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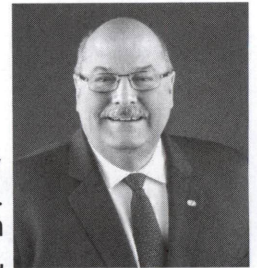
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Letter from Mayor Olson

Dear Franklin Constituent:

We're in the middle of a beautiful summer and the City continues to safely move forward through the pandemic. Our Health Department continues to provide guidance on social distancing and safe operation to Franklin businesses, restaurants, and bars to keep everyone safe from exposure to the COVID-19 virus, yet move toward returning to more normal activities.



You probably have noticed the new sign at Ballpark Commons for Franklin Field. In partnership with the Tourism Commission, ROC Ventures and the Milwaukee Milkmen are joining forces to "Engage Franklin" in a comprehensive package of activities to brand Franklin and encourage tourism for our City. That included a long-term naming agreement for the ballpark and soon a new name for the area that will change from Ballpark Commons; a visitors tourism center; a tourism director; regular events to attract visitors; a new set of social media and website; and a host of other promotional activities for the City (see article on page 4 of this newsletter to learn more about "Engage Franklin"). You'll also see new entrance signage, new banners throughout the City, and a new sign in front of City Hall with an LED board with current events. ALL of this is accomplished without use of property tax money. The money comes from hotel/motel room tax dollars.

I'm happy to welcome two new management personnel to the City. Peggy Steeno as the Director of Administration and Heath Eddy as Planning Manager. I have high expectations for both and they have already had an impact on the City in the short time they've been with us. I hope you get a chance to meet them.

Development continues to roll along in the City. We're pleased to welcome Biggby Coffee to the Shoppes at Wyndham Village that will be opening this fall. Those who are in a hurry will be able to drive through and pick up their morning Americano at the new shop that will be on the end closest to Target on the Highway 100 side of the development.

And as I've mentioned before, we're proud to be one of the sites for the MBA 2020 Parade of Homes in the Ryanwood Manor Subdivision on W. Oakwood Road and S. 76th Street—August 15 through September 7. Seven builders will show their latest model homes.

The Clerk's office is working hard in preparation for the August 11th Primary Election for state offices. As was for our election in April, we will be social distancing at the polls and will have appropriate sanitizing methods in place for your protection and the protection of our poll workers.

As always, if you have a city-related question or need, please contact your alderman, myself, or any City staff. Our contact information is listed to the left on this page of the newsletter. We're here to help.

Sincerely,

Mayor Steve Olson

Please WELCOME the Following Businesses to the City of Franklin!

Foth, 7044 S. Ballpark Drive, Suite 200
(Planning/Engineering Consulting Office)

Jerusalem International Mart, 6955 S. 27th Street
(Grocery Store)

Jump Shout Media, 9563 S. 60th Street
(Production of Custom Printed Materials for
Branding/Promoting/Marketing)

Pieper Electric, 9563 S. 60th Street
(Distribution/Preparation of General Electric Parts & Equipment)

TBP Converting, 9646 S. 54th Street
(Manufacturer & Distribution of Tape, Sealants, Etc.)



SUPPORT FRANKLIN BUSINESSES!

The Franklin Lioness Club



**A nonprofit organization dedicated to
serving the beautiful City of Franklin.**

**Congratulations Franklin
High School Class of 2020!**
We are filled with Saber Pride.

**It was an honor to partner with Franklin Lions
and Crossroads Pizza in supplying 250 meals
to employees at Ascension Franklin Campus
during the COVID-19 crisis. We are very proud
to be part of such a giving community.**

**Join us on Facebook for upcoming events
and the latest club news and information:**
[https://m.facebook.com/groups/
2052034038361951](https://m.facebook.com/groups/2052034038361951) — or Email
FranklinLioness@yahoo.com.

PLEASE LET US KNOW HOW WE CAN HELP!

**Serving together in kindness—We are the
Franklin Lioness and we are here for you.**

The City Welcomes Peggy Steeno as its New Director of Administration



At their meeting of May 5, 2020, the Common Council confirmed Mayor Steve Olson's appointment of Peggy Steeno as its new Director of Administration for the City of Franklin. Peggy began her duties with the City on July 6th.

Peggy comes to us with more than 28 years of public sector experience, including positions with the State of Wisconsin, the Cities of Waukesha, Oshkosh, Menasha, and, most recently, the City of West Allis, where she has served in various roles, most recently as Director of Finance/Comptroller/Treasurer. Her varied experience makes her the ideal candidate for Franklin's top staff executive.

Peggy's educational background includes an undergraduate degree in Accounting and German, along with a Master of Business Administration focusing on Human Resources and Training and Technology. In addition, she is a licensed Certified Public Accountant in the State of Wisconsin.

Mayor Olson desired to find a candidate who sees "the big picture", will function as a strong leader, and can be an innovative problem solver with strong finance and communication skills. Mayor Olson noted that, "The detailed process and my conversations with Peggy make me confident that she is the right person to help move the City forward in this important position. I believe she will be an exceptional leader and a policy innovator and will serve the Council, the staff, and citizens well through these challenging financial times," explained Mayor Olson.

"I am very excited to have the opportunity to serve the City of Franklin," said Steeno. "I look forward to working on new challenges with the citizens, staff, and elected officials to continue to move Franklin forward in a positive manner!"

Steen and her husband are residents of West Allis and are avid sports fans and enjoy the outdoors. They have two grown children.

2020 St. Martins Fair Cancelled

**Due to a number of factors
surrounding the COVID-19
pandemic, the 2020 St. Martins
Labor Day Weekend Fair is
CANCELLED for 2020.**

**We look forward to seeing you
at the 2021 St. Martins Fair!**

**Sunday, September 5, 2021
Monday, September 6, 2021**

Safety Tips from the Franklin Fire Department



With the hustle and bustle of the Summer season, we're often in a hurry as we prepare meals; all the while thinking about the next activity we have to rush off to, trying to keep an eye on the little ones, dealing with text messages, phone calls, and children asking where they can find their sneakers! Keeping a few safety tips in mind can keep things moving and prevent a tragedy.

According to the National Fire Protection Association, cooking fires are the #1 cause of home fires and home fire injuries with more than half (55%) of home cooking fires started with the ignition of food or other cooking materials. Please consider the following safety tips while cooking:

- Create a 3 foot "kid free zone" around your stove or grill. This not only prevents burns, but also allows better concentration on the cooking process.
- Do not cook when you are tired, have taken medication that may make you drowsy, or have consumed alcohol.
- Do not leave cooking unattended. When baking or simmering food, set a timer. If you go to another part of the house, take a portable timer with you as well or turn the burner off.
- Never walk away from food that is broiling or frying. If it is necessary to leave the area, turn the stove/oven off.
- If you are baking or simmering food and the doorbell rings, you receive a telephone call, or have to leave the area; hold a potholder or large utensil in your hand—this will help remind you that you have food cooking/baking when you are done.
- Do not wear loose fitting clothing and pull back long hair while cooking. Long hair, long sleeves, bathrobes, or unzipped/unbuttoned jackets and sweaters can brush the burner or oven as you lean forward.
- Make sure all pan handles are turned to the side. Handles left turned towards the front of the stove can potentially be bumped and cause spills and burns. The contents of these pans can also cause devastating burns to children who may curiously grasp onto the forward-facing handles.
- Keep all flammable items, such as towels, dish clothes, potholders, cooking sprays and oils away from the stove.
- If you have a small stove-top fire, slide the pan cover onto the pan, move the pan to an unused burner, and shut the burner off. Contact the fire department to check to make sure the fire is fully extinguished and the heat has not penetrated into the nearby cupboard or wall where it could smolder and later ignite.
- It is Wisconsin state law that all fires must be reported. Be safe! The fire department would much rather come to your home to prevent a fire from occurring, than to fight a fire.
- Extinguish very small oven fires using baking soda—never use flour to try to put out a fire.
- If you have a significant oven or microwave oven fire, turn the oven off, do not open the oven door as introducing air will cause the fire to grow. Evacuate everyone from inside your home and call 9-1-1 from outside your home.
- Keep all cooking surfaces clean to help prevent fires.

If you experience a minor burn, immediately run the burn under "cool" water for several minutes. **If your clothing or body catches on fire: STOP** immediately, use your hands to protect your face, **DROP** to the ground, and **ROLL** as far as you can from side-to-side until the fire is extinguished. Seek immediate emergency care.

Please contact the Franklin Fire Prevention Office at 414-427-7582 with any fire safety questions.

Have a safe and enjoyable summer!

There Is No Such Thing as "Safe" Fireworks!

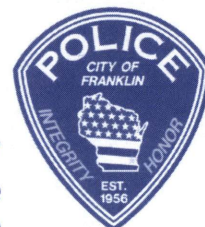


The Franklin Fire Department would like to remind you that if fireworks "go up" or "blow up", they are illegal in the City of Franklin. Due to many fireworks being illegal, as well as the burn, fire, and life-threatening dangers involved with using fireworks, the Franklin Fire Department urges citizens to forego utilizing fireworks for special events and holidays.

- ◆ Each year thousands of devastating fireworks-related burn injuries, contusions, lacerations, and even deaths occur due to the use of fireworks by citizens to celebrate throughout the summer months.
- ◆ According to the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), more than 19,500 reported fires are started by fireworks in the United States annually; with emergency rooms treating more than 9,000 fireworks injuries, mostly to hands, fingers, legs, and eyes. Sparklers alone account for roughly one-fourth of annual fireworks injuries. The risk of fireworks injury is highest for children ages 10 to 14, with more than one-third (36%) of the victims under the age of 15.
- ◆ The most common fireworks-related question we receive is, "Is there any safe firework?" Our answer is, "No".
- ◆ Many adults have shared childhood memories of playing with sparklers, not realizing just how hot they get or how dangerous they truly are. Sparklers can reach 1,200 degrees, hot enough to cause 3rd degree burns; some even reaching 1,800 degrees, hot enough to melt gold! Use glow sticks as an alternative to sparklers.
- ◆ **A few great ideas instead of fireworks:** Glow sticks, noise makers, silly string!

Please choose safe alternatives to fireworks for your family and avoid life-altering injuries. The Franklin Fire Department Fire Prevention Office can be reached at 414-427-7582, should you have questions regarding fire safety.

Franklin Citizen Police Academy



Due to COVID-19, Class #27 of the Franklin Police Department Citizen Police Academy was cancelled. The class will resume beginning Tuesday, September 1, 2020, with the original enrolled participants.

Class #28 of the Franklin Citizen Police Academy is expected to begin Tuesday, March 2, 2021, for 12 consecutive weeks.

A notice for applications will be posted in the City Newsletter and on the Franklin Police Department Facebook page prior to class start. Please watch for sign-up information!

Franklin Gets Engaged!

The Franklin Tourism Commission is partnering with ROC Ventures, developer of Ballpark Commons, to create a new independent tourism initiative called *Engage Franklin*. *Engage Franklin* will hire a full-time Tourism Director to be housed in the ROC Ventures office building next to the Milwaukee Milkmen Stadium, which has been renamed "Franklin Field" to reflect the Milwaukee Milkmen's home community and to help *Engage Franklin* with branding the City of Franklin for visitors. This partnership and stadium name will complement the Tourism Commission's placemaking efforts that are already underway with gateway signs and City banners throughout the community.



Along with full-time dedicated staffing to support tourism efforts in Franklin, *Engage Franklin* is creating a Visitors Center where guests can gather information on all the fun things to do, experiences to be had, places to stay, and things to eat here in Franklin. Franklin is home to 17 parks on over 173 acres, 435 hotel/motel rooms (with more on the way), 69 eateries (with more on the way), and several destinations for tourists to enjoy. This is in addition to the offerings already available to residents and to the 300,000+ annual visitors who come to Ballpark Commons for Milwaukee Milkmen games, baseball tournaments, the Umbrella Bar, summer concert series, food truck events, the Rock Snow Park, the Hills Have Eyes, and the upcoming indoor performance and wellness sports village and Luxe Golf. Together, the Tourism Commission and ROC Ventures are looking forward to this new endeavor and the opportunity to comprehensively promote and support all of Franklin's tourism-based businesses.

While working on this partnership, the Tourism Commission has also finished their new website, CelebrateFranklin.com, and its associated social media channels. These virtual elements will provide another avenue to support and promote *Engage Franklin* and entice visitors to play – and stay – in Franklin.

About the Engage Franklin Partners

ROC Ventures, whose mission is to provide a 'return on community' through successful operation of product offerings where we live, work, and play, is the developer of Ballpark Commons, an entertainment district that is largely situated on an old landfill. In addition to the tourism-based activities described above, Ballpark Commons is also home to Velo Village, a 265-unit, high-end apartment development that is currently under construction; New Perspectives Senior Living, which offers full-spectrum senior living options; and a recently announced Holiday Inn Express. There is room for three additional developments at Ballpark Commons and *Engage Franklin* will be actively seeking a brew pub to join the mix of offerings.

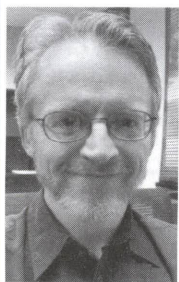
The **Tourism Commission** formed in 2017 and consists of 5 members appointed by the Franklin Common Council. The Commission is considered an independent body whose only source of revenue is hotel/motel room tax and whose primary focus is on tourism-based activities that support the lodging industry. The Commission's mission is to promote the City as the premiere destination in southeast Wisconsin for fun, business, entertainment and recreation; and to follow these Core Values:

MARKET: Engage in marketing activities designed to increase tourism awareness.

BRAND: Brand Franklin as a place that has high quality of life for both residents and visitors.

WELCOME: Support visitors and businesses.

DEVELOP: Engage in activities designed to bring additional revenue streams.



Welcome Heath Eddy as New City Planning Manager!

At their meeting of May 19, 2020, the Common Council confirmed Mayor Steve Olson's appointment of Heath R. Eddy as Planning Manager for the City of Franklin. Heath began his new role with the City on June 22nd.

Heath comes to the City with over 24 years of experience in both the public and private sector, having served in different capacities as Planner, Senior Planner, and Director of Planning and Zoning positions with Monroe County and City of Bloomington, Indiana; Chester County and Honey Brook Township, Pennsylvania; Fairfax County, Virginia; and, most recently, as Executive Director for Luzerne County Department of Planning & Zoning in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania.

Heath's educational background includes a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology and a Master of Urban and Regional Planning focusing on Environmental Management and Urban Design, Transportation.

One of Heath's critical beliefs is that customer service, in the public sector in particular, makes a big difference. "We work for the public so it is very important that they understand what it is we are looking for and what it is we are about," explains Heath. An innovative thinker, Heath states he has developed over his many years of experience "the ability to develop and implement tools and processes by which to address local needs and challenges. Most of all, I bring a lot of enthusiasm to the profession!"

Mayor Olson commented that, "Heath stood out in a very strong pool of candidates. His experience and customer-focused attitude made him the unanimous choice of the Committee".

Heath currently lives in Slinger and is happy to be back closer to family. His main hobbies are music and reading.

Your Franklin Health Department is Now on Facebook!

[www.Facebook.com/FranklinWIHealthDepartment](https://www.facebook.com/FranklinWIHealthDepartment)

Click "Like" and stay up-to-date on upcoming programs, initiatives, and services!

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update

With an increase in recreational opportunities outside of the home comes an increase in the risk of contracting and transmitting COVID-19. The numbers of those testing positive for COVID-19 have begun to trend upward in many areas of the country and our own State. We are seeing this upward trend creep into Franklin as well, proving that COVID-19 is still very present in our area. While the warm weather may be calling us to venture out in Franklin or other parts of the State, it is even more important than ever that we all play our role in preventing the spread of COVID-19.

Remember to take these precautions:

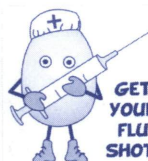
- Stay home if you are feeling ill.
- Wash hands frequently with soap and water.
- Maintain physical distance of at least 6 feet.
- Cover coughs and sneezes with your elbow.
- Regularly clean high-touch surfaces.
- When possible, use a mask or face covering in public settings, especially when you cannot ensure 6 feet of physical distancing.

COMMUNITY TESTING SITES: Visit <https://county.milwaukee.gov/EN/COVID-19>.

FRANKLIN CARES: There are community volunteers available to support Franklin neighbors with non-medical needs during this pandemic and social distancing. If you or someone you know needs food or prescriptions delivered, help in finding childcare, or someone to call and check on them, or if you would like to volunteer, please contact **Franklin Cares at 414-301-1489 or at Franklinwicares@gmail.com**.

For the most up-to-date information visit:

www.franklinwi.gov;
[www.Facebook.com/FranklinWIHealthDepartment](https://www.facebook.com/FranklinWIHealthDepartment);
www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19; or
www.cdc.gov/covid19



Flu Vaccination Clinics

ADULT Flu Vaccination Clinics will be held by the Franklin Health Department on the following dates:

September 30 / October 8 / October 13

More details to follow. Watch the next City newsletter or visit www.franklinwi.gov for more information.

Due to the continued threat of COVID-19 for seniors, the Annual Adult Health & Wellness Fair will NOT take place this fall; however, the Health Department will concentrate on a more robust flu clinic outreach for adults/seniors.

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR WAYS TO BE INVOLVED IN FRANKLIN?

CONSIDER SIGNING UP TO BE
A VOLUNTEER WITH THE
FRANKLIN HEALTH DEPARTMENT!

Volunteers play a huge role in our community! Sign up today to help out with community events and in other times of need!

If you wish to volunteer, please
complete an official registration at:
<https://www.weavrwi.org/index.php>:

- ⇒ Click [Register Now](#)
- ⇒ Click [Add Organization](#)
- ⇒ Select (+) [County Organizations](#)
- ⇒ Select (+) [Milwaukee County](#)
- ⇒ Select (+) [Franklin Health Department](#)

Questions? We would love to
hear from you—call 414-425-9101!

The Library Story

9151 W. Loomis Road, Franklin, WI 53132 ♦ 414-425-8214
www.franklinpubliclibrary.org / Jennifer Loeffel, Director

Hours:

M & Th: 12-8pm (curbside 10am-12pm)
Tu: 10am-5pm (curbside 5-7pm)
Wed: 10am-5pm
Fri: 10am-5pm
Sat: 10am-2pm

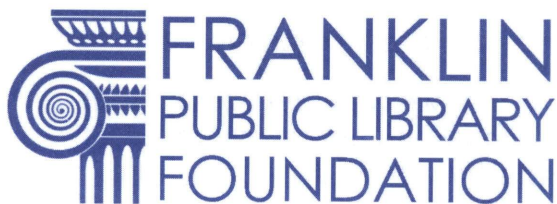
COVID-19 Library Update

The Library is OPEN! Our hours are:



Monday: 12–8 p.m. (curbside pick-up 10 a.m.–12 p.m.)
Tuesday: 10 a.m.–5 p.m. (curbside pick-up 5–7 p.m.)
Wednesday: 10 a.m.–5 p.m.
Thursday: 12–8 p.m. (curbside pick-up 10 a.m.–12 p.m.)
Friday: 10 a.m.–5 p.m.
Saturday: 10 a.m.–2 p.m.

- ♦ At this time, we are recommending the public wear masks inside the library, maintain a physical distance of at least 6 feet from others, and limit their library visits to 30 minutes or less. We will limit the number of people in the building based on guidance from the Franklin Health Department.
- ♦ All returned library materials are quarantined for 72 hours. Our inside book drops are closed and we are asking people to return all library materials through the drive-up book drops. Donations of items for our book sale can be scheduled by calling the Library Director at (414) 427-7545.
- ♦ Library computers and laptops are available on a limited basis. See the Information Desk to get a computer assignment. Computers can be used for one 30-minute session.
- ♦ Staff-assisted faxing, scanning, study rooms, and the CreateSpace are temporarily paused and we will be phasing in those services over the next few months as we slowly return to normal.
- ♦ We have increased, and will continue to increase, our cleaning of high-touch areas as much as we can, but, of course, can't guarantee a contagion-free environment. People will have to assume the risk of using the library. For those who are still uncomfortable using the library, we offer curbside pick-up of holds.



Help ensure the future of a strong and vibrant Franklin Public Library. Consider a donation to the Franklin Public Library Foundation today. The Foundation is a 501 (c)(3) organization, financially supporting Library projects that enhance the Library for the benefit of the community.

For more information on how you can support the Franklin Public Library Foundation, go to www.franklinpubliclibrary.org, click the "Support FPL" tab and select "Foundation".

Adult Programs



Virtual DIY Crafternoon (FPL Facebook Page)

Wednesdays at Noon. Join Keri on the FPL Facebook page (www.facebook.com/FranklinPublicLibraryWI) for a live class. Pick up supplies during open hours at the Library and then follow along online! Kits available 1 week prior to the program while supplies last.
July 29: Book Page Roses / **August 5:** Bottle Cap Flowers

Library Lunch Ladies—Garden Harvest (Zoom Meeting)

Friday, Aug. 21, 2 p.m. Sarah and Keri will be sharing recipes from their kitchens to yours for your garden's bounty via Zoom Meeting Link: <https://zoom.us/j/96684186929>. Recipes will be available on the Library's website and Facebook page August 17th.

Book Clubs for Adults (Zoom Meeting)

All meetings of the book discussion groups will be held via the Zoom Teleconferencing app until further notice. Copies of the books are available at the Library. For more information or a Zoom invitation to the meeting, contact Andy Scott at 414-425-8214 or andy.scott@mcfls.org.

Brown Baggers: 3rd Tuesdays at 12:30 p.m.

August 18—Home Front by Kristin Hannah

September 15—A Gentleman in Moscow by Amor Towles

Night Readers: 4th Mondays at 6 p.m.

August 24—The Lost Vintage by Ann Mah

September 28—The Library Book by Susan Orlean

Teen Programs (Grades 6-12)

Perpetual Desk Calendars for Teens (Optional Zoom Hangout)

Tuesday, Aug. 4, 3 p.m. Get ready for back-to-school and create a cute calendar for your desk! All supplies/instructions provided. Call 414-425-8214 or email Franklin.Teens@mcfls.org to reserve your Take-Out Kit a week in advance before pickup. Pick up your Take-Out Kit for this craft August 3rd during open Library hours. The optional Zoom Hangout to make this craft together will take place August 4 at 3 p.m. Zoom instructions will be included in the Take-Out Kit.

End-of-Summer Reading Sidewalk Chalk Graffiti & Ice Cream Party for Teens (No registration required)

Thursday, Aug. 6, 3 p.m. Celebrate the end of Summer Reading by decorating the Library sidewalk with chalk graffiti and enjoying pre-packaged ice cream! (Note: this program may be cancelled due to health and safety concerns—please check the Library website/Facebook page prior to this event for updates.)

Children/Family Programs

Please visit www.franklinpubliclibrary.org for all virtual programming offered for children and families.



Stay up-to-date with all that the Franklin Public Library is doing to support YOU by visiting its website at www.franklinpubliclibrary.org or following us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/FranklinPublicLibraryWI.





Franklin Senior Travel Program

Join the Franklin Senior Travelers for a day of fun, entertainment, and the opportunity to make new friends. Franklin seniors choose and pay for their destination and the City of Franklin pays for the bus transportation. You can't go wrong!

CONTACT: Basil or Karen Ryan, 414-423-5481, or visit www.FranklinSeniorTravelers.com

September & November 2020 Trips

****IMPORTANT:** These shows may be subject to change or cancellation due to COVID-19 restrictions and unknown "safer-at-home" order at the time of printing. Please check the website or call Basil at 414-423-5481 for updates and questions. Stay safe. **

Thursday, September 10: Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat, Fireside Theatre

From the creators of Evita and Jesus Christ Superstar, comes one of the most popular musicals of the last 50 years. This telling of the biblical story of Joseph and his brothers is filled with great music, costumes, laughter, joy, and heart. Utilizing many different styles of music from pop/rock to country to musical comedy, this sparkling show follows young Joseph as he faces adversity and triumphs through his dreams and his strong, unwavering faith. Written by Andrew Lloyd Weber and Tim Rice, this show includes the unforgettable classics "Any Dream Will Do" and "Close Every Door". This show has entertained tens of millions of people around the world and is still one of Broadway's shining stars. Lunch includes butternut squash soup, freshly baked breads, beef short rib, slowly braised in beef stock and dressed with a red wine demi-glaze, served with garlic and herb whipped potatoes and roasted shaved brussels sprouts with bacon. Featured dessert is Brandy Old-Fashioned cake, garnished with cherry and candied orange.

RSVP Deadline: August 10 / **Resident Fee:** \$72

Thursday, November 5: Holiday Inn, Fireside Theatre, Fort Atkinson

Based on the classic film starring Bing Crosby and Fred Astaire, Irving Berlin's Holiday Inn is a celebration of all the holidays of the year. Jim, a song and dance man and his new love, Linda, turn a Connecticut farmhouse into a fabulous inn that's only open on holidays. All is well until Jim's best friend, Ted, comes along with his own ideas about Linda and the inn. This joyous musical features thrilling dance numbers, laugh-out-loud comedy, and a parade of hit Irving Berlin songs including, "Blue Skies," "Easter Parade," "Cheek to Cheek," "White Christmas," and many more. It's a year-round classic to make any holiday sparkle! Lunch includes cream of watercress soup, freshly baked breads, Chicken Piccata (skinless breast of chicken dipped in egg, lightly breaded, sautéed to a golden brown, resting on a Velouté Lemon Cream Sauce and garnished with tiny caper buds and French-fried parsley), served with scalloped potatoes, fresh asparagus and baby carrots. Featured dessert is carrot cake with cream cheese frosting and Fireside's homemade butter pecan frozen custard.

RSVP Deadline: October 2 / **Resident Fee:** \$72

Reservations: Open to all Franklin residents who are 55 years or older. Full payment guarantees your reservation. **Refunds:** No refunds are given after the deadline date unless your ticket can be resold. **Insurance:** The City of Franklin and the Franklin Senior Travel Program does not provide medical insurance or hospitalization coverage for those participating in tours or activities. **Cancellations:** Tours may be cancelled due to weather.

Franklin Senior Citizens, Inc. & Seniors Walking Club

Open to Franklin Residents 55 Years of Age & Older



****Due to COVID-19, and the need to be extra cautious with our Seniors' health, the Franklin Senior Citizens, Inc. and Franklin Seniors Walking Club will not meet again until the State and local health officials give the all-clear that it is safe to do so again.**



For questions related to the Franklin Senior Citizens, Inc., contact Bev Key at 414-421-2226. For questions related to the Franklin Seniors Walking Club, contact David & Judy Beine at 414-421-3490 or visit www.FranklinSeniorTravelers.com (click on the "Franklin Sr. Walking Club" box).

Franklin Senior Dining—Curbside Pickup or Delivery: The Milwaukee County Department on Aging is committed to meeting the food needs of older adults during the COVID-19 crisis. Curbside pick-up or delivery of meals is available at the Franklin City Hall Senior Dining location, 9229 W. Loomis Road, Monday-Friday from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. to those 60 years and older. Diners are encouraged to contribute \$3 per meal. **Call 427-7696 between 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. to reserve lunch (24-hour notice needed).** For curbside pickup, arrive to site parking lot pick-up location, join the vehicle line-up, open window, exchange meal contribution and next registration, and receive meal. Enjoy lunch safer at home!



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FRANKLIN, WI 53132

Exciting News for the City of Franklin Forestry

Have you ever wondered what kind of tree is planted along your road? Citizens will now have the ability to find out. Through a WI-DNR Urban Forest Grant, the City of Franklin tree inventory has been updated and published on the Wisconsin Community Tree Map at <https://pg-cloud.com/Wisconsin>. Tree information available to be viewed on this tree map is species, size, condition, location, and year planted. This information is helpful to guide decision-making on how to best manage the 10,000 City street trees. One of the best features of the Wisconsin Community Tree Map is the "benefits calculator". This calculator tells the appraised value of each tree, ecological benefits such as storm water mitigation and carbon reduction, and overall benefit to the community. The tree map information will be updated regularly after each City planting.



Tom Riha, City Forester (in bucket), and Craig Woltz of the Franklin DPW perform pruning operations on City street trees.

One large problem that the tree map highlights is the over representation of Maple trees along City of Franklin roadways. This problem can also be seen in the private landscape. Currently, the City tree population contains 34% Maple trees. This puts the urban forest at risk if a species-specific insect or disease attacks. The Emerald Ash Borer was an example of this happening, destroying 30% of the City street trees. Industry recommendations are that no genus, i.e. Maple, comprise more than 20% with no species, i.e. Norway, Red, or Silver, comprising more than 10%. The City "recommended street tree list" includes trees suitable for planting along roadways. This tree list can be found at <https://www.franklinwi.gov/Departments/Engineering-Public-Works/HighwayParks/City-ForesterCity-Street-Trees.htm>.

Another good resource for homeowners, created by Dr. Laura Jull from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, can be found at <https://hort.extension.wisc.edu/files/2015/06/Alternatives-to-Ash-for-Professionals.pdf>. Please note this list includes Maples for areas where they are not over-represented. This resource gives examples based on size and is more suitable for locations not inclusive of roadways.

HAVE A LITTLE EXTRA TIME? Franklin's Service and Civic Organizations are looking for new members. We have a variety of groups and clubs throughout the City, each with different purposes. Visit the City website at <https://www.franklinwi.gov/About-Franklin/Civic-Organizations.htm> for a listing and contact information and join one or more and make a difference!

**Thank you Tony Megna for your
38 years of service on the City of
Franklin Parks Commission!**

(6/1/1982 thru 4/30/2020)



Tony Megna (left) and Ald. John Nelson share some insight together while on the annual tour of parks by the Parks Commission.



OPENING DOORS

CONNECTING YOU TO FRANKLIN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

FROM THE DESK OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

July, 2020

A Simple Equation For Returning To School

As a former math teacher, I often think about things in a linear manner. Equations have always made sense to me. An equation that I have been thinking about this summer relates to our return to school next fall.

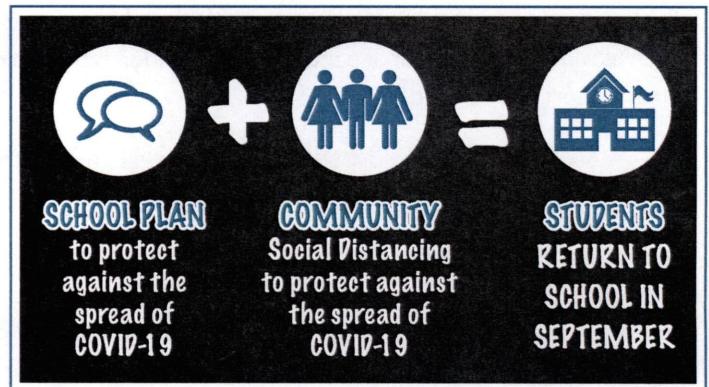
Knowing the importance of social and human interaction and how it impacts learning, the best place for our students to reach their highest levels of achievement is at school. While we are very proud of our learning experiences in the virtual environment, we are planning to return to school next fall (as of writing this message in mid-June).

This is where "equation thinking" comes into play. In order to return to school next fall, two variables need to add up:

- **VARIABLE ONE:** we need to develop the best plan possible for social distancing to happen in our schools.
- **VARIABLE TWO:** our community needs to continue to practice social distancing to protect against the spread of COVID-19.

If those two variables occur, we will be able to safely return to school in September.

We have very talented staff members who are developing a plan to keep students as safe as possible when returning back to school. When I say "as safe as possible," we know that keeping children and staff six feet apart all day long is not possible. We can, however, do a number of things to min-



imize close contact. In addition, we plan to monitor our staff and student health, utilize personal protective equipment (PPE), and significantly increase our sanitation protocols.

Without social distancing in our community, and without your help, our equation to bring kids back to school will fail. Which leads me back to the purpose of this message. I respectfully ask that you please consider your own well-being and the well-being of our students and continue to social distance so we can slow the spread of COVID-19 in our community. Doing so will impact our ability to put together a strong equation that can result in us safely returning to school.

Your help with this truly matters.

~DR. JUDY MUELLER, SUPERINTENDENT



Points of Pride!



Franklin 4K

In our first year offering 4-year-old Kindergarten, we served almost 200 students and their families!



Forest Park Middle School

Our new Forest Park Middle School opened this year and welcomed over 1100 students in grades 6-8.



FHS a "Best High School"

Franklin High School named a "Best High School" by US News & World Report, ranking in the top 7% nationwide!

A MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT:

Leading By Example

As a school district, we're invested in safety and have diligently updated our processes and procedures in order to keep our students, staff and community safe in our schools. Preparedness is a fundamental key to crisis management. I was reminded of that while attending a safety conference session where former school leaders of Joplin, Missouri passed along their experiences from when an EF-5 tornado with winds in excess of 100 mph ripped through Joplin on May 22, 2011 and destroyed six schools and damaged four others, less than an hour after their graduation ceremony. Other experts from across the nation with direct knowledge of school crises readily pass along invaluable preparedness tips to School Board members and administrators and acknowledge the importance of making connections, sharing experiences and having critical information at hand at a moments notice because we always need to be prepared for the unexpected.

We never could have anticipated, nor have been fully prepared for the circumstances thrust upon our school district this past March as a result of the global pandemic. Our leadership team did an excellent job of implementing an appropriate virtual learning plan in a short time period.

"A person always doing his or her best becomes a natural leader, just by example."

– Joe DiMaggio

The success of the last few months of the school year hinged on strong leadership from the administration and teachers, and required a great deal of flexibility and creative thinking. But you, our school community, showed your leadership, as well. Whether you were the stay-at-home parent or guardian, a grandparent, close relative, or a caregiver, who was charged with the responsibility of guiding your child, you led by example and showed our students the importance of continuing their education so they can become future leaders. You hung in there and did your best, and for that we are grateful.

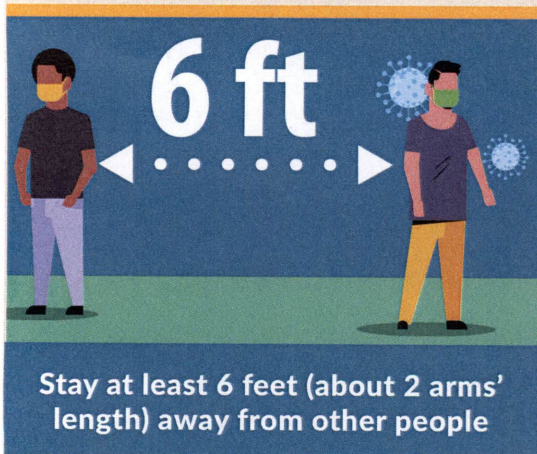
The Board of Education is confident in preparations being made by the administration for returning to school in fall to educate in a safe environment. Should a virtual environment be necessary in the future, we are once again prepared to meet the challenges ahead of us as a district. We wish you all the best and good health for the remainder of the summer.

Sincerely,

JANET EVANS, PRESIDENT, Franklin Public Schools Board Of Education

HEALTH & WELLNESS:

Help Stop the Spread of Germs with these Quick Tips!



[cdc.gov/coronavirus](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus)

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