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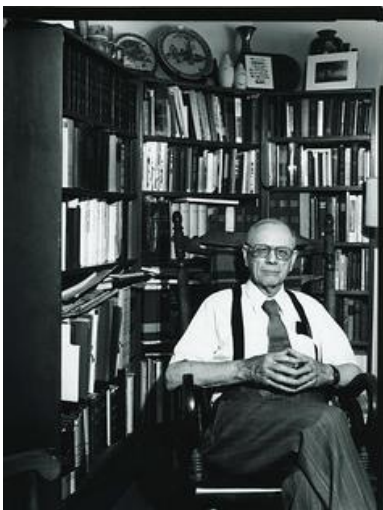
*Milwaukee Neighborhood Forum* is a bimonthly newsletter that highlights assets, history, events, and resources for and about Milwaukee neighborhoods. Residents and neighborhood organizations are encouraged to submit press releases on their events and successful programs. See back page for details.

## Chapter One: *Milwaukee's Socialist Leaders*

*Book to be reproduced chapter-by-chapter in this newsletter*

This month, the book, *Milwaukee's Socialist Leaders: Principled, Productive Governance—But Not for All*, will be published at Milwaukee Ethnic Collection of Arts and Humanities (MECAH). The book will be available for sale, but will also be accessible chapter-by-chapter in this newsletter and in full, in a PDF format online on the website of Urban Anthropology, Inc.—both without cost to readers.

***Milwaukee's Socialist Leaders: Principled, Productive Governance—But Not for All***



Frank Zeidler, photo courtesy of Flickr

### Section I. Milwaukee and Socialism

#### Chapter I-1. Building a balanced account

This book is not a discourse for or against socialism as a political-economic philosophy or a system of doctrines. The purpose of this book is to build a balanced account of Milwaukee's Socialist leaders who led the city for half of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. The leaders were three mayors, Emil Seidel, Daniel Hoan, and Frank Zeidler; and

## June/July activities in Milwaukee neighborhoods (most under \$10)



*Total of 70 events under the categories of museums, arts, family, kids, holiday events, get-moving events, walks/tours, food/farmers markets, and several more*

### FOR THE FAMILY

**What?** MILWAUKEE HIGHLAND GAMES  
**When?** Jun. 7, Sat. beginning at 9am.  
**Where?** At Croation Park, 9100 W. 76<sup>th</sup> St.  
**Description** Parade, sports, food, bagpipe bands, dancing. **Admission** \$15, free for 12 and under or military in uniform.



**What?** MILWAUKEE'S NIGHT MARKET  
**When?** Jun. 11 and Jul. 16, 5 to 10pm.  
**Where?** Wisconsin Ave., between 2<sup>nd</sup> St. and Vel Phillips Ave. **Description** Vendors, performers, artists. **Admission** Free.

**What?** STORYTIME AT THE DOMES  
**When?** Jun. 11, Jun. 18 (see website)

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## ACTIVITIES IN MILWAUKEE NEIGHBORHOODS

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Storytime at The Domes - Friends of the Domes ([milwaukeekeedomes.org](http://milwaukeekeedomes.org)) 10:00 to 10:30am. *Where?* Mitchell Park, 524 S. Layton Blvd. *Description* Stories in Spanish and English. *Admission* Unk.

### MUSEUMS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD

*What?* MILWAUKEE FIRE MUSEUM *When?* 1<sup>st</sup> Sun. of each month, 12 to 3pm, (except holidays). *Where?* 1516 W. Oklahoma Av. *Description* Opportunity to see exhibits and artifacts of the Milwaukee Fire Department back to the 1800s; stories of history of the department and fires. <http://city.milwaukee.gov/MUSEUMHISTORICALSOCIETY.htm#.VkOAEMArLIU> *Admission* Free. (See photo to right.)

*What?* CHARLES ALLIS ART MUSEUM *When?* Thu. and Fri., 11am to 5pm; Sat., 12 to 4pm; reservations helpful as hours may vary. *Where?* 1801 N. Prospect Av. *Description* Self-guided tour of Tudor-style mansion of entrepreneur Charles Allis designed by Milwaukee architect Alexander Eschweiler in early 20<sup>th</sup> century. *Admission* free to \$20.

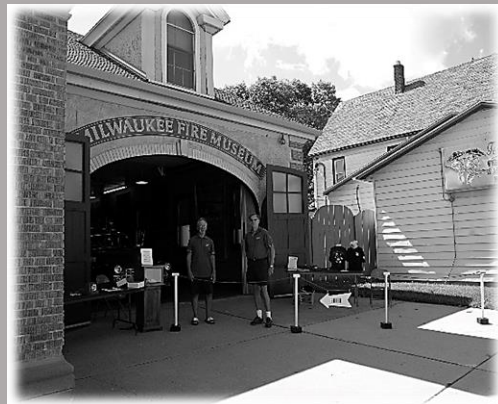
*What?* VILLA TERRACE DECORATIVE ARTS MUSEUM *When?* Thu. and Fri., 11am to 4pm; Sat. and Sun. 11am to 4pm. *Where?* 2220 N. Terrace Av. *Description* Self-guided tour of mansion informed by the design of a villa in Lombardy, Italy, complete with Renaissance Garden, and antique furnishings and artifacts. <https://www.villaterrace.org/> *Admission* free to \$15.

*What?* MILWAUKEE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY *When?* Mon., Wed.s thru Sat.s, 9:30am to 5pm *Where?* 910 N. Martin Luther King Dr. *Description* Permanent and rotating exhibits of Milwaukee County's history plus a research library. Current exhibit, "Brew City: The Story of Milwaukee Beer." Permanent exhibit: "Meet MKE" sponsored by Visit Milwaukee. <http://www.milwaukeehistory.net/> *Admission* \$8, \$6 seniors, military, students; children < 12, and members free.

*What?* HAGGERTY MUSEUM OF ART *When?* Most days 10am to 4:30pm *Where?* Marquette campus at corner of 13<sup>th</sup> & Clybourn Sts. *Description* Permanent collections include Old Masters' prints, Ralph Steiner photos, Marc Chagall Bible series, Barbara Morgan photos, and Finnegan, Fishman, Tatalovich, and Rojzman collections. <http://www.marquette.edu/haggerty/> *Admission* Free.

*What?* GROHMANN MUSEUM *When?* Mon.s through Fri.s 9am to 5pm, Sat.s 12 to 6pm, Sun.s 1 to 4pm *Where?* 1000 N. Broadway *Description* More than 1,000 paintings and sculptures representing the long evolution of human work. <http://www.msoe.edu/about-msoe/grohmann-museum/> *Admission* \$5, \$3 students, seniors; free <12.

## Happening in the Polonia neighborhood



Enjoy a bit of Milwaukee  
fire history at  
the Fire Museum

1516 W. Oklahoma Avenue  
Open first Sunday of every month  
at 1 to 3pm

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*What?* NORTHPOINT LIGHTHOUSE MUSEUM *When?* Sat.s and Sun.s 1 to 4pm *Where?* Northpoint Lighthouse, 2650 N. Wahl Av. *Description* A historic, maritime experience, with artifacts related to the history of the Great Lakes. <http://northpoint-lighthouse.org/> *Admission* Free to \$8. (See photos to right.)

*What?* MILWAUKEE PUBLIC MUSEUM FREE DAY *When?* Free 1<sup>ST</sup> Thu. each month *Where?* 800 W. Wells St. *Description* Chance to visit one of the premier natural history and science facilities, world- renowned for its exhibits, collections, ongoing scientific research and educational exhibits. [www.mpm.edu/](http://www.mpm.edu/) *Admission* Free (on dates designated).

*What?* MITCHELL PARK DOMES *When?* Wed.s to Fri.s, 9am to 5pm; Sat.s, Sun.s 9am-4pm. *Where?* 524 S. Layton Blvd. *Description* A place to experience a desert oasis, a tropical jungle, and special floral gardens all in one visit. <http://county.milwaukee.gov/MitchellParkConserva10116.htm> *Admission* Free to \$8.

*What?* MILWAUKEE DISCOVERY WORLD *When?* Wed.s through Sun.s 9am to 4pm. *Where?* 500 N. Harbor Dr. *Description* A science and technology center and museum. <https://www.discoveryworld.org/> *Admission* \$14 to \$20.

*What?* HARLEY-DAVIDSON MUSEUM *When?* Daily 10am to 5pm. *Where?* 400 W. Canal St. *Description* Exhibits on the history of the Harley-Davidson motorcycle. <https://www.harley-davidson.com/us/en/museum.html> *Admission* Free to \$22.

### GAMES

*What?* BINGO *When?* Second Tue. of every month, 1:30 to 5:30 pm. *Where?* Bay View Community Center, 1320 E Oklahoma Ave. *Description* Game of bingo. *Admission* Unk.

### ARTS, THEATRE, AND CRAFTS

*What?* WALKER'S POINT CENTER FOR THE ARTS *When?* 1 to 5pm during exhibitions, see website. *Where?* 839 S 5th St. *Description* Ongoing exhibitions in a community setting. <http://wpca-milwaukee.org/> *Admission* Free to look.

*What?* ART BAR *When?* Daily 3pm to 12am. *Where?* 722 E. Burleigh St. *Description* Permanent and temporary art exhibits. <https://www.facebook.com/artbarmke/> *Admission* Adults, free to look.

*What?* GALLERY AT MILWAUKEE INSTITUTE OF ART & DESIGN *When?* Mon.s through Sat.s, 10am to 5pm. *Where?* 273 E. Erie St. *Description* Rotating exhibitions of renowned artists, MIAD students, and MIAD faculty. <http://www.miad.edu/> *Admission* Free.

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## Happening in the Northpoint neighborhood



Enjoy the seasons at  
the Northpoint  
Lighthouse  
Museum

2650 N. Wahl Avenue  
Open Saturdays and Sundays 1-4pm

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*What?* GALLERY 218 *When?* Sat.s, 12 to 5pm. *Where?* 207 East Buffalo St. Suite 218. *Description* The cooperative gallery of the Walker's Point Artists Assoc., Inc. <https://gallery218.com/> *Admission* Free, donations welcome.

*What?* VAR WEST GALLERY *When?* Thu.s through Sat.s, 11am to 4pm. *Where?* 423 W Pierce St. *Description* Focusing on exhibiting solo shows for emerging and established artists, including full bar for purchases during events. <https://www.varwestgallery.com/about> *Admission* Free to look.

*What?* TERRY MCCORMICK CONTEMPORARY FINE AND FOLK ART GALLERY *When?* Call (414) 264-6766 to visit. *Where?* 2522 N. 18th St. *Description* Contemporary art by the founder, Evelyn Patricia Terry, along with several friends whose work she exhibits. <https://www.facebook.com/terrymccormick-gallery/> *Admission* Free to look. (See photos to right).

### MUSIC IN THE HOOD

*What?* SUMMER SOULSTICE MUSIC FEST *When?* Jun. 14, Sat. noon to midnight *Where?* East end of North Ave. *Description* Largest showcase of top music acts in the region, with visual artists, arts fair, and family friendly Milwaukee East Side activities. <http://www.theeastside.org/happenings/summer-soulstice> *Admission* Free.

*What?* SUMMERFEST FOR FREE *When?* Jun. 19, 12 to 3pm *Where?* 639 E. Summerfest Pl. *Description* World's largest music festival, with food, drinks, activities for all. <http://summerfest.com/> *Admission* Free with three shelf-stable food items on date given.

### GET-MOVING ACTIVITIES

*What?* HANK AARON STATE TRAIL *When?* Daily. *Where?* Multiple access points; see map on website *Description* Opportunity to enjoy natural and urban views and walk or bike trail across Milwaukee, from the lakefront to 94<sup>th</sup> Pl. <http://hankaaronstatetrail.org/> *Admission* Free.

*What?* INDOOR SKATING *When?* Weekdays, check website for times. Wilson Ice Arena ([milwaukee.gov](http://milwaukee.gov)) *Where?* Wilson Park Arena, 4001 S. 20<sup>th</sup> St. *Description* Indoor skating. Wilson Ice Arena ([milwaukee.gov](http://milwaukee.gov)) *Admission* \$3.75 to \$6.75, skate rentals extra.

*What?* RUN/WALK TRACK AT THE PETTIT *When?* Hours vary, see website. *Where?* Pettit National Ice Center, 500 S. 84<sup>th</sup> St. *Description* Walk or run on 430-meter track with lockers and showers for \$1 extra at limited times. <http://thepettit.com/sports/run-walk-track/> *Admission* \$4.

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## Happening in the North Division Neighborhood



### Virtual tour of the Terry McCormick contemporary fine- and folk-art gallery

The work of Evelyn Patricia Terry and a tour of her neighborhood museum can be accessed at the following websites:

[evelynpatriciaterry.com](http://evelynpatriciaterry.com)  
and

[Virtual Tour: Terry McCormick Contemporary Fine and Folk Art Gallery.](http://VirtualTour:TerryMcCormickContemporaryFineandFolkArtGallery)

Above are examples from the series, Pastel Drawings, and Artists Books on the general website



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*What?* PUBLIC ICE SKATING AT THE PETTIT *When?* Hours vary, see website. *Where?* Pettit National Ice Center, 500 S. 84<sup>th</sup> St. *Description* Indoor ice skating and skate rentals. <http://thepettit.com/public-skate/> *Admission* \$7.50, \$6.50 kids 13-15; \$5.50 kids 4-12 and seniors; free <4.

### ECO/NATURE ACTIVITIES

*What?* EARLY MORNING BIRDWALK—WASHINGTON *When?* Most Wed.s. 8 to 10am. Check website. *Where?* Washington Park, 1859 N. 40<sup>th</sup> St. *Description* A walk for bird watchers of all ability levels to walk through different habitats for birds. <http://urbanecologycenter.org/programs-events-main.html> *Admission* Free. (See right column.)

*What?* EARLY MORNING BIRDWALK—MENOMONEE VALLEY *When?* Most Tue.s. 8 to 10am. Check website. *Where?* Menomonee Valley, 3700 W. Pierce St. *Description* A walk for bird watchers of all levels to explore Three Bridges Park for birds. <http://urbanecologycenter.org/programs-events-main.html> *Admission* Free.

*What?* EARLY MORNING BIRDWALK—RIVERSIDE *When?* Most Thu.s. 8 to 10am. Check website. *Where?* Riverside Park, 1500 E. Park Pl. *Description* A walk for bird watchers of all ability levels to explore different habitats for birds and other animals. <http://urbanecologycenter.org/programs-events-main.html> *Admission* Free.

### WALKING/STREETCAR TOURS

*What?* SELF-GUIDED TOUR OF VA GROUNDS *When?* Daily, daylight *Where?* Just north of Zablocki VA Medical Center, 5000 W. National Av. *Description* A walk through the historic district which includes the Soldiers' Home, barracks building, old fire station, old hospital, Ward Memorial Theater, and more. <http://www.milwaukee.va.gov/visitors/campus.asp> *Admission* Free.

*What?* GUIDED TOUR OF BASILICA OF ST. JOSAPHAT *When?* Reserve tour on website. *Where?* Basilica of St. Josaphat, 2333 S. 6<sup>th</sup> St. *Description* Opportunity to see and learn about one of the most beautiful churches in America. <http://the-basilica.org/visit> *Admission* Free.

*What?* UNGUIDED TOUR OF BASILICA OF ST. JOSAPHAT *When?* Mon.s through Fri.s, 9am to 3pm *Where?* Visitor's Center, Basilica of St. Josaphat, 2333 S. 6<sup>th</sup> St *Description* Opportunity to see and learn about one of the most beautiful churches in America with informational exhibits on lower level. <http://the-basilica.org/> *Admission* Free.

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Happening in the  
Washington Park  
neighborhood



Early morning  
birdwalk

Washington  
Park  
1859 N. 40<sup>th</sup> Street

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**What?** THE HOP STREETCAR TOUR **When?** Jun. 1, 5, 26; Jul. 10, 17, 24, all 11am, see website. **Where?** 235 E Michigan St. **Description** Explore urban renewal from the edge of the Menomonee Valley to Downtown's Yankee Hill neighborhood. <http://historicmilwaukee.org/walking-tours/> **Admission** \$8 to \$16, preregistration required.

**What?** MILWAUKEE PUBLIC MARKET. **When?** Jun. 22, Jul. 20, 9:15am. **Where?** Second floor of market, 400 N. Water. **Description** Celebrate the market's 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary with a new tour. <http://historicmilwaukee.org/walking-tours/> **Admission** \$8 to \$16, preregistration required.

**What?** BAY VIEW TOUR **When?** Jun. 7, 15, 28; Jul. 12, 26, 1pm. **Where?** Corner of S. Superior and E. Russell. **Description** Learn history of Bay View via Kinnickinnic Avenue. <http://historicmilwaukee.org/walking-tours/> **Admission** \$8 to \$16, preregistration required.

**What?** NORTH POINT MANSIONS **When?** Sun.s in Jun., 1pm. **Where?** North Point Fountain, 2284 N. Lake Drive. **Description** See the impressive mansions of this neighborhood. <http://historicmilwaukee.org/walking-tours/> **Admission** \$8 to \$16, preregistration required.

**What?** SELF-GUIDED TOUR OF FOREST HOME CEMETERY **When?** Daily 8am-4:30pm **Where?** 2405 W. Forest Home **Description** Tour the beautiful Chapel Gardens, Landmark Chapel, and the Hall of History that tells the story of Milwaukee dignitaries, including European founders of Milwaukee, several mayors, major African American activists, and brewery tycoons. **Admission** Free. (See right column.)

**What?** WALK THROUGH MILWAUKEE'S LATINO HISTORY **When?** Daily **Where?** United Community Center, 1028 S. 9<sup>th</sup> St. **Description** Opportunity to learn about Latino history by visiting tannery and foundry exhibits, photos, and art inside the UCC building, and historical murals on two sides of Bruce Guadalupe School next door. <http://www.unitedcc.org/index.htm> **Admission** Free.

**What?** BEYOND BRADY STREET TOUR **When?** Jun. 7, Jul. 5, 10am. **Where?** St. Hedwig's/Three Holy Women Parish, 1702 N. Humboldt. **Description** Explore the Polish and Italian roots of this neighborhood. <http://historicmilwaukee.org/walking-tours/> **Admission** \$10 to \$20, preregistration required.

**What?** DOWNTOWN TOUR **When?** Wed.s and Sat.s in June and July, other dates available, start times vary, see website. **Where?** 235 E Michigan St, **Description** This tour of the city's most prestigious downtown buildings starts at the Mackie

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Happening in the  
Forest Home Hills  
neighborhood



Self-guided tour of  
Forest Home  
Cemetery

2405 W. Forest Home  
Avenue



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Building and ends at the Milwaukee Art Museum where participants can view its stunning architecture. <http://historicmilwaukee.org/walking-tours/> Admission Free to \$15. Preregistration required.

**What?** THIRD WARD WALKING TOUR **When?** Most Thu.s (1pm) and Sat.s (11am) in Jun./Jul. **Where?** 235 E Michigan St. **Description** Learn about the area's early immigrant settlers and explore the warehouses that once housed a diverse group of industries. Today, the area is home to trend-setting businesses. <http://historicmilwaukee.org/walking-tours/> Admission \$5 to \$16. Preregistration required.

**What?** RIVERWALK **When?** Jun. 2, 4, 11, 16, 22, 23, 30; Jul. 7, 16, 21, 23, 27, 28, all 11am, see website. **Where?** 235 E. Michigan St. **Description** Tour highlights the architecturally significant buildings that flank the Milwaukee River, sculpture along the RiverWalk and history about the creation of this important public walkway. <http://historicmilwaukee.org/walking-tours/> Admission Free to \$16. Preregistration required.

**What?** WATER TO WESTOWN **When?** Jun. 6, 13, 25, 27; Jul. 9, 18, 30, 11am or 5:30pm, check website. **Where?** 235 E. Michigan St. **Description** Explore downtown in an area that is west of the Milwaukee River including theaters, civic and commercial buildings along N. Water Str. And N. Broadway. <http://historicmilwaukee.org/walking-tours/> Admission Free to \$16. Preregistration required.

### ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES

**What?** MOONS & MYTHS **When?** Jul. 11, 18, 25, 7pm. **Where?** Manfred Olson Planetarium, UW-M Physics building, 1900 E. Kenwood Blvd. **Description** Travel to the most famous moons in the solar system, from fiery Io to icy Europa where there is evidence of the key to life: liquid water. Admission \$6.

**What?** SPANISH STORYTIME **When?** Jun. 4, Jul. 2, 10 to 11am. **Where?** Bay View Community Center, 1320 E. Oklahoma Av. **Description** Participants will enjoy stories, songs and activities in Spanish Admission Assumed free

### SPECTATOR SPORTS

**What?** KIDS AND SENIORS BREWERS DISCOUNT DAYS **When?** Afternoon home games, excluded 3/31 and 7/30 and some seating areas. **Where?** American Family Field, 1 Brewers Way. **Description** Milwaukee Brewers games. Website: Kids and Senior Citizens Discount Days, courtesy of WPS Health Insurance Milwaukee Brewers ([mlb.com](http://mlb.com)) Admission 50 percent off tickets.

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Happening in  
the Bay View  
Neighborhood



Spanish  
Storytime

1320 E. Oklahoma

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### FOOD AND FARMERS MARKETS

*What?* BROWN DEER FARMERS MARKET *When?* Jun. 25 to Oct. 15, Weds. 10am to 3pm. *Where?* 4120 W. Green Brook Dr. *Description* Produce, bakery, crafts. *Admission* Free.

*What?* CATHEDRAL SQUARE MARKET *When?* Jun. 1 to Oct. 12, Suns., 9am to 2pm. *Where?* Cathedral Square Park, 520 E. Wells St. *Description* Produce, bakery, crafts. *Admission* Free.

*What?* ENDERIS MARKET *When?* Jun. 11 to Oct. 27; Sun.s, 9am to 1pm. *Where?* 2938 N. 72<sup>nd</sup> St. *Description* Produce, bakery, crafts. *Admission* Free.

*What?* JACKSON PARK FARMERS MARKET *When?* Jun. 12 to Oct. 2, Thus., 3 to 6:30pm. *Where?* Jackson Park Boathouse, 3500 W. Forest Home Ave. *Description* Produce, bakery, crafts. *Admission* Free.

*What?* RIVERWEST GARDENERS MARKET *When?* Jun. 1 to Oct. 26, Sun.s, 10am to 2pm. *Where?* 2700 N Pierce Street. *Description* Produce from local gardeners. *Admission* Free.

*What?* FONDY'S FARMERS MARKET *When?* To Jun. 28 (early season), Sat.s, 9am to noon; Jul. 5 to Oct. 30 (regular season), Sat., Sun. 7am to 2pm. *Where?* 2200 W. Fond du Lac Ave. *Description* Produce, bakery, crafts. *Admission* Free. (See column to right.)

*What?* SHOREWOOD FARMERS MARKET *When?* Jun. 15 to Oct. 26, Sun.s, 9:30am to 1pm. *Where?* 4100 Estabrook Pkwy. *Description* Produce, bakery, crafts. *Admission* Free.

*What?* SOUTH MILWAUKEE DOWNTOWN MARKET *When?* To Oct. 2, Thu.,s 3 to 7pm. *Where?* 11th and Milwaukee Ave. *Description* Produce, bakery, crafts. *Admission* Free.

*What?* TOSA FARMERS MARKET *When?* Jun. 7 to Oct. 11, Sat.s, 8am to noon. *Where?* Parking lot, 7720 Harwood Ave. *Description* Produce, bakery, crafts. *Admission* Free.

*What?* WEST ALLIS FARMERS MARKET *When?* To Nov. 29, Tue. and Thu., noon to 5pm, Sat.s 1 to 5pm. *Where?* 6501 W. National Ave. *Description* Produce, bakery, crafts. *Admission* Free.

*What?* WHITEFISH BAY FARMERS MARKET *When?* Jun. 14 to Oct. 25, Sat.s, 9am to 1pm; Night market Jun. 20, Jul. 26, 5 to 9pm. *Where?* Aurora Parking Lot, 324 E. Silver Spring Dr. *Description* Produce, bakery, crafts. *Admission* Free.

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Happening in the  
Park West  
neighborhood



Milwaukee's most successful  
farmers market

**FONDY'S**

2200 W. 40<sup>th</sup> Fond du Lac Avenue



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## HOLIDAY EVENTS

*What?* JUNETEENTH DAY *When?* Jun. 19, Thu. 9am to 4pm. *Where?* Along Martin Luther King Dr. between Center and Burleigh Sts. *Description:* Celebration of the US holiday that commemorates the day in 1865 when the end of slavery was announced in Texas, with everything African American—the food, families, music, clothes, dance, poetry, African drumming, exhibits, crafts, art, and a parade. *Admission:* Free.

*What?* JULY 4TH *When?* Jul. 4, Fri. daytime. *Where?* Mitchell Park, 2600 W. Pierce St. *Description:* Celebration the 4<sup>th</sup> with parade, flag raising, games, music. *Admission:* Free.

*What?* JULY 4TH *When?* Jul. 4, Fri. 9am to 10pm. *Where?* Lake Park, 3233 E. Kenwood Ave. *Description:* Celebration of the 4<sup>th</sup> with parade, bike, trike, buggy judging, games, ice cream, nighttime fireworks. *Admission:* Free.

*What?* JULY 4TH *When?* Jul. 4, Fri. beginning 9am into night. *Where?* Humboldt Park, 3000 S. Howell Ave. *Description:* Celebration of the 4<sup>th</sup> with parade, contests, children's parade and games, talent show, pasting of colors, nighttime fireworks. *Admission:* Free.

*What?* JULY 4TH *When?* Jul. 4, Fri. 8am to 2pm. *Where?* Dr. MLK Center, 1531 W. Vliet St. *Description:* Celebration of the 4<sup>th</sup> with arts and craft, free lunch, and talent show. *Admission:* Free.

*What?* JULY 4TH *When?* Jul. 4, Fri. 9:15am to 10pm. *Where?* Alcott Park, 3751 S. 97<sup>th</sup> St. *Description:* Celebration the 4<sup>th</sup> with parade, flag ceremony, bike judging, free hotdogs, children's games, talent show, nighttime fireworks. *Admission:* Free.

*What?* JULY 4TH *When?* Jul. 4, Fri. 8:30 to 11:30am. *Where?* Enderis Playfield, 2978 N. 72<sup>nd</sup> St. *Description:* Celebration of the 4<sup>th</sup> with parade, flag ceremony, trivia contest, music, games. *Admission:* Free.

*What?* JULY 4TH *When?* Jul. 4, Fri. 8:30am to 10pm. *Where?* Gordon Park, 2928 N. Humboldt Blvd. *Description:* Celebration of the 4<sup>th</sup> with parade, flag ceremony, trivia contest, music, games, fireworks. *Admission:* Free.

## Happening in Bronzeville!



## Juneteenth Day June 19

Food, music, vendors, processions,



with a focus on education and  
self-improvement.

Guest speakers and prayer services.

# Clarke Square: The younger sibling of Walker's Point

*With transitioning industries and ethnic groups*

Clarke Square is a densely populated neighborhood that has a large number of mid- to late 19<sup>th</sup> century wood frame houses. The main business districts are on West National Avenue and South Cesar Chavez Drive. Neighborhood streets follow a perfect grid pattern with the exception of National which begins to bend slightly south at 16<sup>th</sup> Street.



Houses on 20<sup>th</sup> & National

## History

In many ways, Clarke Square has been the historic clone of Walker's Point, but always a few years behind.

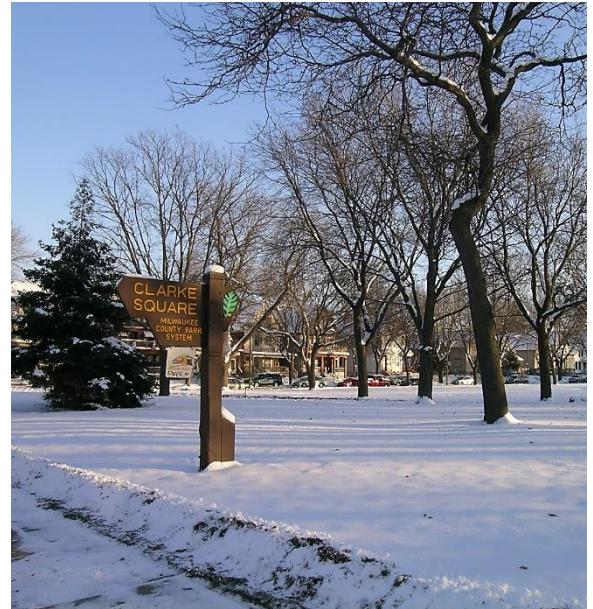
### Early populations

Clarke Square began its development in the late 1800s when residents from Walker's Point embarked on a long migration west. Walker's Point was named after George Walker, one of three founding land developers in Milwaukee (the other two being Solomon Juneau and Byron Kilbourn). Walker settled on the shores of Lake Michigan in 1834 in the area that would later become Milwaukee's South Side. A few years after Walker began subdividing his land, a couple from Vermont, Norman and Lydia Clarke, purchased a 160-acre parcel of land west of Walker's Point—an area bordered by today's Greenfield, Pierce, 20<sup>th</sup>, and Layton Boulevard. Just as George Walker had done in Walker's Point with Walker's Square, the Clarks reserved a small square in the parcel called Clarke's Addition for a park (today's Clarke Square Park). The Clarks began subdividing the land, and the mixed ethnic residents of Walker's Point eagerly purchased lots. Among them were Yankees, Norwegians, Swedes, Irish, and—south of today's Greenfield Avenue—Poles. Each population built its own churches in Clarke Square. One of the most consolidated parishes was the Irish St. Matthew's Church at 25<sup>th</sup> and Scott—the southern bookend of the effectual St. Rose's Parish in the Merrill Park neighborhood.

Historically, jobs were plentiful in Clarke Square. There were employers in the Menomonee Valley including tanneries and millwork plants, as well as the Chicago, Milwaukee, and St. Paul Railroad. In the 1880s, Milwaukee Harvester (later International Harvester) built a large factory on the south boundary of the Valley near South 19<sup>th</sup> Street. A mile or two east were industries

such as Chain Belt, Kearney and Trecker, Allis Chalmers, A.O. Smith, and later Allen-Bradley.

By the turn of the century the neighborhood was becoming increasingly diverse. Walker's Point was fully settled with older residents and new populations that had arrived from Poland, Bulgaria, Croatia, and Serbia. Now many of these groups were migrating into Clarke Square.



Clarke Square Park

## The significance of National Avenue in Clarke Square

National Avenue got its name in 1877 when Elizabeth Street was renamed National Avenue. The name came from the National Soldiers' Home with grounds on today's 45<sup>th</sup> and National that had been built to care for men disabled during the Civil War.

By the late 1800s that part of National Avenue that was within the Clarke Square boundaries had become a southside gold coast lined with mansions of the wealthy. The most significant estate belonged to a German-born Jew (albeit baptized Lutheran) named Bernhard Leidersdorf whose land comprised six acres on National between 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> Streets. The fully-staffed estate included its own lake, a grove of trees imported from Europe, and a red brick wall that remains today. Leidersdorf died in 1912 and gradually the street evolved into a business corridor accompanied by rows of apartments. By the 1930s, the merchants reflected the population of the neighborhood.

The chart on the following page shows the businesses and organizations that were on West National Avenue between Cesar Chavez Drive (then South 16<sup>th</sup> Street) and Layton Boulevard in 1935. See the notes next to the chart.

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Addresses on W. National in 1935	Name of business or organization from the <u>Milwaukee City Directory</u>
1602	Traudt's Rexall Drugs Medoc Company Medicine
1604	Paris Dye Works
1605	New York Coffee Pot Restaurant
1608	Anna Laura Beauty Shop Christooh C. Reinke Physician Dudenhoefer Hall Leonard N. Evans Dentist The Camera Institute
1609	Samuel L. Weiss Used Cars
1610	LaSalle Products Liquors Dudenhoefer Company Liquors Joseph Dudenhoefer Real Estate
1614-20	Henry Volkman Company Bikesmiths
1622	OK Auto Glass Company
1635	Crown Motor Company
All 1700s	All apartment buildings
1808	George Kotze Carpet Contractor
1817	F.J. Borgwardt Inc. Funeral Director
1904	E.A. Swendson Inc. Used Cars
1924	E.A. Swendson Inc. Autos
1925	Phythian Castle Inc.
2000	William E. Kannapinn Tavern
2003	Louis P. Hansen Surfacor
2004	Joseph Holub Grocer
2007	Walter Jeager Motor Company Paint Shop
2008	Russell Brothers Inc. Real Estate
2022	George L. Zilles Tavern
2037	M? Valentine Shoe Repair
2039	Henry W. Prei Tavern
2100	Walter A. Ziemann Grocer
2106	George W. Schaur Tavern
2110	Milwaukee County Outdoor Relief Station #4
2116	Badger Drug Company
2117	National Family Laundry Company
2118	Machinery & Welder Corporation
2125	Walter Salb Tavern
2138	Milwaukee Furnace Company
2200	Temolin's Pharmacy Postal Station #42
2201	Mrs. Vera Smith Tavern
2202	Thomas J. Pendergast Physician Bernard J. Claney Dentist
2206	Walter F. Zimny Bakery
2209	A&P Tea Company

Notes (from census and other records):

- The businesses on National Avenue were diverse and fully capable of meeting the needs of Clarke Square. As in most Milwaukee neighborhoods before 1970, most proprietors were immigrants or children of immigrants and few had educations beyond 8<sup>th</sup> grade.
- The diversity of the proprietors reflects the diversity of Walker's Point, from where many of the residents migrated.
- The main enterprise of the relatively large German Dudenhoefer family was religious or ornamental works.
- The block of apartments beginning on 1700 W. National is located where the former estate of wealthy Bernhard Leidersdorf once stood.
- Sam Weiss, with the used car lot, was the (probably Jewish) son of Russian and Hungarian immigrants. He had been raised on Reed Street in Walker's Point (today's South 2<sup>nd</sup> Street).
- George Kotze, the carpet contractor, was a Slovenian immigrant from Yugoslavia. He lived down the street from his shop on National and had at least seven children.
- E. (Ernest) A. Swendson was a Norwegian immigrant and one of the few merchants who did not live in the Clarke Square neighborhood. He lived in Wauwatosa where he had an earlier car dealership on Bluemound Road.
- The Excelsior Masonic Temple was built in 1923 by the Knights of Pythias and their Pythias Castle was completed in 1927.
- The Pythian Castle (Hall) at 1925 W. National is today the Lao Buddhist Temple.
- William Kannapinn, with the tavern, was a German immigrant who was raised in Clarke Square.
- Joseph Holub, the grocer, was a Bohemian immigrant from Czechoslovakia. He and his family rented an apartment on National and later rented a place on Muskego.
- Walter Salb lived at the same address as his tavern. He and his parents were born in Wisconsin. Before opening the tavern, Walter had been a truck driver.
- Jacob M. Barbian lived on West Pierce. He appears to have been raised in the neighborhood. He and his parents were born in Wisconsin.

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<i>Addresses on W. National in 1935</i>	<i>Name of business or organization from the <u>Milwaukee City Directory</u></i>
2212	Herman Blech Barber
2217	Arnold Appelt Tavern
2218	Andrew J. Meloy & Sons Plumbers
2220	August E. Hilgendorf Meats
2221	Milwaukee Egg Company
2223	Otto G. Hansen Plasterer
2225	Fred W. Duke Jeweler Goetz-Strobel Fuel Company
2226	Joseph Christbaum Shoe Repair
2230	Sam Yen Laundry
2231	Henry A. Nolte Barber
2233	Benjamin C. Strand Tailor
2235	George D. Schoneman Tavern
2236	William H. Biegen Chiropodist
2238	Kurth Brothers Wholesale Grocer
2300	Apartments all down the street
2316	John R. Jelenc Funeral Director
2330	George Schneider Furniture Mover
2336	Charlotte B. Polzin Furniture
2337	Wadham's Oil Company Filling Station
2400	Apartments all down the street
2422	Excelsior Masonic Temple
2427	Voth & Anderson Funeral Directors
2434	Standard Oil Filling Station
2435	Root Fur Company
2437	Bush's Service Station
2536	Reliance Building & Loan Association Reliance Mortgage & Finance Company
2537	Frank A. Becker Tavern & Bowling
2538	Avenue Coffee Shop
2601	Silver Tavern
2605	Retzer Brothers Grocery
2609	Mrs. Agnes Gross Delicatessen
2611	Emil M. Schinner Meats
2615	Charles Methfessel Chiropractor
2616	National Theater
2619	Mrs. Paula Schulz Dry Goods
2620	National Home Made Candy Shop
2622	National Beauty Shop
2624	Emil F. Noehre Company Sausages
2625	John P. Klein Tavern
2627	Paul H. Knolk Librarian Allan G. Hansen Chiropodist
2628	National Food Market
2631	Werdna Beauty Shop
2633	Philip Hermann Tailor
2634	Lester M. Schick Jeweler
2636	Advance Drug Company Inc.

- Walter Zimny, the baker, lived at the same address as his business. He was the son of German immigrants and had been raised on First Avenue (today's South 6<sup>th</sup> Street) in Walker's Point.
- Sam Yen, with the laundry, was a member of a Chinese family that owned multiple laundries in Milwaukee.
- John R. Jelenc, the funeral director, was a prominent southside businessman, active in civic affairs and the Slovene community.
- Charlotte B. Polzin lived at the same address as her furniture store. She was working as a laundress and living in a boarding house in 1930. Her parents had been German immigrants and she apparently never married.
- Charles Methfessel, the chiropractor, was a German immigrant who lived in the same building as his office. He attended college for three years.

### Post World War II

At the close of the World War II, a modest number of migrants from rural areas began arriving in Clarke Square in search of jobs. But they were not the largest wave of newcomers. That belonged to the Latino population that had begun settling in Walker's Point in the 1920s and many later moved into Clarke Square. A number of push-pull factors influenced this population change. During the early 1900s Mexican immigration to the United States expanded because of worsening economic conditions in Mexico. A large wave of Mexicans also left the country during the political and economic turmoil created by the Mexican Revolution of 1910. Although most Mexicans found jobs in local tanneries and foundries, some came to Milwaukee as strikebreakers—often unknowingly. A parallel migration occurred in the 1940s when Puerto Ricans began to settle in Walker's Point. Very soon these new groups began spilling over from Walker's Point into the Clarke Square neighborhood.

### Current populations

Today Latinos comprise approximately two-thirds of the Clarke Square population—mostly Mexicans with a smattering of Caribbeans and Central Americans. In 1996, the City of Milwaukee renamed South 16<sup>th</sup> Street Cesar Chavez Drive, in honor of the Mexican American labor leader. Mexican restaurants and grocers today permeate the area and its boundaries.

But diversity does not stop at Latinos. Many European Americans of German and Polish ancestry remain in Clarke Square. About 1 in 6 residents are African American. Over 100 Asians of Hmong/Laotian an-

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cestry also live in Clarke Square and this population continues to grow. They are supported by the Lao Buddhist Temple (see photo below) and the neighborhood New Life Hmong Alliance Church. Clarke Square also has a scattering of American Indians and people of multiple backgrounds.



*Lao Buddhist Temple*

Families are larger in Clarke Square than in most other neighborhoods in Milwaukee, with an average of four to five members. Over half of the population lives in low-income households with annual incomes under \$30,000. The largest number of reported occupations in Clarke Square are in the fields of production, food service, and facilities (building and maintenance).

Home mortgages are typical with over half the home owners paying between \$1,000 and \$1,500 in selected costs (e.g., taxes, deeds of trust, contracts to purchase, mortgages, insurance) per month. However, rents are modest with about three-quarters going for \$500 to \$1,000 a month, and 1 in 6 going for under \$500. Over 70 percent of all housing units in Clarke Square are rented (housing figures from records in 2021).

In the 1980s, Clarke Square became home to a Milwaukee mayor. See the resident profile below.

## Clarke Square resident profile (1990s)



In late 1989, John O. Norquist (see left), then in his first term as mayor of Milwaukee, and his wife Susan Mudd, an environmental activist and lawyer, moved to South 26<sup>th</sup> Street near National. Mudd was the head of Citizens for a Better Environment. They had moved from a modest nearby duplex. The architecture of the couple's new home had features of the Queen Anne style.

Before becoming the 37<sup>th</sup> mayor of Milwaukee, Norquist served in the Wisconsin State Assembly from 1975 to 1984 and the Wisconsin Senate from

1984 to 1988. As mayor, Norquist was known as a "fiscally conservative socialist." Each year in office he reduced the property tax rate and kept city budgets from growing beyond the rate of inflation.

Norquist's contributions to Milwaukee are visible in the landscape. He was mostly responsible for bringing design principles of the New Urbanism to the city that led to breakthrough developments downtown, in the Third Ward, and along the banks of the Milwaukee River.

Norquist fought hard for light rail as a solution for Milwaukee's transit problems. In removing the Park East Freeway—once the largest highway ever purposely destroyed—he became known throughout the country for his anti-freeway stance. Toward the end of his fourth term, Norquist accepted the position as leader of the Congress for the New Urbanism. There he used his experience in removing the Park East Freeway to advocate for a national campaign to help other local officials and New Urbanism advocates in highway teardown movements. Norquist retired from the position in 2014.

Norquist and Mudd put their Clarke Square house up for sale in 2003.

## INTERESTING FEATURES IN CLARKE SQUARE

- **Journey House** at 2212 W. Greenfield Avenue, with a plethora of youth and family activities and sports activities (see photo below).
- **Lao Buddhist Temple** at 1925 W. National, serving the Hmong and Lao Buddhists on Milwaukee's South Side (see photo in left column).
- **El Rey** at 916 S. Cesar Chavez Drive (just outside the Clarke Square boundaries) an all-inclusive Latino grocery store and deli



*Journey House*

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## QUOTES FROM RESIDENTS

### Quotes from oral history of Clarke Square conducted by Urban Anthropology Inc.—about then.

"The storefronts around the 1950s were very typical mom and pop shops with a commercial district around 15<sup>th</sup>."

"[In my earliest memory] I would say [Clarke Square] was mainly European, Scandinavian, but a lot of diverse people moving from Walker's Point--some Latino and Native American. It definitely has changed over time. The majority now is Latino and black and quite thoroughly mixed, with South-east Asian which began to be a presence in the '90s."

"I have not seen major changes over the time I have been in the neighborhood, but celebrations for birthdays, weddings, anniversaries and quinceaneras, and other cultural celebrations are and were common."

"The parishes did help bring people together. [They] would do more social justice marching. Journey House was a point of contact for a lot of people and there were social service agencies in the '70s to reverse some entrenched systematic racism."

"[Events that really changed the neighborhood were] the marches in 1967, the closing of the factories, such as International Harvester, the deindustrialization. Not many current events."

### Quotes from oral history of Clarke Square—about now.

"I noted hearing more Puerto Rican accents (the Spanish is kind of a middle ground between the Mexican and Puerto Rican dialect). Definitely other languages are being spoken, like the Hmong language, the Lao language, the various Burmese languages, (the Karen language being one of the Burmese dialects) because there are a lot of temples and other religious services that cater their preferred languages."

"It's an active neighborhood. People are usually out and about, shopping, playing, living their lives. [It's] also a dense neighborhood--homes close together. Even the shops are close together. There's a lot of life that's very observable."

"The Clarke Square Neighborhood Initiative tries to create space for people to meet and get to know one another at events like Music in Mitchell Park, Neighborhood Nights Out, and Listening Circles (in collaboration with the Zeidler Center for Public Discussion)."

"I think of Clarke Square as a food-rich neighborhood, in terms of the supermarkets and restaurants that populate the neighborhood or fall just outside of it."

"There has not been a major shift in my mind in terms of organizations or clubs in Clarke Square. There are a couple of strong, resident-led block clubs and a couple professional organizations such as Journey House, Epic Community Center Organization (ECCO) that are on the top of my mind."

"There are around 20 Christian churches in Clarke Square, with a large Christian population (though whether or not that population is practicing their faith is hard to tell). The churches with the largest infrastructure are Catholic and Lutheran. There are other Christian denominations present and scattered throughout smaller (sometimes storefront) churches in the neighborhood. The Lao Buddhist Temple is easily visible at 20<sup>th</sup> Street and National Avenue."

"It's not an unusual occurrence here to see a Buddhist monk walking around, or women in hijab or covered attire, or a Hispanic event, *Las Posadas*."

"Journey House does quite a bit of afterschool activities, summer camp type things, as does another youth organization ECHO. There are a lot of opportunities to participate in formal and informal activities and sports. There's art opportunities through Artist's Working in Education (AWE) that has a mobile truck to work in."

"Soccer is pretty big in the neighborhood. Many youth seek out basketball at Journey House when they have open gym. It is not uncommon to see neighbors talking with each other in the front yard or on their porches."

"[Major events in Clarke Square] are public sector policies that caused some stir but were clarified. There was concern that the Milwaukee Police Department was considering joining forces with the federal government and explicitly would cooperate with ICE right after the elections. We had to ensure community members that they were safe. . . But there are still a few people trying to deport immigrants."

For more information on Clarke Square, refer to John Gurda's *Milwaukee, City of Neighborhoods* and Rick Petrie's and Jill Florence Lackey's *Germans in Milwaukee: A neighborhood history*.



# MILWAUKEE'S SOCIALIST LEADERS

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local Socialist Party head and Congressman Victor Berger. At the time of this writing, most written and documentary interpretations of their leadership have stressed the ways they ended corruption in Milwaukee, developed needed infrastructure, and created an environment of government for the common good. With some exceptions (e.g., Kipnis, 1952; Weinstein, 1967), most accounts offered little in the way of objective evaluation. Modifiers and metaphors the writers used to describe the leaders included “squeaky clean” (Gurda, 2007, p. 207), “warm, concerned mensch” (Casey, 2006, p. 103), “genius . . . respected, admired” (Beck, 1982, p. 122), and “civic saint” (Looze, 2006, Chapter 17, 0:15:38). Connell (2016, p. 186) gave this account of the last leader, Frank P. Zeidler.

Initially excoriated by the *Milwaukee Journal* in his first run for office, Zeidler had, by the late 1970s, become an icon in the eyes of mainstream journalists and residents of all political stripes. He was revered for his knowledge and his experience but most of all for his integrity.

“Integrity” was in many ways an earned representation of the Socialist Party leaders in Milwaukee. They had come to power in 1910 on the heels of the administration of Mayor David Rose (1898-1906 and 1908-1910), a free and easy politician who tolerated prostitution, gambling dens, and other vices (Wells, 1970). When the Socialists arrived, the city was ten schoolhouses short of its needs; streets and alleys were in neglect; annual appropriations were insufficient to make payroll; and sewage was being dumped into Lake Michigan, polluting the drinking water. Mayor Seidel immediately reorganized the department of public works and opened bids for paving jobs. He consolidated city administration on a scientific management basis that required rigorous accountability for assets, resources, and expenditures. Corruption was scrubbed out while transparency in government was institutionalized—a process that remained a trademark of Socialist leadership in Milwaukee (Beck, 1982).

However, and purely by chance, other perspectives on Milwaukee’s Socialist leadership caught the attention of this book’s authors, Lackey and Petrie. For over 25 years, the authors have led a Milwaukee nonprofit organization, Urban Anthropology, Inc. A major function of the organization was conducting oral histories on Milwaukee County ethnic groups and special populations and City of Milwaukee neighborhoods. Over a stretch of more than two decades and with a cadre of advanced-degreed cultural anthropologists and over 120 interns from local universities, the organization conducted in excess of 1,200 interviews of key informants within these categories. One topic of inquiry in both the ethnic/special population and neighborhood studies was commercial or political policies that had an effect on the groups under study. Beginning in 2001, a pattern began to emerge. More than any policies mentioned in these interviews were the redevelopment efforts conducted by the City of Milwaukee that removed parts of or all of tightly knit neighborhoods—most of which had been dominated by ethnic or racial



minorities. The totality of the redevelopment they discussed had been initiated by the Socialist leaders.

Chapter I-2 will summarize the general records of the four leaders.

The entire book can be accessed at no cost on the website of Urban Anthropology, Inc. Download the PDF at [https://www.urban-anthropology.org/Socialist\\_book2025.pdf](https://www.urban-anthropology.org/Socialist_book2025.pdf)

The book can also be purchased at \$10 at MECAH Publishing. <https://mecahmilwaukee.com/NonFiction.html>

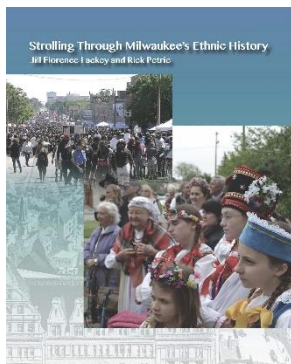
## Jane Jacobs on cities

Cities, like anything else, succeed by making the most of their assets.

Dull, inert cities, it is true, do contain the seeds of their own destruction and little else. But lively, diverse, and intense cities contain the seeds of their own regeneration, with energy enough to carry for problems and needs outside themselves.

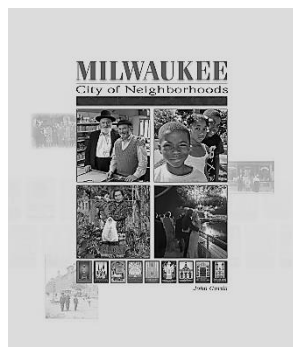


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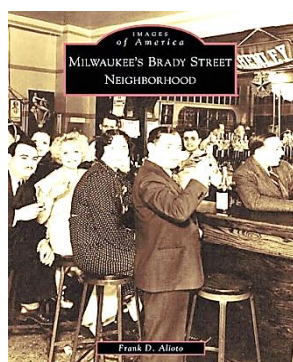
### **Strolling through Milwaukee's Ethnic History** By Jill Florence Lackey and Rick Petrie

This latest work provides an "up close and personal" look at local ethnic life by directing readers to the neighborhoods and venues where the groups left their marks. It brings readers directly into their experiences, whether it involves strolling through the neighborhoods they built or participating in contemporary ethnic activities. "Strolling . . . is an intriguing guide to the ethnic history in our midst and a colorful reminder that Milwaukee has always been a city of newcomers." - JohnGurda. <http://mecahmilwaukee.com>



### **Milwaukee, City of Neighborhoods** By John Gurda

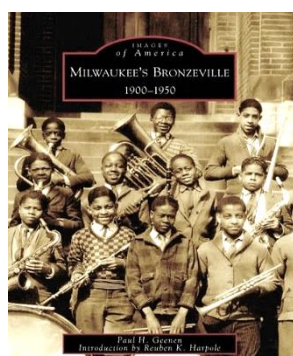
*Milwaukee: City of Neighborhoods* is the most comprehensive account of grassroots Milwaukee ever published. Richly illustrated, engagingly written, and organized for maximum ease of use, the book is a fine-grained introduction to the Milwaukee community, and its communities, that will endure as a standard work for years to come.  
<https://historicismilwaukee.org/milwaukee-city-of-neighborhoods/>.



### **Milwaukee's Brady Street Neighborhood** By Frank D. Alioto

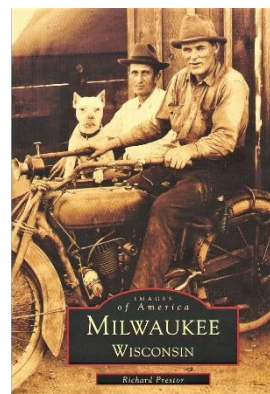
Milwaukee's Brady Street neighborhood began in the mid-19<sup>th</sup> century as a crossroads between middle-class Yankees from the east and early German settlers. Polish and Italian immigrants soon followed, working the mills, tanneries, and brewers that lined the riverbank. The hippies arrived in the 1960s. By the 1980s the area fell into blight, neglect and decay. Now, a true model for new urbanism, the Brady Street neighborhood is the midst of a renaissance.  
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### **Milwaukee's Bronzeville: 1900-1950** By Paul H. Geenen, Introduction by Rueben Harpole

With the migration of African American sharecroppers to northern cities in the first half of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, the African American population of Milwaukee grew from fewer than 1,000 in 1900 to nearly 22,000 by 1950. Most settled along Walnut Street, an area that came to be known as Milwaukee's Bronzeville, a thriving residential, business, and entertainment community. Bronzeville is remembered by African American elders as a good place to grow up.  
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### **Milwaukee Wisconsin** By Richard Prestor

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Mystery writer and Milwaukee native, Sienna Jacks, is creating a series of novels that take place in Milwaukee neighborhoods called "The Milwaukee Series."

Mystery novels that are currently available or will eventually be included in this series will take place in these Milwaukee neighborhoods:

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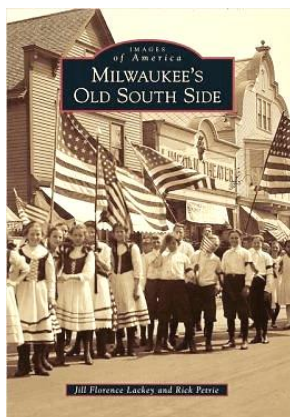
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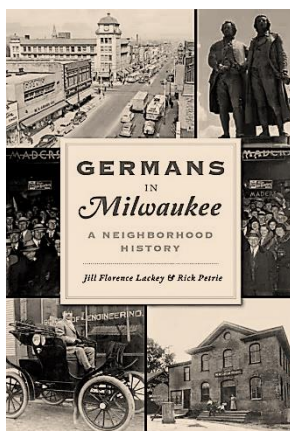


## Books on Milwaukee Neighborhoods (Cont.)



### **Milwaukee's Old South Side** By Jill Florence Lackey and Rick Petrie

In the late 1800s, the Old South Side was developed by immigrant Poles, who became the dominant population for over 100 years. While other Milwaukee ethnic neighborhoods gradually dissipated in the mid-20<sup>th</sup> century because of assimilation pressures, freeway building, or urban renewal programs, the Old South Side remained solidly Polish. A survey nearly a half century later revealed that people of 110 national backgrounds now lived in the Old South Side, with the three largest groups being Mexicans, Poles, and American Indians. <https://www.arcadiapublishing.com/Products/9780738590691>

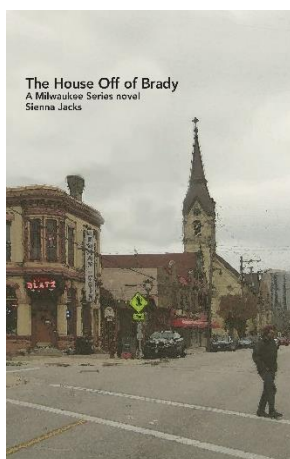


### **Germans in Milwaukee: A neighborhood history** By Jill Florence Lackey and Rick Petrie

Germans dominated Milwaukee like no other large American city. Their presence inhabits the city's neighborhoods, from its buildings and place names to its parklands and statuary. Their influence also lives in the memories shared by local residents. A small Milwaukee neighborhood south of Miller Valley was christened after a farmer's pigs, and a busboy turned beer baron built the famous Pabst Brewery in West Town. A ghost is said to haunt the old Blatz Brewing compound. And the remains of the early tanning industry can still be seen in Walker's Point. Compiling more than 1,200 interviews, authors Jill Florence Lackey and Rick Petrie share these ground-

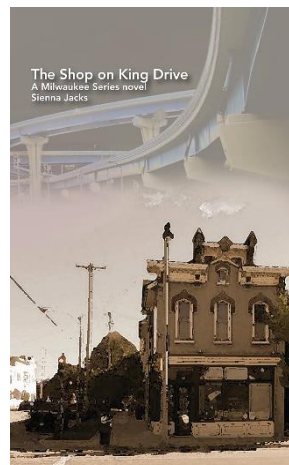
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## Fiction



### **The House Off of Brady** *A Milwaukee Series novel* By Sienna Jacks

Two young anthropologists, trying to convince a local nonprofit to sponsor a neighborhood house museum, must show that the historical occupants of the house were representative of Milwaukee's Brady Street, and that they project positive images for the neighborhood. Their efforts are boosted by a personal journal left behind by one of the home's occupants—Giuseppe Russo. But as the young anthropologists translate and transcribe the journal, they learn that Giuseppe had been banished from his former community in the Third Ward. Are they about to stumble on information that could kill the project—or something perhaps even worse? <http://mecahmilwaukee.com>



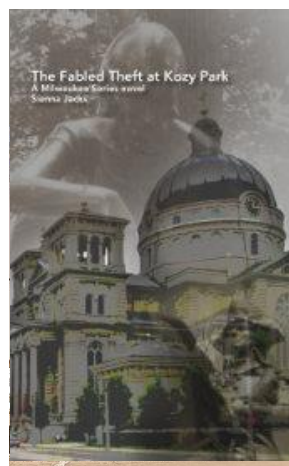
### **The Shop on King Drive** *A Milwaukee Series novel* By Sienna Jacks

A mystery arises out of the ruins of urban renewal. Two young anthropologists, conducting research that would illuminate one dark period in Milwaukee's central city history, confront painful but sometimes puzzling accounts. During the 1950s and 1960s, over 8,000 homes and an entire business district of the African American Bronzeville community were razed. While

interviewing survivors, the anthropologists note that the name of a particular attorney kept entering the conversation. The lawyer claimed to be helping the black community fight the removal, but his efforts had the opposite effect. Suspicions remained for over 50 years over who was behind the deception and why. <http://mecahmilwaukee.com>

### **The Fabled Theft at Kozy Park** *A Milwaukee Series novel* By Sienna Jacks

The anthropologists at City Anthropology were asked to use their research skills to look into a man's confession that might crack the longest unsolved mystery on Milwaukee's old South Side—the theft of the squirrel lady statue at Kozy Park. According to reports, the man Raf (now deceased) also implicated members of a local Polish club with an



agenda of removing non-Polish influences from the neighborhood. Assigned to the project, Enid and Meyer are baffled by the information they are getting from those who witnessed the confession, little of which supports Raf's story. Further inquiry points to events surrounding Raf's stepson. Who really was he and why did he inexplicably appear on the scene all those years ago? Their quest for answers leads them to the club in question, but with unexpected results. The ultimate

mystery they must solve is the true reason why Raf made this confession and steered them to a list of alleged conspirators.

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## Submitting events

*Milwaukee Neighborhood Forum* is interested in events from individuals, businesses, and organizations that have a neighborhood appeal. These can include block parties, church picnics, local music festivals, sports on the block, get-moving activities that take place outdoors, and art and theatre events involving neighborhoods. All event submissions should include a one-sentence description, date and time, location, and website or phone number for additional information. Photos may also be submitted.

## Submitting stories/press releases on neighborhoods

In the spirit of Jane Jacobs, stories should always focus on assets of neighborhoods. They must be between 100 and 400 words. Some editing will be done to match our style guidelines and spatial constraints. We will write the stories for you if you simply send us a list of the information that you want included. A photo is always required.

## Submission deadlines

Submit events or stories by the 25<sup>th</sup> of the month preceding publication. Publication dates are on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of June, August, October, December, February, and April. Please send your stories to Dr. Jill at [JFLanthropologist@currently.com](mailto:JFLanthropologist@currently.com).

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- *Population-focused history (including ethnic roots)*
- *Snapshots of commercial districts of the past*
- *Quotes from residents*
- *Quotes from oral histories (where available)*
- *Low cost nearby outings for families*
- *Demographics of current neighborhood*
- *Photos of neighborhood*

*The website currently includes 190 of the neighborhoods, courtesy of Urban Anthropology Inc.*

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