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DEAR RESIDENTS,

Over the last few months, many of us have expanded our cooking expertise in the kitchen. When I interviewed our feature family, Michael and Rae DiMilo, they shared that Michael is a talented chef in their home kitchen. It brought back memories from 2016 when my husband and I traveled to New York City and my husband had a surprise planned for me. For years I have been a fan of celebrity chef Donatella Arpaia who is a judge on Iron Chef America and the Next Iron Chef, and also owns a number of restaurants in NYC.



Prior to our trip, my husband reached out to Donatella and related to her what a fan I was, and would love to meet her in person. During our trip we went out to breakfast where I was pleasantly surprised when Donatella showed up to join us. It was great to discuss meals with her and hear all her Iron Chef stories. It was an experience I will never forget and am grateful my husband arranged. If you are looking for new recipes to try, my favorite Donatella recipe is her homemade mac and cheese. Also Michael DiMilo was kind enough to share his grandmother's special spaghetti with parmesan balls recipe which is included in this issue.



Happy cooking!
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IN THE GARDEN WITH THE **DiMilo Family**

Oftentimes when a couple buys a house, the running joke is that there is a long list of 'Honey Do' items for the husband to check off as each task is accomplished. For the DiMilos, when they bought a cape cod home in 1997, they lovingly referred to it as their "Honey House" because the list of home repairs was so long. Over the past twenty years, their hard work has created a fairytale charm to both the inside and outside of the home.

With a willingness to try new things and learn about gardening, Rae has transformed their yard into a garden worthy of awards. In fact, their garden will be featured in the 2021 Garden Walk put on by the WFB Garden Club. "My favorite features of our home are the garden rooms I have created around the outside," said Rae. "There is a kitchen garden near the back door, a patio



seating area, which is surrounded by shade perennials off of the breezeway. There is also a colorful seasonal border on the front and a shady hosta garden." When sitting in those areas it is easy to get lost in the beauty of the landscape.

The couple has two adult children, Soren and Elliot, who both went through the Whitefish Bay school system. One of their favorite memories is when Elliot, who was three at the time, first walked in the yard by himself and noticed large arching roots at the base of some pine trees. "In a very authoritative

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way, Elliot came inside and announced, 'I think we have elves' and we just loved the innocence of his declaration. After this, that spot became the backdrop for a small rustic 'elf house' that is carefully tended to, even now so many years later," said Michael.

When Michael and Rae were both students at UW-Milwaukee they first met at a college party. Rae ended up staying on campus as an employee where she has been the program coordinator for the UWM Children's Learning Center for the last forty years. "For me, children represent hope. Our center focuses on valuing diversity and nurturing a lifelong love of learning in our students," said Rae.

he worked as an art director in the ad agency world, but always had a dream of working independently. Five years ago he decided to make that dream a reality and created Michael DiMilo Animation. "There was obviously a bit of a risk going on my own, but it's a really exciting time to be working in animation. Social media has changed how people view things because it allows animation and illustration to not just be locked into broadcast media," said Michael. His favorite way to illustrate is still starting off with paper and a pen. Many of his drawings are also created on his iPad, because it has the same feeling of using traditional materials, and is a natural extension of the paper and pen work.



"I have been happy to dedicate my life's work to an organization that has such a positive impact on our future."

While Rae keeps her hands busy by painting with children at work and digging in dirt at home, Michael uses his hands to create amazing animations. For decades



Michael has also worked on many passion projects over the years, when he creates quirky animated short films. While these films are created just for fun, in 2019 his short film, *Cool Beans*, was featured in several independent film festivals. While the film is only two minutes long, it tells the



Grandma DiMilo's Spaghetti Sauce with Parmesan Breadballs

- ▷ 2 TBS extra-virgin olive oil.
- ▷ 1 large yellow onion, finely chopped
- ▷ 2-3 large cloves minced garlic
- ▷ 1 stalk of celery, finely chopped
- ▷ 1 LB medium Italian sausage
- ▷ 1 28 oz can crushed tomatoes
- ▷ 1 28 oz can tomato sauce
- ▷ 8 oz sliced fresh mushrooms
- ▷ generous splash red wine
- ▷ 1 tbs dry oregano
- ▷ 1 tbs basil
- ▷ 2 bay leaves
- ▷ Salt and pepper to taste

Brown sausage medium high in a large heavy pot. Remove sausage, strain fat and set aside. Add oil and sauté onions and celery until soft. Stir in garlic and sausage. Add remaining ingredients. Carefully stir in bread balls. Simmer in covered pot 1-2 hours stirring occasionally. Serves 6-8

PARMESAN BREAD BALLS

- ▷ 2 C dry bread, crumbled into chunks
- ▷ 1/2 - 3/4 C Parmesan cheese
- ▷ 1/2 TB minced parsley
- ▷ 3 large eggs
- ▷ Ground black pepper to taste
- ▷ 2 TB olive oil and 2 TB canola oil for frying

Combine eggs and dry ingredients in a large bowl and gently form into 2" balls. Heat oil in a heavy frying pan over medium-high heat. Slowly add bread balls one at a time. Brown on all sides. Strain on a paper towel. Add bread balls to meat sauce and allow to cook.



endearing story of a sloth who is having an existential crisis while visiting a coffee shop. More meaningful to Michael, was the fact that the film was a collaboration with his son, Soren, who created all the music and sound for the film.

Cool Beans was shown at six film festivals throughout the country including viewings in Austin, Oregon, New York, LA and Seattle. The DiMilo family was thrilled that the film was also shown during the 2019 Milwaukee Film Festival. The whole family enjoyed watching *Cool Beans* at The Oriental Theater. "I love the experience of sitting in a packed movie theater and being able to see what an audience of complete strangers think about my film," said Michael. "When I show films to friends and family they will typically be very kind in their reviews. Having a room full of strangers laugh and enjoy my film is just a really neat experience."

When Michael isn't working on animations, he can be found in the kitchen

where he loves to make homemade pasta dishes. This passion for cooking came from his grandmother who was known for her spaghetti sauce with parmesan breadballs. "One of our shared passions is going out to restaurants, having a delicious meal and then trying to recreate the dish at home," said Rae. A few years ago the whole family traveled to Italy and fell in love with a pear stuffed pasta dish in Tuscany. After many trial and errors, they were able to recreate the dish and enjoy it often. Currently both of their adult children live in Riverwest and they enjoy having meals together every few weeks.

In the warmer Wisconsin months the DiMilos can often be found outdoors, Rae working in the garden and Michael sketching on the patio. They've truly turned their 'Honey House' into a beautiful oasis.

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Michael and Rae's adult children ~ Elliot and Soren



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BY KATIE COMMER



CAN YOU BELIEVE THAT IT'S AUGUST ALREADY? The Sidewalk Sale was safely celebrated by all. It was so nice to be out and see old faces again, taking into consideration proper social distancing.

The Farmers Market has a new location – Dominican High School was kind enough to let us use their lot on Bay Ridge Ave from August 15, 2020 to October 19, 2020. Unfortunately, as I write this today in June we haven't confirmed the July 11, 2020 to August 9, 2020 location, but I am grateful for everyone who has been able to support the market, the farmers, and residents who rely on it! Remember the Market is in full swing until October 19th. The Market held every Saturday from 8:00 a.m. to noon Dominican High School Bay Ridge Ave. parking lot. For more information about the market and recent photos, "like" the market on Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/wbfarmmkt/>

The Art Festival has been moved to September 26th and 27th. It was such a great success last year and we are excited for it again this year.

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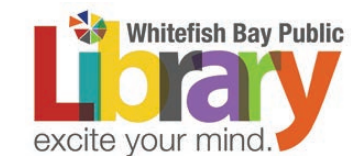
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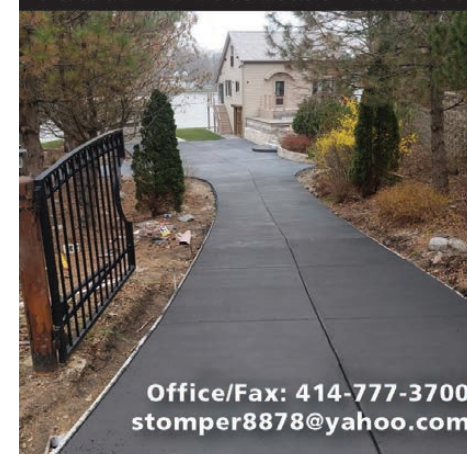
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Technically, Wisconsin was the first state to ratify the 19th Amendment giving women the right to vote, yet it took seven decades for Wisconsin to accept suffrage. Wisconsin became a state in 1848 – the year the suffrage movement started – and adopted a constitution restricting the vote to white men. For the next 70 years Wisconsin lawmakers did little to advance and much to frustrate suffrage.

The Wisconsin Women's Suffrage Association formed in 1869 on the issues of suffrage and temperance. The WWSA's link with temperance made suffrage a non-starter for Wisconsin's beer drinkers. The WWSA later became the Wisconsin Federation of Women's Clubs which the Whitefish Bay Women's Club joined in 1917.

Suffragettes at first hoped the U.S. Supreme Court would rule that women had a constitutional right to vote, but the Court decided in 1875 that the Constitution gave no one the right to vote, even when state laws granted some citizens that right.

Suffragettes then focused on getting the vote state-by-state. Wisconsin was a lost cause. In 1869, women were permitted to run for school board but could not vote for themselves. In 1886 the Legislature allowed women to vote on "school issues." When Olympia Brown of Racine had her ballot discarded because she voted for other offices she believed affected school issues, she took her case to the Wisconsin Supreme Court. The Court concluded there was no way to guarantee women could not vote for other offices and nullified the law. Not until 1901 did the Legislature approve separate pink school ballots for women. Then in 1913 the Legislature eliminated elected school boards, disenfranchising women completely and stripping them of the board positions many held.

In 1911 suffragists persuaded the Legislature to call a referendum allowing women to vote. It lost 2-to-1. In 1913, the Legislature authorized another referendum but the governor vetoed it. Two years later lawmakers rejected another suffrage referendum.

Then in 1919 – three months before Congress adopted the 19th Amendment – the Legislature passed a bill allowing women to vote in presidential elections only.

When Congress approved the 19th Amendment on June 4, 1919, most state legislatures had adjourned. Wisconsin and Illinois had not. On June 10, 1919 at 10:48 a.m. Illinois lawmakers ratified the 19th Amendment. Wisconsin's Legislature passed it at 11:52 a.m. Each state sent couriers racing to Washington, D.C., to deliver the paperwork. There was an error in Illinois' resolution so a new one had to be voted on and sent to Washington. It arrived eight days after Wisconsin's.

Tennessee was the 36th state to ratify the 19th Amendment which went into effect on August 26, 1920, in time for the November election.



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This year has brought many challenges for all. Challenges that affect not only us, but every child who was not able to enter the clubs' doors for a safe space and healthy meal. Ninety percent of our campers come from within the city of Milwaukee – the vast majority needing financial assistance to experience the joys of camp. We want to ensure they will once again be able to escape the stressors of the inner city and be a kid in a safe, adventurous setting. Camp Whitcomb/Mason is working to help people of all backgrounds, beliefs, identities and all abilities be valued inclusively and have access to camp!

We are excited to unite people together in a safe environment to experience camp from the eyes of the children! Envision a self-guided tour of camp to take in all that it has to offer. Visit the waterfront or the pool and grasp that most children coming to camp have never had the thrill of swimming! And explore fields that draw children near and far for healthy activities. Stop by the wood shed or a campfire to

share in the experience of the warmth they provide. Then, we finish the evening with a picnic under the stars!

We each have a role to play in not just calling for change but in *leading by doing*. We hope you will consider sponsoring this event, which includes tickets to the event, significant promotional exposure, and onsite recognition alongside some of Milwaukee's premier business and community leaders.

This camp-casual event is designed to showcase camp's unique ability to unite people! We are excited to bring people together in a safe environment – to experience camp from the eyes of the children for a picnic under the stars!

To sign up for the event at Camp Whitcomb Mason/Hartland on Wednesday, August 26 from 5:30 to 9pm, or to help support the cause, please visit BGMilwaukee.org or call 262-538-1190.

BY MAUREEN STALLÉ AND CHARLIE STALLÉ, EVENT CO-CHAIRS



WE HOPE YOU AND YOUR FAMILY ARE HAVING A GREAT SUMMER. It's certainly been different in so many ways, and your Whitefish Bay Civic Foundation is working to continue to provide community programming and support in a modified fashion.

It was obviously disappointing to have to cancel our first few events this year, particularly the 4th of July festivities. That day truly is the best day in The Bay. However, it was great to see so many of you take part in smaller gatherings on your block, or with family and friends, and take advantage of our free party kits and participate in one of our contests.

Earlier this year, we awarded a \$10,000 grant for the betterment of the Veterans Monument and Memorial Garden at Armory Park. Located on the original site of the Whitefish Bay National Guard Armory, this park honors the rich history of men and women who served and fought valiantly for our nation. We hope you have a chance to visit when the work is complete.

We also continued our tradition of awarding Community Service Scholarships. Congratulations go to these students for their volunteerism and service. Each have received a \$1,000 scholarship:

- ▶ Eileen DeGuire
- ▶ Maggie End
- ▶ Meghan Grimm
- ▶ Colin Miller
- ▶ Zoe Styler
- ▶ Josie Westhoff
- ▶ Carl Youel



Looking ahead, we will hold our traditional Ice Cream Social on Wednesday, August 5. We'll be doing ice cream distribution in a drive-thru fashion to serve our community in the safest way possible. Watch our website and Facebook page for additional details. Thank you for allowing us to continue to serve you. See you around the Bay!

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Recreation Department and Lydell Community Center Have Reopened.

The Recreation Department and the Lydell Community Center has reopened as of July 1st. Our summer office hours are 7:30am-3:00pm. Select recreation programs are currently in session. For a more up-to-date look at what we are offering please check our Revised Summer Recreation Guide online at www.wfbschools.com. We are open, however, and will continue our safety measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19. We encourage community members to use our online registration system to avoid frequent visits to our building. If a visit is necessary, we will be asking all of our community members to use hand sanitizer once they have entered the building, encourage the use of a cloth face covering and respect our social distancing measures.

Fall Recreation Guides Are Out... and Registration Has Begun

Our Fall Recreation Guides are out and registration has begun for all fall programming. Our guide has a New look, wearing our new logo. Please watch for it in your mailboxes! Registration begins as soon as residents received their guides.

WHITEFISH BAY SENIOR "55 AND BETTER" PROGRAMS ... IN THE COMMUNITY FOR THE COMMUNITY
LETTER FROM YOUR SENIOR COORDINATOR...

Dear Seniors,

A heartfelt hello to all! In keeping with safety and health guidelines, I am excited to announce the older adult exercise programs will start August 24th! I am also pleased to announce "55 and Better" events and luncheons will start in the later portion of September and fall months. Please look for the Fall Recreation guide in your mail to sign up! I am looking forward to seeing everyone!

Please contact me at 414-963-3992 or carolyn.noori@gmail.com.

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However, the real reason for those stickers or the signage is a lot more simplistic. Just like texting or talking and driving has proven to be a distraction, pumping and talking has proven to have the same consequences; leaving countless individuals driving away from the pumps with the filling hose still connected. While current pumps are equipped with breakaway nozzles for this very reason, these actions still pose a serious danger. Therefore, it is best to leave your phone in your vehicle until refilling your tank is complete. But this isn't the only potential danger with operating a vehicle; fire departments respond to thousands of vehicle fires annually that are unrelated to refueling. Following a few simple safety steps can help keep you safe at the pumps:

- ▶ **Turn off your vehicle engine.** Put your vehicle in park and/or set the emergency brake. Disable or turn off any auxiliary sources of ignition such as a camper or trailer heater, cooking units, or pilot lights.
- ▶ **Do not smoke, light matches or lighters** while refueling at the pump or when using gasoline anywhere else.
- ▶ **Use only the refueling latch provided** on the gasoline dispenser nozzle. Never jam the refueling latch on the nozzle open.
- ▶ **Do not re-enter your vehicle during refueling.** If you cannot avoid re-entering your vehicle, discharge any static build-up BEFORE reaching for the nozzle by touching something metal with a bare hand — such as the vehicle door — away from the nozzle.
- ▶ **In the unlikely event a static-caused fire** occurs when refueling, leave the nozzle in the fill pipe and back away from the vehicle. Notify the station attendant immediately.

For more safety related tips or to learn more about the services and programs offered by North Shore Fire/Rescue, please visit our website at www.nsfire.org.



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This month we urge you to get your pet's microchip checked. If you have the chip number, contact the company directly and see what information is available should someone find your pet and scan the chip and call for contact information. Make sure that information is current. The chip is only as good as the information associated with it.

Are you not sure if your pet is chipped or not? Your vet, or any animal welfare organization like MADACC can read the number for you and give you the information to contact that chip company to make sure your contact information on file is current.



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If you are not the owner and do not have proof of adoption or purchase, many companies will not change the information without the registered owner's consent.

Do not find out the hard way that you were unable to be contacted when your pet was found or that someone else can prove ownership of your pet by having out of date information on a microchip. Check it today!



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Postponed Artisans In The Garden

Due to Covid-19 the WFB Garden Club event is postponed and will now occur on Sunday, July 25, 2021. The feature family in the current Bay Leaves issue was the garden for this year and will be showcased next year. Please enjoy the images of their magical garden.



HOW TO CREATE A HEALTHY LAWN WITHOUT PESTICIDES:

- ▶ Water very early in the morning and deeply but infrequently; it promotes the development of deep, strong root systems, and makes the grass hardier.
- ▶ Aerate your lawn to get air and nutrients to the soil, which in turn will create a healthy environment for your grass.
- ▶ Set your mower wheels high at 3" above the ground to promote deep roots and keep grass from drying out too quickly.
- ▶ Use a mulching lawn mower and let the clippings remain on the lawn. Over the course of the summer the clippings are equal to one fertilizer treatment.
- ▶ Fertilize with an organic product like Milorganite, NOT a synthetic chemical product. Milorganite contributes to the soil's ecosystem because it feeds the soil that feeds micro-organisms that create plant nutrients to feed your lawn. Synthetic fertilizers feed only the plant. Apply Milorganite on or around Memorial Day, Fourth of July, and Labor Day.

Now sit back and enjoy your yard!

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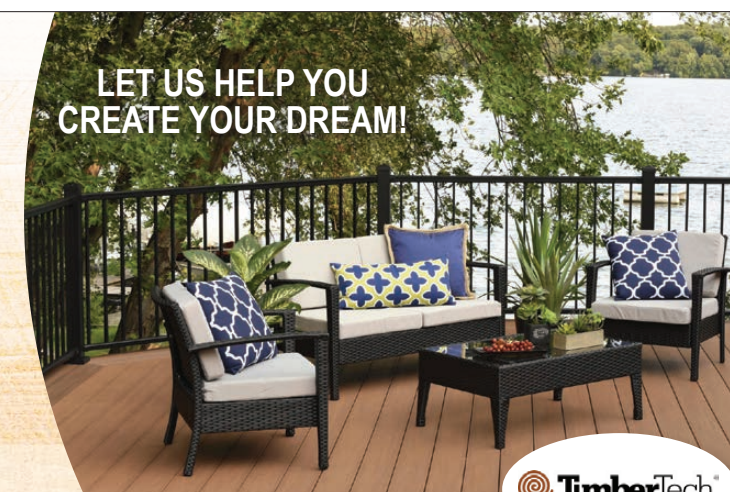
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Individual risk factors you should consider include whether you or someone you live with is at increased risk for severe illness, such as older adults and individuals with underlying medical conditions. Also, consider if you are diligent at practicing every-day preventive measures like handwashing, mask wearing and physical distancing, as doing so means you are better prepared when you choose to go out.

Hesitancy about going out is understandable and everyone should determine what kind of interactions and what level of risk they are comfortable with. If you do choose to venture out, always bring along a cloth face covering, tissues and hand sanitizer to be prepared for interaction in any setting.

BY KAYLA BONACK

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS AUGUST

Contact event organizers as events are subject to cancellation and days and times may change. Continue to follow the guidance of local health officials.

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@Virtual Celebration
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