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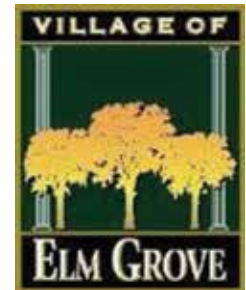
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**OUR VILLAGE:** A few years ago, students at St. Mary's Visitation School in Elm Grove created this interior wall display of individual, colorfully-glazed clay tiles depicting historic Village buildings, such as Old St. Mary's Church (at the intersection of Juneau Blvd. and Watertown Plank Road) and the Reinder's building (the current site of Great Harvest Bread Co., etc.).

## Elm Grove Public Library to Hold Annual *Creative Writing* Contest!

Students in grades Kindergarten and up are invited to enter poems, essays, short stories, etc. from June 12 — August 5, 2018. Winning entries (and possibly some honorable mentions) will be published in the September 2018 "8<sup>th</sup> Anniversary" edition of the *Elm Grove News-Independent* — and all entries will be displayed in the library, 13600 Juneau Blvd., Elm Grove. Contest guidelines are available at the service counter. Visit the library or call (262) 782-6717 for more information.

**YOUNG WRITERS WANTED:** To encourage excellence in written communication: journalism, creative writing and overall literacy at an early age, the *News-Independent* has, for more than 7 years, offered area students in K-12<sup>th</sup> grades the valuable opportunity to be published within our "Young Writers & Cub Reporters" section. (See Page 9.) Contact: [elmgrovenews@yahoo.com](mailto:elmgrovenews@yahoo.com) or call (262) 782-6193 for submission guidelines.



## Village Update

By Neil Palmer,  
President – Village of Elm Grove  
[npalmer@elmgrovewi.org](mailto:npalmer@elmgrovewi.org)

The Village Board on Monday, May 21 approved moving ahead with the plans and design for a **splash pad** at the Village pool to replace the kiddie pool. The splash pad has an estimated cost of \$570,000 and will include a filtration system and will have approximately 20 separate features over the 1800 square foot splash zone able to accommodate up to 72 children at one time. It will also include shade structures benches and other amenities.

The Village Board authorized moving ahead with the understanding that fundraising would be initiated with the goal of getting commitments for a possible construction between fall 2018 and spring 2019 to be open for use next summer. Please consider checking out the details on how to donate on our newly revamped Village Website at [www.elmgrovewi.org](http://www.elmgrovewi.org).

A public informational **Open House** to describe and discuss extension of the **Watertown Plank Road pathway** from Highland Drive to Pilgrim Road is scheduled for Wednesday, June 13 from 5:30 until 7:00 pm at Village Hall.

(See VILLAGE UPDATE – Page 3)

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# "I Know Where You Live!"



Lisabeth Passalis-Bain

## Spreading... The News!

Every now and then I like to give readers the inside "scoop" about some aspect of the *News-Independent*. This month, the theme is **DISTRIBUTION**.

On, or sometimes a day or two before, the first of the month we head over to our printer, American Litho in Milwaukee, and in probably less than ten minutes have loaded 5,000 copies of the latest edition into our vehicle. Then, 3,100 copies (in tubs) are mailed at the Elm Grove Post Office to every residence, business and P.O. Box in 5-3-1-2-2 and the remaining 1,900 copies are distributed throughout Elm Grove and some locations in Brookfield, Wauwatosa, etc. Copies are also available at Elm Grove Woman's Club, Kiwanis, Rotary and other meetings.

**AND, THE FULL FILES OF OUR CURRENT & MANY PAST ISSUES ARE ALSO AVAILABLE AT OUR WEBSITE:** [www.elmgrove.news](http://www.elmgrove.news). Just click on ARCHIVE, then scroll down & click on the issue of your choice.

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**A WEDDING PORTRAIT:** (Bottom row, left to right) Jack Rickards III, Mary Monsen Kunze, Elizabeth Irmgard Kunze, and Brian Franklin Long; (Top row, left to right) Rev. Fr. John Mudd, Pastor Rev. Fr. Tim Kitzke, and Rev. Debra Trakel.

## Double Wedding Celebrated by Elm Grove Mother & Daughter + 3 Priests

Mary Monsen Kunze of Elm Grove married Jack Rickards III of Wauwatosa, and Mary's daughter Elizabeth Irmgard Kunze exchanged vows with Brian Franklin Long of Milwaukee during a double wedding ceremony at Old St. Mary's Church in Milwaukee on April 28.

Dr. Michael J. Kuhn, Jr. of Elm Grove and Jim Peterson of Grosse Pointe, Michigan were best men and Margaret Monsen Hoffman of Menomonee Falls and Anne Kunze Aboushousha of Sante Fe, New Mexico were matrons of honor.

Pastor Rev. Fr. Tim Kitzke, Rev. Fr. John Mudd of Washington D.C. celebrated the Nuptial Mass with Rev. Debra Trakel joining in the blessing.

A reception was held following the ceremony at the Elm Grove Woman's Club. The Rickards will honeymoon this month in Amsterdam and the Longs will travel to the south of France.

## 3rd Annual Elm Grove Village Market to be Held

By Eva Bartz & Susan Freedy

This year the market will run for eight weeks beginning Wednesday, July 11 and ending on Wednesday, August 29. We are located on the parking lot of Ray's Auto Service at the corner of Watertown Plank Road and Elm Grove Street, across from O'Donoghue's Irish Pub. Market hours will be from 5 to 8 p.m.

New vendors to the Market this year include: 1848 Coffee; Gemma Rae's Cheesecakes (homemade pastas, sauces, Italian prepared foods, bakery); Himsel Farms (honey, produce, flowers, herbs, canned goods); Mami Feliz (prepared Mexican food) and Zisters, Elm Grove's newest restaurant.

Beth Sadowski, Market President and owner of The Wild Side Salon and Jamie O'Donoghue, Market Vice-President and owner of O'Donoghue's Irish Pub, have planned a terrific season: the Market will feature live music, prepared foods to enjoy on the spot, a variety of vendors, and all kinds of Arts & Crafts.

We are pleased that Tree-Ripe Citrus (Georgia peaches, Michigan blueberries); Liz's Mustard Pickles; Not Just Jams, and other vendors with seasonal vegetables will be returning to the Market.

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# News Briefs



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Some of the organizers and volunteers at Woller-Anger's 2018 Community Shred Day.

## Local Company Holds Annual Shred Day

Money, food also collected to benefit those in need

By Jon Grandelis

Woller-Anger & Company held our 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Community Shred Day and Food Drive in downtown Elm Grove on April 28 under sunny skies. The two-hour event attracted approximately 375 people, and nearly 8,500 pounds of documents were professionally shredded.

Also, approximately 250 pounds of food and \$725 were collected and donated by the generous attendees,

benefitting Riverwest Food Pantry. Riverwest also happens to be the designated recipient for the current calendar quarter of the Woller-Anger "Pay-It-Forward" referral program.

Student volunteers from St. Mary's Visitation School and Pilgrim Park Middle School again provided invaluable service. Thank you, and we look forward to serving the community in 2019!

## Village Update (Continued from Page 1)

We are hoping to reach agreement on a design for a pathway route on the northside of Watertown Plank Road in time to construct the new path later this year when the existing path is rebuilt between Highland Drive and 124<sup>th</sup> Street.

The Village Plan Commission heard a **Conceptual Plan presentation** from Horizon Development for a new proposed Senior Independent housing apartment project at 13040 West Bluemound Road. This type of project is limited to people over 55 years of age. The currently empty site is immediately east of the Building Trades office building and in front of the Emerald Woods Condominium. Many residents of Emerald Woods and neighboring Douglas Plaza attended the meeting. The public response and Plan Commissioner comments were all generally positive.

Horizon Development is well known state developer of senior housing with a very good reputation. They have several projects in the region. The proposed 75 unit apartment building, with underground parking is designed with 3 and 4 story sections. The site is zoned B-3 Mid Rise Office and Professional where multifamily housing can be granted through a conditional use permit. The development will be seeking a conditional use permit and inclusion of the property into the existing Emerald Woods Planned Development Overlay. If those permissions are granted, the two projects together would have a density of 19.75 per acre in the PDO which allows a density of 22 per acre. The project proposes to connect to the water system near Elm Grove Road at Bluemound. This connection might also enable Emerald Woods and Douglas Plaza to connect. Many details remain

to be considered in the numerous public meetings and hearings that will come if the proposal moves forward.

The Village has hired Applied Environmental Services to design and plan **restoration of the wetland and floodplain areas** on the west and northwest of Tonawanda Elementary School where numerous dead Ash trees have been removed. Restoration of these two areas with native plantings to create habitat, improve water quality and provide flood remediation is a great opportunity to beautify the area near our wonderful school and create opportunity for the site to be incorporated into school curriculum. Stay tuned for announcements of plan presentations. We hope to move quickly on this effort.

The Village Board has hired SHE, a highly respected planning and engineering firm, to conduct the process of preparing a **Master Plan for the Downtown**. SHE will conduct public sessions for businesses and residents to gather information on how residents would like to see development or redevelopment occur. We all know our business sector has struggled. During last years' consideration of a multifamily development on the Reinders property many residents said they believed we should prepare a plan rather than considering individual projects. (We might be the only community in the metropolitan area without an approved plan.) To allow the time to conduct the planning process without the distraction and possible conflict of a development request **the Village Board voted to place a moratorium** on building permits for commercial structures in the central business district. The moratorium is in effect until November 20, 2018.

# Business Directory

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# Gardening in the Grove

## Nominate Beautiful Elm Grove Gardens!

When driving or walking in Elm Grove, do you admire the landscaping and gardens of your neighbors and other residences? Here is your opportunity to honor them. The **Elm Grove Beautification Award**, established more than 20 years ago, recognizes the owners of residential and non-residential properties who take exceptional pride in landscaping their lawns and gardens. Based on several criteria, including aesthetic appeal, color, scale, variety, continuity of design and unity throughout, the award is judged by members of the Elm Grove Beautification Committee.

Nominate those properties that are deserving of this award by submitting your nominations by JUNE 15 to:

Elm Grove Beautification Committee  
c/o The Village of Elm Grove  
13600 Juneau Blvd.  
Elm Grove, WI 53122

Nominated Property Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of property (circle one): Residential Commercial Other

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Would you be interested in serving on the Beautification Committee? \_\_\_\_\_

# Past Times: I REMEMBER...

## John Hanson, First President of the United States

By Stephen K. Hauser

Every school child knows, so they say, that **George Washington** was the first President of the United States. Actually, it's a bit more complicated than that. George Washington was the first President of the United States under the U.S. Constitution, inaugurated in New York on April 30, 1789.

But before there was George Washington, there was **John Hanson** of Maryland. A few readers may recall that on November 5, 1981, the U.S. Post Office issued a first-class stamp commemorating his one-year tenure as a U.S. President. This prompted a brief flurry of newspaper articles and feature stories, including those in the *Milwaukee Sentinel* and *Milwaukee Journal*. In the three decades since, little more has been said, although Hanson's name occasionally pops up in discussions among those who pursue the obscure and the trivial.

The founding of the United States as a sovereign nation is generally fixed at July 4, 1776, when the Declaration of Independence was voted and signed in Philadelphia. What was our form of government in the intervening years between that event and the adoption of the U.S. Constitution in 1789 and George Washington's subsequent ascent to the presidency? This intermediate period is often neglected in classrooms and text books when America's early years are studied. It may well be American history's most under-covered era.

On November 15, 1777, the Continental Congress approved the Articles of Confederation, our first governing document as a free nation. It has been described as creating a "loosely buckled" national alliance between the original thirteen states, and marked the first time that the new country was officially designated as "the United States of America". The completed document was now sent to the various states for debate and ratification.

During the next four years, the articles were examined and argued and eventually approved by the several state legislatures. All the while, the Continental Congress continued to function without a charter, led by a President of the Congress (similar to a modern-day Speaker of the House). After Maryland became the last of the necessary states to approve the Articles on March 1, 1781, the Continental Congress became the Congress of the Confederation, America's first truly "legal" national government.

Article IX of the Articles of Confederation states that the Congress shall "appoint one of their members to preside, provided that no person be allowed to serve in the office of president more than one year in any term of three years". Accordingly, John Hanson, a wealthy planter from rural Maryland, was chosen on November 5, 1781 as "President of the United States, in Congress assembled", elected by his fellow congressional delegates. He served for the following year, concluding his term on November 3, 1782.

Of course, there was no Executive branch under the Articles. President Hanson was simply the presiding officer of the Congress, a unicameral (one house) national legislature of limited authority. He gavelled their sessions to order, recognized

colleagues who wished to speak and called for adjournment at the end of the day. In addition, he signed proclamations and pronouncements on behalf of the Congress, received foreign ambassadors and visiting dignitaries, and performed the ceremonial duties relevant to his titular position. During the year in which he presided, Congress oversaw the creation of the War department, the U.S. diplomatic corps, the department of the Treasury and the U.S. Land Office, which established rudimentary western territories.

In November of 1781, President Hanson signed the first Thanksgiving proclamation passed by the U.S. Congress. He also reported to Congress on the evacuation of British troops from American soil following the defeat of **General Charles Cornwallis** and his forces by Washington's Continental Army on October 19, 1781 at Yorktown, Virginia.

Interestingly, the position of president was something of an afterthought on the part of those drafting the Articles of Confederation. European envoys and diplomats were used to dealing with kings, premiers, and prime ministers. The idea of presenting their credentials or discussing delicate matters in a speech to a Congress seemed absurd to them. It became obvious that some presiding officer had to be able to receive foreign ambassadors and dignitaries who might wish to speak directly and confidentially in addressing a sensitive issue. Such matters often lend themselves more naturally to a private exchange. This realization led ultimately to Hanson and subsequent presidents under the Articles taking on these duties, as well as handling other such responsibilities on behalf of the Congress as a whole.

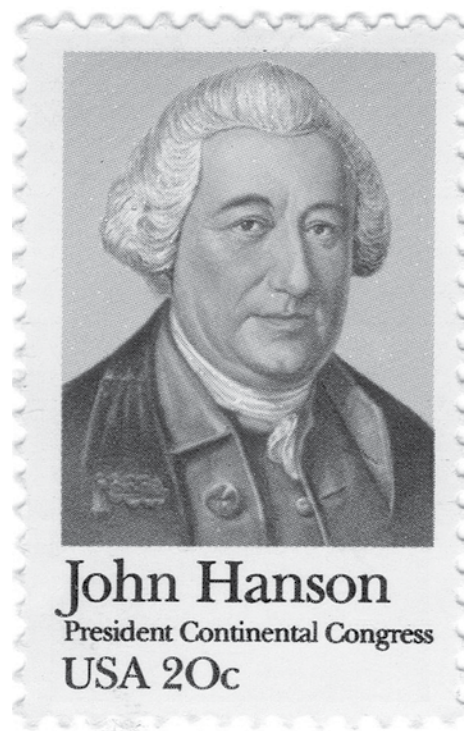
According to the Bicentennial edition of the Biographical Directory of the United States Congress, John Hanson was born on April 3, 1715 at Mulberry Grove, Maryland. He served in the Maryland House of Delegates and the Maryland State Senate until 1773, and was elected to the Continental Congress in 1780 where he became a signer of the Articles of Confederation. After his retirement from public life, he returned to Maryland to manage his family's affairs, dying at the Oxon Hill farm owned by his nephew on November 22, 1783.

John Hanson's selection as President was a political choice, not made because of any particular attributes, oratorical skills or personal strengths. His home state of Maryland had dallied and dithered over ratifying the Articles of Confederation for a variety of petty reasons, including a border dispute with neighboring Virginia. When the Maryland legislature finally voted to affirm, the selection of a Marylander to head the new government, at least ceremonially, seemed a good way to reward them for their belated acquiescence.

Although he served through stormy times and was surrounded by a swirl of momentous events, it could well be argued that there was little exceptional about President John Hanson or his one-year term of office. While he discharged his limited responsibilities with dignity, efficiency and devotion to duty, there is little to be said here of leadership, innovation or inspiration. Hanson had not been a leading figure in the Revolutionary War or in the negotiation of the ensuing peace treaty with Great Britain.

In the final analysis, he was simply available, willing and able to serve. Much the same could be said of most of his immediate presidential successors under the Articles. Of course, this would also be true of some of our later chief executives under our present Constitution. The Articles of Confederation was specifically designed, after all, to create a limited federal government that would govern best by governing least. America's founders craved freedom, while the Articles and men like John Hanson attempted to assure that they would have it.

Stephen K. Hauser is a long-time Elm Grove resident, a college history professor, and the author of books and articles about local history.



From the collection of Stephen K. Hauser

On November 5, 1981, the U.S. Postal Service issued a stamp commemorating the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of John Hanson's selection as President of the United States under the Articles of Confederation.

# Waukesha County News

## Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event, June 2

(Waukesha, WI) The City of Brookfield will host a special one-day collection of household hazardous waste **OPEN TO ANY WAUKESHA COUNTY RESIDENT** on Saturday, June 2 from 8 a.m. to noon at the City Public Works Yard, 19700 Riverview Drive.

Old, unusable chemicals, pesticides, wood preservatives, solvents, oil-based paints, and mercury-containing products will be accepted. Latex paint, non-hazardous cleaning materials, motor oil and oil filters will NOT be accepted.

Residents are required to have their ID scanned to verify proof of residency. For more information, including a detailed list of acceptable household hazardous waste materials, call (262) 896-8300 or visit [waukeshacounty.gov/hazardous\\_waste](http://waukeshacounty.gov/hazardous_waste).

## Letters to the Editor

\* Letters regarding issues of concern to the Elm Grove / Elmbrook / Waukesha County community will be considered for publication on a space available basis. Submissions (400 words maximum) must include the writer's name, address & phone number.

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### UPCOMING EVENTS...

June 9<sup>th</sup>, Saturday, Walk, Run & Roll at Fowler Park in Oconomowoc  
Registration: 7:00 a.m. / Start 8:00 a.m. - 11 a.m.

<https://walk-run-roll-occonomowoc.eventbrite.com>

June 16<sup>th</sup>, Saturday, Jrs. "Project Hope (Service Dog's Name) Lunch" - 11:30 a.m.

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# Calendar of Events for June 2018

**NOTE:** Elm Grove & Elmbrook Clubs, Organizations & Schools may send Calendar of Events items to: [elmgrovenews@yahoo.com](mailto:elmgrovenews@yahoo.com)

\*Publication of submissions will be on a space-available basis & must meet established newspaper guidelines.

Questions: Call (262) 782-6193

## Friday – JUNE 1

- \***Elmbrook Rotary Club**  
Meeting: 7 a.m. in Elm Grove.  
[www.elmbrookrotary.org](http://www.elmbrookrotary.org).
- \***Kiwanis Club of Elm Grove – Golden K**  
Meeting – 9:30 a.m. @ St. Mary’s Senior Center, 13000 Juneau Blvd., Elm Grove. (See AD – Page 12)

## Monday – JUNE 4

- \***Village of Elm Grove Plan Commission**  
Meeting: 7 p.m. @ Village Hall.

## Tuesday – JUNE 5

- \***Village of Elm Grove Building Board**  
Meeting: 5:30 p.m. @ Village Hall  
Agenda: [www.elmgrovetwi.org](http://www.elmgrovetwi.org).
- \***Brookfield Toastmasters Club**  
Meeting: 6:30 to 8 p.m. @ Waukesha State Bank, 18300 W. Capitol Dr., Brookfield. Guests welcome.  
[www.brookfieldtm.toastmastersclubs.org](http://www.brookfieldtm.toastmastersclubs.org).

## Wednesday – JUNE 6

- \***Village of Elm Grove Beautification**  
Committee Meeting: 8:30 a.m. @ Village Hall.

## Thursday – JUNE 7

\***Elmbrook Garden Club Program:** “Life Cycle of the Monarch Butterfly” – 6:30 p.m. at the Brookfield Library, 1900 N. Calhoun Rd., Brookfield. Shelly Culea of Monarch Unlimited will share her experiences in the UNESCO protected World Heritage Monarch Sanctuaries in Mexico. Guests welcome! Contact: Laura Skoff, (414) 614-6489.



## Friday – JUNE 8

- \***Elmbrook Rotary Club**  
Meeting: 7 a.m. in Elm Grove.  
[www.elmbrookrotary.org](http://www.elmbrookrotary.org).
- \***Kiwanis Club of Elm Grove – Golden K**  
Meeting – 9:30 a.m. @ St. Mary’s Senior Center, 13000 Juneau Blvd., Elm Grove. (See AD – Page 12)

## Tuesday – JUNE 12

\***School District of Elmbrook**  
Board of Education Meeting: 6 p.m. @ Central Administration offices, 13780 Hope St., Brookfield. Open to the Public. (262) 781-3030.

## Thursday – JUNE 14 FLAG DAY



\***Village of Elm Grove Public Safety**  
Committee Meeting: 6 p.m. @ Village Hall.

## Friday – JUNE 15

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## Thursday – JUNE 21 FIRST DAY OF SUMMER



\***OWLS (Older-Wiser-Livelier-Seniors)**  
Sponsored by Community United Methodist Church, 14700 Watertown Plank Rd., Elm Grove. Coach Trip to Lake County, Illinois; Tour Temple Farm Lippizans and Chicago Botanic Gardens; Lunch: Culinary Landscape. (262) 782-4060 [www.cumceg.org](http://www.cumceg.org).

## Friday – JUNE 22

- \***Elmbrook Rotary Club**  
Meeting: 7 a.m. in Elm Grove.  
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- \***Kiwanis Club of Elm Grove – Golden K**  
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## Monday – JUNE 25

\***Village of Elm Grove Board of Trustees** meeting – 7:30 p.m. @ Village Hall Court Room. Open to the Public. Agenda: [www.elmgrovetwi.org](http://www.elmgrovetwi.org).

## Tuesday – JUNE 26

\***School District of Elmbrook**  
Board of Education Meeting: 6 p.m. @ Central Administration offices, 13780 Hope St., Brookfield. Open to the Public. (262) 781-3030.

## Friday – JUNE 29

- \***Elmbrook Rotary Club**  
Meeting: 7 a.m. in Elm Grove.  
[www.elmbrookrotary.org](http://www.elmbrookrotary.org).
- \***Kiwanis Club of Elm Grove – Golden K**  
Meeting – 9:30 a.m. @ St. Mary’s Senior Center, 13000 Juneau Blvd., Elm Grove. (See AD – Page 12)

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# Clubs & Organizations

## '100 Women Who Care' to Hold Meeting

By Kathy Olsen, Jane Condon & Karen Loeb

100 Women Who Care — Milwaukee Metro West is a 2½-year-old group whose mission is to provide help to a variety of charities in our local area west of Milwaukee. To date, we have supported children challenged by physical disabilities, the homeless, seniors needing transportation, adults and children with illness, families afflicted by drug and alcohol addiction, and the under- and un-insured.

**The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 5, at 6 p.m. at O'Donoghue's Irish Pub, 13225 Watertown Plank Road, Elm Grove.**

In this hour-long meeting (held three times a year), members suggest local charities to be considered for donations. Of all charities suggested, three charities are selected by a random drawing. The three members who suggest the charities then give a five-minute talk about their charity and its mission. All members vote and then write checks for \$100,

individually or as a team, directly to the chosen charity. During that hour meeting with the funds kindly donated, we make a significant difference in the lives of people in our communities.

At the June 5 meeting, we will have a brief update by **Sandi Lybert**, Co-Founder of Your Choice to Live, to learn how our donations given in February 2018 were used. After the meeting, she can answer any questions that you have about the charity and its mission. You can also stay for dinner and meet other members of "100 Women Who Care".

Please consider arriving by 5:30 p.m. so you can meet members in our community and learn more about the charities we have supported in our two years.

Visit: [www.100wwcmkemetrowest.org](http://www.100wwcmkemetrowest.org) to pre-register for meetings & learn more about the group, or go to: <https://www.facebook.com/100WCMKEMetroWest>.

## News' Hounds & other beloved creatures

### Adopt a Pet at the Elmbrook Humane Society

By Heather Gehrke

**Jackie** came to us when his owner passed away. He is quite social and loves to meet with new people and just hang out with them. Though he may be 17-years-old, he is young at heart and remains spunky!

Help this special guy find his forever home by visiting with him to see if he is the perfect match for you!

The Elmbrook Humane Society is located at 20950 Enterprise Avenue, Brookfield, just off Barker Road.

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**Jackie**

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Kiwanis members and guests at the club's 35th anniversary celebration.

## Kiwanis Golden K Celebrates 35 Years of Service to the Youth of Our Community

By Larry De Longe

The Elm Grove Golden K Kiwanis club celebrated its 35th anniversary on Friday May 4. More than 70 members and guests attended the celebration that including a Champagne toast. **Bern Schlaefter**, the longest serving club member, gave the celebratory toast. **Jim Kieso**, the newest member, cut the cake in honor of 35 years of service to youth in the Elm Grove, Brookfield, New Berlin, Wauwatosa and surrounding areas.

Special guest at event was **Justin Hahn**, the Kiwanis International District Governor for the Wisconsin-Upper Michigan District. Justin thanked the Elm

Grove club for their past efforts, especially 50 iPads for autistic children, and encouraged the club to continue serving youth and recruiting new members.

Kiwanis President **Roy Uelner** briefly reviewed the club's bio. The Golden K club was chartered on September 23, 1983. The club was sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Elm Grove. Most members are retired. Club membership peaked at 96 in 1992. Today there are 72 active members and 10 Golden K members. The club has donated more than \$160,000 for community service, scholarship and youth activities.

## Read All About It!

**Upcoming Programs at the Library**  
13600 Juneau Boulevard, Elm Grove, WI 53122  
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**The Future of Milwaukee** (Presented by Mike Gousha)  
**Wednesday, June 6, 7:00 p.m. O'Neill Room**

Is Milwaukee having its moment? Veteran journalist Mike Gousha looks at the future of the city he loves, its potential, its challenges, and whether we're witnessing a historic transformation. Free to attend, registration required. **Registration begins May 14. Space is limited.**



Mike Gousha is a distinguished fellow in law and public policy at Marquette University Law School. He is also a political analyst for WISN12 and the host of "UpFront with Mike Gousha," seen Sunday mornings on ABC affiliates statewide.

**Mindfulness: The Art and Science of Well-Being**

**Wednesday, June 20, 7:00 p.m. O'Neill Room**

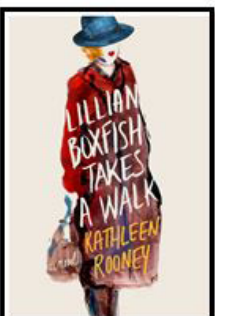
Inspirational, motivational, and always popular. Philip Chard returns to the library for a thoughtful presentation on mindfulness: how we can tap into it, and how it can improve our lives. Please register in advance by calling 262-782-6717. **Registration begins May 29. Space is limited.**

Philip Chard is a psychotherapist, writer, trainer and public speaker. He writes an award winning weekly column in the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel entitled "Out of My Mind."

**Author event & Book club night, with Kathleen Rooney & Boswell Books**  
**Tuesday, June 26, 6:30 p.m., O'Neill Room**

In conjunction with Boswell Books, the library welcomes Kathleen Rooney for a discussion & reading from her national bestseller, *Lillian Boxfish Takes a Walk*. The novel, based on the life of Macy's ad writer and poet Margaret Fishback, is a meandering walk around 1984 New York and a portrait of a remarkable woman across a changing America: from the Jazz Age to the onset of the AIDS epidemic; the Great Depression to the birth of hip-hop.

Also, bring your notebook! The evening will be a book club night, with reading recommendations from Elm Grove librarians & Boswell booksellers. Books will be available for sale. Free to attend.



# News Briefs



Photo courtesy: School District of Elmbrook

PPMS SkillsUSA Club members with their trophies.

## Pilgrim Park Students Receive Top Awards at State Conference

The Pilgrim Park Middle School SkillsUSA Club attended the 45<sup>th</sup> Annual State Conference, April 24-25, 2018 at the Alliant Energy Center in Madison, Wisconsin. The conference is the biggest event SkillsUSA holds.

This year more than 1,900 middle school, high school, and technical college students competed in almost 80 events focused around applying skills learned from their career, applied technology, and engineering classes.

The following PPMS students were recognized for their achievements:

- \*Woodworking \$50-\$149 category:**
- 1<sup>st</sup> place ..... **Reilly Tom**
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place ..... **Gwendolyn Geissler**
- 3<sup>rd</sup> place ..... **Jay Shah**

- \*Woodworking \$0-\$49 category:**
- 1<sup>st</sup> place ..... **Alan Sudan**
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place ..... **Megan Schatz**
- 3<sup>rd</sup> place ..... **Nithila Balaji**

- \*Community Service:**
- 1<sup>st</sup> place ... **Gwendolyn Geissler & Megan Schatz**
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place ..... **Max Molthen & David Wang**
- 3<sup>rd</sup> place ..... **Nithila Balaji**

- \*Job Interview:**
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place. **Karishma Santebennur**

- \*Model Rocketry:**
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place ..... **Ameila Ochotnicki**

- \*Prepared Speech:**
- 1<sup>st</sup> place ..... **Sameer Bhatt**

- \*Extemporaneous Speaking:**
- 3<sup>rd</sup> place ..... **Jay Shah**

## “Maker Space” Created at St. Mary’s Visitation

Donations of Materials Welcome  
By Julia Kearney

Last fall, St. Mary’s Visitation School’s principal **Mrs. Tretow**, and three teachers, **Mrs. Klein**, **Mrs. Biernat** and **Miss Benson**, began a project to create an environment that incorporates STEM activities for first through eighth grade students and allows them to explore and expand their personal interests.

In conjunction with a team from Discovery World Science and Technology Center, and with donations from Soles for Catholic Education, they created The St. Mary’s Visitation Maker Space.

The Maker Space is a room at the school where young people have an opportunity to explore their own interests: learn to use tools and materials, both physical and virtual, and develop creative projects.

The purpose of the space is to encourage students to further their own interests through “hands-on” creation and invention. The teachers supervise, guide, and question students to further their learning and thinking process, but lessons are not attached to the time spent there.

The St. Mary’s Visitation Maker Space has achieved the goal as a place for students to learn, explore, invent, and grow. It has been well received by the students. **Maximo**, a fifth grader, said, “I love The Maker Space because it has lots of things to build with.” The school staff are constantly looking for ways to improve the space and expand options for the students.

Donations are always needed, especially colored or patterned duct tape, cardboard

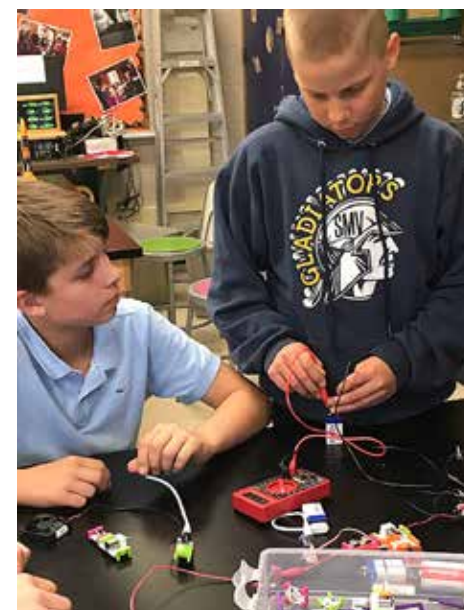


Photo courtesy of St. Mary’s Visitation

St. Mary’s students at The Maker Space.

tubes from paper towels or wrapping paper, paper cups, and pompoms.

Other items wanted include: USB charging port, Legos, Ozobots, Lincoln Logs, Snap Circuits, K’nex, digital camera and SD Card, scissors, Post-Its, markers, Q-Tips, hole-punchers, stamps and stamp pads, feathers, beads, string, sewing needles and thread, envelopes, any kind of paper, stickers, foam sheets, felt, ribbon, clay, fabric, egg cartons, paper plates and bowls, rubber bands, dominoes, masking and electrical tape, blocks, yarn, batteries, glue, old computer keyboards, tin foil.

Please contact St. Mary’s Visitation School at (262) 782-7057 if you are interested in donating items for The Maker Space.

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**BROOKFIELD ACADEMY GRADUATES INSPIRE YOUNG STUDENTS:** B.A. student **Lili Wareham** of Elm Grove places a “Class of 2029” cap on young scholar **Tate Nowacki** during a special “Caps and College Bound” ceremony in May. Wareham was one of 47 seniors who celebrated their status as “BA Lifers”, having attended the Academy since their primary and lower school days. Seniors shared their college plans with an audience of young students and parents while also revisiting with former teachers.



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# News Briefs



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(At left) Isis Kolbe checks out her new look with son, Gus. (At right) Teaghan Alberte applies makeup to her mom, Erin.

A SPECIAL DAY FOR MOMS: On the morning of May 9, Kindergarten students in Mrs. Forseth, Mrs. Walker and Mrs. Westphal's classes at Tonawanda Elementary in Elm Grove took part in the school's annual "Mothers' Day at the Spa" which featured pedicures, manicures, hair styling, massage, refreshments and "Moms' Day" books in the waiting room.



## Pilgrim Park Math Club Excels at Competition

By Danny Walrath

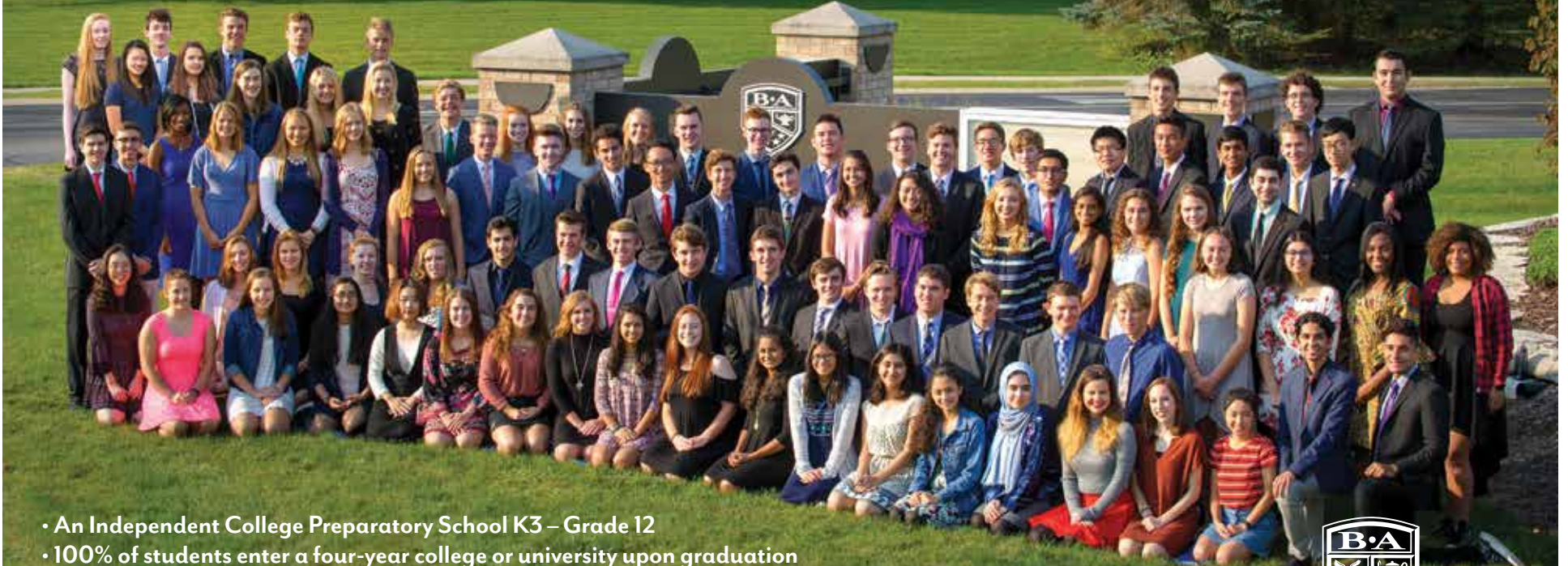
The Pilgrim Park Middle School Math Club took second place for the state of Wisconsin in the Purple Comet Global Math Competition. Purple Comet is an online, timed math competition. There were 2,834 teams and 52 countries involved in this competition. The exam consisted of 20 questions. Each team had one hour to complete the exam, which stayed open for a week. Once answers were submitted, answer modification was not allowed.

The Pilgrim Park Math Club had 3 teams. The team of David Wang, Anant Jhaveri, Akash Moorching, Pentin Chen, Stephen Leahy, and Sameer Bhatt took 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the state of Wisconsin with 9/20 correct answers. (The 1<sup>st</sup> place team had 10/20 correct answers.) We had another team that had 8/20 correct answers and a 3<sup>rd</sup> team with 5/20 correct answers.

## Artist to Show Work

Elm Grove artist Lynnea Schliesleder will present her first solo show at Inspiration Studios, 1500 S. 73<sup>rd</sup> St., West Allis, from June 1 – 24. An Opening Reception will take place on Sunday, June 3 from 4 to 7 p.m. Themed "Touching Hearts" — Lynnea's work will include a combination of textiles, painting/drawing, mixed media and sculptural installation honoring her "family roots and Christian faith."

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# Young Writers & Cub Reporters

## D.A.R.E. Essay

By **Mary Grace Schkifske**, St. Mary's Visitation – Grade 5

This year I learned a lot from **Officer Brown** in our D.A.R.E. program. I learned things about drugs and alcohol that can change my life or save my life. I also learned a lot more about bullying. What I value most from the D.A.R.E. program is that I can and should be a leader when it comes to living a drug- and alcohol-free life. I also can and should be a leader with my classmates and friends when it comes to bullying. Bullying can hurt lives, too, and stopping bullying can save lives. I want to share a true story with you and hopefully it inspires you to stand up for the weak or the different kids, just like we learned from Officer Brown.

I want to tell you a story about my brother, **Mikey**, and his friends. It's not really a bullying story, it's more about making choices not to bully and how these choices are made. It was made by one group of boys and girls who had an impact that grew beyond their class. Eventually, everyone in Mikey's class, by choosing not to bully, served as an example for kids in other schools. These kids also chose not to bully, but to, instead, make a difference in Mikey's life, our lives, and their own lives as well. Everyone demonstrated the power friendship has over bullying.

Mikey is my brother. He is now a 14-year-old boy. However, he was born with a significant language disorder. As a result, he didn't even begin talking until he was about 5-years-old. When Mikey would hear people talking, it would get all mixed up in his head, and when he tried to talk, it would come out all mixed up. It took so much effort to listen or talk that he instead would choose to just talk to himself or repeat lines from his favorite tv shows. Sometimes he still does that and other times he just wants to be alone or just not talk at all.

So much of what we take for granted is so very hard for Mikey. That's why his behavior can seem different. If you didn't really know him, you might think he was strange. When kids meet someone who is different they often don't know how to treat those people. Other kids might see him as someone easy to make fun of or bully, all because he wasn't blessed with the ability to speak and listen the way we are blessed.

But, Mikey is amazing and, in so many ways, he is more blessed than we are. For instance, my brother Mikey has a great sense of humor. He loves to tease and be teased. He always wants to do fun things like chase or be chased. He is also very artistic --- he loves to paint pictures, make drawings, do sketches, and he is also getting good at computer graphics. He is also very sensitive about people's feelings. I remember when I was six-years-old, I lost my helium balloon and started crying very hard. Mikey said to me, "Don't cry Mary Gracie, I'll give you my balloon." Mikey's secret weapon is his sweetness. He is nice to everyone.

So, instead of staring at him and making fun of him and talking behind his back, Mikey's classmates took time to get to know him. They were patient and compassionate with him as he was learning to interact with them. They kept inviting him to play with them on the playground and on their sports teams. Because Mikey is such a nice and fun person, he has become very popular at school. But what I find most amazing, is how Mikey's classmates have changed the way other kids from other schools interact with him.

For example, in 6<sup>th</sup> grade, Mikey's basketball team was playing for the championship. The coach put Mikey in the game with only 4 minutes to go and while they had an 8-point lead. With Mikey in the game, the other team narrowed our lead to only 4 points. Finally, his teammates got Mikey the ball and Mikey ran to shoot a basket. This is the cool part of the story. Not only did our team stop to let Mikey shoot until he made a basket, but so did the other team! All the parents on both sides were crying at the incredible kindness shown by all the players. And, almost as a reward, our team won the championship by 2 points!

I hope you have learned more about kindness from Officer Brown and our D.A.R.E. program. And I hope my story inspires you to make the right choices next time you are presented with a situation or a person you think is different. Don't be a bully, be a leader. Thank you, Officer Brown, for being a leader for us this year.



Photo courtesy of the Elm Grove Police Department

D.A.R.E. ESSAY WINNERS from St. Mary's Visitation School (left to right) **Jack Petroff**, **Mary Grace Schlifske**, and **Adrienne Eberle**, with Elm Grove Police Officer / D.A.R.E. instructor **Sandy Brown**.

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## In Memoriam

### Todd Anthony Koeppen

**Todd Anthony Koeppen** passed away from cancer Saturday, May 12 at the age of 55 while in the care of his parents, **Raymond** and **Suzanne**. Todd is also survived by his brother, **Cole**, sister-in-law **Julie**, as well as family in Virginia and Wisconsin.



**Todd Anthony Koeppen**

Todd enjoyed life in many ways. Born in Tacoma, Washington, June 5, 1962, Todd had many hobbies related to the outdoors. He interacted with God's creatures who seemed to find him before he looked for them. Birds, frogs and salamanders all had a place in his care. Cocoons and chrysalis were placed in safe keeping to assure their metamorphosis from pupae to flight and freedom.

Todd was intellectual. He cared less about possessions and more of experiences, nature

and music. His academics were vast, many self-taught, shared, and discussed with anyone expressing an interest in the same.

The world is a lesser place without Todd, but his contributions are forever.

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# Legal Issues

## Estate Planning: Naming a Guardian for Your Children

By Attorney Isabell Mueller

Most of us never think about dying. But sadly, not all parents live long enough to see their children grow up. Sometimes the unthinkable occurs. If you pass away, what will happen to your children? Who will raise them?

If one parent dies, the surviving parent will usually have custody of the minor children as the natural guardian. However, if both parents pass away, then a Court will decide who will become guardian.

In its assessment, the Court will look first to the Last Will and Testament of the deceased parent(s), the document in which parents name their choice for guardian. It is important to understand, however, that although the parents have nominated the guardian in the Will, only a Court can actually appoint a guardian. The Court usually confirms the nomination of the parents with the understanding that this decision was not made lightly by the parents.

There are some instances, however, when the Court, based on additional information and recommendations by family and professionals, appoints someone other than the parents' first choice. For this reason it is

important to nominate at least one alternate choice for guardian in the Will.

If neither parent had a Will nominating a guardian, the Court will look next to family members. Many times there is a clear best choice and both sides of the family agree. However, without a Will, the situation can be quite problematic. What if multiple family members step forward, each believing he or she is the best choice? This can result in a stressful, even bitter, prolonged and expensive guardianship proceeding difficult for everyone, particularly the children.

If you are having trouble choosing a guardian, pick someone "for now." It's okay to nominate somebody now that you will probably replace at some point. Children and relationships change, and your first choice of guardian may change over time as well. The important thing is that you have made your preferences known. However, merely telling others who you want to raise your children isn't enough. A guardian is only properly nominated when it is done in a Will. Naming a guardian is perhaps the last and best gift that you could give to your children and family members.

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# News Briefs

## St. Mary's Science Students Win State Awards

By Kathy Biernat

Two of our 7<sup>th</sup> grade Science Fair teams recently won awards at the national eCybermission competition. eCYBERMISSION is a national web-based science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) competition for students in grades six through nine. Cycasts, **Tommy Ragonese**, **Garrett Mueller**, and **Ben Schneider** came in second place in the state for their project about 3D printed casts. The boys tested the strength of 3D printed casts compared to traditional plaster casts. Each of the boys received a \$500 savings bond as their prize. Honorable Mention for the state went to the Medicine Missionaries, **Nina Anglim**, **Felicity Giampietro**, **Grace Seitz**, and **Grace Walters**. The girls created a medicine dispenser using blue tooth technology. We are so proud of these students' accomplishments.

NOTE: The students' projects were featured in our YOUNG WRITERS sections (February & March 2018 issues – Page 9.) Visit: [www.elmgrove.news](http://www.elmgrove.news) & click on ARCHIVE to read their stories.



# News Briefs



Photo courtesy: School District of Elmbrook

The combined Brookfield East and Brookfield Central BEAST Robotics team won the Innovation in Control Award sponsored by Rockwell Automation.



Photo courtesy of Ann Blanchard

Laurette Blanchard (at right) with her piano/voice teacher Jayme Dawicki.

## Local Girl Wins Music Awards

Laurette Blanchard of Elm Grove, a 7<sup>th</sup> grade student at Brookfield Academy, advanced to the state competition for piano and voice at the Wisconsin Federation of Music Club's annual festival on May 20. Laurette received a first place honor in Musical Theater/Voice Solo and an Honorable Mention award in Art Song/Vocal Solo. Laurette also received a gold medal for her Vocal Solo at the Wisconsin School of Music Association's State Solo and Ensemble Festival held on March 24, 2018.



Photo courtesy of Brookfield Academy

Members of the Brookfield Academy Class of 2018 toss their caps in the air following their graduation ceremony on May 20.

## Graduation Event Held at Brookfield Academy

By Marie O'Brien

Brookfield Academy is proud to announce that 90 members of the 48<sup>th</sup> graduating class received diplomas in a ceremony last month in Patriots Hall Upper School in the presence of family, friends, faculty members, administrators, and board members.

Class Valedictorian is **Mark Bechthold**,

son of **Mr. David Bechthold** and **Mrs. Marie-Pierre Bechthold** of Delafield. Salutatorian is **Margot Armbruster**, daughter of **Mr. Gregor Armbruster** and **Mrs. Ann Marie Armbruster** of Elm Grove.

**Mr. Patrick E. Simmons** '81, retired Vice President, General Mills, Inc. gave the commencement address.

## St. Mary's Students Present Parade of States

By Colleen Parks

Fourth graders at St. Mary's Visitation School recently participated in the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual "Parade of States". At the beginning of the school year, students chose a state to research and learn about. Throughout the school year in computer class, they utilized their technology skills to create a Power Point presentation highlighting the unique aspects of their chosen state. At home, students created a state float to share during the Parade of States.

On April 27, 2018, the fourth graders were part of a U.S.A. parade that began with a prayer for our community and everyone joined in reciting the Pledge of

Allegiance. Students paraded with their floats around the gym and ended at their very own state table. After the parade, parents and grandparents were invited to walk around and visit each student at their state table display.

Students decorated their tables with souvenirs and memorabilia from their state and some even served food and beverages that were made in their state. Every student had an iPad playing their Power Point presentation continuously throughout this event. The fourth graders did a fabulous job sharing knowledge and excitement about their state with the many visitors at school that day.

## Come and Celebrate!

**Sister Rita Schweitzer**, SSND, Elm Grove, Wisconsin, has been named as the recipient of the Albert Nelson Marquis Lifetime Achievement Award. S. Rita will speak and entrust the award to **Liesl Ackley**, North Lake Elementary School Administrator, to display on school property during a special event in her honor on June 6, 2018 at 2 p.m.

Sr. Rita's love of learning began with her early days at North Lake Elementary School. The school is located at N75 W31283 Highway V V, North Lake, WI. All are welcome to attend! Please R.S.V.P. to **Kathy Van Duser**, kvanduser4@aol.com or (847) 894-5951.



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### Upcoming Speakers:

- June 1 - Investments**  
 Robert Anderson, Principal and Managing Director at Voyager Capital Management, who currently manages investments for the Kiwanis Club of Elm Grove – Golden K Foundation, will discuss the course of our economy and prospects for the future. A meeting to learn great insights including how your own financial plans hold up to a financial stress test!
- June 8 – State of our Kiwanis District**  
 Justin Hahn, District Governor of Kiwanis Wisconsin-Upper Michigan for 2017-18, will discuss Kiwanis and his campaign to add members and new clubs. This is sure to be an interesting discussion about what the future holds.
- June 15 – History of Industry in Milwaukee**  
 Thomas Fehring, P.E., Chair, History and Heritage committee of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, Milwaukee, will discuss the remarkable era when Milwaukee was one of the principal centers of industrial innovation in the U.S. and became known as "the Machine Shop of the World." Tom will focus his presentation on insights that would help Milwaukee recreate this environment of creativity.
- June 22 – Memory Cafes and Library Senior Services**  
 Angela Meyers, the Coordinator of Youth and Inclusive Services for the Bridges Library System, will speak of the Library Memory Project. This is a collaboration of 13 libraries in three counties offering memory cafes to those living with memory loss and their care partners.
- June 29 – Palestinian and Israeli relation**  
 Fahed Raad, member of the Kiwanis Club of Elm Grove – Golden K and a native of Jerusalem, is a specialist in Middle East international banking and will discuss the background and current status of Israeli and Palestinian relations. You definitely don't want to miss this!

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