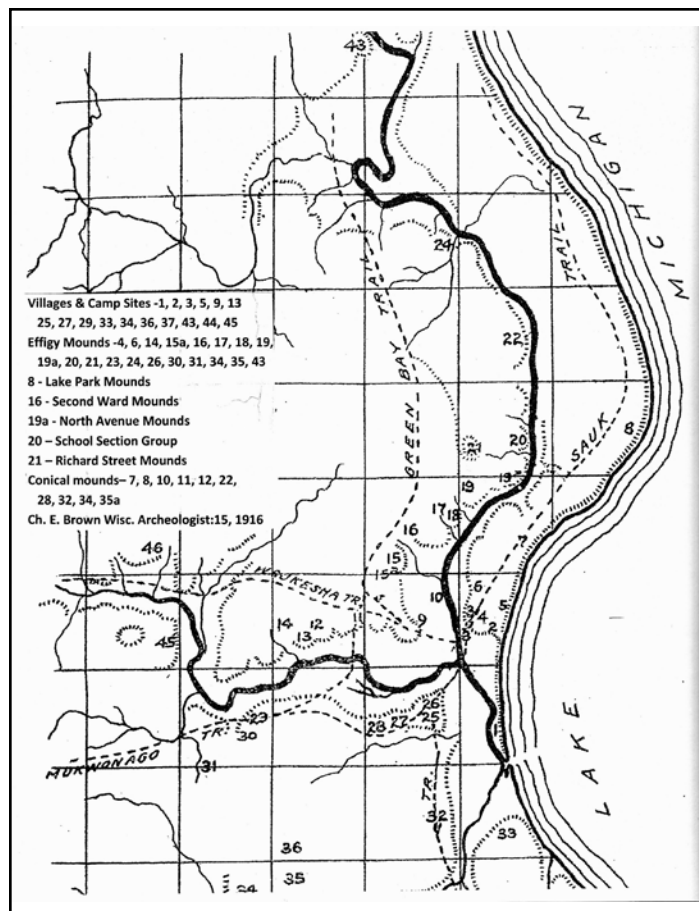
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## Early History – Early American Indian Trails and Villages

*By Cynthia Sommer*

We appreciate the beauty and recreational value of Lake Michigan and the green spaces of our great parks. We are also regularly reminded of the presence of the Milwaukee River as we drive or walk daily over the multiple bridges in our neighborhood. But to the early native peoples the magnificent bay of Lake Michigan, the waterways and dense forests were more than beautiful; they were the life-blood for their survival and dictated their daily existence.

Even with a lack of written records, some idea of the life and culture of these early American Indians can be found in artifacts, the earthen mounds they built and oral history. Food was derived from hunting, fishing and the gathering of roots, berries and wild rice. In the late fall, winter and early spring traveling groups of hunters would find game within the open forest further north. Summer campsites and eventually more permanent villages along the rivers and lakes allowed for fishing and limited gardening of corn, squash and beans. The location of the conical earthworks (e.g. Lake Park mound) and the effigy mounds in the form of various animals that were built along the rivers further substantiates the importance of water in their culture and everyday life.



The 1916 map of early Milwaukee done by Charles E. Brown, a renowned archeologist and early president of the Wisconsin Archeologic Society, displays some of the early native peoples history at the time of the signing of the treaty by the American Indians and the US Government in the 1830s. This period also had a large influx of the European Settlers coming to Milwaukee. The Native Indians villages (e.g., 1, 2, 3, 5, 25, 27, 29) and the many conical and effigy mounds were located near the swampy bay of Lake Michigan or by the Milwaukee, Kinnickinnic and Menominee rivers. The villages were logically located near the major Indian trails. Numerous interconnecting trails that are not presented on this map also existed.

It is interesting to note that many of Wisconsin cities and villages were originally sites of Indian villages—a statement of the native people's judgment in selecting suitable locations for habitation. Many American Indian tribes, including the Potawatomi, Menominee, Sauk, Fox, Ojibwa, Ho-Chunk (Winnebago) and others, lived along Milwaukee's three major rivers. A bronze plaque on the Hilton Hotel on Wisconsin near Fifth Street recognizes a Potawatomi village believed to have been located nearby this location.

The major Indian trails known at that time were the Chicago trail from the south that interconnected to the Green Bay trail and Sauk trail going north. The Waukesha trail traveled west and the Mukwonago trail went in a southwest direction. The Sauk trail meandered down N. Water Street, tracked the Milwaukee river on the east side through our area. The trail then traveled north toward the City of Green Bay.

A bronze plaque designating the Sauk trail was placed on Maryland Avenue near Edgewood in 1939 by the Daughters of the American Revolution and later moved in 2000, due to construction of condos, to another documented Sauk Trail site in Hubbard Park in Shorewood. The trail is believed to then have traveled north near what is now Estabrook Parkway. At Hampton Road and Lydell, the trail turned to Port Washington road following the contours of the Milwaukee river and Lake Michigan to the north.

With the dense forest throughout the area at the time, how did they find their way and their resources? American Indians are believed to have originally followed the paths of animals and with time formed identifiable trails, wide enough for a single person. The use by many native travelers defined the paths but they soon realized that they needed a trigger to complement oral information as to the location of valuable resources off the trails. One can imagine a large dense forest with unmarked interconnecting trails being equivalent to our highway system without any exits or directional signs.

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## Organic Waste Added to the “R” of Recycling

By Cynthia Sommer

**H**ave you noticed the new 65-gallon brown “organic only” dumpsters in some of your neighbor’s yards. To strive toward the City of Milwaukee’s 2020 goal of 40% landfill diversion rate, the Department of Public Works (DPW) started in November, a one year pilot program to study the feasibility of an organic collection program. Over 500 participants in an around the Eastside, Riverwest and Bayview neighborhoods have signed up for the program with over 50 people on the waiting list. The Common Council will evaluate the program in November, 2017 as to its continuation and/or expansion. If you are a participant in this program to recycle yard and food waste or have your own composter in your yard—congratulations!

In a recent MHNA meeting presentation, Analiese Smith from the Recycling Program of DPW asked all to think of waste and recycling issues in new ways. The Organic Waste pilot program is just one new approach to consider. Citizens are generally aware of the three traditional “Rs”—Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle. We can generate additional ideas about wasting less by adding three more “Rs” to the sustainability list—**Rethink, Refuse and Rot.**



**Rethink:** Food is a resource in more than one way. The average meal travels 1,500 miles from farm to plate. A tremendous amount of natural resources, energy, money and human effort are needed to get an average meal to consumers. How can we waste less? Understand the different (Sell by or Best By) dates listed on food items. Plan your shopping—it will also save you money. Scrutinize the deals—many stores offer the sale price even if you buy less than the stated quantity. Shop the bulk bins and get only what



you need. Freeze what you can before the food becomes waste. Remember, fruits and vegetables do not have to be a perfect shape and color to be nutritious and edible. Go to [SaveTheFood.com](http://SaveTheFood.com) for lots of helpful information and suggestions.

**Refuse:** Think and say no. Avoid impulse buying—buy what you need. Bring your own shopping bags so you can say no to plastic or paper bags. Ask that extra food packets not be included in your to-go order—the neighborhood might even be a little cleaner. Don’t let restaurant food go to waste—save the extra for tomorrow’s lunch or share the meal with a friend.

**Rot:** 21% of our landfill is food waste and more than 90% of that food waste can be composted. Spring and fall generates lots of garden waste that can easily be recycled. Consider grass and leaf mulching to enrich your lawn and garden and save our landfill. In the first three months of collections, the new organic waste program has saved more than 43,800 lbs. of waste from the landfill!

If you cannot participate in the pilot program, there are other ways to compost your yard and food waste. Let grass clippings lie on the lawn after cutting, mulch leaves in place, and consider taking food scraps to a community drop off composting site operated by Kompost Kids. Learn more about these options at [city.milwaukee.gov/YardAndFoodWaste](http://city.milwaukee.gov/YardAndFoodWaste). ■

### Free Tours

Are you curious about what happens to your recyclables once they are collected? Come and see! Free, approximately 45-minute tours for adults are available each month on the first Tuesday at noon and the third Thursday at 4:30 pm.

Reservations and close-toed shoes are required. Register with Keep Greater Milwaukee Beautiful at 414-272-5452 or online at [www.kgmb.org](http://www.kgmb.org)



## Early History – Early American Indian Trails and Villages *Continued from page two*

An ingenious land and water navigational system that was developed to aid these early travelers included the use of “Marker Trees”. These distinct trees have been documented throughout the Great Lakes and much of the USA.

American Indians would bend and stake a young, flexible hardwood saplings or one of its branches to form a unique and identifiable shape. It was essential that the shape could not possibly be created by the forces of Mother Nature. The traveler would return over several years, remove unwanted shoots to direct the growth, and thus produced a uniquely shaped tree formed with the original thicker trunk, a directional side extension and a second upward final trunk. Examples of marker trees can be found at [www.greatlakestrailtreesociety.org/](http://www.greatlakestrailtreesociety.org/). The trail marker tree could live for hundreds of year and would be replaced as needed.

These marker trees might direct a traveler to water, places to cross the river, sources of flint stone, mineral deposits or medicinal plants. A canoer on the river in the midst of dense vegetation might be triggered to remember the site of a village or burial grounds. There is suggestive evidence of one such “marker tree” in our area.

A white ash tree located just south of the baseball diamond in Lake Park and estimated to be more than



200 years old had a unique branch that is believed to have created a trail marker for early travelers. Unfortunately, several generations used the branch as a “swing” resulting in it cracking and being removed. The photo that was taken in 1993 shows the unique shape of one of its branches.

The Native American trails became our major roadways; their villages became the sites of our cities. Let us appreciate their beginnings and continue their love of the rivers, lakes and land. ■

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## Reflections on Community

*By Cynthia Sommer*

Sometimes we take for granted the neighborhood we live in and don't reflect on the essentials needed to keep it viable and vibrant. My experiences living in the Detroit area during the rapid negative changes in the early 1970s have greatly influenced my thoughts on what ensures community. Neighborhoods are more than great environments; the abandoned beautiful homes and boulevards of my previous hometown are real evidence to lost neighborhoods. I have found a great neighborhood is ensured by a commitment of open, caring and involved people to their area and institutions.

Look around you and you will find a vibrant neighborhood in Murray Hill. Enjoy the students excitedly talking with their parents as they walk home from Maryland Avenue Montessori School (MAM); feel the energy of University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee (UWM) students leaving campus as they discuss new ideas; be invigorated on your Spring walk under a canopy of tree-lined streets; appreciate the efforts for sustainability by residents and UWM in solar, rain gardens and more; relax in nature at Lake Michigan or the Milwaukee River at Riverside Park; admire the architecturally distinct homes on our streets and boulevards; enjoy a free lecture or foreign film at UWM; get a tasty take-out from a local ethnic restaurant; share a story hour with your child at our local East Library; delight in a

The MHNA Board and its members would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to Cindy for her years of service editing Murray Hill News and for all that she has done for our community. While she has stepped down from editing, we can all continue to look forward to her future articles, and seeing her around the neighborhood.

bike ride down the Oak Leaf trail; or just pause to enjoy a visit with your neighbors as you do your yard work.

The walkability of Murray Hill encourages residents to meet their neighbors while exercising, walking their pets, visiting their parks or nature area (Riverside and Lake Park, Downer Woods, Urban Ecology Center, Rotary Arboretum, Oak Leaf Bike trail), using the available mass transit (bikes, car rentals, busses), visiting the East Library, shopping in the business districts (Oakland, Downer, North), seeking entertainment (Downer Theater, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Arts and Film programs, Boulevard Theater, Miramar Theater), stopping for a meal (from a variety of ethnic to gourmet to fast-food restaurants), partaking in school (UWM, Maryland Avenue Montessori School, Catholic East, Hartford University School, Riverside University High School), attending the greater than twenty

places of worship and spiritual centers or having medical needs addressed at Columbia-St. Mary's Hospital. Whether you are a long-term resident or just staying for a few years, don't miss the opportunity to know the diverse people and place that meld to form your neighborhood.

People supporting, engaging and participating in their community and its offerings safeguards a neighborhood. Few of us will win the Nobel Prize but each of us can positively contribute in some small way to the world that we live in every day. Fundamental to community is a respect for your neighbors and neighborhood.

Help to make Murray Hill a great place to live, work, play and study. ■

### Anticipation before the start of the 13th Annual Murray Hill Easter Egg Hunt in Riverside Park on Saturday, April 14th.

Thank you to all Eggstravaganza sponsors: Murray Hill Pottery Works, Walgreens, the Upper East Side Business Improvement District, and the Murray Hill Neighborhood Association.



## Milwaukee's Path to Platinum

By Julie Mitchell

With Milwaukee's bike ridership on the rise and Bublr stations popping up all over the city, the need for improving bike ridership experiences and creating safer streets is becoming increasingly important within our community. This past fall, the Milwaukee Path to Platinum Community Bicycling Survey was sent out to the public in order to gather information about opinions related to bicycling and safer streets. In fact, you may have participated in this survey through the link sent to you from the Murray Hill Neighborhood Association or another community organization. Well, the results are in and this is what our community had to say.

The five most common zip codes which represent 64% of the total respondents were 53211, 53207, 53212, 53208, and 53202. Out of all the responses from these neighborhoods the six most common barriers to riding were bad driver behaviors (64%), unsafe intersections (57%), automobile traffic (56%), personal safety concerns (46%), bad weather (44%) and no bike lanes (44%). The top three most desired improvements were more separation between vehicle traffic (88%), more bike lanes (86%), and maintenance of existing bike lanes,

routes/greenways (85%).

Interestingly, out of the over 900 survey responses 161 were within the 53211 zip code making it the community with the most responses. This zip code comprises Murray Hill, East Town and all of Shorewood. Bicycle access or ownership in this area is 96% which is about the same as other neighborhoods. However, respondents within this zip code had relatively different answers about barriers to bike riding than the other zip codes. The highest voted barriers to riding in 53211 neighborhoods were destinations being too far away, bad weather and bad drivers. The most desired improvements were more in line with other zip codes: more separation from traffic, more bike lanes, improved connections between bike lanes, bikeways, and sidewalks, and more neighborhood greenways.

The survey also asked respondents to give their opinions about location-specific improvements. The most mentioned area out of the 6 top respondent zip codes was Downtown Milwaukee. According to the survey report, this highlights the lack of bicycle connections in the area and the importance

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### Priorities and Concerns for Bicycling in Milwaukee

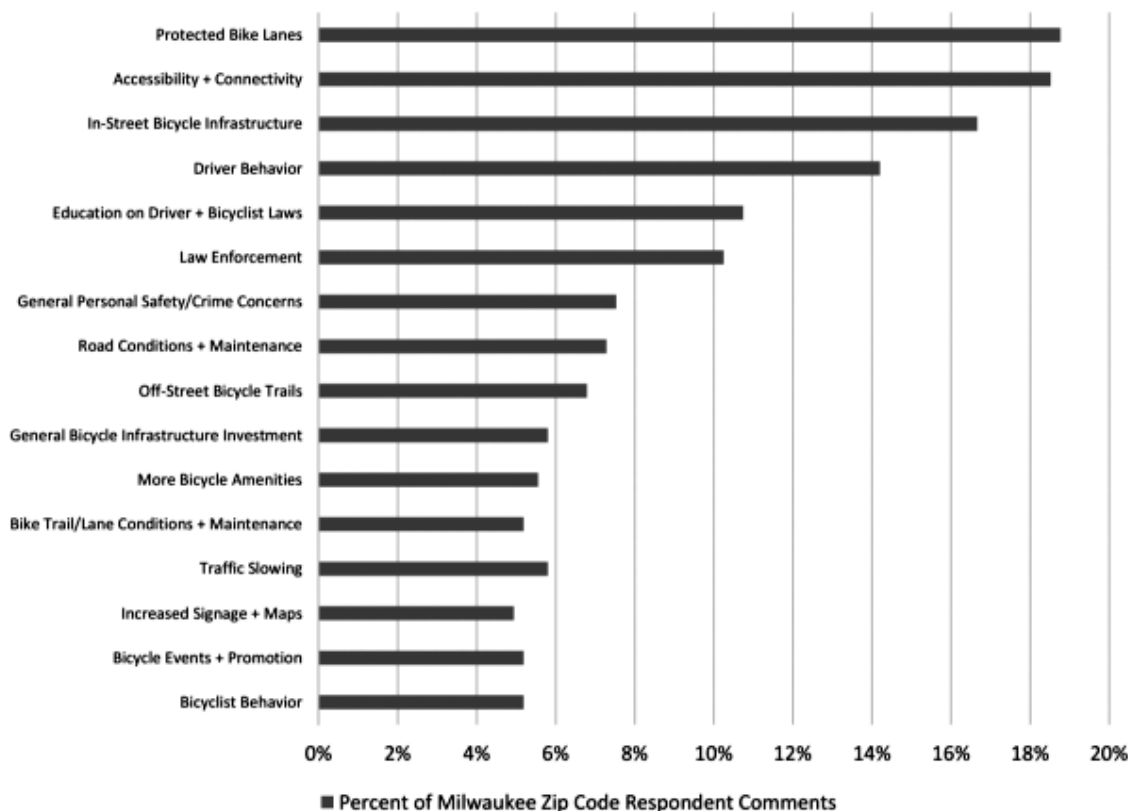


Figure 10. Priorities and Concerns Cited in Open-Ended Comments (p.35)



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of having a safe and well connected network in our city's core. Respondents were also asked which specific intersections or roadways they would most like to see improved. The answers were: Water Street, Brady Street, Oklahoma Ave., Lisbon Ave., 35th Street, Bluemound Road, and Wisconsin Ave. The areas that residents in the 53211 zip code most often mentioned were Locust Street and Water Street/1st St.

The results of this community wide survey clearly show that Milwaukeeans support the improvement our city's bike riding experiences as well as the creation of safer streets. A

majority of residents wanted to see improvements such as, more separation from traffic, more bike lanes, maintenance of existing bike lanes and improved connections between destinations. If these improvements were to happen, it would not only increase the quality of bicycling activities, but also encourage new riders as well. ■

Sources: The Milwaukee Path to Platinum Community Bicycling Survey-Summary Report

Draft, February 2017. Courtesy UW-Milwaukee Department of Urban Planning and Marquette University



Example of a curb bump-out as a traffic calming measure



Example of a separate protected bike lane

Hi, I'm a Realtor that lives in Murray Hill. I am happy to answer any of your real estate questions. I'm your neighbor so don't hesitate to call.

### How is the market? Is it a great time to buy or sell?

Those are common questions, but I recommend you don't let market predictions drive your life. Doing what you want when you want to is more important.

That said, this year has heated up with a lot more buyers ready to buy, than sellers wanting to sell. Buyers are not in a frenzy, but homes that are priced right sell quickly.

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Your neighborhood realtor,

Jack

P.S. Check out my webpage if you want more detailed information about the Murray Hill market, [JackIsNimble.com/MurrayHill](http://JackIsNimble.com/MurrayHill).



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## Survivors!

by Cynthia Sommer

We are lucky to have some beautiful examples of American Elm trees in Murray Hill that have survived the Dutch Elm disease. One can imagine our area with rows of gracious, beautiful and proud-standing American Elm trees with arching canopies over our streets in the mid 1950s.

One of the most massive American Elms (*Ulmus americana*) in the area is located on the northwest corner of N. Prospect Avenue and Webster St. (2550 N. Prospect). Alan and Janet Chapins, the homeowners and 35+ year caretakers of the tree, have seen through the years many a person hugging the tree to show their appreciation for its beauty and contributions. A taller but less massive American Elm can be found on Frederick near Newberry (2833 N. Frederick).



The tree on N. Prospect is estimated to be over 100 years old (house built in 1903) and is one of the few survivors of the devastating Dutch Elm disease that spread through Milwaukee. As measured by the City, the circumference of its trunk is approximately 15ft 6 in, its height is 101 ft. and the tree has a 125 ft. canopy that reaches over the major intersection, surrounding homes and more. It has been tested by the City arborist and shows no signs of Dutch Elm disease. The American Elm on N. Frederick

has a trunk with a circumference of 12 ft. 1 in., a significant height of 108 ft. and a canopy of 101 feet.

Elm trees were very common and popular in the Midwest because of their beauty, shade, and minimal maintenance

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## Project Clean and Green Week: May 30-June 5

This is the week to get rid of extra items, at no-cost, at your collection point on your scheduled collection day.

Residents can place unwanted furniture, mattresses, household items, yard and garden waste, twigs and leaves, up to two cubic yards of tree trimmings, and up to five tires.

After this week, there will be a \$50 - \$150 charge for all bulky pickup requests larger than one cubic yard (about the size of an easy chair). The number to call for this service at the Department of Public Works (DPW) is 286-2489.

Crews will not collect appliances, TVs, electronics, construction debris, paint, and grass clippings. These items can be properly disposed of at either 3879 W. Lincoln Avenue or 6660 N. Industrial Road.

These City of Milwaukee Self-Help Drop-Off Centers are open Tuesday through Sunday from 7:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. now through Thanksgiving. They are closed on Monday.

You will need to show ID that you are a City of Milwaukee resident.

## Discover A Hidden Gem In Lake Park: Visit The North Point Lighthouse



It's finally Spring, and time to step out and explore your city! Start by heading down to Lake Park to climb the North Point Lighthouse 74-ft tower for a spectacular 360° view of Lake Park, Lake Michigan and downtown Milwaukee.

*"A lighthouse in Lake Park?"* you ask.

Well, this maritime museum treasure is full of exhibits, artifacts and stories, from the history of the lighthouse and the keepers who lived there to the ships that sailed Lake Michigan. Whether you have a passion for all things lighthouses, or you are looking for interesting places to visit, the North Point Lighthouse is the perfect local destination to visit on a weekend afternoon.

The lighthouse is open all-year, Saturdays and Sundays, from 1-4 p.m. Visit [northpointlighthouse.org](http://northpointlighthouse.org) for more information about admission, tours and events. ■



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— Dr. Megan Graham

## UWM Spring Cleanup

by Jacob C. Arambel, UWM Neighborhood Housing Coordinator

### Hello Neighbors!

Spring is always an exciting time for Milwaukee's Upper East Side. Sunny skies and warmer weather means more outdoor activity, and the Neighborhood Housing Office is kicking into high gear to assist students and the community. I wanted to take a moment to share our upcoming programming. This year, we are focusing on clean neighborhoods and student tenant education. We are off to a great start!

The annual Preferred Tenant Program took place at the end of February and the beginning of March. This program teaches future and current student tenants their rights and responsibilities as renters in the City of Milwaukee. Speakers from UWMPD, the Dean of Students Office, the City of Milwaukee's Department of Neighborhood Services and more worked with students to explain how to be successful tenants and respectful neighbors. I am proud to say that this year our "graduating class" was larger than it has been in over 5 years. These students are excited to start their new lives off-campus and to engage in responsible behavior over the course of their tenancy. After finding their apartment, I'm sure many of them will want to reach out to you and introduce themselves as your new neighbors, so be on the lookout for these educated renters!

I am also excited to announce several upcoming programs. This year, the Neighborhood Housing Office is partnering with UWM's own Center for Community-Based Learning, Leadership & Research to organize a neighborhood clean-up during spring 2017's Make-A-Difference Day. Last fall we were able to organize about 80 people, and collected over 30 bags of trash.

We will also be bringing back the Dump n' Run, a clean-up event that takes place during peak student tenant turnovers. Partnering with the Office of Sustainability, our combined staff will travel the neighborhood in trucks to pick up any large or small items that students may leave on the

curb when they move out. Students and neighbors are also welcome to call in requests for curbside pickups. The Dump n' Run will take place at the end of May, and again around the end of July, just before August 1st move ins.

I'd also like to promote our Good Neighbor Award. Neighbors and students are encouraged to submit recommendations to our office of exceptional neighbors. Perhaps your neighbor helped shovel snow, kept their lawn clean or even just said hello whenever they saw you. We want to recognize and encourage positive neighborhood relationships, so please send in—through our website, in a letter, or in person—your story of having a great neighbor.

Once again, we know how exciting spring is for Milwaukee's Upper East Side. We hope that these programs will encourage student responsibility and promote positive neighborhood living for everyone. Thank you for your continued partnership in helping achieve that goal. ■

Sincerely,

Jacob C. Arambel  
Neighborhood Housing Coordinator  
University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee  
[uwm.edu/neighborhoodhousing](http://uwm.edu/neighborhoodhousing)

### ILLEGAL DUMPING

A handful of dumping complaints, particularly along Newberry Boulevard, has prompted the City of Milwaukee to remind residents that it's illegal to dump old furniture, tires, or other waste in vacant lots, in lawns, or on the median. Violators face up to \$5,000 in fines or up to 100 days in jail.

If you see illegal dumping, you could be eligible for a reward up to \$1,000 if your tip leads to a conviction.

### The Upper East Side/ Oakland Avenue Business Improvement District

*The East Side's most eclectic two-block business district featuring food from around the world, services for your daily life, and vibrant entertainment venues.*



*The B.I.D. is actively engaged in making your shopping and entertainment visit to our neighborhood the best it can be! We salute the efforts of our neighborhood partners at MHNA.*

*Enjoy delectables from Solo, Lil' Caesars, Lisa's, George Webb's, Oakland Gyros, Subway, Shahrazad, Thai Kitchen, Cousin's Subs, Five Guys Burgers and Fries, Cold Stone Creamery, Sal's Pizza, Shawarma House and Black Rose.*

*Don't forget your service and daily shopping needs can be fulfilled on your next visit to Oakland Ave. From Clark Graphics, Atomic Glass, Gianni Hair Salon, Gilbert's Liquor, H&R Block, The Washing Well, Walgreen's and Sal's Barber Shop!*

*And don't forget the eclectic mix of entertainment at our beloved Miramar Theater or grab a game of pool and a cold one at Axel's. On Oakland Ave., we have it all!*

## Lake Park: Summer Music Offerings

Concerts will go on, rain or shine. In poor weather, the concerts move indoors to the lower level of the Lake Park Pavilion, beneath the Lake Park Bistro restaurant. This space is also known as the Marcia Coles Community Room.

### Musical Mondays

Lake Park Friends present their 20th season of Musical Mondays starting July 3. The concerts are free and run from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

July 3 ..... Lakefront Brass Quintet  
 July 10 ..... 4th Street Elevator  
 July 17 ..... Caribbean Eclipse  
 July 24 ..... Alphonso Ponticello Trio  
 July 31 ..... Cream City Percussion  
 August 7 ..... Vox Antiqua  
 August 14 ..... Foliage Music  
 August 21 ..... Becky Spice & Chad Larget  
 August 28 ..... The Rhythm Aces

### Wonderful Wednesdays

Lake Park Friends start their 10th year of Wonderful Wednesday music offerings geared for children and their families on June 21st. Concerts run for one hour, from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

June 21 ..... Jim Gill  
 June 28 ..... Danika and Jeb  
 July 5 ..... Paul Kaye  
 July 12 ..... Twang Dragons  
 July 19 ..... Cash Box Kings  
 July 26 ..... Fox and Branch

## Knauer Plumbing, Heating and Cooling

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all worked with us for a very long time. We have very little to no turnover. In fact, we have retired a handful of plumbers,” they said.

“We enjoy helping our customers, especially when they call for an emergency when they tried to fix something themselves. There has never been a day where we wake up and say, ‘Ugh, I don’t want to go to work today.’ There is always something new to tackle,” Jennifer said.

Before confronting a vexing plumbing, heating, or cooling issue, you may want to heed Jennifer’s advice, “We always say, it’s cheaper to hire us from the start!” Give either Cheryl or Jennifer a call at 964-4950 or stop by this third-generation neighborhood institution at 2478 N. Murray Avenue. ■

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requirements. The Dutch Elm disease that was first discovered on the eastside of Milwaukee in 1955 killed more than 200,000 City and private trees—mostly in the 60s 70s, and 80s. The elm bark beetle managed to survive the Wisconsin cold and very quickly spread; the City put forth a valiant effort to save the trees but did not succeed. For several decades, the city arborists basically spent their time removing sick or dead trees. The science of urban forestry has advanced with possible treatments and the knowledge that diversity of tree species is important in preventing future devastating tree losses. But even today, new invaders such as the Emerald Ash Borer are a major concern in tree management.

Milwaukee was recognized by the American Forest organization as one of the 10 Best City with Urban Forest because of the number and care of our trees, its tree diversification plans, as well as its development of comprehensive inventories of its trees.

It is okay to just appreciate the variety and beauty of trees in the neighborhood. But trees have much more value to residents including the saving of natural energy with tree shading, removing of pollution, decreasing storm water runoff and increasing property values. So appreciate the old beautiful trees that grace our neighborhood, as well as the new growing trees that will serve us well into the future. ■

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## — Meeting Information —

General Membership Meetings will be held at  
Urban Ecology Center • 1500 E. Park Place  
at 7pm on the 4th Tuesday of the month  
414-964-8505 • urbanecologycenter.com  
Speakers will be announced, so watch the web  
site (www.murrayhillna.org) for detailed  
information on upcoming meetings.  
Topics and presentations will be released  
via e-mail.  
Dates are subject to change at any time.

**Upcoming Calendar of Events****June 1-8**

Downtown Dining Week

**June 9-11**

Pridefest

**June 11**

Locust St. Festival &amp; Beer Run

**June 16-18**

Lakefront Festival of Art

**June 16-18**

Polish Fest

**June 24**

Downer Classic Bike Races

**June 28-July 9**

Summerfest

**July 13-16**

Bastille Days

**July 15-16**

Milwaukee Air &amp; Water Show

**July 21-23**

Festa Italiana

**July 28-29**

Riverwest 24

**July 28-30**

German Fest

**July 29**

Brady St. Festival

**August 17-20**

Irish Fest

**About MHNA**

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Murray Hill Membership Application****NOW is the time to join!**

Clip and mail with your payment to:

MHNA / PO Box 71133 / Milwaukee, WI 53211

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Family ..... ☐ \$25Individual ..... ☐ \$15Business ..... ☐ \$30Senior (age 65+) ..... ☐ \$5Student ..... ☐ \$5**Please mark all that apply:**Homeowner ..... ☐Renter ..... ☐Landlord ..... ☐