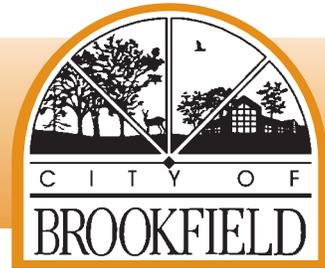


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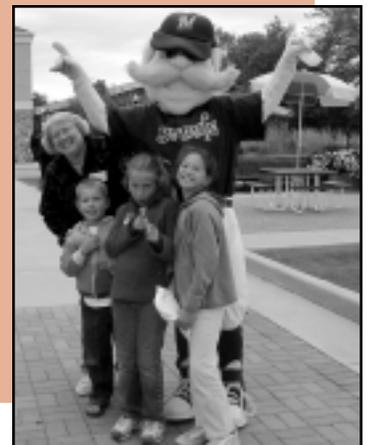
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Trick-or-Treat —  
Sunday,  
October 31  
from 5-7:30 p.m.



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# City Hall Phone Numbers

## Emergency

911

City Hall	(262) 782-9650
Assessor	(262) 796-6649
Building Inspection	(262) 796-6646
Code Enforcement	(262) 796-6646
City Clerk	(262) 796-6653
Community Development	
Planning	(262) 796-6695
Economic Development	(262) 796-6694
Court	(262) 796-6660
Engineering	(262) 787-3919
Finance/Treasurer	(262) 782-9650
Fire Non-Emergency	(262) 782-8932
Highway/Streets	(262) 782-5029
Human Resources	(262) 796-6642
Library	(262) 782-4140
Parks, Recreation & Forestry	(262) 796-6675
Police Non-Emergency	(262) 782-6072
Community Services Officer	(262) 787-3557
Crime Prevention Lieutenant	(262) 787-3623
Police Social Worker	(262) 796-6689
Police Administration	(262) 787-3566
<i>Mon.-Fri. 8:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.</i>	
TDD	(262) 782-6203
Business Fax	(262) 782-8757
Public Works Inspection	(262) 796-6673
Senior Community Center	(262) 796-6675
Superior/Onyx (Trash Contractor)	(262) 367-6040
Water Pollution Control Center	(262) 782-0199
Water Utility	(262) 796-6717

# Police Department

## Public Safety Event

On September 10-11, 2004, the City of Brookfield Police and Fire Departments are hosting a Public Safety event at Brookfield Square Shopping Center together with other Waukesha County police, fire and public service agencies to promote safety and security in our communities. This event will include safety displays, special demonstrations, and handout materials. Agency representatives will be available to answer questions and to provide crime prevention and safety information in

## Halloween Safety Tips

-  A parent or other responsible adult should accompany younger children on their Trick-or-Treating rounds. Children should not Trick-or-Treat alone, regardless of their age.
-  Make sure the children are clearly visible to drivers. Place glow-in-the-dark patches or strips on costumes. Carry a flashlight, glow stick or reflective bag.
-  Costumes should fit properly to prevent tripping or restricting sight or sound.
-  Children should be instructed to remain outside of the home to collect their treats.
-  It is preferable that children remain in their own neighborhoods.
-  Advise children to watch for traffic and look in all directions before crossing the street.
-  Parents should examine their children's treats when they return home. Any candy that is not wrapped or sealed should be thrown out. If a candy item appears to have been tampered with or looks suspicious, parents should notify the police.



the Brookfield Square mall area on Friday, September 10, from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. and on Saturday, September 11, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

## Back to School Safety

The City of Brookfield Police Department's Crime Prevention Unit offers the following tips for a safe school year:

### Tips for Motorists

- Slow down and obey all traffic laws and speed limits.
- Always stop for a school bus that has stopped to load and unload passengers.
- Be alert and ready to stop. Watch for children who may dart into the street without looking for traffic. When backing out of a driveway or leaving a garage, watch for children walking or biking to school.
- Lock your car after removing items from sight inside the car, if parking in a garage isn't feasible.



### Tips for Parents

- Help your children learn and practice the safety rules for walking, bicycling, or riding in a car or school bus.
- Supervise young children as they are walking or biking to school or as they wait at the school bus stop.

### Tips for Students

- Always buckle up when you're riding in a car.
- Always ride in the back seat. It's the safest place for young people.
- Always wear a helmet and follow traffic safety rules when riding your bike.
- If you ride a school bus, learn and practice the bus safety rules.
- If you walk to school, learn and practice the safety rules for pedestrians.
- Be a good role model for your younger brothers and sisters and friends, and help them learn and practice the safety rules.

## Call 9-1-1

We all see the numerals 911 on the police squad cars, ambulances, and fire apparatus throughout the City. Those numbers are there to remind us to call 9-1-1 during an emergency. When time is critical, we only need to remember three numbers, 9-1-1, to summon a professional to come to our aid.

Citizens often struggle with the question “is this enough of an emergency to call 9-1-1 or should I call the seven digit phone number?” The answer is simple, whenever you want to see a police officer, firefighter, or paramedic responding to your call

with red lights and sirens, call 9-1-1. Let the trained professional dispatchers respond to your call for assistance, and dispatch the appropriate public safety professionals.

The City will be joining the Waukesha County Communications Center in late 2004. It is very important that we call 9-1-1 whenever we need emergency assistance, assuring the highest quality public safety response to those needs.

## Police Non-Emergency Numbers

Police — 262-787-3700 • Records Request — 262-787-3701 • Administration — 262-787-3702

# Finance Department

## Past Due Utility Bill Payments

### \*\* Final Notice \*\*

Third quarter utility bills will arrive in your home around October 1st. Utility customers with past due amounts (shown on your bill as “Balance at Billing”) need to make payment of full “Balance Due” amount by October 25, 2004 to avoid a 1% late penalty charge. Any “Balance at Billing” amounts not paid by November 1, 2004 will be transferred to the property tax bill with an additional 10% penalty (per Wisconsin law). This will be the only notice you receive about amounts transferring to your tax bill.

To avoid missing payments in the future, please sign up for our automatic payment plan (APP). You can use our APP Form to have City utility payments automatically deducted from your bank account on a quarterly basis. For your records, you will receive a quarterly statement which shows how much money is due and the date it will be withdrawn.

Here’s how to get started:

- Obtain, complete and return an APP Form. This form can be obtained from the City Treasurer’s office at City Hall *or* Online at: <http://www.cityofbrookfield.com>.
- Use the left side-bar on this page to go to **City Departments – Finance**.
- On the **Finance** page click on “**Water/Sewer Utility Billing**”
- Then find and click on the link to the actual form, “**automatic bill payment for water/sewer bills.**”

- Print and complete the form, remember to enclose a voided check from the account you wish to use and then drop into our “Drop-Box” or mail to the address on the form.

Please call the City Accounting office at 262-782-9650 with questions.

### Sample of Utility bill with overdue amount circled

Billing Date	Account No.	Service Address
09/30/04	200000	123 N MAIN ST

Meter Reading				Consump.	Previous Balance
Read Dates	Days	Previous	Current	(1000 Gals)	
WAT 09/00/04-09/01/04	82	1216	1235	19	\$327.10
05/01/04 - 09/01/04					

Penalties	6.88
Adjustments	.00
Payments Received	100.00
<b>Balance at Billing</b>	<b>233.98</b>
Current Billing	
Water Service Charge	13.35
Water Volume Charge	41.51
Sewer Service Charge	52.00
Sewer Volume Charge	49.02
Current Charges	155.98
<b>Balance Due</b>	<b>\$389.98</b>
Due Date	10/25/04

State and Federal law requires that you be notified each calendar quarter that the radium level in the water exceeds the Federal government's limit of 5 Pico curies per liter. The water is safe to drink.

\*\*\* THE BALANCE AT BILLING AS SHOWN ABOVE PLUS 10% WILL TRANSFER TO THE TAX ROLL, IF NOT PAID BY NOV. 1, 2004

City of Brookfield - Utilities • 2000 N. Calhoun Rd • Brookfield, WI 53005 • (262)782-9650

Make Checks Payable To	REMITTANCE PORTION
 City of Brookfield - Utilities 2000 N. Calhoun Rd. Brookfield, WI 53005-5095	Account No. 200000 Due Date 10/25/04 Amount Due \$389.98
CURRENT RESIDENT 123 N MAIN ST BROOKFIELD, WI 53005	Payment must be received at City Hall by the due date to avoid a late penalty charge of 1% per month  20000000000038998

# Public Works Department

## MOVING?

### All Properties are Required to Connect to City Water at Time of Sale

As part of the City's efforts to provide City water to all properties by 2020, the City passed an ordinance requiring all properties that have City water available to them to connect to City water at the time of sale or within 10 years of the water main assessment date, whichever occurs first. The City provides water to approximately 70% of the City's properties, but not all of them are connected. Approximately 1300 properties have water available to them, but are not yet connected to the system.

### Why City Water?

A municipal water source is advantageous to the community for numerous reasons, including:

- **Municipal water is safer than private sources.** It is treated daily by trained professionals and tested weekly, monthly and quarterly for dozens of potential contaminants to ensure the safety and quality of the water. Private wells are infrequently if ever tested by property owners.
- **Municipal water is more reliable than private sources.** The Utility operates wells and pump stations with backup power supplies in times of power failure. Private systems generally can not provide water during power outages.
- **A municipal water system provides a plentiful supply of water for fire protection.** This can affect insurance ratings and premiums. Private systems rely on Fire trucks with tanks that need to fill up elsewhere.
- **Municipal water increases the value of properties.** Real estate agents indicate that properties with municipal water are more valuable than properties with private wells.
- **Municipal water service provides for essentially worry free service since Water Utility employees operate and maintain the water system.** Private water service requires property owners to test their wells and maintain pumps, pipes and well.
- **Municipal water service protects the precious water source better than private wells.** The City maintains ordinances protecting the areas surrounding the City's 23 municipal wells from certain land uses that might contaminate the wells. Private wells do not enjoy these

protections and are so numerous (in the thousands) that it drastically increases the potential for contamination of the groundwater system.

### When Will We Get City Water?

The City's water main extension policy provides for the Brookfield Water Utility to extend water to an area for any of the following purposes:

- improving the overall performance of the water distribution system
- completing the water distribution system in an area
- coordinating the installation of water main to precede road reconstruction projects
- providing water in areas where the condition of the private wells is suspect
- any other purpose determined by the utility

To recover the costs of the water main installed to serve properties, the water utility assesses the cost for water main extensions to adjacent property owners. The Utility does allow a ten year period for developed properties to connect to municipal water or at point of sale of the property, whichever comes first. All properties with water availability but not connected shall pay a standby fee to cover operation and maintenance costs. To ease the burden of water main assessments on property owners, the Utility allows payment of assessments over a ten-year period with interest.

We have received many inquiries about the extension of City water to areas not currently served with municipal water. Included in this newsletter is a copy of the City map showing the plans for extending water to new areas over the next five years. A larger copy of the map is also available on the City's website at [www.ci.Brookfield.wi.us](http://www.ci.Brookfield.wi.us), or stop in to the Engineering Division to see our map. If your street is not highlighted on that map, then you either already have water available to your property or are not scheduled for water until sometime after 2009.

### Snowplow Guidepost Markers

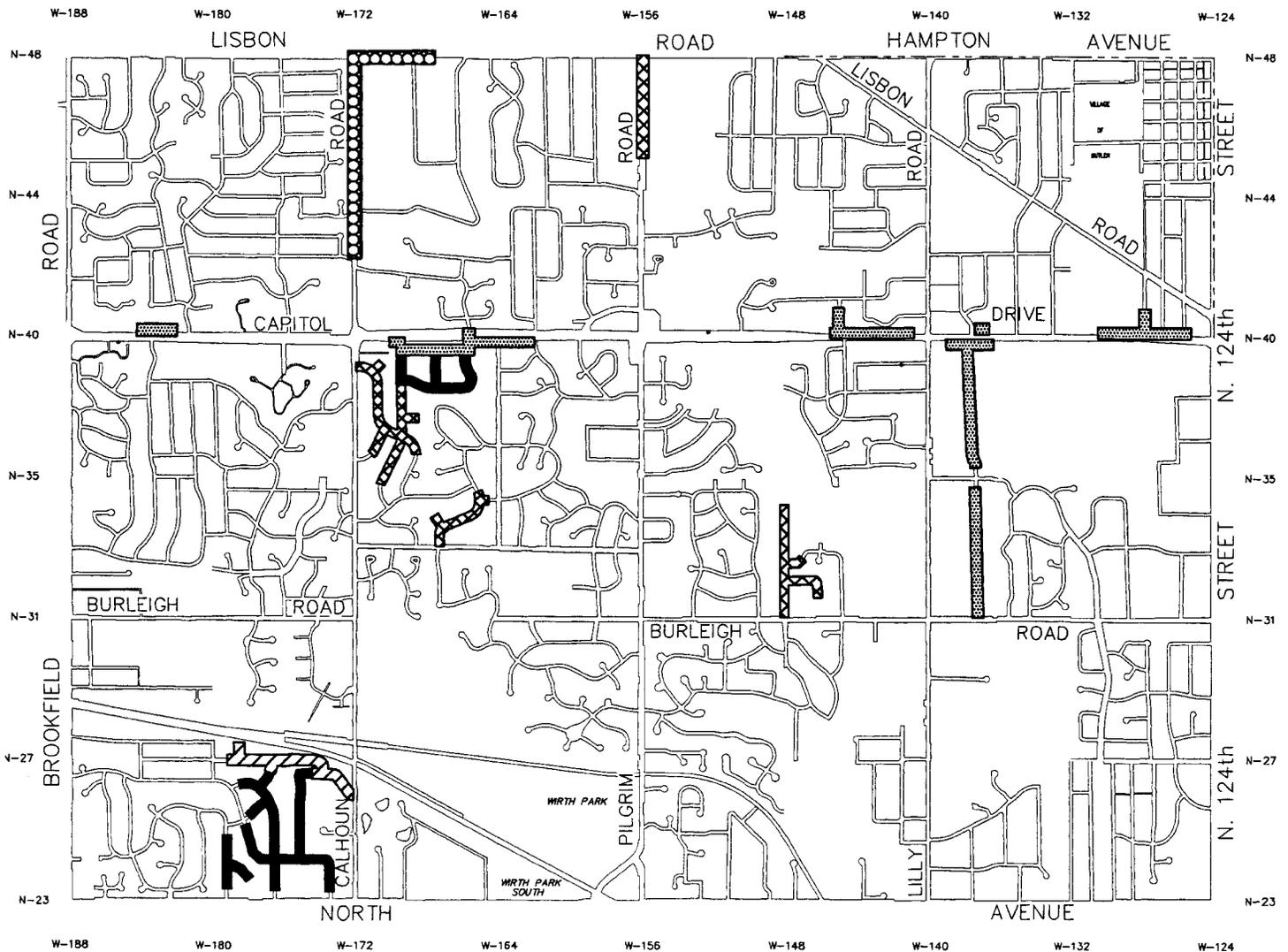
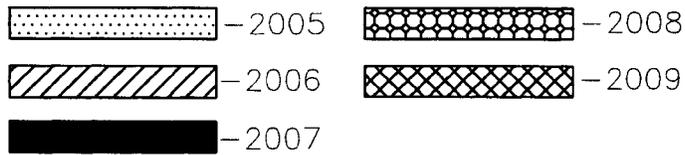
In late fall, snow plow drivers will install plow guidepost markers as they deem necessary. Guideposts are used to alert plow drivers of the road's edge, typically in areas where the road curves sharply. The posts are expensive and used sparingly.

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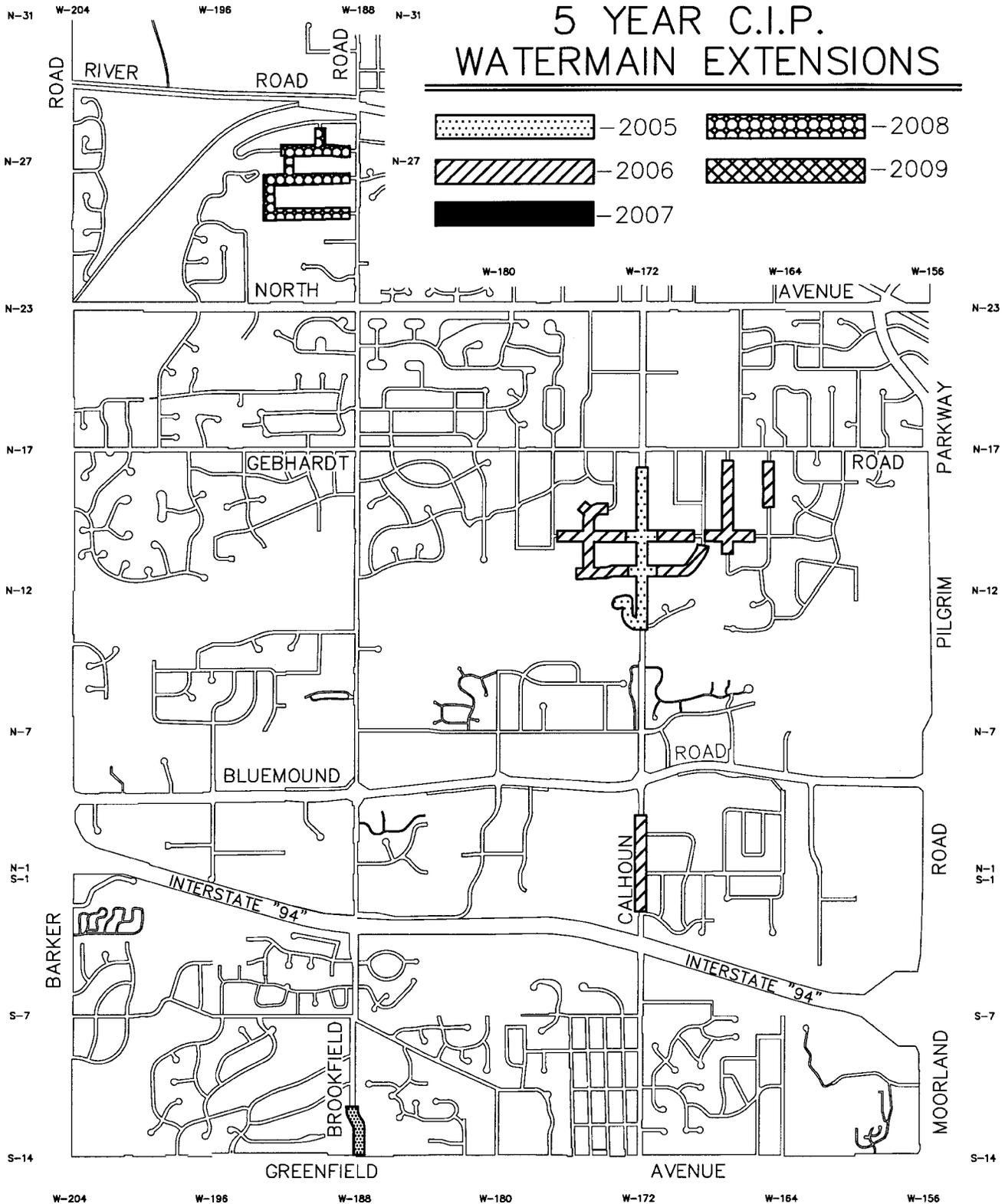
# Municipal Water Plan Maps

Northern portion of city, North Ave. to Lisbon Rd. & N. 124th St. to Brookfield Rd.

## 5 YEAR C.I.P. WATERMAIN EXTENSIONS



Southern portion of city, River Rd. to Greenfield Ave. & Moorland Rd. to Barker Rd.



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# Parks, Recreation and Forestry

## Greenway Trail System

The Greenway Trail System is a comprehensive citywide off-street system of recreational trails that connect existing and proposed parks together and link these sites with other community facilities and to the regional trail system. Planning for trail system segment development in 2005 has been initiated by the Greenway Corridor Committee with approximately three quarters of a mile of new trail construction scheduled. Over the past two years, over three miles of off-road system trails have been completed along the Beverly Hills, Deer Creek, and Underwood Creek Trails. Development of the system is anticipated to occur over the next 5-10 years.

## Planned 2005 Trail Segment Construction

Approximately 4,000 feet of off-road, asphalt trail is being planned to be constructed that will connect KRUEGER PARK to CARDINAL PARK in the southeastern area of the City. The trail segment is part of the "Deer Creek Trail" and will travel south from the existing trail in Krueger Park along the concrete lined ditch, traveling underneath I-94, continuing along the same ditch in Cardinal Park and ultimately making a connection to the east end of Robinwood Street.

Informational meetings for the planned 2005 segment construction will be held in early 2005 and nearby residents will be notified. Please contact the Parks and Recreation Department with any questions or for further information. Updates will be included in the Parks and Recreation Activity Brochure, the City Newsletter, and the City's web site ([www.ci.brookfield.wi.us](http://www.ci.brookfield.wi.us)).

## Gypsy Moth Update

Throughout Southeastern Wisconsin including the City of Brookfield, Gypsy Moth populations have decreased dramatically. This reduction can be attributed to a number of factors: the City's participation in the Wisconsin DNR's aerial suppression program, individual property owners control measures, and viral and fungal infections of the caterpillars. The cool wet spring allowed these pathogens (infections) to flourish killing the caterpillars. We should see fewer caterpillars next year, although caterpillar populations may remain high in some areas.

Residents are strongly encouraged to continue to monitor and practice control methods for the gypsy moth on their

private property through barrier bands, collection bands and egg mass oiling (with Golden Pest Spray Oil).

The city will continue to monitor the population through the city-wide egg mass survey conducted each fall since 1998. If areas (treatment blocks) meet the state criteria for inclusion in the Wisconsin DNR's Aerial Suppression program, the city will apply to have those areas treated as part of the 2005 aerial spray program and what private property owners can do to control the moth can be obtained on the Internet @ <http://www.gypsymoth.wi.gov>. and the city's website @ <http://www.ci.brookfield.wi.us>. click on City Departments, then Parks and Recreation and finally Parks/Forestry. Various free publications and brochures are also available at the Parks, Recreation and Forestry Office @ 2000 N. Calhoun Road.

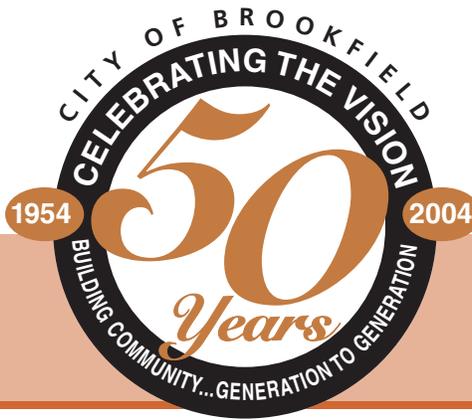
## Tree Lighting Ceremony

Join the Mayor on Monday, November 29, 2004 in the Civic Plaza, 2000 N. Calhoun Rd., at 5:00 p.m. for the official Tree Lighting Ceremony. Santa and Mrs. Claus arrive as we light up the trees in the Civic Plaza. The festivities will then continue indoors in the Senior Community Center for holiday entertainment, a craft for children and refreshments. Children can leave a letter for Santa in his mailbox located in the City Hall Clock Tower. For more information, call 262-796-6675.

## Civic Band and Chorus Winter Concert – December 17

The Brookfield Civic Band and Chorus will combine their musical talents for a special winter concert to be held at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, December 17, 2004. The performance will be held in the Kuttemperoor Auditorium at the Sharon Lynne Wilson Center for the Arts, located in Mitchell Park at 19085 W. Capitol Drive. General admission tickets, on sale in November, will be sold to adults for \$5.00, children 12 and under are free. Tickets are available at the Parks and Recreation office or from any member of the Band or Chorus. Depending on availability, tickets may also be purchased the night of the event in the lobby at the Wilson Center for the Arts.

For more information, call the Brookfield Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department at 262-796-6675.



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# Public Works Department

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Residents may install additional guideposts at their own expense. However, the guideposts must be flexible and/or break-away type (usually plastic or fiberglass). Metal stakes are NOT allowed. The City is not responsible for any damage to the private markers during a plowing operation.

## Don't Rake 'em, Don't Burn 'em — Mulch your leaves.

Many residents in Brookfield rake their leaves into piles, and then either burn them, or bag them and bring them to the Recycle Center. There is another alternative that is easier, safer, better for the environment, and will save you time and money. That is mulching your leaves on site with a mulching mower.

Mulching returns much-needed nutrients back into the soil that otherwise are removed with the leaves and grass clippings by raking or burning. These same nutrients are those found in fertilizers that residents spend hundreds of dollars to put back on their lawns in Spring and Summer months. By mulching leaves on your yard, you can reduce your cost for fertilizer during the year.

And if you are concerned about all those clippings on your lawn, they do not harm your lawn, nor do they create thatch. The City has been in contact with the mulching expert in the Midwest, Tom Nikolai, a Crops and Soil Science Professor from Michigan State University. He has performed research on mulching leaves and has proven again and again that mulching leaves on site is beneficial to the health of your lawn, causing it to green up faster in the Spring and provides a softer and richer soil. See the articles at

- <http://www.msue.msu.edu/msue/iac/greentip/gt1092.pdf>,
- [http://grounds-mag.com/ar/grounds\\_maintenance\\_leaves\\_turn\\_litter/](http://grounds-mag.com/ar/grounds_maintenance_leaves_turn_litter/), and
- <http://www.agry.purdue.edu/turf/report/1999/page24.htm>.

Mulching is also less time consuming, since you do not need to rake the leaves, nor bag the leaves, nor monitor the leaf pile during burning. All you do is cut the grass and leaves at the same time.

Finally, mulching leaves saves the environment from the smoke of burning leaves, from the pollution of vehicles

hauling them to the Recycle Center, and from excess fertilizer placed on yards.

So when considering whether to rake or burn, consider mulching instead this Fall. Give it a try; you will save time and money, now and in the future.

## Check for Road Hazards Prior to the Plowing Season

The City's Highway Department will be preparing for winter operations soon by checking for road hazards. Residents should check mailboxes and lamp posts and repair them if they are loose, damaged or inadequately anchored. Also remove rocks, stakes and other obstacles that are within 36 inches of the road. All of these hazards can cause damage to public and private property when the City is plowing snow. For more information, contact the Highway Department at (262) 782-5029. NOTE: If a plow hits a mailbox, the City will only replace it with a standard black #1 mailbox on a 4" x 4" wooden post. The City will NOT replace mailboxes that were already loose and then knocked over by snow load. Also, there will be no replacement of underground sprinkler heads, lamp posts or other obstacles located in the City's right-of-way if damaged during plowing operations.

## Leaf Burning

Leaf burning leads to air pollution and is a health and fire hazard. For those who already suffer from asthma and other breathing disorders, leaf burning can be extremely hazardous. If you do choose to burn leaves, be considerate of your neighbors and follow the rules for leaf burning listed below:

- Leaf burning is permitted on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. on days when the wind is less than 15 mph.
- No flammable liquids are permitted and no burning of garbage or construction material is allowed.
- Combustible material must be less than two feet high and no larger than five feet in diameter.
- Material must be a minimum of 25 feet from the front lot line, 15 feet from the side lot line and 10 feet from the rear lot line.
- The fire must be watched at all times and a fire extinguisher or garden hose must be present and ready for immediate use.

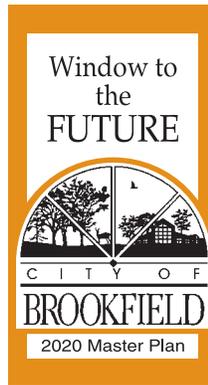


# Community Development Department

## Brookfield and Open Space

Brookfield has taken aggressive action to ensure the preservation of natural areas in the community. The Year 2020 Master Plan and the City's Park and Open Space Plan outline effective strategies to preserve important natural features of Brookfield. Important elements of the plan include the following:

- Under the Year 2020 Master Plan recommendations, the combination of parks, open spaces, wetlands, and woodlands owned by the public in Brookfield or protected through zoning will represent about 18% of the land area in Brookfield.
- To date, approximately 1,200 acres of wetlands have been acquired by the City and the Elmbrook School District for purposes of preservation. By 2020, approximately 2,100 acres are anticipated to be owned by the City and the District. The difference (900 acres) is protected by zoning but privately owned.
- There is a "no net loss" policy for park and open space lands embodied in the Year 2020 Master Plan.
- The Greenway Corridor concept was created in the



Year 2020 Master Plan, building upon the tradition of creating recreational trails as recommended in the City's Park and Open Space Plan.

- The City annually budgets for additional wetland acquisition and acquires wetlands through developer dedications. Since 1995, the City has annually budgeted \$25,000 for wetland acquisition and has acquired over 300 acres of wetlands through either dedication or purchase.
- The City acquired the 40-acre Mound Zion woods as prime woodland near the Underwood Creek for preservation. Other remaining woodlands with steep slopes contained in environmental corridors are protected through zoning.
- The City's Site Development Standards and development review process ensure that commercial properties are developed or redeveloped with appropriate open green space, landscaping, and stormwater retention requirements.

The City has taken these steps to ensure the preservation of the community's environmentally sensitive lands. For additional information, please contact either Daniel Ertl, Director of Community Development, at (262) 796-6695, or Bill Kolstad, Director of Parks, Recreation and Forestry, at (262) 796-6675.

## Fire Department

### Please Check Your Address!

For most emergency workers, there is nothing more frustrating than trying to find a home or business that has not been properly labeled with the address. As you take care of those fall projects around the house, make sure your home is clearly marked and easily seen from the street — during the day and at night. It is a good idea to label your mailbox with your address also. Remember, emergency vehicles rely on this information for a prompt response!

### Fire Department Advises Safe Storage of Barbecue Grills

The Brookfield Fire Department reminds residents to include grill maintenance when preparing for fall.

Simple measures can improve the safe storage and operation of your equipment.

Charcoal grills require little attention other than cleaning. Charcoal should be stored in a cool, dry place, and lighter fluid kept separately.

Gas grills, with compressed propane tanks, can present a dangerous situation if not properly maintained. Propane tanks should be stored with the valve closed and the safety plug in place. Tanks should be stored full when possible. Fill empty tanks during warm weather and return spare tanks to an authorized vendor. Tanks should be protected from the elements, and stored in an area where they are not likely to be tipped over.

If there is any question about safely storing your

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# Fire Department

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particular grill, contact the manufacturer for additional information.

## This Year Gain More than an Hour

According to the National Fire Prevention Association (NFPA), many smoke detectors in homes today are not operational. Don't let your smoke detector be one of them. This year when you change your clocks for daylight savings time, remember to change the batteries in your smoke detectors too.

In a fire smoke detectors provide early warning of danger and give occupants valuable seconds to escape safely. To protect your family you should install smoke detectors on every level of your home including the basement, and additional detectors near the sleeping areas. The most common types of smoke detectors are battery-operated or hard-wired.

Hard-wired detectors run off the home's electricity and may also be connected to an alarm system. Some hard-wired detectors also have a battery back-up in case of power failure. Be sure to change the batteries as in the battery-operated models. If your system does not have

battery back-up, battery detectors should also be installed. Check with the installer or manufacturer of your system for specific instructions to test and maintain your hard-wired detectors.

## Detect Carbon Monoxide Early

Carbon monoxide detectors are available at many hardware and department stores, in a variety of price ranges, and should be installed in every home. Look for a brand approved by a recognized testing laboratory. Choose a detector that provides an alarm for sudden changes in carbon monoxide levels, and also alerts you to extended low-levels.

A CO detector should be located near the sleeping areas of your home, with additional detectors near gas appliances, rooms with fireplaces or wood-burning stoves, and near the entrance of attached garages.

If you suspect an exposure to carbon monoxide, or your detector sounds, leave the building immediately. When everyone is safely outside, call 911, and do not return to the building for any reason. Even a small amount of carbon monoxide can present health concerns, so any carbon monoxide alarm should be treated as a true emergency until proven otherwise.

# Election Information

## Register to Vote

If you have just turned 18 years old or have moved into the City of Brookfield and have not yet registered to vote, it is important that you register prior to the next election season. Registering early will speed up the process of voting on Election Day.

This November we will elect a President. It is a time when many people will vote for the first time in the City of Brookfield, either as new voters or new residents. You can register to vote at the Brookfield City Hall, weekdays between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., or at the Brookfield Public Library during their regularly scheduled hours. You will need proof of residency to register, such as a current driver's license.

All college students should register to vote prior to their departure for school if you intend to vote in your home community. If you expect to vote absentee, you

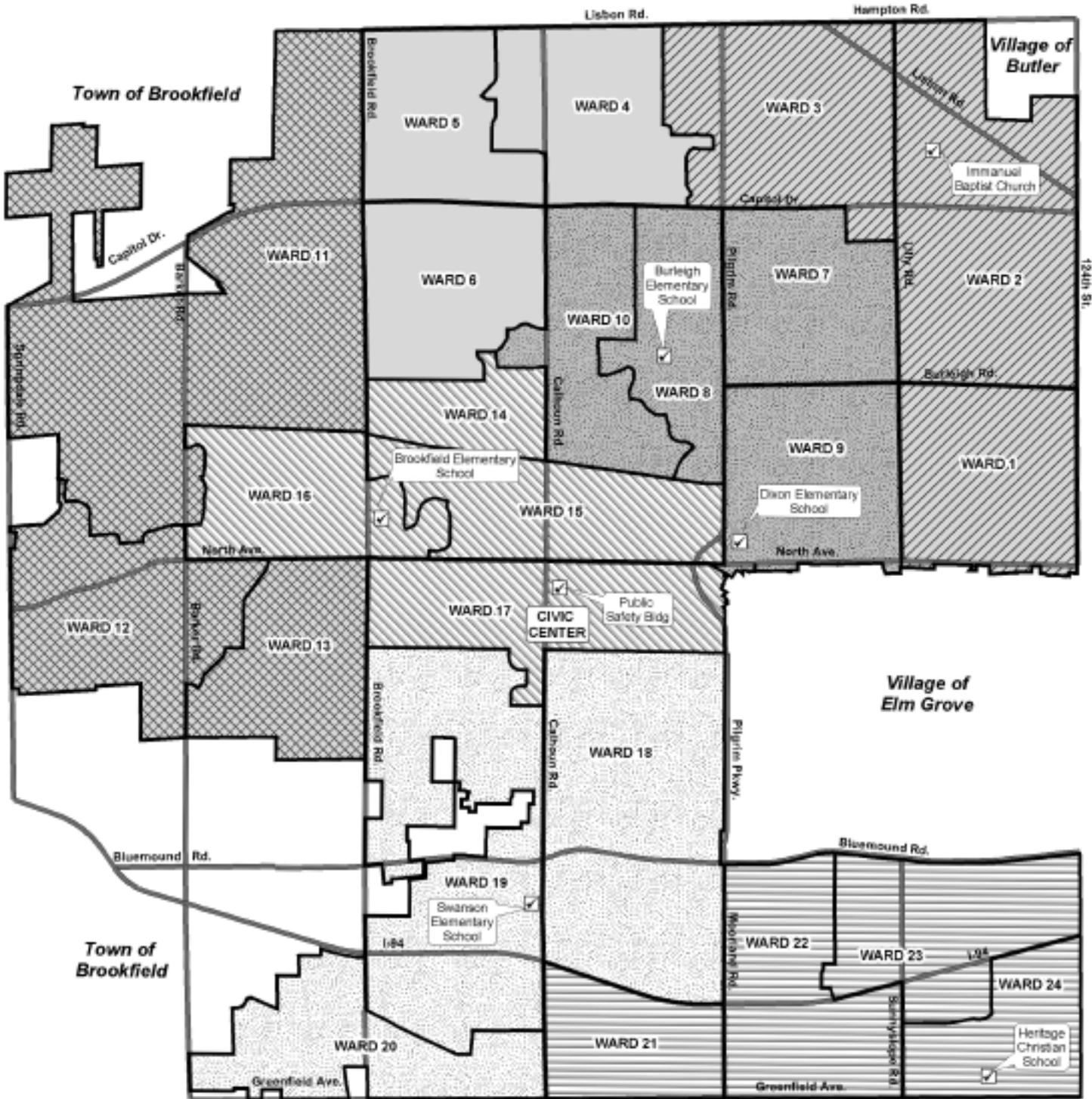
will need to request an absentee ballot in writing. Registering to vote and requesting an absentee ballot in advance, prevents problems in timing.

The City Clerk's office receives late ballots every election that cannot be counted.



## Where Do I Vote?

With the Presidential Election quickly approaching, the question often arises of "Where do I vote?" One of the ways is to access the City of Brookfield's web site at [www.ci.brookfield.wi.us](http://www.ci.brookfield.wi.us). From there, click on Local Government and then click on Polling Places. Type in your home address and your polling place will pop up. Another way is to locate the proximity of your home on the attached map; find your District and Ward number; and then your polling place on the table below. Any questions, call the City Clerk's Office at (262) 782-9650.



Districts	Voting Locations
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Voting Locations</b>
	District 1- Wards 1, 2, 3: Immanuel Baptist Church 4250 N. 137th Street
	District 2- Wards 4, 5, 6: Burleigh Elementary School 16185 W. Burleigh Place
	District 3- Wards 7, 8, 9, 10: Dixon Elementary School 2400 Pilgrim Square Drive
	District 4- Wards 11, 12, 13: Brookfield Elementary School 2530 N. Brookfield Road
	District 5- Wards 14, 15, 16, 17: Public Safety Building 2100 N. Calhoun Road
	District 6- Wards 18, 19, 20: Swanson Elementary School 305 N. Calhoun Road
	District 7- Wards 21, 22, 23, 24: Heritage Christian School 1275 S. Elm Grove Road

# Brookfield Public Library

*“The Brookfield Public Library —  
Where to go, when you want to know..”*

## Library Hours

Monday-Thursday . . . . . 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Friday and Saturday . . . . . 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Sunday (October-May) . . . . . 1 to 4 p.m.

Phone . . . . . (262) 782-4140

[www.brookfieldlibrary.com](http://www.brookfieldlibrary.com)

## Book Clubs at the Library

Selections for all of our book clubs are available at the Circulation Desk about a month before the group meets. Everyone interested in reading and discussing these books is welcome!

### Armchair Travel Book Club

Tuesday, September 21, 2004, 10:00 am

*It's a Long Way from Penny Apples* by Bill Cullen

Tuesday, October 19, 2004, 10:00 am

*So Many Enemies, So Little Time* by Elinor Burkett

### “Great Lives” Biography Book Group

Monday, September 27, 2004, 1:00 pm

*Longitude: the True Story of a Lone Genius Who Solved the Greatest Scientific Problem of His Time* by Dava Sobel

Monday, November 22, 2004, 1:00 pm

*Personal History* by Katharine Graham

### Talking About Books

Thursday, September 9, 2004, 7:30 pm

*The Orchard* by Larry Watson

Thursday, November 4, 2004, 7:30 pm

*Life of Pi* by Yann Martel

## Attention all writers — aspiring and accomplished!

On Monday, October 4, 2004 at 6:30pm, we will be starting a writer's workshop and group for adults. Learn new techniques and share your work with others. This workshop will run for six weeks on Monday evenings. Mark your calendars now for this exciting opportunity. Please sign up at the Adult Reference Desk.



## Using PAF Software

Wednesday, October 13, 2:00pm

Learn how to obtain and use the free Personal Ancestral File (PAF-5) genealogy software program that can be downloaded from the Internet. During this session you will learn where to get the program and how to use it. More information is available at the Adult Reference Desk.

## HEY TEENS!

Our YA Bookclub meets the second Thursday of the month from 7-8pm. Join us for food, fun, and discussion! Books are available at the Circulation Desk.

September 9, 2004 • *Search for Senna* by K.A. Applegate

October 14, 2004 • *Ghost Story* by Peter Straub

November 11, 2004 • *Shades of Simon Gray* by Joyce McDonald

## BOO! SAVE THURSDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2004!

It's Halloween and time for the Haunted Library/Courtyard. Preparations have already begun. Please contact Stephanie at the Adult Reference Desk if you can help!

## New Friends Group to Strengthen Library



To introduce ourselves and what we do, the Friends will be throwing a 44th BIRTHDAY PARTY for the Library on Sunday, October 10, 1-4 pm in the Community Room of the Library. It will be a traditional birthday party with cake, entertainment, and presents, along with a few birthday surprises. Please join us, meet the Board of the Friends, and learn more about what our Library has to offer.

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## Internet Class Schedule

Please register at the Adult Reference Desk.

September 10	Friday	10-11 am	Introduction to the Internet 1
September 14	Tuesday	2-3 pm	Introduction to the Internet 2
September 20	Monday	7-8 pm	Email
October 5	Tuesday	10-11 am	Email
October 14	Thursday	7-8 pm	Introduction to the Internet 1
October 27	Wednesday	2-3 pm	Introduction to the Internet 1
November 8	Monday	10-11 am	Introduction to the Internet 1
November 19	Friday	2-3 pm	Email
November 23	Tuesday	7-8 pm	Introduction to the Internet 2

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## Children's Department

We've got something for EVERYONE!

**Storytimes:** 0-4 year-olds.

**Tot-Time Playgroup** for 0-2 year-olds; **Sing-Alongs;** **Family Fun Night;** **Craft Saturdays;** **Book Clubs for Kindergarteners;** **1st - 3rd graders, "Ravenous Readers";** and **4th & 5th graders, "Read 'N Rap"**

**Bookmark Contest, October 1-31.** Kids! Enter your design for a bookmark into our annual contest. One child from each grade level, Kindergarten through 6th grade will see their design printed and distributed at the Library and win a gift certificate to Harry W. Schwartz Bookshop. Pick up and return entry forms at the Children's Reference Desk by October 31.

## Children's Book Week

**Saturday, November 13 — 2:30 pm** • Ken Lonnquist, one of America's favorite musicians and songwriters for children. (The winner of the Bookmark Contest will be announced before the program!)

**Monday, November 15 — 9:30 am to 10:30 am** • Lulu Delacre, delightful international children's author and illustrator whose books highlight South American stories and songs, will join us for a program for preschoolers and their parents in the Community Room, weaving music and movement into a lively, bilingual presentation. This program will take the place of our Open Storytime on this date.



## For Your Information

### District 5 Information Meeting — Oct. 20

There will be an aldermanic information meeting for District 5 on Thursday, October 20, from 7- 8 p.m. at City Hall in the Council Chambers. There will be a short presentation on the city budget and will answer any questions related to District 5.

### District 6 Information Meeting — Oct. 12

Chris Blackburn and Jim Heinrich would like to welcome all of their constituents to an information meeting on Tuesday, October 12, between 6-7 p.m. at City Hall. Aldermen Blackburn and Heinrich will be available to answer questions and address issues relative to the 2005 budget. The information meeting will be held in the Council Chambers.

### District 7 Information Meeting — Oct. 26

There will be an information and listening session for District 7 on Tuesday, October 26, between 7-8 p.m. at City Hall. Alderman Schellinger will be available to

answer your questions. The meeting will be held in the Council Chambers.

### Farmers' Market

"Fresh from the farm" produce can be purchased at the Brookfield Farmers' Market. Located in the City Hall parking lot, 2000 N. Calhoun Road, the Farmers' Market is open Saturdays, 7:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon, through October 30th. Free Frequent Shopper program, live musical entertainment, guest demonstrations and activities are scheduled throughout the season. Contact Bobbi at (262) 784-7804 or visit us at [www.brookfieldfarmersmarket.com](http://www.brookfieldfarmersmarket.com)

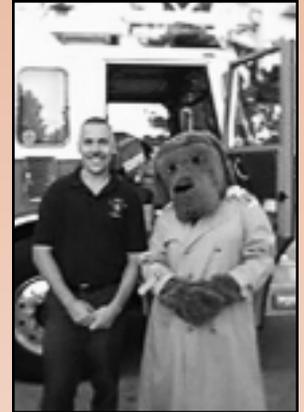
### City Hall Closed

The City of Brookfield Administrative Offices will be closed on Thursday and Friday, Nov. 25 and 26, for the Thanksgiving holiday.

### Watch Cable TV 25

The City of Brookfield has begun televising Common Council meetings, which will be aired daily at 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m., as well as other informative/educational videos. Also, televised is a "Message Board" with events, up-coming meetings, and other important information.

# Thank You to All the Volunteers and Everyone that Made Brookfield's National Night Out a Success!



City of Brookfield Police and Fire Departments, Brookfield Police Reserve Unit, City of Brookfield Parks, Recreation & Forestry Department, City of Brookfield Administrative Services, Brookfield Central and East High Schools, Abra Auto Body & Glass, Amica Mutual Insurance Co., Aro Lock Co., Inc., Bally Total Fitness, Brookfield Cycle & Fitness, Brookfield Municipal Court, Brookfield Pontiac – GMC, Brookfield Rental, Brookfield Task Force on Public Safety Education, Inc., CNI Newspapers/Brookfield News, Chi-Chi's, Civil Air Patrol, Computer Communiques, C.P. Rail Rides, Crime Stoppers of Waukesha County, Inc., Elm-Brook Humane Society, Elmbrook Memorial Hospital, Elmbrook Schools, Elm Grove Police Department's Canine Unit, General Casualty Co., J. K. Lee Black Belt Academy, Kiwanis Club of Brookfield, Liberty Mutual Insurance Co., Lincoln State Bank, M & I Bank, Marine Bank, Mr. Dennis Meyers, Milwaukee Wave United, New Berlin Fire Department, North Shore Bank, PARC, Progressive Insurance Co., R & R Insurance Co., Regal Crest Apartments, St. Dominic's Parish, Terries Printing, Vici Capilli, WE Energies, and Well's Dairy.

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