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Attracted by the energy and possibility surrounding Shorewood's vibrant business district, I was beyond excited to be brought on this year as the BID's executive director. I was just beginning to get up to speed when, suddenly, we were talking about a virus, quickly deemed a pandemic.

My favorite things – people, crowds and events – were now considered dangerous. My first BID event had to be cancelled. As businesses were ordered closed, I went through many emotions just listening to the increasingly dire news. When a business owner emailed asking what we, the BID, could do, my brain kicked into gear and I dug in.

While this wasn't the start I had imagined, I am so proud that our pivot – away from events and into emergency relief for our businesses – was so successful (see story, p. 4).

Now, as our district slowly begins to reopen using a thoughtfully crafted plan from public health professionals across 18 suburban municipalities, our owners are working tirelessly to reimagine their business models, following state and federal guidelines. If you are not ready to visit businesses in person, our business owners respect that. On their behalf, I ask that we respect the difficult balancing act they must perform, and act with compassion and empathy. If I've learned anything in my career, it's that a district is only as healthy as its surrounding community. I extend my deepest gratitude for your continued support of our businesses. We are all definitely #inthistogether. It's a pleasure to meet you, Shorewood!

–Steph Salvia,
Executive Director, Shorewood BID



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On the cover: Kim Mackowski, organizer of the virtual Shorewood Social Distance Classic event in May (see p. 28), runs near a Shorewood home decorated to cheer passers-by during Wisconsin's Safer-at-Home order. Photo by Patrick Manning.



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Throughout the whole day, with everything they did to ensure people’s safety, it was clear how much the Village staff cares about our community.

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The Shorewood Historical Society is collecting items for their “Covid-19 in Shorewood” collection to document life in Shorewood in 2020.

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Submit items to or ask questions at shorewoodhistory@yahoo.com.

Shorewood News

BID, CDA COLLABORATE on Emergency Small-Business Grants

Steph Salvia started her new job as the Shorewood Business Improvement District's executive director shortly before the COVID-19 pandemic caused Wisconsin's governor to close down non-essential businesses indefinitely.

Although Salvia had yet to meet many Shorewood business owners, she immediately went to work on a plan to help them stay afloat.

"I think many business owners see their local BID as an organization that just puts on events," Salvia says. "I want owners to know that a BID can really be an advocate for a business district and provide assistance and a network for them when they need it."

In March, Salvia reached out to the Village Community Development Authority to see if the two organizations could work together to assist local businesses. The result was a \$300,000 emergency fund, unanimously approved by the Village Board in April, sourced from funds originally allocated for general activities and the CDA's now-suspended façade improvement program.

"Our small businesses are facing a crisis like no other," says Shorewood BID Board President Arthur Ircink. "I'm really pleased by how quickly and eagerly all parties came together on the decision to offer them some assistance during this incredibly challenging time."

On May 12, the CDA approved grants to more than 90 businesses, capped at \$10,000 apiece and totalling \$300,628. The funds are intended to help businesses stay viable until more federal funds are available or they are allowed to open back up to the public.

For The City Market owner Jeff Swanson, the grant was more than just money. "It shows that the Village is behind us and that they care," he says.

The emergency fund reflects the importance of Shorewood's small businesses to the vitality of our community, notes CDA chair Peter Hammond.

"These establishments are so unique and important to all of us," Hammond says. "They are an indispensable part of the fabric of Shorewood, and we are privileged to be able to provide some level of relief during these challenging times."



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—Jeff Swanson,
City Market owner



Owner Jeff Swanson stands in front of The City Market's front window in May, between signs advertising the restaurant's curbside and carryout options.

**Shorewood Foundation
WELCOMES NEW
BOARD PRESIDENT**



The Shorewood Foundation, the philanthropic organization that facilitates community financial support from residents and friends, has a new board president. Alan Purintun, who previously chaired the organization's grants committee, takes the reins from Rose Spano Iannelli to serve a two-year term leading the 15-member board.

Purintun grew up in Shorewood and left to earn degrees from Yale University and the Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth. His professional background includes stints as a Central Intelligence Agency officer and an investment analyst for Robert W. Baird. He is the co-founder of Oarsman Capital, Inc., an investment firm where he is a principal and portfolio manager.

He lives in the southeast area of the Village with his wife, Jane O'Meara, and their daughter, Charlotte Purintun.

"I would like the Foundation to be top of mind among our community's generous and philanthropically inclined residents as well as its energetic and creative social entrepreneurs," Purintun says. "Both constituencies should know the Foundation as a capable and well-resourced partner, ready to help realize their community-enhancement visions."

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The design concept for a Shorewood High School building addition.

Shorewood School District JUNE FACILITIES UPDATE

A virtual “groundbreaking” celebration on May 29 marked the start of active construction on the Shorewood School District’s facilities improvement initiative approved in last year’s referendum.

With bidding for all four schools complete, the District continues to work closely with its owner’s representative, Mike Huffman, on all aspects of project oversight, including the top priority of student, staff and visitor safety and well-being. Construction manager Miron Construction and all subcontractors and suppliers will operate in accordance with CDC and OSHA guidelines and recommendations for the health and safety of all workers.

The District is committed to ongoing communication during

summer construction, which will include work at three school sites. Both Atwater and Lake Bluff Elementary Schools will receive ADA-accessible exterior ramps to their new office areas and secured entrances as part of interior renovations, among other upgrades. Shorewood High School will see the reconstruction of the main parking lot, an addition to the administration building and an interior renovation on that building’s second floor.

The SHS main parking lot is closed for the summer for site work and re-paving. The Fitness Center and all buildings on campus are closed through June 30. Summer Recreation programs, if they begin in July, will be relocated to Shorewood Intermediate School.

District Hires NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRINCIPALS

LAKE BLUFF ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



Tammy Rasco

Lake Bluff Elementary School’s new principal, Tammy Rasco, comes to Shorewood from HOPE Christian High School, where she served as principal for the past three years. Her background includes 13 years of teaching in the Milwaukee Public

Schools with a focus on STEM education and project-based learning, as well as leadership roles within charter schools, including dean of students, assistant principal and principal. Rasco holds master’s degrees in educational leadership from Cardinal Stritch University and in urban education and curriculum and instruction from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

ATWATER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



Nate Schultz

New Atwater Elementary School principal Nate Schultz is a nine-year veteran of the Shorewood School District and most recently served for three years as its authentic learning coordinator. Schultz began his career as a 6th-grade teacher at

Lake Bluff Elementary School, where he taught for six years, and has also served as the District’s summer school administrator for the past five years. Schultz holds a master’s degree in educational leadership and administration from Cardinal Stritch University.

CONTAINING CORONAVIRUS

The role of the North Shore Health Department

Under normal circumstances, the North Shore Health Department provides myriad services to help maintain resident well-being and safety in the seven communities it serves: seasonal flu vaccines, water test kits to evaluate lead content, monthly blood pressure clinics and more.

But recently, the department's nurses and assistants became virus sleuths, taking on the vital and challenging job of contact tracing to help mitigate the spread of the novel coronavirus.

The task involves identifying anyone who has come into contact with an infected individual and then notifying, testing, isolating and monitoring them. It is a time-consuming process, but one that health officials are required to undertake within 48 hours once an infected person is identified.

"It's a vital investigative tool for identifying who needs to be separated from the general population," says Health Director Ann Christiansen. "It also helps us identify what the scope and scale of the spread would be."

Public health workers look for anyone who has been within six feet of an infected individual in the days before symptoms appear. Those people are asked to self-isolate and monitor their health.

Once identified and safely quarantined, infected individuals receive ongoing support from NSHD officials until they are well.

"We check in with them regularly to see how they're doing and get a temperature check," Christiansen says. "We help them problem solve, like how to work with their employer or how to protect the health of other people in the home. We're there to support patients and their loved ones the whole way and to make sure they know we're going to get them through this."

The NSHD has been preparing for this type of widespread community illness through annual simulations designed to improve preparedness for all manner of health threats, from infectious disease outbreaks like the coronavirus to bioterrorism emergencies and natural disasters.

Thanks in part to that preparation, Christiansen says the department will be ready to mobilize when a coronavirus vaccine becomes available. "We will set up mass clinics and try to get as many people vaccinated as we can," she says. "We are capable and ready for that."

For more information, including a dashboard map of current and previous coronavirus cases in Milwaukee County, visit nshealthdept.org/CommunicableDiseases/COVID19.aspx.



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Ann Christiansen announces the North Shore's first confirmed coronavirus case on March 13.



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RECOGNIZING SERVICE to the Village of Shorewood



Ann McKaig

Ann McKaig, outgoing Village Board member, was appointed in 2013 to fill a vacancy and served two additional three-year terms. She served on a wide variety of committees as well as the CDA and BID Board. She says she is most proud of her work to implement sewer improvements, support economic development and business growth, and revitalize parks.



Michael Maher

Michael Maher, outgoing Village Board member, was first elected in 2005 and served five terms. During his 14 years on the Village Board's budget and finance committee, he prioritized balancing the continued delivery of high-quality services with limiting tax increases. He also worked in multiple capacities to protect Shorewood's parks and open spaces, on plans to rebuild aging infrastructure and on initiatives to revitalize the business district.



Donal Demet

Donal Demet, outgoing Municipal Judge, had served in this part-time role since 1997. Demet says he enjoyed the opportunity to serve and is grateful for the "tremendous support" from the Village Clerk's office, the Village attorneys and the many members of the Shorewood Police Department who served as court officers over the years. The most rewarding cases, he says, involved minors who were able to overcome substance abuse, often with valuable support from Shorewood High School leadership.

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NEW BUSINESSES



John Phillips stands outside his new business, Sage Specialty Pharmacy.

The Exercise Coach

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Offering a highly personalized fitness regimen, The Exercise Coach has opened a Shorewood studio in part of the former Harleys space. During personal and small-group training sessions, the studio leverages high-tech equipment that adjusts to each client's abilities and employs trained coaches who customize each workout according to a client's fitness level and goals.

Workouts are efficient: Co-owner and Shorewood resident Dylan Dreger says that just two 20-minute sessions per week can help anyone, at any ability level or age, meet their fitness objectives. He became a fan of The Exercise Coach, an international franchise with about 90 U.S. studios, when six months of doing their prescribed lumbar exercises cleared up his chronic lower back pain. "I knew I wanted to own a studio to provide similar results for others," he says.

Sage Specialty Pharmacy

4001 N. Oakland Ave. | 414.861.7243
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The long-vacant retail space at the corner of Oakland Ave. and Capitol Dr. is now home to Sage Specialty Pharmacy, which provides both medication and personal care to patients.

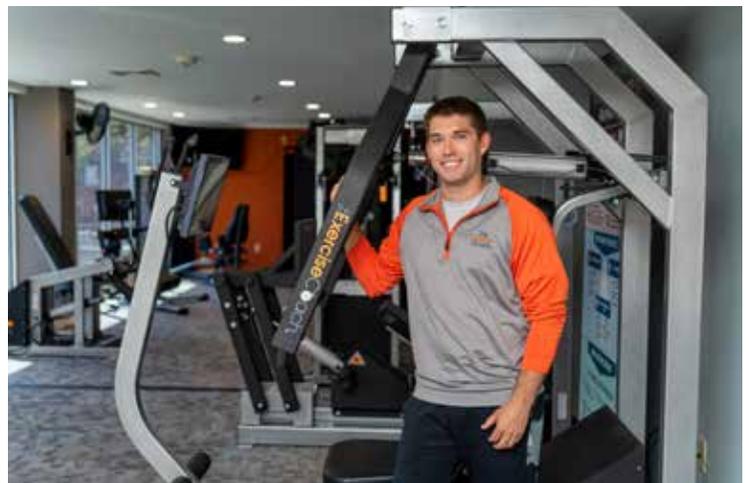
Owner Jon Phillips is a third-generation pharmacist who got his start stocking shelves in his father's pharmacy at nine years old. He has since worked for large chain pharmacies including Walgreens and CVS, as well as the East Side's fondly remembered Oriental Drugs, where he dispensed medications and advice between the lunch counter and hardware section.

Sage's pharmacists communicate and coordinate with providers, insurance companies and copay assistance foundations about drug therapies,

prior authorizations and financial support for some costly medications. They also provide the regular patient monitoring required with some complex diseases.

After several months of renovations to the interior and exterior space, the pharmacy now has a private consultation room, a compounding area, a shipping department with complimentary shipping and delivery to clients, and a spacious lobby, all designed with the patient experience top of mind.

"Opening a specialty pharmacy gives us the opportunity to improve each patient's health through the management of their medications," Phillips says. "Our goal is to provide the best patient care for the best patient outcomes."



Dylan Dreger, Shorewood resident, in the studio at The Exercise Coach, which he co-owns.

The Exercise Coach studios are small, limit the number of people allowed in at once (never more than 10) and are taking extra safety precautions and steps in the wake of the Covid-19 pandemic. Find details – and more information on how to get two free starter sessions – at exercisecoach.com.



Brew City Leaf owner Beto Rangel with some of the CBD products the shop offers.

Under New Ownership: Thompson's Serv-U Pharmacy

One of the Village's longest-standing businesses, Thompson's Serv-U Pharmacy at 1421 N. Capitol Dr., has a new owner and eventually will have a new name.

Kyle Beyer, who lives in Shorewood with his wife, Gretchen, and their two young children, has long wanted to own his own pharmacy and says he was thrilled to buy Thompson's.

"I really feel there's a place in the market for small, independent pharmacies," says Beyer, an experienced pharmacist. "There's not a lot of us left, but people choose us because we can provide personalized care."

Beyer's plans include adding products in demand with today's customers, like chemical-free sunscreens, organic supplements and essential oils, as well as a small clinic room for private consultations with patients and international vaccines for world travelers. Beyer plans to remodel the interior and exterior to make the space more modern and inviting, and also rechristen the business as North Shore Pharmacy. One thing that won't change is the offering of home-delivery service.

In his role, Beyer aims to help customers manage their prescriptions, synchronize their medications, understand side effects and reduce confusion and frustration in dealing with the healthcare industry.

"So many things about healthcare are complicated," he says. "My job is to simplify it for my customers so they can concentrate on their health."



Shorewood resident Kyle Beyer inside Thompson's Serv-U Pharmacy, which he recently bought and plans to remodel and rename.

Brew City Leaf

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Opening just in time for a worldwide pandemic of epic stress-inducing proportions, Brew City Leaf offers myriad forms of therapeutic CBD oil. CBD, or cannabidiol, is a non-intoxicating component of cannabis that has been shown to help mitigate health issues including anxiety, insomnia and chronic pain.

Owner Beto Rangel learned about the positive effects of CBD from his sister, whose son successfully used it to manage his attention deficit hyperactivity disorder. He wants to make one thing very clear: "CBD is one of many components in marijuana, but it is not THC," he says. In other words, CBD won't get you high.

Brew City Leaf's CBD-infused products, offered both in-store and online, range from lotions for aching muscles to calming pet chews for anxious fur babies. Rangel plans to eventually offer CBD massage.

Rangel says he identified Shorewood as a viable community for his business owing to its "informed, open-minded population" and values of personal fitness and wellness. Support from Village officials and the Business Improvement District has made him feel welcome.

"This is a great little community," he says. "I am eager to get to know the people here and show them how CBD can benefit them."



BID FEATURE STORY

KEEP CALM AND INNOVATE

Governor Tony Evers' Safer-at-Home edict left many local businesses scrambling to adjust. Here's how some owners made lemons into lemonade.

BY JENNIFER ANDERSON | PHOTO BY PATRICK MANNING

MISS CUPCAKE: Sweet Walk-Up Window

"In my other life, I'm Martha Stewart," jokes Miss Cupcake owner Ashley Dietrich, who proved it by designing and building her own take-out treat window when the shutdown went into effect. Built over a weekend and painted in the store's signature bright pink, the cheery walk-up window is accessorized by a doorbell that plays goat noises, specially selected by Dietrich's toddler son, Adi, to alert her to customers' arrivals. Her hand-made sign encourages people to "Enjoy some lovin' from the oven!"

The new window, located at the back of the building, has allowed Dietrich (pictured) to continue selling red velvet cupcakes, Key lime bars, circus cookies and dozens of other delicious goodies to grateful customers in need of a socially distanced sugar fix.



THREE LIONS PUB: Essential Offerings

With a knack for knowing what customers need, Three Lions owners David Price (pictured) and Chris Tinker quickly transformed their pub into a convenience store offering hard-to-get items such as toilet paper and liter bottles of hand sanitizer, procured from its food vendors. While customers were picking up their sundries, they could also take advantage of Three Lions' extensive takeout food menu, along with cocktail kits, bottles of wine and classic liquor like Jameson Irish Whiskey to help all those sheltering in place enjoy their own at-home happy hours.

JUST GOODS: Commerce and Community Online

organic elderberry syrup, natural hand sanitizers, essential oils, coffee and fair-trade tea that could be delivered locally or shipped anywhere.

"I knew Shorewood residents would want to shop locally online if they could," she says. "So what I did to pivot was move sales online right away" – to **justgoods.org** – "with a selection of essentials, and offer delivery services."

Castagnozzi also bought the domain name **ShorewoodShops.com** to create a single, online space where customers could purchase goods from local shops and link to the websites of those shops. "I'm a techie," she explains. "This is something I could do to support all of our local businesses and coordinate with others to share resources."



Knowing that people would be in the market for locally made, natural products to protect their physical and mental health, Just Goods owner Lisa Castagnozzi began showcasing a host of items on her website like Cassie's



SHOP: Showcasing and Sharing Styles

When the virus hit, SHOP owner Liz Sumner (above, top) decided to step up her social media game, showcasing store employees modeling the latest fashions and encouraging customers to share their own styled shots. Facebook Live fashion shows enlightened viewers on what's hot and how to wear new styles as well as shop for them. #FunFriday challenges invited people to dress according to themes like "Boss Up," and "Date Night," reminding people that being at home doesn't mean you can't be on-trend.

"Having to close the store to the public was really hard, and at first I just wanted to curl up into a ball and cry until it was all over," Sumner says. "But the social media work we've done has made me feel like we can be in control of something during these completely out-of-control times."



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Rapid Reinvention

When the Covid-19 lockdown required a fast transition to online learning, Shorewood Schools delivered

BY KATELIN WATSON and PAULA WHEELER

When Shorewood School District leaders made the difficult but necessary decision to close the schools in the midst of the Covid-19 pandemic, they found themselves navigating uncharted territory. With limited time to adjust, administrators and teachers plunged into planning and building what would become the Virtual Learning Plan for the rest of the 2020-21 school year.

“Our top priorities were to maintain connections with our students and families, to provide routines and academic resources for students while still providing our families with flexibility, and to build a successful online curriculum focused around the foundational skills of reading, writing and math,” says Tim Joynt, the District’s director of curriculum and instruction.

Laying the groundwork

During the first week of school closures, with help from the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction, administrators and building leadership teams met to begin developing the District’s Virtual Learning Plan. Following these meetings, teacher teams at every grade level began collaborating across the District to share resources and create virtual learning lesson plans for all Shorewood students.

Concurrently, the district’s technology department, headed by Mickey Chavannes, took charge of organizing and distributing Chromebook devices to students whose families had indicated such a need via a District survey. Devices were cataloged, barcoded, assigned to families and distributed on a given pick-up day. In all, over 450 devices were distributed, Chavannes says, with some even hand-delivered.

Another huge task the technology department took on was preparing teachers, most of whom had never run an online classroom.

“We offered three weeks of virtual professional development for the teachers,” Chavannes says. “This gave them the chance to become more familiar with things like how to set up their Google classrooms, how to create an environment for students in online learning, and how to use the different online tools and resources available. From there, if there were common questions or problems that emerged, I created quick slideshows for teachers with answers or step-by-step guides.”

(continued on page 16)

Engaged + Connected

Here’s how some Shorewood educators met the challenges of moving to an online format.



Artwork by Lake Bluff 6th-grader Mia Johnson, above, draws inspiration from Door County artist Sandra Martinez, who created the drawing at right.



Elementary Art

Lake Bluff Elementary School Art Teacher Kevin Karman’s collaboration with nationally renowned Door County, Wis., artist Sandra Martinez was already underway when schools closed in March. Karman had secured a District grant to develop a unit based on the symbolist painter and weaver’s work, culminating with students creating art in her distinctive, contemporary style. The video he created with Martinez proved a perfect fit for virtual art instruction, inspiring Karman to feature as many Wisconsin artists as possible during this time away from school. “My hope,” he says, “is that each Lake Bluff student will see how they connect to the many creative artists in the environment around them.”

Easing the transition

To create the most seamless transition possible, the initial weeks were spent gradually acclimating students and teachers to online learning. Teachers began by sending optional enrichment activities intermittently throughout the first week, then sending daily activities and resources the next week, ultimately making the final shift to a full virtual learning curriculum, with grading enforced by mid-April.

"Virtual learning has been a true learning process," Joynt says. "We knew it wasn't going to be perfect right away, so we continually surveyed students and families at every school and used that feedback to make small modifications to better meet the needs of our families."

Joynt credits "amazing collaboration" among teachers, students, families and administrators with enabling the District to overcome many obstacles. "In true Shorewood fashion, everyone rose to the challenge and our teachers, especially, worked really hard to provide the best virtual education they could."

Looking ahead

Despite all the challenges, the school year ended on its originally planned date of June 11. Now, administrators are exploring three instructional models for the 2020-2021 academic year beginning September 1: face-to-face instruction with safety precautions, virtual instruction or a blend of the two. In coordination with the Governor's office, DPI, the North Shore Health Department, the Shorewood staff and the School Board, a decision will be made later this summer.

Says Shorewood Schools Superintendent Bryan Davis: "I am confident that by working through these adversities together as a District and community, we will come out stronger on the other side." ■

Morning Announcements

"My daily responsibilities typically include behavior specifically around lunch and recess and building positive relationships with our students," says Atwater Elementary School Dean of Students Ryan Kroger. "That makes my job a little tricky with Covid."

Still, Kroger has found a way to keep an important tradition alive: daily morning announcements, delivered by 5th- and 6th-grade student ambassadors. "Their mission is to highlight and recognize all of the amazing things that happen at Atwater," Kroger says, noting that, typically, the students would gather in the office and broadcast over the PA system.

Using Zoom's split screen functionality, Kroger joins his student ambassadors each day for announcements infused with music, humor and even dancing. Proud parents and anyone else can find the videos by visiting Atwater's Facebook page.



Atwater Dean of Students Ryan Kroger (upper right) joins student ambassadors Isabella Papara (upper left) and Ben Vaillencourt for virtual morning announcements.



Intermediate School Social Studies

The three educators who compose the Shorewood Intermediate School Social Studies Department are passionate about student engagement. Their recent involvement in University of Wisconsin-Madison research on student engagement and motivation has guided their course structure, "which transferred smoothly to the Covid-19 crisis," says Sarah Kopplin, who teaches World Geography.

Harnessing technology including Google Classroom to provide structures for collaboration, access to historical sources and use of platforms to spark student engagement in a primarily paper-free environment "allowed for us to create engaging learning experiences for students during the pandemic," Kopplin says. A "voice and choice" approach allows students to demonstrate learning via writing, video and voice recording, give weekly feedback and work at their own paces, and the teachers make sure to incorporate games and other fun activities.

New Horizons for Learning

Learning within New Horizons, the District's charter high school, is dynamic, immersive and hands-on, leveraging strong community-based partnerships. In other words, it's high-contact and social.

"Going out into the community and working with various nonprofit organizations is a component of our learning that really empowers young people," says Instructional Director Bohdan Nedilsky. "When, all of a sudden, our ties are cut, it forces us to reach out, interact and foster those relationships in very different ways." The process builds an important life skill: the ability to adapt.



Pre-pandemic environmental studies with long-time partner the Urban Ecology Center, for example, involved gardening together. With virtual learning, students might watch a short clip from UEC instructors and then find ways to interact with nature safely, in their yards or a nearby park. Or they might watch a video about nature education in Rwanda and draw parallels to their own experiences. Later, they share reflections via Google Hangouts, phone calls or text conversations.



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Extraordinary Election-Day Efforts

Staff, volunteers delivered for democracy

BY JENNIFER ANDERSON

The challenges local officials faced surrounding the April 7 election were as daunting and confusing as the coronavirus that caused all the mayhem, but a collaborative effort among Village employees and volunteers enabled Shorewood citizens to cast their ballots.

Constantly changing messages from state officials in the weeks leading up to election day also left both staff and residents wondering whether in-person elections would take place. With schools closed and the statewide Safer-at-Home order issued, the election team, led by Village Clerk Sara Bruckman and Deputy Clerk Diane DeWindt-Hall, found themselves manually processing about 6,000 absentee ballots – four times as many as are usually requested.

When 11th-hour legal wrangling by the state legislature and courts mandated that election officials forge ahead with in-person voting, officials had to scramble. Already, many of Shorewood's usual 100-plus election workers who were in the high-risk category for severe illness from Covid-19 had made the difficult decision not to participate in the election.

Fortunately, Village employees, spurred on by a sense of duty to the community and compassion for their co-workers, stepped up to help out. Village Planning and Development Director Bart Griepentrog, for example, was asked to act as a chief inspector.

"It was a great opportunity to both better appreciate the full scope of the process and experience some great teamwork," Griepentrog says.

Armed with plexiglass shields built by the Village Department of Public Works, masks sewn by handy residents, and hand sanitizer and anti-viral spray from the Senior Resource Center and the Village's cleaning service, the team of employees joined seasoned and new volunteers – along with seven members of the National Guard – to form a small cadre of dedicated election workers. From 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. on April 7, they processed absentee ballots, registered new voters, ran the books, and disinfected and sanitized every surface at polling locations many, many times.

"Throughout the whole day, with everything they did to ensure people's safety, it was clear how much the Village staff cares about our community," says volunteer election worker McKenzie Edmonds. "Many of us showed up to ease the burden of this election because we care about them."

In the end, Shorewood residents cast just over 6,000 votes, either through absentee or in-person voting, representing 64 percent of the Village's registered voters. That's down just a few percentage points from the last presidential preference election.

Village staff are committed to handling challenges posed by upcoming elections and encourage citizens to continue to have faith in the process.

"Without the experience, we never would have known about all the talents and dedication of our fellow workers," says DeWindt-Hall. "They just stepped up and did what needed to be done with a positive, non-fearful attitude." ■

Are you ready?

Prepare to cast your ballot

REGISTER TO VOTE

Who:

- New Wisconsin voters
- Those with a name and/or address change since having registered previously – even if you reside in the same multi-unit building but have changed units/apartments
- Those who have not voted in the past four years

How:

- **Online.** Visit **MyVote.WI.gov**.
- **By Mail.** Tear out and complete the Voter Registration Application on the next page. Drop it in the WHITE MAILBOX behind Village Hall or mail it to Shorewood Village Clerk, 3930 N. Murray Ave., Shorewood, WI 53211. Include proof of residence (examples are listed on the form) and make sure it is postmarked at least 20 calendar days before any election.
- **At Your Polling Place on Election Day.** Bring proof of residence and photo ID.
- **In Person.** Call 414.847.2700 for information on in-person registration.

VOTE BY MAIL/ABSENTEE BALLOT

- Any Wisconsin voter may request an absentee ballot and vote by mail.
- It's easy to request a ballot at **MyVote.WI.gov**.
- The form to request a ballot is also provided on page 21. Tear it out, fill it out and put it in an envelope with a valid form of photo ID (see page 2 of the form for acceptable forms of ID).
- Address the envelope and post it to Shorewood Village Clerk, 3930 N. Murray Ave., Shorewood, WI 53211. Or, write "VILLAGE CLERK" on the envelope and drop it in the WHITE MAILBOX behind Village Hall.
- The form is due at 5 p.m. the **THURSDAY BEFORE EACH ELECTION.**

FIND YOUR POLLING PLACE

It's based on where you live. Find it (and a lot of other useful information) at **MyVote.WI.gov**.

For more information, FAQ and **MyVote.WI.gov** instructions,

VISIT

villageofshorewood.org/134/Elections-Voting.

Wisconsin Voter Registration Application

Please complete legibly
Additional instructions on reverse

Please return your completed form to
your municipal clerk

Qualifications please check each box if YOU :	1	If you cannot check every box, do NOT complete this form <input type="checkbox"/> Are a citizen of the United States <input type="checkbox"/> Have resided at the address provided below for at least 10 consecutive days prior to the election and do not currently intend to move <input type="checkbox"/> Will be at least 18 years old on or before Election Day <input type="checkbox"/> Are not currently serving a sentence including incarceration, parole, probation, or extended supervision for a felony conviction											
Your Name	2	Last _____ Suffix (Jr., II, etc.) _____ First _____ Middle _____											
About You phone number and email are optional	3	Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY) _____ Phone Number _____ _____ Email Address _____											
The Address Where You Live your residential voting address, which cannot be a P.O. Box if you do not have a street address, please use the map on the back of this form	4	Street Address _____ Apt/Room # _____ City/Town/Village of _____ WI Zip _____ Mailing Municipality (if different) _____ Are you military or permanent overseas voter? <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Permanent Overseas											
Your Mailing Address if different from above	5	Street Address (or P.O. Box) _____ City/State/Country/Zip _____											
Prior Registration Information complete this field if you are updating your registration due to a change in name or address	6	Full Name on Previous Registration _____ Full Address on Previous Registration (if known) _____											
Identification (check the box that applies to you) WI Driver License or ID number required if unexpired and valid. SSN required if DL/ID not valid or never issued	7	<input type="checkbox"/> I have an unexpired and valid WI Driver License or WI DOT issued ID. Provide number and expiration date below Expiration Date _____ <input type="checkbox"/> I do not have a valid WI Driver License or WI DOT issued ID Provide the last four digits of your Social Security Number XXX-XX-_____ <input type="checkbox"/> I have neither a valid WI Driver License/ID nor a Social Security Number (see back for more information and next steps)											
Proof of Residence military and permanent overseas voters are not required to provide proof of residence	8	<input type="checkbox"/> Voters must provide a proof of residence document when registering to vote. Please check this box to affirm that you are providing a copy of a valid form of proof of residence with this application Examples include: a copy of a valid and unexpired Wisconsin Driver License or ID Card, a utility bill, a paycheck/pay stub, or correspondence from a unit of government (see back of application for additional information and examples)											
Signature and Certification	9	By signing below, I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge, I am a qualified elector , having resided at the above residential address for at least 10 consecutive days immediately preceding this election, that I have no present intent to move, and I have not voted in this election. I also certify that I am not otherwise disqualified from voting and that all statements on this form are true and correct. If I have provided false information, I may be subject to fine or imprisonment under State and Federal laws X _____ / / Voter Signature Today's Date											
Falsification of information on this form is punishable under Wisconsin law as a Class I felony													
Assistant if someone assisted you by signing this form, they must complete this section	10	X _____ Assistant Signature Assistant Address											
This Section for Official Use Only													
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WisVote ID # _____		<input type="checkbox"/> Submitted by Mail		X _____		Official's Signature							
Ward	Sch. District	Alder	City. Supr.	Ct. Of App.	Assembly	St. Senate	Congress						

1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If you did not check every box in this section, you are not eligible to vote in Wisconsin. Do not complete this form. 																		
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide your current and complete name. Please provide your name as it appears on your WI driver license or state-issued ID card (Box 7), if applicable, and the proof of residence document you provided in Box 8. 																		
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide your month, day, and year of birth. Providing your phone number and/or email address is optional and is subject to open records requests. This information may be used by your municipal clerk to contact you about your voter record or absentee ballot request. 																		
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide your home address (legal voting residence) in Wisconsin. Provide your full street name, including the type (St, Ave, etc.) and any pre- and/or post-directional (N, S, etc.). <u>You may not enter a PO Box as a residential address.</u> A rural route box without a number should not be used. A "military elector" is a person, or the spouse or dependent of a person who is a member of a uniformed service or merchant marine, a civilian officially attached to a uniformed service and serving outside the United States, or a Peace Corp volunteer. Military electors are not required to register as a prerequisite to voting at any election. A "permanent overseas elector" is a US citizen, at least 18 years old, who does not qualify as a resident of this state, but who either last lived in this state, or whose parent last lived in this state immediately prior to the parent's departure from the United States, and who is not registered to vote in any other state. <p>If you do not have a street number or address, please use this map to show where you live.</p> <p>If you are a homeless voter and are registering to vote, please also provide a letter from an organization that provides services to the homeless that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lists your name Describes the location designated as your residence for voting purposes <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <table border="1" style="border-collapse: collapse; text-align: center;"> <tr> <td style="padding: 5px;">Example</td> <td style="padding: 5px;">N</td> <td style="padding: 5px;">Library</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="3" style="padding: 5px;">Marmoset Drive</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 5px;">High School</td> <td style="padding: 5px;">X</td> <td></td> </tr> </table> <table border="1" style="border-collapse: collapse; text-align: center;"> <tr> <td style="padding: 5px;"> </td> <td style="padding: 5px;">N</td> <td style="padding: 5px;"> </td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="3" style="padding: 5px;">↑</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 5px;"> </td> <td style="padding: 5px;"> </td> <td style="padding: 5px;"> </td> </tr> </table> </div>	Example	N	Library	Marmoset Drive			High School	X			N		↑					
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6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide full previous name if changed and/or previous address if you have been registered to vote anywhere in the U.S. 																		
7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>If you have a valid and unexpired WI driver license or WI DOT ID:</u> provide that number. If you do not know your number, please call (608) 266-2353 to get it. <u>If you have an expired, canceled, suspended, or revoked WI driver license or WI DOT ID:</u> you must provide the last four digits of your Social Security number. In addition, you may also provide the number on your license or ID (optional). <u>If you have never been issued a WI driver license or WI DOT ID:</u> provide the last four digits of your Social Security number. <u>If you do not have a WI driver license or WI DOT ID nor a Social Security Number:</u> please check the appropriate box. <p>If you are registering to vote on Election Day and have been issued a WI driver license or ID, but are unable or unwilling to provide the number, your vote will not be counted unless you provide the number to the election inspectors by 8:00 p.m. on Election Day or to your municipal clerk by 4:00 p.m. the Friday following Election Day.</p>																		
8	<p style="text-align: center;">All proof of residence documents must contain voter's current name and address.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A WI Driver License/ID Card, if not expired or canceled; may be used even if driving privileges have been revoked Any other official identification card or license issued by a Wisconsin governmental body or unit An employee ID card with a photograph, but not a business card A real property tax bill or receipt for the current year or the year preceding the date of the election A residential lease (does not count as proof of residence if elector submits form by mail) A picture ID from a university, college or technical college coupled with a fee receipt or an on-campus housing listing provided by the university, college or technical college A utility bill for the period commencing not earlier than 90 days before the day registration is made (Homeless voters only) A letter from an organization that provides services to the homeless that identifies the voter and describes the location designated as the person's residence for voting purposes A contract/intake document prepared by a residential care facility indicating that the occupant resides in the facility A bank/credit card statement A paycheck or pay stub A check or other document issued by a unit of government <p style="text-align: center;">Proof of residence documents may be provided in an electronic format.</p>																		
10	<p>Assistant: If you are unable to sign this form due to a physical disability, you may have an assistant do so on your behalf. That assistant must provide his or her signature and address in the space provided. By signing, the assistant certifies that he or she signed the form at your request.</p>																		
<p>Do you need any accommodations at your polling place (e.g., curbside voting)? If so, please describe:</p>																			
<input type="checkbox"/> Please indicate if you are interested in being a poll worker																			

	Wisconsin Application for Absentee Ballot				(Municipal Clerk) If in-person voter, check here: <input type="checkbox"/>
	Absentee ballots may also be requested at MyVote.wi.gov				
	Confidential Elector ID# <i>(HINDI - sequential #) (Official Use Only)</i>	WisVote ID # <i>(Official Use Only)</i>	Ward No.		

Instructions Detailed instructions for completion are on the back of this form. Return this form to your municipal clerk when completed.

- You must be registered to vote before you can receive an absentee ballot. You can confirm your voter registration at <https://myvote.wi.gov>

PHOTO ID REQUIRED, unless you qualify for an exception. See instructions on back for exceptions.

VOTER INFORMATION

1	Municipality	<input type="checkbox"/> Town <input type="checkbox"/> Village <input type="checkbox"/> City		County	
2	Last Name		First Name		
	Middle Name	Suffix (e.g. Jr, II, etc.)		Date of Birth <small>(MM/DD/YYYY)</small>	
	Phone	Fax	Email		
3	Residence Address: Street Number & Name				
	Apt. Number	City	State & ZIP		
4	Fill in the appropriate circle – if applicable (see instructions for definitions):				
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Military	<input type="checkbox"/>	Permanent Overseas	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Temporary Overseas			

I PREFER TO RECEIVE MY ABSENTEE BALLOT BY: (Ballot will be mailed to the address above if no preference is indicated. Absentee ballots may not be forwarded.)

5	<input type="checkbox"/> MAIL	Mailing Address: Street Number & Name				
	<input type="radio"/> VOTE IN CLERK'S OFFICE	Apt. Number	City	State & ZIP		
		Care Facility Name (if applicable)				
	<input type="radio"/> FAX	Fax Number		Voter must have a computer and printer when receiving a ballot by fax or email. Voted ballots must be returned by mail.		
<input type="checkbox"/> EMAIL	Email Address					

I REQUEST AN ABSENTEE BALLOT BE SENT TO ME FOR: (mark only one)

6	<input type="checkbox"/>	The election(s) on the following date(s): _____
	<input type="checkbox"/>	All elections from today's date through the end of the current calendar year (ending 12/31).
	<input type="checkbox"/>	For indefinitely-confined voters only: I certify that I am indefinitely confined because of age, illness, infirmity or disability and request absentee ballots be sent to me automatically until I am no longer confined, or I fail to return a ballot. <i>Anyone who makes false statements in order to obtain an absentee ballot may be fined not more than \$1,000 or imprisoned not more than 6 months or both.</i> Wis. Stats. §§ 12.13(3)(i), 12.60(1)(b).

TEMPORARILY HOSPITALIZED VOTERS ONLY (please fill in circle)

7	<input type="checkbox"/>	I certify that I cannot appear at the polling place on election day because I am hospitalized, and appoint the following person to serve as my agent, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 6.86(3).			
	Agent Last Name	Agent First Name	Agent Middle Name		
	AGENT: I certify that I am the duly appointed agent of the hospitalized absentee elector, that the absentee ballot to be received by me is received solely for the benefit of the above named hospitalized elector, and that such ballot will be promptly transmitted by me to that elector and then returned to the municipal clerk or the proper polling place.				
	Agent Signature	X	Agent Address		

ASSISTANT DECLARATION / CERTIFICATION (if required)

I certify that the application is made on request and by authorization of the named elector, who is unable to sign the application due to physical disability.

Agent Signature	X	Today's Date	
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VOTER DECLARATION / CERTIFICATION (required for all voters)

I certify that I am a qualified elector, a U.S. Citizen, at least 18 years old, having resided at the above residential address for at least 10 consecutive days immediately preceding this election, not currently serving a sentence including probation or parole for a felony conviction, and not otherwise disqualified from voting. **Please sign below to acknowledge that you have read and understand the above.**

Voter Signature	X	Today's Date	
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Wisconsin Application for Absentee Ballot Instructions

General Instructions: This form should be submitted to your municipal clerk, unless directed otherwise.

- This form should only be completed by registered voters; if you are not a registered voter or military elector, please submit a Voter Registration Application (EL-131) with this form.

Photo ID requirement: If you will receive your absentee ballot by mail, and have not previously provided a copy of acceptable photo ID with a prior by-mail absentee ballot request, a copy of photo ID must accompany this application. You may submit your application and a copy of your ID by mail, fax or email. In-person voters must always show acceptable photo ID.

The following documents are acceptable Photo ID (For specific information regarding expired documents visit <http://bringit.wi.gov>.)

State of WI driver license or ID card	Certificate of Naturalization
Military ID card issued by a U.S. uniformed service	WI DOT DL or ID card receipt
Photo ID issued by the federal Dept. of Veterans Affairs	Citation/Notice to revoke or suspend WI DL
University, college or tech college ID and enrollment verification	ID card issued by federally recognized WI tribe
U.S. passport booklet or card	

In lieu of photo ID, the voters listed below may satisfy the voter ID requirement by the following means:

- **Electors who are indefinitely confined (see Section 6) – the signature of a witness on the Absentee Certificate Envelope.**
- Electors residing in care facilities served by Special Voting Deputies – the signatures of both deputies on the envelope.
- Electors residing in care facilities not served by Special Voting Deputies – the signature of an authorized representative of the facility. If the elector is also indefinitely confined, the elector does not need a representative of the facility to sign.
- **Military, Permanent Overseas and Confidential Electors – Exempt from the photo ID requirement.**

1 • Indicate the municipality and county of residence. Use the municipality's formal name (for example: City of Ashland, Village of Greendale, or Town of Albion).

2 • Provide your name as you are registered to vote in Wisconsin. If applicable, please provide your suffix (Jr, Sr, etc.) and/or middle name. If your current name is different than how you are registered to vote, please submit a Voter Registration Application (EL-131) with this form to update your information.
• Provide your month, day and year of birth. Remember to use your birth year, not the current year.

3 • Provide your home address (legal voting residence) with full house number (including fractions, if any).
• Provide your full street name, including the type (eg., Ave.) and any pre- and/or post-directional (N, S, etc.).
• Provide the city name and ZIP code as it would appear on mail delivered to the home address.
• You may not enter a PO Box as a voting residence. A rural route box without a number may not be used.

4 • A "Military elector" is a person, or the spouse or dependent of a person who is a member of a uniformed service or the merchant marines, a civilian employee of the United States, a civilian officially attached to a uniformed service and serving outside the United States, or a Peace Corp volunteer. Military electors do not need to register to vote.
• A "Permanent Overseas elector" is a person who is a United States citizen, 18 years old or older, who resided in Wisconsin immediately prior to leaving the United States, who is now living outside the United States and has no present intent to return, who is not registered in any other location, or who is an adult child of a United States citizen who resided in this state prior to establishing residency abroad. Permanent Overseas electors will receive ballots for federal offices only and must be registered to vote prior to receiving a ballot.
• A "Temporary Overseas elector" is a person who is a United States citizen, 18 years of age or older, a resident of Wisconsin and is overseas for a temporary purpose and intends to return to their Wisconsin residence.

5 • Fill in the circle to indicate your preferred method of receiving your absentee ballot.
• Military and Permanent Overseas voters may request and access their ballot directly at <https://myvote.wi.gov>.
• If no preference is indicated, your absentee ballot will be mailed to your residence address listed in Box 3.
• You are encouraged to provide a physical mailing address as backup in case of electronic transmission difficulties. Please only fill the circle for your preferred means of transmission.
• If you are living in a care facility, please provide the name of the facility.
• If someone will be receiving the ballot on your behalf, please list them after C/O. Please note: The absentee elector is still required to vote their own ballot, although they may request assistance in physically marking the ballot.

6 • Select the first option if you would like to receive a ballot for a single election or a specific set of elections.
• Select the second option if you would like to have a standing absentee request for any and all elections that may occur in a calendar year (ending December 31).
• Select the third option **only if you are indefinitely confined due to age, illness, infirmity or disability** and wish to request absentee ballots for all elections until you are no longer confined or fail to return a ballot for an election.

7 • This section is only to be completed by an elector or the agent of an elector who is currently hospitalized.
• An agent completing this form for a hospitalized elector must provide his/her name, signature and address on this application.

Assistant Signature: In the situation where the elector is unable to sign the Voter Declaration / Certification due to a physical disability, the elector may authorize another elector to sign on his or her behalf. Any elector signing an application on another elector's behalf shall attest to a statement that the application is made on request and by authorization of the named elector, who is unable to sign the application due to physical disability.

Voter Signature: By signing and dating this form, you certify that you are a qualified elector, a U.S. citizen, at least 18 years old, having resided at your residential address for at least 10 consecutive days immediately preceding this election, not currently serving a sentence including probation or parole for a felony conviction, and not otherwise disqualified from voting.



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Relief Fund

Shorewood Foundation
Prioritizes Small Businesses

BY JENNIFER ANDERSON

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The Foundation is temporarily shifting its focus from supporting community-enhancement projects to helping local businesses stay afloat amid this unprecedented crisis.

—Alan Purintun

The Shorewood Foundation’s mandate has long been to “celebrate, connect and sustain” the culture, civic pride and community spirit of the Village. It has done this through the funding of such treasured Shorewood institutions as the 4th of July fireworks and parade, the Shorewood Farmers Market, and public arts projects like the Ghost Train.

These days, the Foundation is reaching out to sustain another important aspect of the Village: its unique small businesses, especially those hard struck by the coronavirus pandemic. To that end, the Foundation has worked with the Shorewood Business Improvement District to create the Small Business Relief Fund, which will provide grants of up to \$2,500 apiece to local enterprises to help them stay on their feet.

Seeded with a generous \$25,000 donation from the Gladys E. Gores Charitable Foundation, the Shorewood Foundation is appealing to residents for additional funds, with all contributions collected throughout the remainder of the year earmarked for the relief fund.

“While Covid-19 has overturned everyone’s lives, local business owners find their very livelihoods in danger of collapse,” says Alan Purintun, president of the 15-member, all-volunteer board. “The Foundation is temporarily shifting its focus from supporting community-enhancement projects to helping local businesses stay afloat amid this unprecedented crisis.”

The BID is working with small businesses on a case-by-case basis to provide owners with financial relief, and the Foundation resources will be used to augment the existing Community Development Authority emergency relief fund (see page 4) and assist some businesses that do not qualify for the CDA grants. ■

Those interested in donating can visit shorewoodfoundation.org or send a check directly to The Shorewood Foundation, 3930 N. Murray Ave., Shorewood, WI, 53211.

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During this challenging time living with the spread of Covid-19, the SRC is here for you.

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If you are 60 and older, please contact the SRC if you would like to request a volunteer to pick up your groceries or run an errand, need a mask, or are just feeling alone. We care. We'd love to hear from you.

Zoom Tech Support

Zoom is a computer application that enables videoconferencing through your home computers. We are using this technology to bring you some classes, virtually, until we can again gather safely in person. You might also enjoy having Zoom to be able to video conference with friends and family.

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Zoom Qi Gong

Mondays, June 15 and ongoing until further notice, 10 a.m.

This class will focus on reducing stress, improving balance, general coordination and lively awareness with relaxing, energizing and beautiful movements from several Tai Chi and Qi Gong systems.

Zoom Gentle Yoga

Tuesdays, June 16 through Aug. 25, 10 a.m.

Meredith Watts of the Milwaukee Yoga Center will lead us in practicing yoga together in a way that works with all muscle groups and helps maintain flexibility of the spine and joints. "Gentle" yoga incorporates more breath work and relaxation elements than the Friday yoga classes listed below. Everyone can do some version of these exercises!

Zoom Friday Yoga

Fridays, June 19 and ongoing until further notice, 10:30 a.m.

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Community Spirit

in the Face of Covid-19

BY JENNIFER ANDERSON and PAULA WHEELER | PHOTO BY PATRICK MANNING

The spring season often challenges Shorewoodians, disappointing us with cold weather when we're ready for warm and threatening our emerging plants with fatal frost. But this past spring has challenged us – and the rest of the world – like no other in our collective memory. Amid the suffering brought on by the global pandemic, the good people of Shorewood have found ways to support one another and the community.

Helping Hands: The Shorewood Care Network

With a life-threatening virus on the loose, Anjum Alden knew many residents at risk for serious illness would be averse to even brief errands. Having recently co-launched the Shorewood Care Network to facilitate neighborhood connections during short-term emergencies, Alden decided to expand its scope to help with specific, quarantine-based needs.

"There are many kind and generous people in Shorewood who want to help."

—ANJUM ALDEN

Through personal connections, community Facebook groups and the Shorewood Senior Resource Center, Alden simultaneously mobilized

more than 150 volunteers and got word out to those in need that help was available. The calls began coming in.

"It's so humbling," Alden says. "Someone called and asked if we could grocery shop for them, and I said, 'Of course,' and they just started crying, they were so relieved. That's happened a few times."

In addition to supplying people to run errands and check in on each other, the network also quietly provides grocery store gift cards to people who've taken a financial hit because of the pandemic. "People are so scared right now, and many are in a really desperate situation," Alden says. "There are many kind and generous people in Shorewood who want to help. We really want people to know that they are not alone."

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Paul Stenzel, his wife, Christina Plum, and their daughter, Emma Stenzel, make music outside on a Friday evening.

Gigs by the Block: Front Porch Community Concerts

In a bygone era before Covid-19, Shorewood offered myriad opportunities to catch live music, whether it was Summer Sounds in Hubbard Park, Sunday entertainment at the Farmers Market or any number of programs at the Shorewood High School auditorium. Once concerts were canceled to observe social distancing, the sounds of silence became almost deafening.

Enter Kristi Weisenburger, English language fellow for the U.S. State Department, music lover and mother of two young musicians, a flutist and violin player. "I was looking for ways to encourage them to play and also get outside in a safe way," Weisenburger says.

Inspired by a BBC clip on wartime garden concerts, she created Shorewood's Front Porch Community Concerts. She invited local musicians – amateur and professional – to "bring the joy of music to neighbors who need some cheer" every Friday night at 5 p.m., all while minding social distancing guidelines.

So far, neighbors have been treated to everything from sax solos to acoustic guitar duets to accordion jam sessions, and Weisenburger is looking forward to more concerts as the weather warms up. "It's nice to be able to just stand outside and see one another," she says.

For information on the concerts or to schedule your own: Search "Front Porch Community Concerts" on Facebook.

Porch Concerts
"bring the joy of music to neighbors who need some cheer."

—KRISTI WEISENBURGER



Monna Arvinen-Barrow, left, and her daughter, Amie Barrow, model the T-shirts Amie designed for event participants.

Group Fitness: The Shorewood Social Distance Classic

With gyms shuttered and local races postponed indefinitely, multiple marathoner, running coach and fitness enthusiast Kim Mackowski felt she had to do something to get people moving – safely, and also as a part of something bigger. Her brainchild: The Shorewood Social Distance Classic, a run that villagers could train for and run on their own, but with virtual community support.

Starting mid-March, people joined the group’s Facebook page to declare their intentions to run a 5k, 10k or other distance any time between May 1 and 3. The run would be solo, but the Facebook

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–MONNA ARVINEN-BARROW

group offered plenty of advice, inspiration and camaraderie during the weeks leading up to the race.

Creating a way for people to bond, have fun and work toward a goal in the midst of an uncontrollable situation helped offer people a sense of purpose, says Monna Arvinen-Barrow, who leveraged her background in sports psychology to share helpful training tips with the group. Newer to running, she achieved her personal goal of finishing a 5k without any walking breaks.

Mackowski says more than 120 people posted that they completed the run, and suspects many others participated as well. “I really enjoyed seeing posts from so many new people I hadn’t met before,” she says. “For some, it was their first 5k ever.” Mackowski surprised a dozen random race finishers with cupcakes frosted in the race’s theme colors.

Mere days after the results were in, Mackowski and Arvinen-Barrow had posted training schedules and inspiration for the next challenge: the Virtual Juhannus Juoksu, or Summer Solstice run, on June 21.

To join the community: Search “The Shorewood Social and Distance Training Connections” on Facebook.



Fresh Food: Facilitating Donations

Wanting to help households in need, an anonymous Shorewood donor familiar with resident Anjum Alden’s community work reached out: Did Alden know of any local families who could use a free box of fresh produce and other staples? The donor had heard about Drive Thru at the Farm, an operation that came together to help prevent fresh food from going to waste when restaurants were ordered to suspend dining in. At \$20 to \$40 apiece, the boxes were a bargain given all they include, and were ready for pickup each Friday near West Silver Spring Drive and North 55th Street.

Outreach efforts brought forth four families and the donor generously purchased a box for each. Alden and Rachel Baum, founder of the Facebook group Buy Nothing Shorewood, reasoned that quite a few generous souls might want to cover the costs of weekly boxes for those who had lost income, so they spread the word. They were right.

For five weeks, a confidentially facilitated process supplied an average of 12 to 14 Shorewood households with weekly boxes of fresh food – compliments of anonymous neighbors.

“Thank you from the bottom of my heart for the produce box!” wrote one grateful recipient. “It gave (us) some variety with what we have been eating, is healthy and was one less cost to worry about. We cooked together, which felt good.”

“Thank you from the bottom of my heart for the produce box!”

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Re-creating Recreation

Virtual engagement keeps department connected to community

BY KATELIN WATSON | PHOTO BY PATRICK MANNING

For the Shorewood Recreation Department, the past few months have been all about adjusting and adapting. When Wisconsin's Safer-at-Home order went into effect in March, department staff immediately began to focus on new ways to keep the community engaged and provide services virtually.

"When we learned that the closures were going to be long-term, we knew we had to get creative with our offerings and resources," says Recreation Department Director Jody Brooks. "We understood there were going to be a lot of alternative virtual classes out there, but we hoped that people would enjoy seeing familiar faces on the screen and want to engage with our staff."

The department started with community outreach through its Facebook page, asking followers about their preferences. Department employees also stepped up with some great ideas, such as the virtual yoga instruction videos from Administrative Assistant Nora Rangel-Kubacki.

Rangel-Kubacki, who became a certified yoga teacher earlier this year, was struggling to find time for her own yoga practice when the pandemic began and thought others might benefit from short yoga videos they could access any time.

"I wanted to talk about the challenges we are all experiencing and incorporate poses to stretch the neck, shoulders and hip flexors, since we have been sitting and looking at our screens for extended

periods of time," says Rangel-Kubacki. "My intention was for beginners and experienced yogis alike to feel empowered by challenging themselves to get out of their comfort zones, trying a new posture or taking a variation on a pose."

The District's technology department assisted Rangel-Kubacki in producing 25- to 30-minute videos each week for upload to the Recreation Department's Facebook page, where they have received favorable reviews. Rangel-Kubacki intentionally filmed the videos in different areas of her home to demonstrate that people don't need big spaces or expensive equipment to practice yoga.

The Shorewood Community Fitness Center has also been producing exercise content for community members. There are a variety of workout videos posted on the SCFC's Facebook page, developed and led by employees, and best practices videos related to specific exercise moves.

"Covid-19 has been a difficult situation for all of us," says SCFC Manager David Winger. "But the way in which our employees have stepped up to provide content for our community speaks to their character. It's amazing that they can keep that connection with the community alive through online platforms."



Nora Rangel-Kubacki demonstrates a yoga pose. She has filmed instructive videos in this and other locations in her home.

Other virtual offerings have included Tai Chi, Minecraft tips and tricks, Shorewood Bingo, photo scavenger hunts and a virtual 50K Challenge.

Over 125 participants, ranging in age from six to 79, had registered for the virtual 50K challenge by mid-May. Participants are challenged to cover a distance of 31 miles by May 31, whether it be running, jogging, walking or even strength training (tracking workouts with a converter log).

"The participation from the community, not only for the run but with all of our virtual offerings, has been tremendous," says Brooks. "It's definitely been difficult navigating the challenges of the last few months, but I'm so proud of my staff and the community for continuing to persevere and stay connected." ■

All Shorewood Recreation programs are cancelled through June 30. Information about program reopenings will be updated on the department's Facebook page and at shorewoodrecreation.org.



From left, Drs. Aidanne MacDonald-Milewski, Joanne Aponte and Sarah Axtell stand in the teaching kitchen of their new offices at 3510 N. Oakland Ave.

You Are What You Eat

Lakeside Natural Medicine guides patients along nutritional path to optimal health

BY JENNIFER ANDERSON | PHOTO BY PATRICK MANNING

BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT

Believing that the body has the power to heal itself is a basic premise of naturopathic medicine. At Lakeside Natural Medicine, a natural health and wellness clinic that in May relocated to a larger space at 3510 N. Oakland Ave., owner Sarah Axtell's goal is to help repair each patient's health through the right combination of nutrition, herbs and supplements.

"We want to empower people to take their health into their own hands, and that starts in the kitchen," Axtell says.

A licensed naturopathic doctor, Axtell earned her bachelor's degree in nutrition at the University of Wisconsin-Madison and then trained as a primary care physician at the National University of Natural

Medicine in Portland, Ore. — "the mecca of natural medicine," she says. The eye-opening education led to her decision to "pioneer this medicine in the Midwest."

At Lakeside, Axtell works alongside two other naturopathic doctors, Aidanne MacDonald-Milewski and Joanne Aponte, as well as her husband, Chris, who manages the business.

At 2,000 square feet, Lakeside's new offices are over twice as large as those in its former space at 4433 N. Oakland Ave. There's also a teaching kitchen where patients can learn how to make healthy meals, and where the doctors can also hold group cooking workshops to share their philosophy with a broader audience. "I want this to be a community space," Axtell says. "Our vision is to be a 'food is medicine' center in the city."

Lakeside's doctors work with patients to address issues from chronic disease to

weight management using nutrition, diet and lifestyle changes.

"Instead of spending seven minutes with someone and prescribing them a pill, we spend an hour with new patients," Axtell says. "We really try to get a sense of their lifestyle, their stress level and their history so we can address the root cause of their problem." Lakeside partners with several labs to test patients for issues like underlying food sensitivities and hormonal imbalance.

Axtell, who lives in Shorewood with Chris and their two daughters, has been delighted by the community's response to her business. "Shorewood residents are very forward thinking and open-minded," she says. "We want to empower people to take their health into their own hands, and they've really embraced our message." ■

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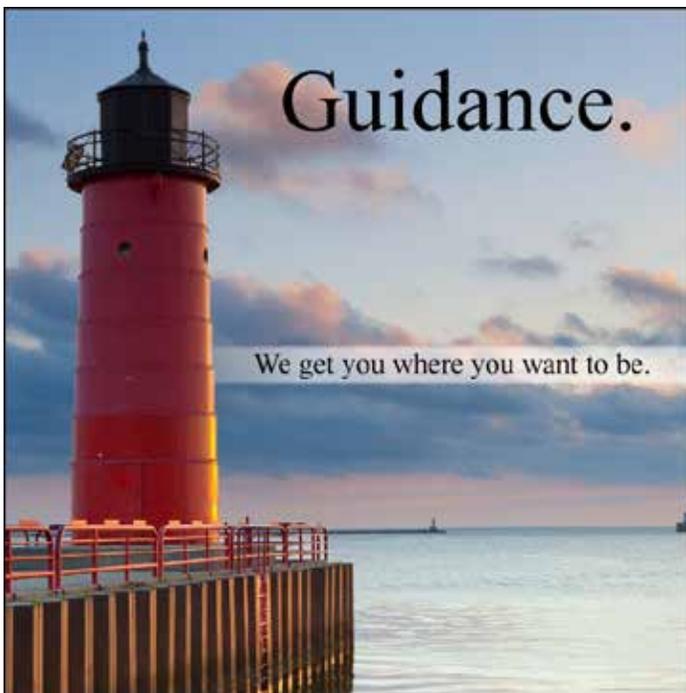
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Shorewood alumnus and emergency physician Peter Schmidt models the personal protective equipment he wears to reduce the risk of contracting coronavirus while diagnosing and treating patients.

When coronavirus cases first began to surge in March, front-line healthcare workers were grappling with a shortage of personal protective equipment as well as a lack of knowledge about the novel virus. For Schmidt, who works with people who have or are suspected of having coronavirus nearly every shift, these concerns were especially significant.

"It's one of the first times where, as providers, we've felt ... not like we're in danger, but like, 'oh, gosh, we could really get sick from this too,'" he says.

Along with an increase in required protective gear, Schmidt cites the increased measures and precautions being taken because of the contagiousness of the virus as a change to which he and his colleagues have had to adapt.

"As a healthcare provider, you're trying not to get sick yourself, but also trying not to bring it home or spread it to other patients or staff members in the hospital," he explains.

As an emergency doctor, he is also concerned that the rush in coronavirus patients means people experiencing other healthcare emergencies may avoid the hospital.

"Our emergency department, and I know many of the others, at least in the Seattle area, are probably seeing around half of the number of patients that we saw prior to the stay-at-home orders," Schmidt says. "But the patients that we do see, they've tended to be sicker. Now, there is a bit of a campaign to remind people that with serious chest pain and stroke symptoms, for example, you should come to the emergency department."

Though he feels that his life hasn't changed that much since he still has his regular job, Schmidt continues to spend a lot of his free time outside, getting regular exercise to stay grounded. Most of the trails near him have stayed open, so he is able to spend time hiking and mountain biking.

Schmidt says growing up going to school in Shorewood helped shape who he is and what he does. He especially appreciates the uniqueness of having been with the same people from kindergarten through 12th grade.

"I think that the sort of community it created, and the friendships, truly lifelong kinds of friendships, were impactful and helpful," he says. "I had really good teachers and really good experiences coming through the whole Shorewood school system." ■

Peter Schmidt, SHS '95

Saving Lives in Seattle

BY LAURA OLDFATHER

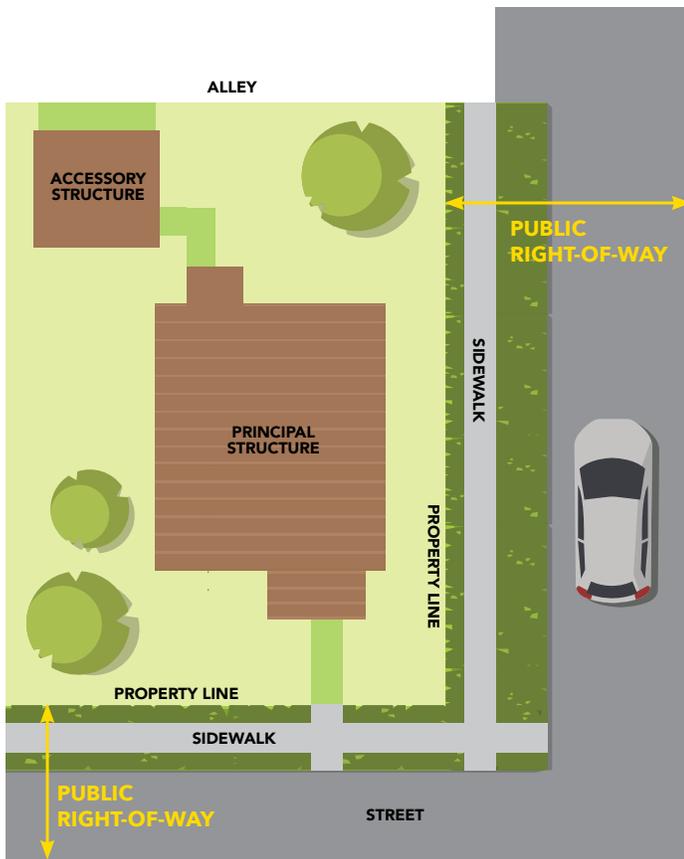
EDUCATION SPOTLIGHT

In the time of coronavirus, front-line healthcare workers have become society's most visible heroes. One such hero, Dr. Peter Schmidt, is an alumnus of the Shorewood School District.

Schmidt, SHS '95, works as an emergency medicine physician in the Seattle area, the United States' initial coronavirus hotspot. Schmidt's main role at UW Medicine-Valley Medical Center is diagnosing patients, something he took an interest in during medical school at the University of Colorado.

"I found that I liked the diagnosis part of medicine ... It's kind of like little mysteries, where people come in and you've got to figure out what's going on," says Schmidt, who also helps treat patients in critical condition.

Shorewood Resources



SPECIAL PRIVILEGE PERMITS: WHEN ARE THEY REQUIRED?

As summer landscaping projects get into full swing, the Village Planner's Office would like to remind residents and property owners that they may need to secure Special Privilege Permits before they break ground on that new flower bed or begin building a retaining wall.

The private property line on most Shorewood homes begins several feet in – toward the residence – from the sidewalk edge, says Village Planner Bart Griepentrog. That land between the sidewalk and the property line is considered part of the public right-of-way, which is typically used for public utilities or access for maintenance and construction

projects. Land between the sidewalk and the street – where many of Shorewood's trees grow – is also part of the public right-of-way.

If property owners wish to install non-grass plantings or build permanent structures in the public right-of-way, they must apply for and be granted a permit. Even with a permit, the Village can request that the homeowner remove those structures or plantings at any time at the owner's expense.

Both commercial and residential Special Privilege Permit applications are available at Village Hall or at villageofshorewood.org under "Permit, License & Other Application Forms."

WISCONSIN, MINNESOTA LEAD IN CENSUS RESPONSE Deadline extended to Oct. 31

With public attention having recently shifted focus to the coronavirus pandemic, it's easy to forget that the country is in the middle of an important, once-a-decade initiative: the 2020 Census. The census not only helps determine each state's allotted number of congressional representatives but also important funding entitlements for everything from education to road repair.

Census self-reporting began in March, with households receiving instructions on where and how to fill out their information. The door-to-door census taking for non-responsive households, originally set to begin this spring, has been put on hold in light of the pandemic.

Badger State residents deserve kudos: Their diligence has put Wisconsin in a neck-in-neck race to the top as the most responsive state in the country. Our state's self-response rate at press time was 67.4 percent, second only to neighboring Minnesota at 70 percent, with Iowa hot on our trail at 66.9 percent.

The key task now is to elicit census responses from populations considered "hard to count," including renters, seniors and post-secondary students – the latter particularly difficult to reach if they have moved from areas or states to return home to live with parents during pandemic-related lockdowns.

The response deadline has been extended to Oct. 31, 2020, so the 30-plus percent of Wisconsites who have not yet responded have plenty of time to do so by visiting 2020census.gov. It takes mere minutes, and responses are kept safe and confidential.

To track response rates across the country, visit 2020census.gov/en/response-rates.





DPW: SOME SUMMER PROJECTS ON HOLD

The coronavirus pandemic has put some Department of Public Works projects on pause while others will forge ahead.

Installation of new residential water meters throughout the Village, originally planned to begin in spring and run through the remainder of the year, are delayed indefinitely because the project requires a contractor or Village employee to enter every Shorewood home.

Also delayed is the district sewer lining plan, which identifies pipe segments in need of repair. The program, which annually reviews approximately one-seventh of the Village's pipes, is delayed to avoid non-emergency water service shut-offs while more residents than usual are home during the day.

However, planned road reconstruction projects in the northeast quadrant of the Village are moving ahead on North Larkin and North Newhall Streets, East Lawnwood Court, East Marion Street and East Olive Street. The projects include electrical wiring installation for street lights, water main replacements and replacing 27 ash trees.



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SAVINGS ON GOING SOLAR

To help the Village of Shorewood achieve a stated goal of 25 percent renewable energy generation by 2025, the Shorewood Conservation Committee is building on the success of its group solar purchase program from 2016.

That initiative, Solar Shorewood, resulted in the largest group solar-panel buy in the state. Now, the Village is partnering with the Midwest Renewable Energy Association as well as nearby communities to negotiate bulk discounts with a vendor for installed solar panels. Including residents from the whole North Shore creates a larger pool of potential buyers to command a more competitive price for the group buy, which will begin later this summer.

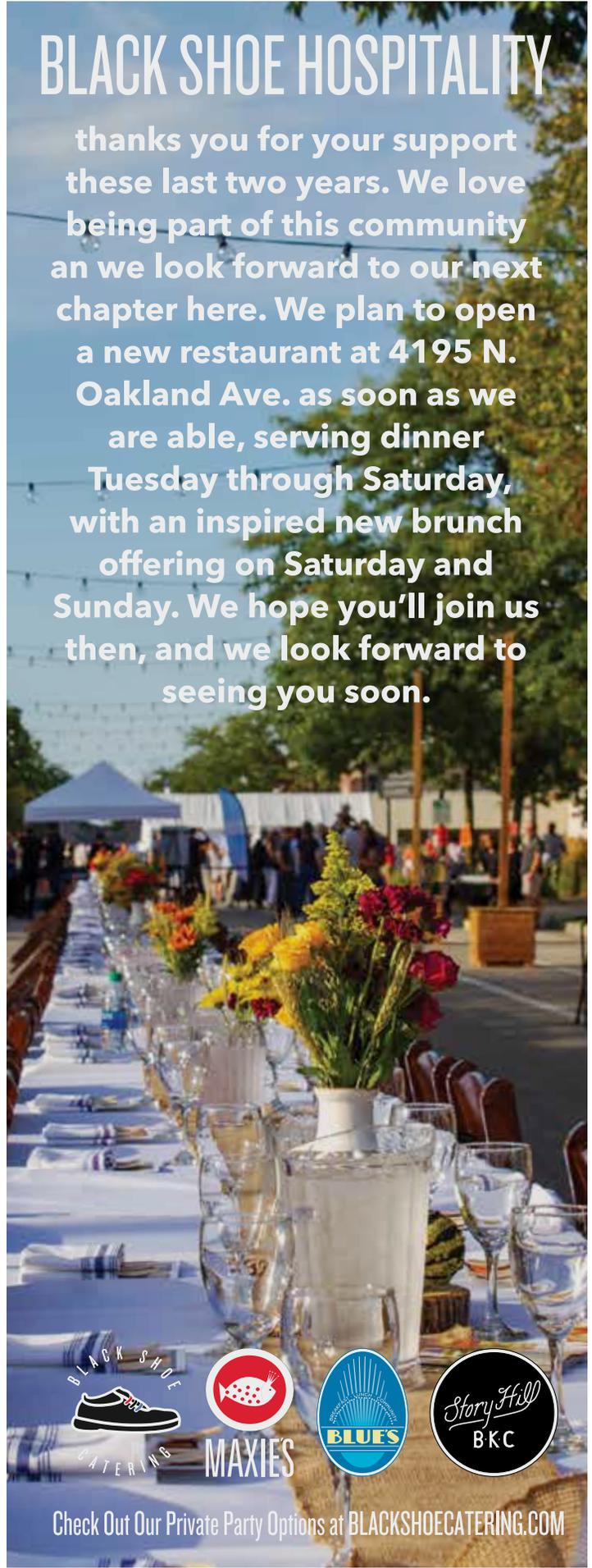
In addition, the committee is working to lower fees and address permit barriers in Shorewood, including eliminating the conditional use permit. Incentivizing homeowners who choose to go solar, the committee believes, can help the Village achieve its ambitious renewable energy goal.

"Local governments can smooth the way toward widespread solar adoption by participating in programs like these to help citizens achieve their desire for energy from clean sources," says Josh Liberatore, Conservation Committee chair. "One survey we conducted said that nearly 98 percent of respondents are interested in the option to purchase locally produced solar energy from their utility, and we are extremely proud to bring this opportunity to Shorewood residents."

For more information on the group buy program, please visit villageofshorewood.org/771/Solar-Shorewood.

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Hi, Neighbor

A Doctor Deployed

Mike Brewer's extended tour at the epicenter of a coronavirus hot spot

BY JENNIFER ANDERSON

When orders came down in late March for his Army Reserve unit to mobilize to overwhelmed New York-area hospitals, local physician Mike Brewer had little time to prepare.

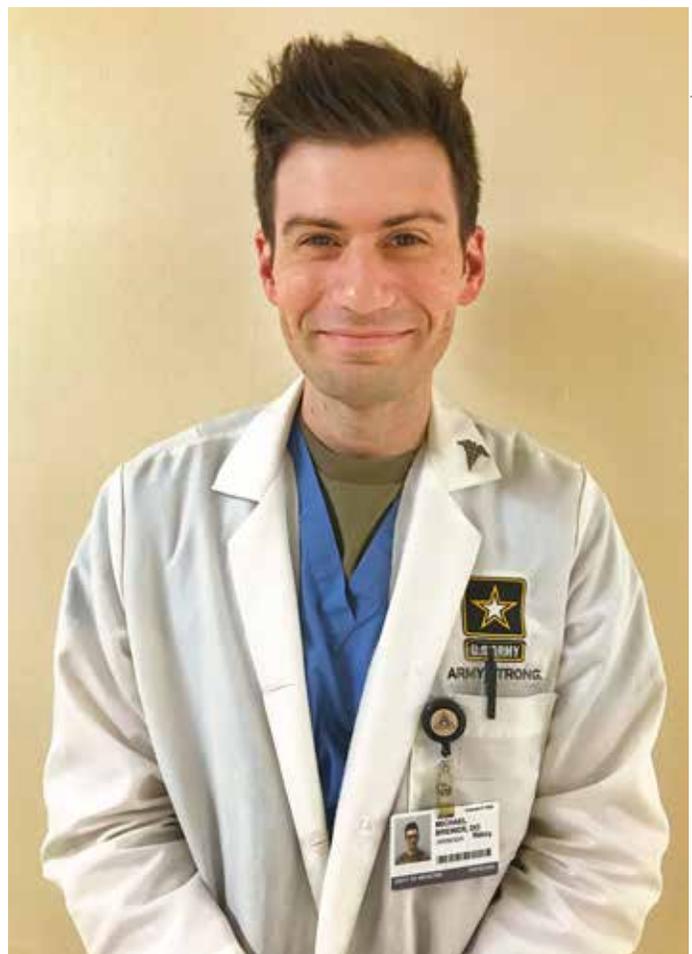
"It was pretty short notice," Brewer says of the orders. "There was a fair amount of uncertainty around what we would be doing."

What Brewer did know was that his unit, the 452nd Combat Support Hospital, would be part of an 85-person Urban Augmentation Medical Task Force composed of doctors, nurses, combat medics, respiratory therapists and ancillary personnel. UAMTFs were specifically created to respond in times of crisis, augmenting the civilian medical community by delivering a wide range of critical medical capabilities. By early May, the Army Reserve had mobilized more than a dozen UAMTFs to support coronavirus relief efforts and curb disease spread in New York City, Newark, Boston, Detroit and Philadelphia.

Stationed in Edison, N.J., a densely populated New York City suburb, Brewer went to work in a 500-bed medical field station in the New Jersey Convention and Exposition Center. There, he took care of recovering Covid-19 patients who were being weaned off supplementary oxygen.

After several weeks Brewer was moved to Edison's JFK Medical Center to fill in for doctors who had fallen ill. The majority of patients there were also sick with Covid-19.

Although the virus is formidable, Brewer says that each day, the medical field is learning how to better treat patients. "I'm getting to see in real time how our care management evolves," he says. One example is ventilator use. "Initially, it was like 'don't wait, use the ventilators



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—Mike Brewer



right away," he says. "Now we're trying to use more non-invasive techniques and hold off placing people on a ventilator until absolutely necessary."

Despite what doctors are learning, "There is no playbook for how to manage this disease," Brewer says. "We've got to be agile and know that there will be missteps, but to learn from our mistakes and adapt."

When not on duty, Brewer is in isolation at a nearby hotel, allowed to leave only for exercise. He stays in touch with his wife and two elementary school-age children back in Shorewood via text and FaceTime. Of the apparently open-ended deployment, he says, "We're just taking it one week at a time." ■

Know an interesting Shorewoodian? Please send your ideas for our "Hi, Neighbor" column to editor@shorewoodtoday.com.

SHOREWOOD LIBRARY CORNER



Shorewood Library staff created this message for the community while staying safer at home during April and May.

LEO IS BACK!

Leo, our library mascot, returns this summer. Part caterpillar, part bookworm, Leo joined the library family in 2012. That summer, library photographers captured him "visiting" various locations in Shorewood, posted the pictures at shorewoodlibrary.org, and invited the public to guess his location. Each week, a name was drawn from among correct answers and winners received a gift card to a Shorewood business, explains Heidi Piehler, children's librarian.



"We thought this would be a good year to get Leo out and about again," Piehler says. "It gives us another way to connect with our patrons online and to give a bit of a boost to Shorewood businesses."

Visit shorewoodlibrary.org to check out Leo's adventures, then guess his location for a chance to win!

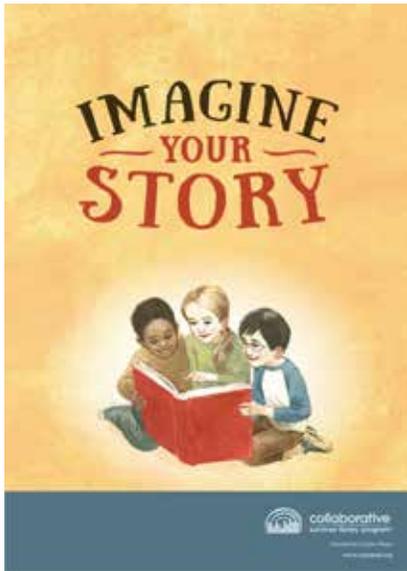
HITTING THE AIRWAVES: SHOREWOOD STACKS PODCAST



The Shorewood Public Library is hitting the airwaves in the form of the new Shorewood Stacks podcast. Moderated by Lisa Quintero, young adult librarian, the weekly podcast features guest interviews, library news, staff recommendations, book discussions and answers to frequently asked questions.

Quintero says she had wanted to try podcasting and pitched the idea to Rachel Collins, director of library services, "as a way to keep our community informed about what's happening at the library and, with library staff during our closure, provide recommendations for materials the library owns and services we offer, and as a way to connect, especially now that we can't see our patrons in person."

For now, episodes are released weekly, but may be semi-monthly or monthly once the library reopens to the public. Future episodes, Quintero says, could highlight library partnerships with other organizations such as the Friends of the Shorewood Library, the Shorewood School District or the Senior Resource Center, or even welcome an occasional community guest reviewer for discussions on books, movies and music. Find the Shorewood Stacks podcast at shorewoodstacks.podbean.com.



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Closed Pools and Quarantines: Remembering the polio era

Few diseases frightened parents more in the early part of the 20th century than polio. Striking in the summer months, the highly communicable virus swept through towns every few years in epidemics and preyed particularly on young children. Attacking the central nervous system, polio could cause partial or full paralysis and even death. During a peak U.S. outbreak in 1952, polio infected nearly 60,000 children, paralyzing thousands and killing more than 3,000. Widespread vaccinations that began in 1955 eventually eliminated polio in the U.S., with the last case recorded in 1979.

Fear, illness, loss, contact tracing, quarantine orders and school clo-

sures were part of life for Shorewoodians during polio's most active periods until vaccinations arrived.

By 1956, a Shorewood Schools survey revealed that 62 percent of students had received the Salk vaccine, with an additional 33 percent registered for or interested in vaccination.

Shorewood Historical Society President Bob Dean recalled his own family's experience when ordered to quarantine in late summer 1955, after a guest who had attended his sister's birthday party came down with polio. "The Shorewood Health Department traced the patient's contacts and placed a quarantine sticker on the front door of our



This popular wading pool in a miniature community park at Lake Bluff School was closed during the polio epidemics of the 1940s and '50s, as the disease was believed to be transmissible through water.

Maryland Ave. home," he wrote in the society's April 2020 newsletter. "Our family was ordered to remain in place for 14 days. My mother was beside herself with worry for her six children." Determined to get them the new vaccine, she snuck the family in through a back entrance at her pediatrician's East Capitol Drive office, where "we received the inoculations in our posteriors," Dean wrote. "My epidemic story from 1955 had a happy ending. It is my sincerest hope that the current crisis will somehow end happily for all of us in 2020." ■

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