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Patricia Jursik Report

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THE FIRST 30 DAYS; A PROGRESS REPORT

Providing a progress report of my first 30 days in office is a good way for my neighbors to have an overview of the learning process that a new Supervisor goes through, as well as an opportunity to review the priorities set for our district.

I began my days in office at a swearing-in on August 20, 2007. I met with Chairman Lee Holloway and had an opportunity to express my preference for committee assignments. While not guaranteed, the Chairman was open to my requests. Subsequently, I was appointed to two requested Committees which were identified as important by my constituents: [Parks, Energy and Environment*](#) and [Transportation, Public Works and Transit](#). In addition, I was appointed to the Intergovernmental Relations Committee, which is a good fit given my legal training.

I also met with County Executive Scott Walker shortly after the swearing-in. We had a good opportunity for a one-on-one meeting in which we discussed many concerns of the 8th District. One important area of concern we discussed is transportation. I related the concerns from many of my constituents regarding preserving the routes of our district, including Routes 15, 55, 48 and 88. Executive Walker also appointed me to the Milwaukee Art Museum Board of Directors to represent not only our district but also the Board of Supervisors and Milwaukee County.

I have had much learning to do in understanding the procedure and practices of being a County Supervisor, but I want to set priorities for our district. For this reason, I co-sponsored my first resolution, calling for a review and investigation into all [Pension benefits](#).

Another priority is to audit and assess needs. I reviewed all [Audits](#) done by the County and the process of auditing. I met with Mr. Jerome Heer, Director of Audits, and reviewed all audits performed from 1996 through 2007.

* *The Highlighted topics are discussed in more detail in this newsletter.*

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After just about one month in office, my first official board meeting was held September 27th. This is the start of the 2008 **Budget Process**, and the County Executive introduced his budget proposal for the coming year. The difficult work of studying and amending this budget will occupy most of my time early November.

I went to Mitchell **Airport** and met with Director Barry Bateman and the noise abatement committee, which is in the process of creating new noise abatement zones. I stressed the need for the Airport to be a good neighbor to the 8th District. I signed a letter asking for an expansion of the noise zones that will be submitted to the Federal Aviation Authority for consideration. The zones will identify neighborhoods that will be eligible for noise abatement funding.

Finally, my office has put in place the procedure of receiving and attending to constituent **Calls for Service**. I have already received hundreds of calls. It is my pledge to respond to all constituents. With the assistance of Denise Welliver, my Legislative Assistant, we will review all calls and communicate with you in an appropriate manner.

If you have any concerns, please call my office. I know that the current budget process will be difficult. I have heard from many constituents about bus route cuts, park preservation, the need to hold the line on taxes and others. This will be a difficult budget year. I will do my best to be an effective Supervisor while balancing all of your concerns. THANK YOU.



Supervisor Jursik in September's Milwaukee County Board Meeting with 4th District Supervisor Marina Dimitrijevic.

Pension Resolution

In September as one of my first official duties in office, I co-sponsored a resolution addressing certain pensions that were processed in an inappropriate manner by past members of the Milwaukee County Pension Board.

You may have recently read articles in the local press of problems with the way certain pension buy-backs and buy-ins were inappropriately approved for a number of Milwaukee County retirees. I am proud to have co-sponsored a resolution calling for a review and investigation into all pension benefits within Milwaukee County.

The resolution passed the County Board in September and directs the Corporation Counsel and the Director of Employee Benefits to work with the Pension Board in its review. The Pension Board subsequently hired outside counsel to undertake a thorough review of all pension issues. They must report back to the County Board with their findings.



MILWAUKEE COUNTY RESIDENTS HAVE SAVED MORE THAN \$83,000 ON PRESCRIPTION DRUGS

Discount available to all Milwaukee County residents with no strings attached

Milwaukee County residents have saved more than \$83,000 on prescription drugs since 2006, thanks to a discount drug card offered by Milwaukee County and the National Association of Counties (NACo). The program allows counties to distribute free prescription drug discount cards offering an average savings of 20% off common retail prescription prices. Those savings greatly exceed what Milwaukee County pays in dues to NACo on an annual basis.

We all know that health care costs are escalating while the number of insured people is decreasing. This benefit provides immediate, substantial relief from the high prices of prescription drugs. No enrollment forms or membership fees are required. Regardless of age or income, any Milwaukee County resident can simply show the card at any participating pharmacy.

Cards can also be obtained from one of the following locations:

Milwaukee County Board Offices,
901 N. 9th Street, Courthouse Room 201

General Assistance Medical Program,
9501 Watertown Plank Rd.

Department of Health and Human Services,
1220 W. Vliet St. and 1673 S. 9th St.

Department on Aging, 310 W. Wisconsin Ave.

Southside Health Clinic,
1639 S. 23rd St.

Milwaukee County Parks Administration,
9480 Watertown Plank Rd.

MLK Heritage Clinic,
2555 N. King Dr.

16th Street Health Center,
1032 S. 16th St.

Clinica Latina,
1238 S. 16th St.

Lubsey Clinic,
5300 W. Villard Ave.

Runway Dog Exercise Area,
1214 E. Rawson Ave.

For more information about NACo's free prescription drug discount card, call toll free **1-877-321-2652** or visit <http://naco.advancex.com>.

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RXGRP: RXMILWI
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This plan is not insurance.

Tear off this card and start saving today!

Easy Simply present your card, provided to you in a joint effort of your local county government and the National Association of Counties (NACo), at a retail participating pharmacy and save an average of 20% on your prescription drugs. Finding a pharmacy is easy; 8 out of 10 pharmacies nationwide accept your discount card. No enrollment form, no membership fee, one card. Immediate use.

No Limits You and your family may use your prescription discount card any time your prescription is not covered by insurance. There are no restrictions and no limits on how many times you may use your card.

Extra Savings As part of this program you will also be eligible for higher discounts on select medications, as well as high-tech and injectable drugs. For details of these programs and our mail service program, which offers an average savings of 50% on a 3-month supply of select medications, call toll free **1-877-321-2652** or visit <https://naco.advancex.com>.

Información en Español en la parte atrás del folleto

Milwaukee County **FREE** Days!

Enjoy free admission to Milwaukee County attractions!

Complimentary admission to Milwaukee County Residents only with valid photo ID on the following days:



Milwaukee County Zoo

2007
December 1
Thanksgiving Day
Christmas Day & New Year's Day

2008
January 5, February 2, March 1,
April 5, November 1,
& December 6
Thanksgiving Day
Christmas Day & New Year's Day

Milwaukee Public Museum

FREE
Every Monday!

\$1 off admission
adult prices on
Tuesday - Sunday

Milwaukee Art Museum

FREE
Every Wednesday!

(excludes special exhibits)

Mitchell Park Domes

FREE
Every Monday
from
9:00AM-11:30AM
(except major holidays)

Milwaukee County Attraction



\$2 off

Enjoy \$2.00 off admission to
Humphrey IMAX
Dome Theater
or
Daniel M. Soref Planetarium

For show times, call 414-319-4629
or visit www.mpm.edu

Redeem at Box Office only.
Not valid with matinee pricing, other discounts or promotions.

Expires January 16, 2008

Gunther von Hagens' **BODY WORLDS:** The Anatomical Exhibition of Real Human Bodies



Tickets are NOW on sale at the
Milwaukee Public Museum!
For more information,
visit www.mpm.edu or
www.bodyworlds.com.



2008 County Budget

County Executive Scott Walker presented his 2008 Recommended Budget to the County Board on September 27th. His budget proposal affects a number of important County-provided programs and services and I will be taking a close look at them.

From now until November 5th, the County Board will review all of his changes for 2008. After the Finance and Audit Committee amends the budget, the County Board will have a public hearing at 7 p.m. Monday, October 29th at the Washington Park Senior Center. This is an opportunity for you to share your opinions with the entire County Board of Supervisors.

After hearing input from you, the County Board will adopt the 2008 Budget on Monday, November 5th. Any vetoes from the County Executive will be considered on November 14th.

Your input is crucial during this process. I invite you to keep a close eye on this year's budget items. Don't hesitate to call my office to let me know which items are a priority for you.

Transportation

I am particularly pleased to serve on the Transportation, Public Works, and Transit Committee. While most other American transit systems have identified a separate funding source, the Milwaukee County Transit System is still funded in part by property tax dollars. I am determined to help identify a dedicated funding source to remove our mass transit system from the property tax rolls.

The 8th District borders General Mitchell International Airport, one of the most efficiently run airports in the nation. My goal is to run the airport effectively and help it grow while respecting the families that live near the airport property.

Milwaukee County Parks

As a member of the Parks, Energy & Environment Committee, I look forward to protecting our wonderful Milwaukee County Parks System. Like many of you, I spend a lot of time in the numerous

Parks we enjoy in the 8th Supervisory District. I believe the wonderful stretch of green space from Bay View Park all the way south to Grant Park are some of the best in the County. I am proud to help the Parks celebrate their 100th Anniversary this year!

Audits

The Department of Audit is the eyes and ears of the County Board, responsible for monitoring all fiscal concerns of Milwaukee County and demanding fiscal and programmatic accountability from County departments, programs and vendors. Public concerns about suspected fraud are made by calling the Milwaukee County Fraud Hotline at 414-93-FRAUD. All reports are kept confidential.



Supervisor Jursik with County Executive Scott Walker shortly before her swearing-in.



Supervisor Jursik with Chairman Lee Holloway and her family after being sworn-in.



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 your response to:
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Milwaukee County Transit Guide | <input type="checkbox"/> Milwaukee by Bike, On-Street Bike Routes & Off-Street Trails |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Parks Recreational Guide | <input type="checkbox"/> Milwaukee Urban Water Trail, A Canoe & Kayak Guide |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Parks Room & Building Rentals Brochure | <input type="checkbox"/> NACo Prescription Drug Discount Card |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dogs in the Parks Brochure | <input type="checkbox"/> Milwaukee Public Museum Brochure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Golf Course Discount Card Application/Map | |