



Alderman
Robert W. Puente
9th District

SPRING/SUMMER 2012

Dear 9th District Residents,

Thank You.

I am honored and grateful to have been given the opportunity to serve you as the 9th District alderman for another four years. My focus will continue to be serving you and working to create jobs, as well as making sure our neighborhoods are safe. I appreciate everyone who participated in the April election and who took the time to be invested in our neighborhoods and our city.

I strongly encourage all residents of the 9th District to get involved. Help tutor a child/student, or volunteer your time and talents in other ways to benefit the community. Join a neighborhood group or become a block watch member, and help keep your block clean and keep an eye out for criminal activities.

In this newsletter you'll find information on the schedule of activities on July 4 at Noyes Park, an upcoming mobile mammography coach stop in the district, some potentially life-saving new equipment recently acquired by the Milwaukee Fire Department, and several helpful articles about city services.

Please have a safe and prosperous summer.

Sincerely,

Robert W. Puente
Alderman – 9th District



Alderman Puente addresses the crowd at the Inauguration of Elected Officials held in the Common Council Chamber on April 17, 2012.

Alderman Puente's Committee Assignments

With the new term that began in April, Alderman Puente continues as a member of the Common Council's Public Works Committee and as Vice Chair of the Public Safety Committee. In addition, he has been appointed to the Council's Judiciary and Legislation Committee and to the Wisconsin Center District Board.

The Judiciary and Legislation Committee acts on legal claims against the city and on matters involving other governmental units at the local, state, and federal level. Among other issues, the committee also handles matters of taxation and revenues, deferred assessments, refunds or cancellation of taxes or billings.

The Wisconsin Center District is an autonomous government body created under Wisconsin State Statute in 1994 to fund, build and operate the Midwest Express Center (now Frontier Airlines Center) in downtown Milwaukee, and continue operating the existing venues now called the U.S. Cellular Arena and Milwaukee Theatre.

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COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Vice Chair
Public Safety Committee

Member
Public Works Committee
Judiciary and Legislation Committee
Wisconsin Center District Board

Watch council & committee meetings at:
www.milwaukee.gov/CityChannelLive

Summer Set Out Garbage and Recycling Collection:

April 16 thru Nov. 30, 2012

Look for collection schedules which will be placed on your recycling cart in the spring, or check the online schedule (www.mpw.milwaukee.gov/services/garbage_day) to look up your next recycling and garbage collection dates. Thanks for recycling! Together we are helping to keep Milwaukee Clean & Green.

There is NO garbage or recycling collection on the following City Holidays and Furlough Days:

- Independence Day: July 4
- Labor Day & Furlough Day: August 31 & September 3
- Thanksgiving: Nov. 22 & 23
- Christmas: Dec. 24 & 25
- New Year's: Dec. 31 & Jan. 1, 2013

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Need To Contact The City? Couldn't Be Easier One Call That's All – 286-CITY

That one number can connect you with 21 departments, 8,800 employees and 100s of city services, ranging from building permits to parking permission to library hours to garbage pickups.

Ald. Puente says the 286-CITY one-stop number for city services makes it even easier to find the right department and person to handle your complaint or request. Residents will still call 911 for emergencies but can use the new number for any other calls.

Of course you can always call Ald. Puente's office at 286-2868.

In addition to contacting his office, Ald. Puente wants you to know there are many ways to get information, request services, register complaints or comment on issues important to you. Among them:

- If you have a computer and Internet access, keeping informed about what's happening in the 9th District, the city and the county and finding government information and services online is just a few clicks away on the Milwaukee Portal Page.

Go to www.milwaukee.gov, simply type a keyword or phrase in the site section and click GO. The search engine will take you to the proper department in either the city or the county.

- Another city initiative called **E-Service** provides an online request form that allows citizens to request a service without knowing which city department provides that service. E-Service cuts at least two-days off the process.

- And the city can also communicate with you with **E-Notify**. This easy-to-use, internet tool allows the city to send such information as **9th District news and information**, city news, Common Council meetings, police crime bulletins by neighborhood, meeting and bid notices and many other topics to subscribers' email accounts based on selections made by the individual citizen. Go to www.milwaukee.gov/enotify and sign up for E-Notify today.

- You can also follow us on Twitter for the latest news and press releases from the Common Council. Follow us at: MKE_CC

Putting Up A Fence?

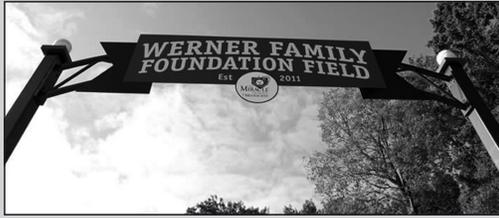
Please check the city rules on fences before you put it up. People have had to take down fences after spending money on them because they were too high, in the wrong place or facing the wrong way.

For more information on rules governing fences and other permits that may be needed, visit www.milwaukee.gov/build or call the City of Milwaukee Development Center at 286-8211.

FREE Landlord Training Program

For more information visit:
www.milwaukee.gov/landlordtraining

To register contact the Department of Neighborhood Services at landlordtraining@milwaukee.gov or call 286-2954.



The Miracle League field – designed especially to allow children with disabilities and special needs to experience the thrill of playing baseball – was selected as a winner in this year’s 15th annual Mayor’s Design Awards. The field is located in the 9th District on the campus of the John C. Cudahy YMCA, 9050 N. Swan Rd.



Mayor’s Design Award



CSM Mammography Coach Coming July 14

The Columbia St. Mary’s Mobile Digital Mammography Coach will be visiting the Granville Neighborhood Health Center on Saturday, July 14.

Space is limited, so please register for your mammogram today. To register please call (414) 333-2206.

WHAT: Mammography services **WHEN:** Saturday, July 14, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
WHERE: Granville Neighborhood Health Center, 9550 W. Brown Deer Rd.

**If you don’t have health insurance, we can help. Please call Claudia at (414) 333-2206.*

Pet Waste-Leash Laws

You shouldn’t have to watch where you step in our neighborhoods but unfortunately there are people who neglect to pick up after their pets. Not only is it unsightly, pet waste left on the lawn or next to the sidewalk washes into storm drains which carries it directly into our rivers and Lake Michigan.

Please, on behalf of your neighbors, double-bag pet waste in plastic bags. Seal the bags and then put them in the green garbage cart. If you have any questions, call the DPW/City Call Center at 286-2489.

There is a serious problem of dogs being at large throughout the city, and Ald. Puente would also like to remind residents that city law prohibits an owner from permitting an animal to be at large.

MFD Gets New Multi-Gas Meters

The Milwaukee Fire Department has been able to purchase much-needed gas detection equipment thanks to a nearly \$20,000 grant from the Wisconsin Energy Foundation. This new life-saving equipment will replace older, heavily-worn gas meters.

The new multi-gas detection meters detect carbon monoxide and additional gases as well. They’re easy to operate and provide an additional function: they can be used by the department’s Heavy Urban Rescue Team to monitor conditions during confined space rescues as well as to support Hazardous Materials operations. This cross-capability is important because the MFD will now have a larger number of monitoring devices available for normal monitoring and for the specialized operations.

“These new meters are of an extremely high quality and will provide a layer of additional safety for the citizens of the City of Milwaukee,” said Alderman Puente, vice chair of the Common Council’s Public Safety Committee. “I tip my hat to the Wisconsin Energy Foundation for the generous donation that made it possible for the department to purchase the new meters.”

Real-Time Crime

A useful application Alderman Puente encourages residents to try is www.milwaukee.gov/policecalls, the real-time dispatched calls for service system. The “calls for service” list works like a printed police scanner and includes calls received during the last 30-90 minutes.

Residents can also find crime information through the city’s COMPASS system at www.milwaukee.gov/compass where many mapping systems can help you identify statistics for your area.



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Noyes Park – 4th of July

Please come and enjoy the celebration of Independence Day on July 4 at Noyes Park, 8235 W. Good Hope Rd. This year's theme is "Enduring Freedom."

Here is the schedule of activities:

- 8:45 a.m. - Parade
- 9:45 a.m. - Flag raising ceremony (in front of pool building)
- 10:00 a.m. - Registration for bike decorating, coaster wagon and float contest
- 10:30 a.m. - Presentation of decoration awards
- 10:45 a.m. - Games
- 9:15 p.m. - Fireworks

REMINDERS: Possession and lighting of fireworks is forbidden in the City of Milwaukee, with fines up to \$1,000. NO alcoholic beverages are allowed in Milwaukee County Parks without a permit. NO driving or parking on the grass without permission from Milwaukee County Parks.

Have A Safe & Enjoyable Summer!

Meet Sparky, the Fireworks Task Force safety mascot!



Visit www.milwaukee.gov/sparky to:

- Learn more about fireworks safety.
- Download & print your own coloring page!
- **Like SparkyMKE on Facebook** and he'll keep you posted on fireworks events and more throughout Milwaukee!



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2012 Festivals & Events

June 6 - Oct. 24 Wednesdays • **Westtown Farmer's Market** • Zeidler Union Square

June 7 - Sept. 6 Thursdays • **Jazz in the Park** • Cathedral Square Park

June 2 - Oct. 6 Saturdays • **East Town Market** • Cathedral Square Park

June 5 - Aug. 28 Tuesdays • **Chill on the Hill** • Humboldt Park, Bay View

June 13 - Aug. 29 Wednesdays • **River Rhythms** • Pere Marquette Park

June 22 - 24 • **Greek Fest** • Wisconsin State Fair Park

June 27 - July 1, July 3-8 • **Summerfest** • Henry W. Maier Festival Park

July 3 • **U.S. Bank Fireworks** • Veterans Park

July 12 - 15 • **Bastille Days** • East Town (Jefferson St./Cathedral Square)

July 15 • **South Shore Frolics** • South Shore Park

July 19 - 22 • **Festa Italiana** • Henry W. Maier Festival Park

July 26 - 29 • **German Fest** • Henry W. Maier Festival Park

Aug. 2 - 12 • **Wisconsin State Fair** • Wisconsin State Fair Park

Aug. 11 - 12 • **Milwaukee Air & Water Show** • Bradford Beach, Milwaukee

CANCELED FOR RAMADAN • **Arab World Fest**

Aug. 16 - 19 • **A La Carte at the Zoo** • Milwaukee County Zoo

Aug. 16 - 19 • **Irish Fest** • Henry W. Maier Festival Park

Aug. 24 - 26 • **Mexican Fiesta** • Henry W. Maier Festival Park

Sept. 7 - 9 • **Indian Summer Festival** • Henry W. Maier Festival Park

McDonald's Scholar



Alderman Puente congratulated recent Divine Savior Holy Angels graduate and 9th District constituent Annie Yang on being honored as a McDonald's scholar during a special reception at City Hall in late May. Ms. Yang will be attending Marquette University as an engineering student in the fall.