

MANAGER'S MEMO

Read our weekly e-newsletter for important information, Department updates and goings on in and around Shorewood!



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Message from Village Manager Rebecca Ewald



Oakland Avenue is Open for Business

As reconstruction work on Oakland Avenue continues, residents are reminded that **Oakland Avenue Businesses remain open and ready to serve customers**. Road construction can be challenging for local businesses, making community support especially important during this time.

While several businesses offer parking for their customers, the project team has partnered with the Shorewood Business Improvement District (BID) to provide general public parking options during construction. The BID has created a parking map showing available locations, including private lots temporarily open to the public, general public parking lots, and on-street parking. The map is available on the project website at www.oaklandavereconstruct.com located just below the *Traffic Impacts* section.

Visitors to businesses on the south end of the project can use the Metro Market parking structure, which offers ample parking. For those visiting businesses on the north end of Oakland Avenue, a public lot located between Lake Bluff Boulevard and Kensington Boulevard provides two-hour parking. Nearby streets generally allow two-hour daytime parking but have overnight parking restrictions. Visitors should follow all posted parking signs.

In addition to parking information, the project website includes traffic impacts, a frequently asked questions section, and a project library with previous forecasts, photos, and drone videos of the project. Residents and businesses can also use the website to sign up for free weekly updates on the project. Updates are sent via email.

Village Board Agenda for March 16

The Village Board and its Committees will meet on Monday, March 16 in a hybrid format. [Please click here](#) for the meeting agenda, virtual links and supporting materials. The agenda items the Board and its Committees will discuss or take action on include:

Public Works Committee - 6:15 pm

- Consider Ordinance 3082 Amending Chapter 220 of the Village's Municipal Code, "Brush, Grass, and Weeds"

Budget and Finance Committee - 6:30 pm

- Consider implementation of a communications plan seeking input from residents, businesses and motorists about key aspects of a paid mobile parking program including locations, days, hours, hourly rates, transaction fees, and time limits
- Q4 Financial Report

Regular Meeting of the Village Board - 7:30 pm

- Future State Presentation - Milwaukee County
- Consider approval of 2026 Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan
- Presentation of Accounts - March 16, 2026
- Consider regular Village Board minutes - March 2, 2026
- Consider Temporary Class "B" License and Permit for Shorewood Junior Greyhounds Baseball Event - May 22-25, 2026
- Consider award of contract for 2026 crack seal program
- Public Hearing - Ordinance 3080: An ordinance to amend the regulations pertaining to location restrictions of office uses within the MX districts, as detailed in 535-25 of the Zoning Code
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- Consider Ordinance 3081: An ordinance converting the intersection of N Murray Avenue and E Olive Street into a four-way stop
- Consider Phase II public assistance application for 4448 and 4450 N Oakland Avenue from Spoerl Commercial LLC for the purposes of building affordable housing
 - Overview of the Phase II application and financial analysis - Baker Tilly
 - Public Comment
 - Village Board Discussion
- Reports of Village Officials
 - Village President
 - Present Proclamation for Sunshine Week
 - Village Trustees

- Complete Streets Annual Report, 2025 - Tr. Ircink
- Village Manager
- The Village Board may consider moving into closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. Sec. 193.85(1)(e) to deliberate or negotiate the purchasing of public properties, where competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session, to a) discuss a development agreement for 4448-4450 N Oakland Avenue, and b) to discuss prospective properties for a new DPW site

Oakland Avenue Pedestrian Safety

The Oakland Avenue Reconstruction Team is committed to maintaining pedestrian safety throughout construction. At all times, a sidewalk on one side of Oakland Avenue will remain open, and at least one crosswalk in each direction at intersections will be accessible. If a sidewalk or crosswalk must be temporarily closed, clearly marked detour signs will guide pedestrians safely around the work zone.



We remind all pedestrians to use designated crosswalks when crossing the street. While heavy equipment operators are highly trained and alert to their surroundings, large machinery has significant blind spots and requires longer stopping distances. Operators may not be able to see someone walking behind equipment or stepping out from behind staged materials. Staying within marked pedestrian routes helps keep everyone safe as construction progresses.

Village Still Seeking Volunteer Applications



The Village of Shorewood is still seeking applications some of its volunteer committees. Specifically, the Design Review Board and Plan Commission are seeking members to join.

[Please click here](#) to learn about the Village's Committees and [click here to apply](#).

We'd love to have you join.

Share Your Art with Shorewood!

The Public Art Committee is calling all artists to share your artwork around the Village! Apply to the following opportunities today:

Shorewood Art Walk: Apply by April 6

The Shorewood BID and the Shorewood Public Art Committee are teaming up for the inaugural Shorewood Art Walk on Thursday, May 14, 2026 from 5: 00 - 8:00 pm.

Stop in to visit your favorite local businesses as they showcase artwork, host local performance artists, and celebrate the talent that enriches our community. If you have visual or performing art to share, apply today!

Visit <https://shorewoodarts.org/art-walk> for full information.



Village Hall Art Gallery: Apply by April 6

See your art in Village Hall! Located in the lobby of the Village Hall, the gallery space is available for local artists to display their work to share with the community.

This quarter's theme is "Diversity." Submissions are now open through Monday, April 6!

Get the details and apply at <https://shorewoodarts.org/village-hall-art-program>.

Join us!

We're sharing the Updated Trails Network Plan! Come learn about the final plan and what's coming next.

Thursday, March 19, 2026

5:00 - 7:00 pm

Presentation starts
at 5:30pm

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.
Community Center Auditorium
1531 W Vliet St., Milwaukee, WI 53205

For questions or accessibility accommodations,
please contact: parksplanning@milwaukeecountywi.gov



Visit the project page for more information
[//mkecountyparks.org/trails-network-plan](https://mkecountyparks.org/trails-network-plan)



Registration Reminders for Spring Election

The Village of Shorewood's Clerks Office has put together a list of voter registration reminders for the upcoming Spring Election Tuesday, April 7.

Wednesday, March 18 is the deadline to register by mail and the form must be postmarked no later than March 18, 2026.

Voters may register to vote online, the deadline to do so is Wednesday, March 18. Please visit [MyVote Wisconsin](https://www.myvote.wisconsin.gov)'s website to register online.

In-person registration goes until Friday, April 3 at Village Hall during normal business hours and until 5:00 pm on Friday, April 3.

Please visit the [Clerk's webpage](#) for more information.

Voter Registration Reminders

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April 7, 2026



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- Visit www.myvote.wi.gov.

April 3, 2026 @ 5:00 p.m. - Deadline to Register in-person

- Voters may register in-person at the Village Hall, 3930 N. Murney Ave., Shorewood WI 53211, during business hours and until 5:00 p.m. on April 3, 2026.

YOUR VOTE
MATTERS

Your voter registration form must accompany
one of the acceptable proof of residence:



Office Hours
Mondays - Thursdays
8a - 4:30pm
Fridays
8a - 10:00am
Friday, April 3
8a - 5pm



Sustainable Shorewood

Village of Shorewood
CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

SHOREWOOD
WATERS PROJECT



Spring Creature Feature

- Who doesn't love frogs, toads and tadpoles - their songs, happy hops, and cute faces and tails? A variety of frog species can be found in the [Milwaukee River Greenway](#), a 12-mile stretch of urban wilderness that contains nearly 900 acres of protected river valley within a mile of downtown Milwaukee.

Tadpoles, or baby frogs and toads, are the aquatic stage in the life cycle of amphibians. They are hatched from eggs, breathe using gills, and typically have round bodies with long tails and no legs. After they go through metamorphosis they develop limbs and lungs and lose their tails to become land-based creatures as adults. They are a sign of healthy spring breeding, particularly in the areas along the Oak Leaf Trail and are frequently found in the wetlands, drainage ditches, and backwaters of the Milwaukee River Greenway.

Learn more about the [Milwaukee River Greenway](#), trail maps and all the creatures seen by community scientists on the [iNaturalist](#) website. This list has images for all the non-human life found in the Greenway, which includes Shorewood and Hubbard and Estabrook parks.

Community Science Exploration: As we get closer to spring, take some time to hike the trails in the greenway and discover the creatures that are immigrating or returning. Watch and listen for spring migrating birds. You can even share your findings on iNaturalist. Right now there are over 159,000,000 birds on the move to come north.

Check out the varieties and migrating bird numbers for Milwaukee County on [Bird Cast](#). It's so exciting that spring is right around the corner!



Updates from the Shorewood Police Department

Request for Police: 6
Welfare Checks: 6
Suspicious Activity: 4
Vehicle Crashes: 2
Entry to Vehicle: 1
911 hang ups/error: 6
Traffic Stops: 16
Vehicle Theft: 0
Total Calls: 161

Weekly Update

03/01 - 03/07



Senior Resource Center Upcoming Events

Are you Game?



Mondays
1:00 – 3:30 pm

Plan to get together with your old friends or make new ones while enjoying your favorite card or board games such as bridge, cribbage, Chess, Rummikub and Scrabble.

Free. Walk-in, no preregistration required.

In Person One-to-One Tech Support by Appointment

Fridays
10:00 am – 1:00 pm

Schedule a 50-minute appointment with a tech tutor. Bring your portable technology and get help learning how to make better use of device.

FREE! [Appointments](#) required.

Men's Club Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 4

Join us for a festive Easter Tradition on Saturday, April 4 at 9:00 am sharp at Hubbard Park!

The Shorewood Men's Club is excited to host its annual Easter Egg hunt for children Newborn-12 years old. The lawn and hills will be covered with over 10,000 eggs.



- The Easter Bunny arrives at 8:30 a.m. for photos and greetings.
- Event will be held rain or shine.
- The hunt is staged by age: Newborn-3, 4-7, 8-12 and starts promptly at 9 a.m. and lasts about 20 minutes.
- Don't be late – our hunters are quick.
- Bring your own bucket or basket for your eggs.

Parking is limited and fills quickly. No cars allowed past the bridge.

ALL ARE WELCOME – COME JOIN THE FUN! HOP TO IT!

www.shorewoomensclub.org



THE ATRIUM

2107 E. Capitol Dr. Shorewood

SUNDAYS | JAN 04 - FEB 22 | 9:00am - 1:00pm

Sign up for our weekly emails and get the current list of vendors and weekly specials - shorewoodfarmersmarket.com



Come and celebrate the (hopefully) last snowfall of the season with good tunes, a hot drink and great vendors!

We will be cozy and warm inside The Atrium, please join us!

Don't let the snow scare you away, we only have a few winter markets left.

Here are a few of the specials we have going on:

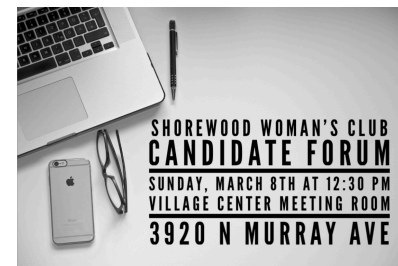
- **Alice's Garden Urban Farm:** tallow creams, rice bran oils, and assorted tea blends.
- **Beijos Brazilian Sweets:** special St. Patrick's Day & March Madness edition of Pao de Mel available!
- **Log Cabin Orchard:** Honeycrisp and Evercrisp apples.
- **Fondy Farmers Market (NEW VENDOR ALERT!):** fresh baby kale, baby collards, basil, and potted herbs.

Woman's Club Candidate Forum Recordings

The candidates for Village Trustee and Shorewood School Board participated in a live forum on Sunday, March 8.

You can learn more about the candidates and these important elections by watching the recordings of the [Trustee](#) and [School Board](#) forums available at these links and be sure to vote on Tuesday, April 7!

More information on polling locations, absentee voting, and in-person absentee voting can be found on the [Village website](#) and at MyVote.wi.gov.



Smith and The Great Outdoors at the Men's Club



Award-Winning Journal-Sentinel Outdoor Writer Paul Smith, will be speaking on *Coverage of the Great Outdoors in the New Digital Age* at the Shorewood Men's Club meeting on Wednesday, March 18.

SMC's speaker events are open to all and are held every first and third Wednesday of the month at Hubbard Park Lodge. Meetings start at 6:00 (drinks 6:00, dinner 6:30, speaker 7:00). The SMC seeks to be Shorewood's premier public forum, for engaging topics and speakers, from a variety of perspectives. By hosting such speakers, we seek to enrich our community, and build community connections.

There is *no charge* for those who desire to attend at 7:00 just to hear a scheduled speaker. Individuals who want dinner and to hear the speaker, should visit [the SMC website](#) to make a dinner reservation (dinner is just \$23).

MCTS to Offer Free Rides on St. Patrick's Day

Planning on celebrating on St. Patrick's Day? Then you are in luck!

Milwaukee County Transit System (MCTS) is partnering with Miller Lite to offer fare-free rides on Tuesday, March 17, beginning at 6:00 pm to the end of regular service on all MCTS routes.

Thank you for celebrating responsibly and choosing to get home safe.

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TO IRISH GOODBYE

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AT 6 P.M.
ON TUESDAY,
MARCH 17**
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SHOREWOOD
BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT



Summer is just around the corner and planning is underway for the [22nd Annual Shorewood Criterium Classic](#) bike race, organized by the [Shorewood BID](#), being held on **Saturday, June 26** from 10:45 am to 8:15 pm. Our route has shifted just slightly this year due to Oakland Avenue construction with our loop including Morris, Lake Bluff, Bartlett and Glendale roads!

The [Tour of America's Dairyland](#) features competitive racing around Wisconsin and brings in riders from amateurs to professionals. As always, this event includes a kids race, running race and fun for all throughout the day!

We couldn't put on this fun one-day event without the help of our incredible volunteers! Race marshals and corner guards are essential - they keep racers and their fans on their

respective sides of the barricades so everyone has a safe and exciting race day. Plus, they get a front row view of all the action (and a free t-shirt)! Shorewood High School students in the National Honor Society get NHS volunteer credits for volunteering at this event, so NHS students please sign up to volunteer!

Please review the available slots [HERE](#) to sign up. Thank you!



Shorewood
PUBLIC LIBRARY
News and Updates

Pick up Entry Forms for PEEPAPALOOZA!

Our PEEPs Diorama Contest is back, and this year's theme is MUSIC!

Diorama artists of all ages can pick up entry forms and supplies for PEEPAPALOOZA! dioramas at the Library starting Friday, March 13.

For more information on the event, [please click here](#).



Read With Me Therapy Dogs

[Thursday, March 19](#)

4:00 - 5:00 pm

These 15-minute sessions provide a calm and encouraging environment for children to practice their reading skills and build confidence.

This program is geared toward children in grades 5K - 5th grade, with an adult.

Registration required. Call 414.847.2670 or visit an Information Desk to register.

Bilingual Spanish Storytime and Crafts

[Friday, March 20](#)

10:30 - 11:30 am

This bilingual read-aloud introduces simple breathing techniques that support mindfulness, emotional regulation, and connection.

After the story, children and families can explore calming hands-on activities like rock painting and bracelet making. This interactive program celebrates bilingual literacy, creativity, and well-being in a welcoming community setting.



Writers Talk Writing: A Panel Discussion

[Saturday, March 21](#)

1:00 pm

SHOREWOOD READS PRESENTS

WRITERS TALK WRITING: A PANEL DISCUSSION

SATURDAY | MARCH 21 | 1:00 PM

Featuring:

LIAM CALLANAN



VALERIE BIEL



JEANNÉE SACKEN



ROCHELLE
MELANDER

Award-winning, bestselling local authors Valerie Biel, Liam Callanan, Rochelle Melander, and Jeannée Sacken talk about their journeys to publication.

This program is part of [Shorewood Reads](#), a "one book, one community" initiative presented by the Shorewood Public Library in partnership with the Friends of Shorewood Public Library.



Excellence Means More Here

Join Us for the District Orchestra Festival

Community members are invited to the upcoming District Orchestra Festival, a special evening showcasing the musical talents of students from across the Shorewood School District.

The concert will take place on Tuesday, March 24 at 7:00 pm located at the SHS arena.

The festival will feature performances from our whole district orchestras and highlight the dedication, collaboration, and growth of our student musicians.

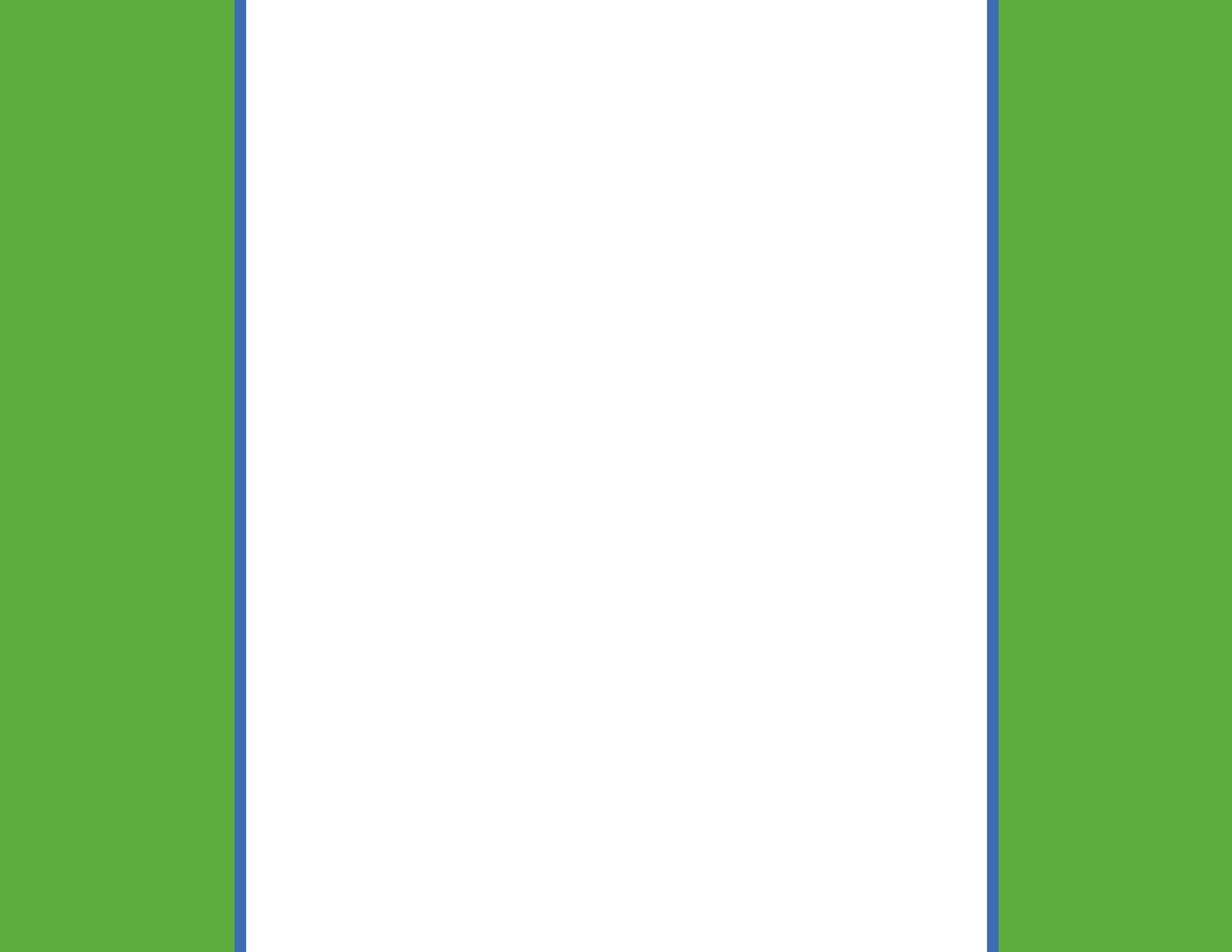
We look forward to seeing you there!



JOIN US FOR
**DISTRICT
ORCHESTRA
FESTIVAL**

MARCH 24, 2026
SHS ARENA
7 PM





North Shore Kiwanis ANNUAL BUNNY BREAKFAST

**Enjoy Delicious
Scrambled Eggs,
Pancakes, Usinger's
Sausage, Juice,
Milk & Coffee!**

Spectacular Raffle!

**Huge Silent
Auction!**

Face Painting!



**Kids visit with the
Easter Bunny!**

\$11.00 ages 10+
\$6.00 under age 10 (age 3-9)
(No charge for children under 3)

Tickets at the Door, Cash, Check or C.C.
Pay in Advance via C.C. at
[https://kiwanis.eventsmart.com/
breakfast/bunny2025/](https://kiwanis.eventsmart.com/breakfast/bunny2025/)

Or Purchase at Winkie's Gifts
629 E Silver Spring WFB

Saturday, March 28th, 2026

8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

**Richards Elementary School – Great Hall
5812 N Santa Monica Blvd. Whitefish Bay**

All proceeds benefit youth charities

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For More Information,
Please Call (414) 962-6622

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NSHD Healthy Highlight: Pulmonary Rehab Awareness Week



Sunday, March 8 through Saturday, March 14 is Pulmonary Rehab Awareness Week!

Dr. Jay Balachandran

Dr. Jay is a Pulmonologist and the Medical Advisor for the North Shore Health Department. March 8 - 14 is pulmonary rehab awareness week!

As a Pulmonologist, Dr. Jay sees the effects of lung disease on Wisconsinites, especially in the winter.

Pulmonary Rehabilitation

Dr. Jay encourages those with conditions like COPD, asthma, pulmonary fibrosis, recovering from COVID or other breathing related hospitalizations to consider rehabilitation. Programs at every major health system in Milwaukee provide supervised exercise, breathing techniques, education, and support. The goals of pulmonary rehab are to improve your stamina, reduce shortness of breath, help you stay independent, and improve quality of life.

When is Pulmonary Rehab Necessary?

Dr. Jay suggests that if you are getting winded walking up the driveway, climbing stairs, keeping up with your kids/grandkids, or have any of the conditions stated above, you should consider pulmonary rehabilitation. You can talk to your primary care provider or a lung specialist, like Dr. Jay Balachandran, about a referral.

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