



COMMUNITY ALERT

Kidz Days at the Center

This event for young children offers a live performing arts that emphasize education and participation free of cost! Tues-Thurs.

10:00-11:00 am

123 E. State St.
Milwaukee, WI

Gilbert Brown's Football Camp a Success

Earlier this week, I had the pleasure of attending the kick-off of former Packers star Gilbert Brown's youth football camp here in Milwaukee. Gilbert Brown is doing great work sharing his love of football with the young men and women of Wisconsin. Mr. Brown has helped fund the camp for seven years, and I have been more impressed every year. Next year, I encourage you to look out for this camp in the second week of July. Thanks to the generosity of the Gilbert Brown Foundation, the camp comes free of charge to children ages 8 through 17. This is a great experience for children to meet a sports hero, learn positive attitudes, and play the game they love. And remember, the camp is always looking for volunteers and coaches to lend a helping hand. I will be sure to notify all my constituents before the 2013 session!



A Community Dialogue on Race and Racism



The Black Health Coalition of Wisconsin will be hosting a wonderful event on August 4th. Dr. Camara Phyllis Jones will be the guest of honor. She is Medical Doctor and a PhD who conducts research on social determinants of Health and Equity. Dr. Jones works in the epidemiology and analysis program office at the Center for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta, but she is traveling to Milwaukee lead this discussion. I highly encourage my constituents to attend this event at 3020 West Vliet Street. It will take place between 2:00 and 5:00 pm on August 4. You will not regret it!

Leaving Behind "No Child Left Behind"

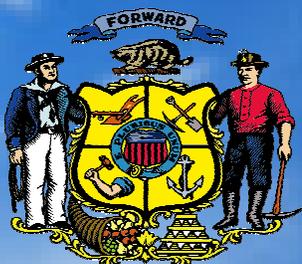
I am optimistic that Wisconsin is abandoning George W. Bush's disastrous "No Child Left Behind" law. NCLB was simply not working in Wisconsin, and everyone knew it. Bush's law was unrealistic in aim and harsh in execution, but I am unconvinced that our current Republican leadership do much better. This year, Milwaukee Public Schools will face major funding cuts for the second year in a row, thanks to the controversial Act 10 budget. We know that our schools are struggling, the Governor and his cronies aren't helping by cutting funds. We need real reform. The same old ideas just aren't working.



Dear Friend,

Thank you for reading the legislative update. I hope you find the information provided here useful.

As Always, I'm Here to Serve!





5th Annual Freedom Scholarship Essay

Alderwoman Milele A. Coggs has launched this scholarship challenging students to analyze the concept of freedom in an essay of 1,000 words or less. The deadline falls on August 13, 2012. Applications can be found online at

city.milwaukee.gov/district6

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Hazardous Waste Collection



Any Milwaukee resident wishing to safely dispose of any contaminated garbage such as acetone, battery acid, fluorescent lights bulbs, or other chemicals should bring their waste to 3879 West Lincoln Avenue. This center is open on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday from 7 am to 3 pm. This disposal is completely free to any one living in Milwaukee County, though not to businesses. For a complete list of substances that can be accepted at the drop off center,

please visit the website of the Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District, or call my office (number in the bottom left corner of the page!)

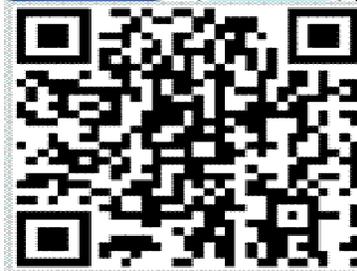
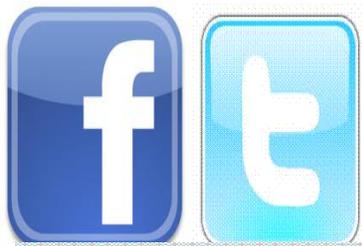
Time to Boost Environmental Protection

This week, the Republican-dominated Supreme Court attacked small towns' right to regulate the pollution in their own back yards. With fewer family farms and the growth of massive factory farms across the state, more small communities fear toxic nitrates from manure in their water systems. A few individual cities have passed laws attempting to stop pollution. Unfortunately, the townspeople no longer have this right. According to the Supreme Court, the strictest standards for environmental protection must come from the state level. Though this ruling gives each community less leeway in working with farmers in their communities, I believe it also reaffirms the need for more engaged statewide protection. Health for Wisconsin's citizens must be our first priority. This is an opportunity to improve!

Contact Us! We Always Enjoy Hearing From You!

"The frog does not drink up the pond in which he lives."

-Native American proverb



"Tell me, and I'll forget. Involve me, and I'll understand."

-Native American proverb