Greetings!

Here is your look into all the latest community happenings from Silver City, Burnham Park and Layton Park!

**LBWN on AmazonSmile**

Doing any shopping on Amazon this Holiday season? Did you know you can support the work of LBWN by making purchases on Amazon?

AmazonSmile is a simple and automatic way for you to support LBWN every time you shop, at no cost to you! When you shop at smile.amazon.com, you'll get the added bonus that Amazon will donate a portion of the purchase price to Layton Boulevard West Neighbors.

There are many options to support LBWN! Whether it's through your involvement in neighborhood initiatives, or through financial contributions, every bit of involvement helps to stabilize and revitalize Silver City, Brunham Park and Layton Park neighborhoods.

For more details visit our [LBWN Support page](#).

**Annual Neighborhood Gathering**

Neighbors connect at another successful Annual Gathering!
On Thursday, November 12th, over 230 neighbors and community partners participated in the 21st Annual Neighborhood Gathering.

Highlights included the Taste of the Neighborhood, Storytelling, and announcement of the winners of the Most Improved Home Contest, the Love Where You Live Photo Contest and the Good Neighbor Awards.

Taste of the Neighborhood featured free food from our neighborhood's international restaurants which included:

- El Rey
- El Senorial
- La Isla
- JoJo's
- Thai BBQ
- Thai Lotus
- Casa Noble
- Bamboo
- Wild Flour Bakery
- JoJo's Fried Chicken
- Vientiane Noodle Shop
- Asian International Market

A huge thank you to all these businesses for their time and amazing food to help our celebration be a true reflection of our neighborhood!

Storytelling was also a huge highlight of the evening among neighbors in both the small group and large group setting. Stories were shared of ways neighbors of all ages connected with each other throughout our neighborhoods.

Thank you again to everyone for another great year in Silver City, Burnham Park and Layton Park!

For photos visit our LBWN Annual Gathering Facebook Album.

Love Where You Live Photo Contest
Winner Announced at Annual Neighborhood Gathering

A collection of 16 photos were entered by neighbors from Silver City, Burnham Park and Layton Park as part of the Annual Neighborhood Gathering.

All entries had a chance to win by taking a photo of something they love about living in our amazing neighborhoods, but there could only be one winner! The winner was determined by a combination of Facebook voting and in-person voting the evening of the Annual Gathering.
Congratulations to Amelia Pena who took a photo of her two children while they took part in watching the unique astrological event of the blood moon earlier this fall!

To see all of the winning photo, as well as all the other entries visit our Facebook Album.

Be sure to keep taking photos for next year's "Love Where You Live Photo Contest", which will be November 2016.

Good Neighbor Awards
Neighbors Honored for their Positive Impact

At the Annual Gathering on Thursday, November 12th, we celebrated the positive impact that neighbors make.

Ten neighbors from Silver City, Burnham Park and Layton Park were honored with the Good Neighbor Awards, for which their peers nominated them in recognition of their positive impact in our neighborhoods.

Congratulations to our Good Neighbor Award Winners:

- José Gallegos
- Victor Reyes
- Nyla Fengier
- Evan McDonnell
- Glenda De Leon
- Julio Raygoza
- Humberto Pedroza
- Maria Carmona
- Lorenzo Fragoso
- Nestor Godinez

We are truly grateful for your efforts to make great things happen in Silver City, Burnham Park and Layton Park.

To see photos of the celebration visit the LBWN Annual Gathering Photo Album on Facebook.

Most Improved Home Contest
Winners Announced at Annual Neighborhood Gathering

Congratulations to the winners of the 2015 LBWN Most Improved Home Contest!

Fifty-nine neighbors from throughout Silver City, Burnham Park and Layton Park participated in this year's Most Improved Home Contest. The improvements resulted in over $232,873 invested in curb appeal enhancements that boost neighborhood appearance, pride and confidence. Thank you to all neighbors who participated.
Congratulations to this year’s Most Improved Home Contest Winners!

- 1st Place: John & Linda Paddock
- 2nd Place: Melissa Ritchey
- 3rd Place: Leona Roth
- 4th Place: Angela Muñoz
- 5th Place: Francisco Jimenez
- 6th Place: Linda Pawelski

We are truly grateful for your efforts to make great things happen in Silver City, Burnham Park and Layton Park.

Many thanks to Tri City National Bank and The Home Depot (150 W Holt Ave), the City of Milwaukee Neighborhood Improvement Development Corporation and the Greater Milwaukee Foundation for providing additional support for this contest.

To see photos of the homes visit the Most Improved Home Photo Album on Facebook.

**Tour Neighborhood Redevelopment Sites**

Join us for a bus/walking tour of 6 catalytic sites!

**Tour Neighborhood Catalytic Sites**

*Thursday, December 10th*

2:45 pm to 6:00 pm

The Clarke Square Neighborhood Initiative and Layton Boulevard West Neighbors invite you to tour six exciting neighborhood sites noted for their redevelopment potential.

The tour starts at Journey House, located in the Clark Square Neighborhood at 2110 W. Scott Street, Milwaukee Wisconsin, 53214.

For more details visit the LBWN Events page.

**Santa's Workshop**

A fun Holiday time for all ages!

*Saturday, December 5th*

9:00am-Noon

St. Joseph's Hall - 1501 S. Layton Blvd.

Ebenezer Child Care Centers will be hosting a Santa's Workshop event on Saturday, December 5, from 9 a.m. to noon. The event will take place in St. Joseph's Hall at St. Joseph Convent, 1501 South Layton Blvd. It will include a free continental breakfast, bakery items, children's gift-making activities, and a holiday store with gift items for sale.

Visit the LBWN Events page for event cost and more details.
Our Daily Salt Ornament Sale
Working to end Hunger

Our Daily Salt
3519 W. National Ave.

The 2nd Annual Christmas ornament sale to end hunger has kicked off at local Silver City business, Our Daily Salt. All proceeds raised will be donated to Hunger Task Force, Inc.

For more details visit our LBWN Events page or visit their store!

Folk Music Christmas Concert
with Laura Joy and David Gallagher

Sunday, December 6th
2:00p.m.
St, Joseph Chapel
1501 S. Layton Blvd.
(27th St. at Greenfield Ave.)
Tickets: $12

This concert will feel cozy, like enjoying a favorite Christmas CD in your own home, only with far better acoustics! Advance ticket purchase is recommended as seating is limited.

For more details visit our LBWN Events page.

Ascension Lutheran Christmas Concert
Christmas Music will fill the Air on Layton Boulevard

Sunday, December 6th
10:00a.m.
Ascension Lutheran Church
1236 S. Layton Blvd.

Ascension Lutheran Churchis having their Annual Christmas Concert at the church on Sunday, December 6th at 10:00a.m.

For more details visit our LBWN Events page.

Urban Ecology Center
Community and Youth Events

Neighborhood Night
Tuesday, December 8th
4:00 - 6:00pm
3700 W. Pierce St.

Do you live near our Menomonee Valley branch, but haven't had a chance to visit? This is your chance.
**Math Tutoring**
**Tuesdays & Thursdays**
3:00pm to 4:00pm
3700 W. Pierce St.

The tutoring classes will start on January 5th, 2016 and would be for 3rd through 6th grade students.

For more details on both visit our [LBWN Events page](#).

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**Turnkey Renovations Homes**

Two newly renovated homes are now on the market!

**LBWN Turnkey Renovation Program**

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Both homes are located in the Silver City Neighborhood a block away from the Hank Aaron State Trail/Three Bridges Park, the Urban Ecology Center, and a short walk to Miller Park.

Be looking for more listing details on both of these homes soon at [www.lbwn.org/turnkey](http://www.lbwn.org/turnkey)!  

**737 S. 36th St ($100,000)**: 4 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage home

Completely renovated home has open concept design with all new materials and fixtures. Energy efficient furnace, water heater, windows and lighting along with insulation and air sealing make home very energy efficient. New roof, siding, and porch too.

**724 S. 38th St ($100,000)**: 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage home. Original character of this Milwaukee Bungalow has been restored and additional living space has been added to the 2nd floor. Hardwood floors will be refinished and trim work will be restored. Energy efficient furnace, water heater, windows and lighting along with insulation and air sealing make home very energy efficient. New roof, siding, and restored porch too. See attached flyers for more details.

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**Home Improvement Grants Available**

Homeowners eligible for up to $1,000

If you own a home in Layton Boulevard West or Clarke Square, you may qualify for a matching grant up to $1,000 for home improvements. These grants are made possible by the Zilber Family Foundation and Wells Fargo.
Eligible work: roofing, landscaping, porch repair; emergency repairs, plumbing, electrical, furnace or water heater replacement/repair.

Homeowners and investor-owners may apply regardless of income. Apply today at www.lbwn.org/homeimprovements.

**Rebuilding Together Greater Milwaukee**

Home Repairs for income-eligible individuals

**Free Home Repairs from RTGM**

Rebuilding Together Greater Milwaukee (RTGM) offers free home repairs for income-eligible seniors, veterans, and individuals with disabilities.

Improvements focus on accessibility repairs that allow homeowners to remain in their homes for years to come. RTGM also works to address health, safety and emergency repairs in the home.

Visit the our [Home Improvements page](#) for more information.

**Small Business Enterprise Certification**

Information Session to learn about the application process

**Wednesday, December 16th**

1:30 pm to 3:00 pm

The City of Milwaukee is hosting a free Small Business Enterprise Certification informational session, sponsored by the City of Milwaukee's Office of Small Business Development. The event will be held on Wednesday, December 16th from 1:30 to 3:00 pm at the Villard Square Library Community Room, 5190 N. 35th Street, Milwaukee, WI 53209.

The session will show you how to apply and become a Small Business Enterprise (SBE) with the City of Milwaukee. You will also learn of the benefits of that come along with SBE certification.

For more details visit the [LBWN Events page](#).

**Milwaukee Winter Farmers Market**

Fresh produce, eggs, bakery, and more!

**Saturdays, Nov. 7th - April 9th**

9:00am-12:30pm

Mitchell Park Domes

524 S. Layton Blvd.

Purchase fresh, locally grown produce, grass-fed meat, baked goods, seasonal jams, and more. QUEST card accepted.
No December Community Safety Meetings
Promote safety and share your feedback with elected officials

MPD District 2 Safety Meeting
(No December meeting)
Please check back in early 2016 for the January meeting.

Join your neighbors and the Milwaukee Police Department at this monthly meeting to share your ideas and learn how we can all work together to promote community safety in the neighborhood.

Visit the LBWN website for a complete schedule and to learn about other ways you can get involved in the neighborhood.

(No hay reuniones en Diciembre)
Revise el calendario en los primeros de enero de 2016 para la próxima reunión.

Únase a sus vecinos y el Distrito 2 de la Policia de Milwaukee para compartir sus ideas y aprender como podemos trabajar juntos para promover la seguridad en nuestro vecindario. Más detalles en www.lbwn.org/getinvolved.

(Meeting in English with translation to Spanish/Reunión será en ingles con traducción al español).

Neighborhood Flags for Sale
Order your Layton Park flag today! Supplies are limited!

Do you love where you live, and live in Layton Park? If so, share that love by displaying your neighborhood name and sign on your home with a neighborhood flag.

The flags cost $5 and come with a mounting bracket, 5 foot wooden pole, Layton Park neighborhood poster, and a neighborhood history written by Milwaukee historian John Gurda.

For more information and instructions on how to order your flag visit the Layton Park website. Supplies are limited! Order today!

LBWN expresses our sincere gratitude to the City of Milwaukee Neighborhood Improvement Development Corporation and the Greater Milwaukee Foundation for their support of this effort to enhance pride in the neighborhood!

Nativity Jesuit Academy
Open House

December 7th / 7 de Diciembre
5:30pm
1515 S. 29th Street

Nativity Jesuit Academy will host its next open house for this year showcasing the excellent academic programs and extra-curricular activities available.

Visit our Neighborhood Schools page for more details.

La Academia Jesuita de la Natividad tendrá su casa abierta mostrando sus programas académicas excelentes y sus actividades extracurriculares disponibles.

Visite nuestro pagina web de Escuelas vecindarios para más detalles.

Start planning for your own business today

Wisconsin Women's Business Initiative Corporation (WWBIC) works with both women and men by offering relevant business classes, business loans up to $250,000, assistance with your personal financial management, and connections to people who can make things happen.

Development courses are available in Spanish and English.

Contact Celia Benton, LBWN Economic Development Manager, at celia@lbwn.org or visit our Business Resource page.

Wisconsin Women's Business Initiative Corporation (WWBIC) trabaja con mujeres y hombres, ofreciendo clases de negocio relevantes, préstamos comerciales de hasta $250,000, ayuda con su gestión financiera personal, y las conexiones a las personas que pueden hacer que las cosas sucedan.

Cursos de desarrollo están disponibles en Español y en Inglés.

Póngase en contacto con Celia Benton, LBWN Gerente de Desarrollo Económico, en celia@lbwn.org o visite nuestra página de Recursos de Negocios.

Neighborhood Job Postings

Cut down your commute by working in the neighborhood
There are a number of recent job postings at neighborhood employers as well as with various community partners throughout Milwaukee.

Visit [www.lbwn.org/jobs](http://www.lbwn.org/jobs) to view all jobs detailed in the list below. If you have job postings in Layton Boulevard West, email them to [info@lbwn.org](mailto:info@lbwn.org).

**Neighborhood Jobs**

- Bamboo Restaurant
- Community Care, Inc.
- Milwaukee Journal Sentinel
- School Sisters of St. Francis
- Tiny Green Trees
- Wild Flour Bakery
- Wisconsin Bike Fed

**Jobs with Community Partners**

- Sixteenth Street Community Center
- Rebuilding Together Greater Milwaukee
- ACTS Housing
- The Urban Ecology Center
- Focus on Energy
- GreenPath Debt Solutions
- Helios Solar Works
- Johnson Bank
- Lakeside Manufacturing
- Milwaukee Brewers
- Potawatomi Hotel & Casino

**Best of Milwaukee**

Final Round Voting Has Ended!

Congratulations once again to our neighborhood restaurants who were nominate for Shepherd’s Express "Best of Milwaukee" competition.

We are excited for our nominees Casa Noble, Asian International Market and El Rey. They are a great representation of our international dining experience in Silver City, Burnham Park and Layton Park neighborhoods.

Thank you to everyone who supported voting for the Best of Milwaukee. The winners will be announced early next year and we will definitely keep you posted.

To see a list of [our locally owned ethnic restaurants](http://www.lbwn.org/dining/) visit our Dining &
Mortgage Check-Up Assistance

Refinance, lower your interest rate and monthly payment

If you are looking to lower your mortgage payment, review refinance or modification options, or help save your home from foreclosure, there is great news for you. Local non-profit homeownership specialists are available to provide information on a borrower's options when adjusting a mortgage or when facing foreclosure. All assistance is confidential and provided to you FREE of charge. For more information or to get connected, contact Jonatan at jonatan@lbwn.org or 414.385.5300 or visit www.lbwn.org/mortgage-assistance.

Click here for Take Root Milwaukee's information on "Steps to Take if You're Facing Foreclosure."

FREE Landlord Training Class

Learn how to become a more effective landlord

The City of Milwaukee Department of Neighborhood Services offers free training for landlords to learn the skills they need to effectively manage their rental properties. Advance registration is required by calling 414.286.2954 or via email.

Landlord Training Class (in English)

Wednesday, December 9th | 8:30am-3:00pm
Water Tower - 4001 S 6th Street, 3rd Floor

La Ciudad de Milwaukee ofrece entrenamiento gratuito para propietarios para aprender cómo manejar sus propiedades de alquiler efectivamente. Se requiere la registración avanzada al llamar 414.286.2954 o por correo electronico.

Sincerely,

Layton Boulevard West Neighbors

Layton Boulevard West Neighbors is a non-profit community development organization dedicated to revitalizing Milwaukee's Silver City, Burnham Park, and Layton Park neighborhoods. For more information on us and the many projects we are involved with please visit www.lbwn.org.