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Parks	414-425-7500
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From the Mayor's Office

Dear Franklin Residents,

As summer gives way to the vibrant colors of early fall, I hope you've been able to enjoy the many gifts this season offers, especially alongside family, friends, and neighbors. Our recent annual Civic Celebration was an outstanding success; the fireworks were notably impressive, as was the dedication of our volunteer committee. Thank you to everyone who came together to make it a memorable evening under the stars.

I'm proud to share several exciting economic developments that are helping shape Franklin's future:

- Yaskawa America has announced plans to invest \$180 million in a new North American headquarters campus here in Franklin. Over the next decade, this transformative project will consolidate the company's Illinois and Wisconsin operations into an 800,000-square-foot facility, bringing approximately 700 new jobs to our community.
- Modine Manufacturing is establishing a 153,000-square-foot facility in Franklin's industrial park, expected to create 200 full-time jobs by 2029.
- Croatian Park recently celebrated the grand opening of their new pavilion. We're proud to see continued investment from this valued community partner, which has been a part of Franklin since 1956.

We're also making great strides on the City's pathway network, expanding accessibility and scenic recreation for walkers, bikers, and families alike.

New subdivisions, condominiums, and apartment developments are also underway, adding much-needed housing inventory to meet the growing demand.

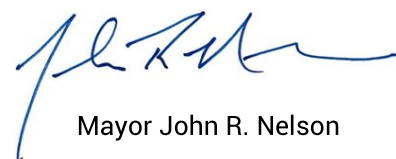
Additionally, we would like to express our sincere gratitude for your continued patience during the ongoing WisDOT roadwork projects. These improvements, while sometimes inconvenient, enhance safety, modernize infrastructure, and beautify our corridors. We appreciate your understanding as we all navigate the road together.

And of course, no September would be complete without recognizing our community's beloved tradition: the St. Martins Fair, a Labor Day weekend staple since 1958. We appreciate everyone's contributions to another year of celebration, connection, and community pride.

From new business growth to infrastructure upgrades, housing expansion, and cherished traditions, Franklin continues to thrive thanks to your support and engagement. It's an honor to serve as your Mayor, and I look forward to the work ahead as we continue building a vibrant, sustainable future together.



Wishing you a wonderful autumn,



Mayor John R. Nelson



COMMUNITY EVENTS

Don't Miss St. Martin's Fair!

St. Martin's Road (Co. Hwy. MM)
& Church Street

Sunday, Aug. 31, 8 am to 9 pm

Monday, Sept. 1, 7 am to 6 pm



SAVE THE DATE

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2025

FRANKLIN PUBLIC LIBRARY

5PM-7:30PM



REGISTRATION REQUIRED

*NO COST ENTRY WITH NONPERISHABLE FOOD ITEM!

CHECK THE LIBRARY WEBSITE FOR ADDITIONAL
REGISTRATION INFORMATION



TRICK-OR-TREAT

for the City of Franklin will be:

Saturday, October 25th,

4 pm to 7 pm



Fall Brush & Leaf Pickups: Sept. 8, Oct. 20 & Nov. 10, 2025

The fall brush and leaf pickups will take place Mondays, September 8, October 20, and November 10. The waste hauler will move through the City starting at 7 am on these designated Mondays and work through the week until they are finished. All brush piles and leaves are required to be curbside and next to the driveway by 7 am on these Mondays. Brush and leaves that are not out when the hauler goes by will not be picked up at a later date. Your regular garbage will be picked up on your normal garbage pickup day. Questions: Call 414-425-2592.

Pickup will include:

- Brush (tree limbs, bush cuttings) must be cut to no longer than 5 feet in length and no larger than 6 inches in diameter, must be piled or tied/bundled (preferred), and placed curbside next to your driveway. Each household is limited to one pile no larger than 4'x4'x5' and be 50 pounds or less. Larger piles, multiple piles, and brush thrown in the ditch will not be picked up.
- Leaves must be in paper compostable yard waste bags or 32-gallon or smaller trash containers weighing 50 pounds or less that can be emptied into the collection truck (no limit on number of bags or containers). Plastic bags of any kind are NOT allowed and will not be picked up. Please place bagged leaves away from your regular trash so they will not be missed. Leaves are not to be raked into the street.
- No grass clippings, flowers, stumps, fruit, roots, or other garden debris is accepted. These items, as well as brush and leaves, may be disposed of at the Waste Management Metro Landfill, 12200 W. South County Line Road (Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 8 am to 4 pm; Saturday, 7 am to 3 pm, 414-529-6180).

Road Construction & Closures



All current construction project updates and road closure information is available on the City's website at www.franklinwi.gov. Stay informed and plan ahead!

Current Trail Project:

▪ S. 116th Street Trail Project

Limits: From City limits to W. Mayers Drive

Schedule: In progress with completion by October 2025.

Ryan Road will remain open during construction with temporary shoulder closures at the proposed trail crossing. Visit franklinwi.gov for updates.

▪ St. Martins Bike Trail

The existing trail bridge located west of W. Forest Home Avenue near 11575 W. Forest Home Avenue is closed to pedestrians and vehicle traffic due to unsafe conditions. Visit franklinwi.gov for updates.

City Hall Mayoral Heritage Wall

Thanks to Eagle Scout Daniel Timm, along with Boy Scout Troop 530, who not only conceived the idea but also brought it to life, Franklin City Hall today boasts a magnificent Mayoral Heritage Wall! This wall, which was unveiled in May, features historical photos from 1909 to 1967 in addition to portraits of every mayor of the City of Franklin. View pictures of St. Martins Road and Church Street area back from 1909, picturesque St. Martin of Tours from 1917, Franklin Fire Department and its engines from 1957 or the new Police Department squads that were acquired in 1967, and reminisce about the inaugural St. Martins Fair in 1958!



We are extremely grateful to Eagle Scout Daniel Timm for his tremendous work and dedication in making this incredible endeavor a reality, to the Franklin Historical Society for helping Daniel with the photographs, and to the generous sponsors of the project—the Franklin Lions Club, lifelong resident and local business owner Scott A. Mayer, and lifelong resident and current serving Mayor John R. Nelson—for enabling this addition to City Hall. Stop in to view this amazing historical wall!

Upcoming Property Tax Year: What to Expect, Including Key Referendums

As the City prepares for the upcoming **2025-2026** property tax cycle, we want to take this opportunity to share what residents can expect in the months ahead. Property taxes play a vital role in funding the services and infrastructure that keep our community safe, vibrant, and well-maintained.



Property Tax Overview

The upcoming property tax year covers the **2025-2026** period, with bills expected to be issued in **December**. Each year, the property tax process begins with careful forecasting, budget planning, and review of community needs. This includes evaluating operational costs, capital projects, and any changes in state aid or assessment values. The City strives to strike a responsible balance—maintaining high-quality services while managing taxpayer impact.

Referendums on the Horizon

Last year, voters saw and passed three new referendums on the ballot that may impact property taxes overall. These referendums aim to address funding needs for Franklin, Oak Creek-Franklin, and Whitnall School District priorities. Below are the highlights:

Franklin School District
Middle School Referendum
Total Cost: \$43,300,000
End Date: 2035

Oak Creek-Franklin School District
2018 Referendum
Total Cost: \$60,935,000
End Date: 2039

Whitnall School District
2024 Referendum
Total Cost: ~\$79,100,000
Estimated End Date: 2046/2047

High School Referendum
Total Cost: ~\$145,000,000
Estimated End Date: 2045

2024 Referendum
Total Cost: ~\$34,300,000
Estimated End Date: 2030

Lottery Credit Information

The Lottery Credit reduces your property tax bill by leveraging lottery and gaming revenues. To qualify, you must 1) be a Wisconsin resident; 2) own and **live in** your home as of **January 1** of the tax year (2025); and 3) use this one and only primary residence—rental properties do not count.

- **Claiming the Credit:** Typically, the credit is **applied** by your municipal or county treasurer if you qualify and have filed an application. If it does not appear on your tax bill:
 - ⇒ **by January 31:** file **Form LC-100** with your municipal treasurer to claim it for that year.
 - ⇒ **after January 31, before October 1:** submit a **late claim** via Wisconsin Department of Revenue (DOR) **Form LC-315/LC-320** to get a refund or credit applied to future bills.
- **Removing the Credit:** If your home stops qualifying (e.g., becomes a rental), file **Form LC-400** to remove the credit within 30 days.
- **Tips for Homeowners:**
 - ⇒ **Check your bill every year** for the "Lottery & Gaming Credit" line item.
 - ⇒ **Apply early** using the online portal: <https://ww2.revenue.wi.gov/VaultPublic/lc/interview.html>, or mail PDF forms from the Wisconsin DOR website: <https://www.revenue.wi.gov/Pages/Form/lottery-home.aspx>.

The Library Story

9151 W. Loomis Road, Franklin, WI 53132 ♦ 414-425-8214
www.franklinpubliclibrary.org / Jennifer Loeffel, Director

Hours:

Monday–Thursday: 9 am to 8 pm
Friday: 9 am to 5 pm
Saturday: 9 am to 4 pm
Sunday: 1 to 4 pm (closed May 25–Aug. 31)

An Evening with Nick Petrie! 4th Annual Fall Literary Fundraiser

Hosted by the Franklin Public Library Foundation



**Thursday, September 25th,
6 pm to 8 pm**
Franklin Public Library, Fadow Room
9151 W. Loomis Road

Join us for a captivating conversation and Q&A with Nick Petrie—Milwaukee's own bestselling author of the thrilling *Peter Ash* series! Enjoy an appetizers/sweets buffet, various drinks, and cash bar (wine/beer). All proceeds to benefit the renovation and expansion of the Library's beloved Children's Area.

Tickets available at <https://fplfallfundraiser2025.eventbrite.com>.

General Admission \$45 / Sponsor Level 1: \$100 includes
1 ticket and name in program booklet / **Sponsor Level 2:**
\$250 includes 2 tickets and names in program booklet.



Teen Programs (Grades 6-12)

*Registration required for in-person programs—register at
www.franklinpubliclibrary.org or 414-425-8214.*

Paper Spider Plant Planter Take-Out Kit (Pick up at Info Desk on date listed: one kit/teen) **Sept. 8.** Create your own realistic spider plant out of paper and “plant” it in a real pot! Perfect for your bedroom!



Candy Around the World **Sept. 30, 4:30-5:30 pm.** Sample a variety of candies and try to guess which country they came from. The winner will receive a delicious prize!

Zombie Eye Halloween Bath Bombs **Oct. 14, 4:30-5:30 pm.** Make a zombie eye bath bomb and relax this Halloween season—if you dare!



Blow Dryer Painting **Oct. 28, 4:30-5:30 pm.** Use a blow dryer to create colorful, one-of-a-kind paint designs on canvas!

Teen Service Saturday **Nov. 15, 10-Noon.** Want to earn community service hours? Volunteer your time at the Library! Bring your Service Hours form for the librarian to sign. There will be pizza!

Drip Paint Mugs **Dec. 2, 4:30-5:30 pm.** Use a paint dripping technique to create a unique and colorful mug! Use if for hot cocoa this winter or give it as a gift this holiday season!

Bakers Needed for Library Holiday Bake Sale We need volunteer bakers to donate baked goods for the December 13th Library Bake Sale. **Drop baked goods off at the Library December 10 after 4:30 pm or December 11 from 9 am to 8 pm in a non-returnable container.**



Children/Family Programs



Register online at www.franklinpubliclibrary.org or call 414-425-8214.

Waddlers & Walkers (23 Months & Under w/Adult–Drop-In)

Thurs. 9:30 or 10:30 am (same program both times) **Sept.–Dec., see website for dates.** 20-minute program that introduces babies to rhymes, songs, fingerplays, and short stories, followed by playtime.

Tales for Twos (Age 2 w/Adult–Drop-In) **Tues. or Wed. 9:30 am** (same program both days) **Sept.–Dec., see website for dates.** 30-minutes of short stories, songs, learning activities, and playtime.

Preschool Pretend & Play (Ages 3-5 w/Adult–Drop-In) **Tues. or Wed. 10:30 am** (same program both days) **Sept.–Dec., see website for dates.** Books, songs, and other activities, followed by playtime.



Bluey & Bingo's Christmas Treats (Ages 2 & Up w/Adult—online registration opens Nov. 20) **Dec. 4, 4 pm or 6 pm** (sign-up for 1 session only). Celebrate the holidays by making Bluey-themed snacks and treats!

Programs for Ages 5 & Under w/Adult (Drop-In, no registration)

-Bedtime Wiggles: 6 pm, Sept. 4, Oct. 30, Dec. 11. 30-minute program of dancing, movement, and exercise to get the wiggles out before bed!

-Music & Motion: 9:30 am, Sept. 23, Oct. 21, Nov. 18, Dec. 16. 30-minute program full of dancing and singing for fun and exercise.

-Rhyming to Read: 9:30 am, Sept. 24, Oct. 22, Nov. 19, Dec. 17. 30-minute program introducing nursery rhymes through a variety of activities.

Programs for Grades K5-5 (Drop-In)

-Sparkle & Screen: Sept. 27, 1 pm. Make diamond art while watching the movie *Migration*! While supplies last.

-Goosebumps Book Party: Oct. 24, 1 pm. Enjoy a 60-minute interactive theater workshop lead by First Stage Teaching Artists based on their production of *Goosebumps*!

-MakerSquare: Pick-up activity at the Children's Desk to make at home. **Oct. 24: Moon Rocks / Dec. 19: 3D Hologram Projector**

-Sticker Symphony: Enjoy music while creating art with sticker-by-number activities. **Oct. 27, 6 pm: Halloween / Dec. 1, 6 pm: Holiday**

Family Programs (All Ages, Drop-In)

-Sensory-Friendly Storytime: Wed. 6 pm, Sept.–Dec., see website for dates. 30-minute program offers an inclusive storytime for kids of all abilities, especially those with sensory challenges.

-Pirate & Mermaid Day: Sept. 20, 9-3 pm. Pirate and mermaid crafts in the CreateSpace and a scavenger hunt in the Children's area!

-Book Lovers Day: Nov. 1, 9-3 pm. Make book-themed crafts in the CreateSpace then head to the Children's area for a scavenger hunt!

-Le Petit Death Café: Nov. 15, 11 am—Program for kids and adults to discuss and normalize conversations about death and dying.

-Frozen Holiday: Dec. 13, 1-3 pm—Let it go with crafts, activities, and a meet-and-greet with the frost queen and her friends!



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Adult Programs (18+)

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Classic Movie Matinee (No registration) **Thursdays, 1 p.m.** See all-time classics and older favorites on the big screen again! **Sept. 4: Dead Poets Society** / **Oct. 9: Abbott and Costello Meet Frankenstein** / **Nov. 13: The Big Chill.**



ESL Classes (Registration required) **Saturdays beginning Sept. 6, 9-11 am.** Looking to learn English or improve your English skills? Join Tyler Emanuelson, experienced ESL instructor, who has worked with people of all ages and at all levels of their English for this free class.

Paranormal Wisconsin (No registration) **Sept. 10, 6:30 pm.** Join us as paranormal researcher and author Chad Lewis returns to the FPL to tell tales of strange and spooky phenomena that have been found in the Badger State!



DIY Crafternoons (Registration begins 2 weeks prior to class) **Wednesdays, 12:30 p.m.** \$2 supply fee due one week prior to class. **Sept. 10: 3D Fall Tree Art** / **Oct. 15: Beaded Bracelets** / **Nov. 12: Tessellations**

Senior Programming (Registration only for memory screening)
-**Navigating Your Healthcare with Confidence: Sept. 11, 2 pm.** Feeling overwhelmed by the healthcare system? You're not alone. Come for this friendly, practical session designed just for seniors.
-**Memory Screening: Sept. 24, 11-2:30 pm.** Register for a 30-minute memory screening assessment—call 414-425-8214 to register.
-**Senior Safety: Oct. 16, 1:30 pm.** Learn how to stay safe at all times.
-**Senior Scams: Nov. 12, 1:30 pm.** Learn to identify and avoid scams.
-**Care for the Caregiver: Nov. 18, 6 pm.** Learn how to recognize signs of caregiver stress, to build emotional resilience, and make space for your own needs without guilt.

Monday Movie Matinee (No registration) **Mondays, 1 p.m.** Come catch up on more recent titled movies with some friends! **Sept. 15: The Amateur** / **Oct. 20: TBA** / **Nov. 17: TBA.**

Brown Baggers & Night Readers Adult Book Clubs

Join the Brown Baggers and Night Readers for some great reading and interesting discussion of books each month. Meetings are held at the Library and open to the public. Copies of books are available at the Library Check-Out Desk.



Brown Baggers: 3rd Tuesdays at 12:30 p.m.

Sept. 16—The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store by James McBride
Oct. 21—The Swimmers by Julia Otsuka
Nov. 18—There There by Tommy Orange

Night Readers: 4th Mondays (except Nov. & Dec.) at 6 p.m.

Sept. 22—The Boys in the Boat by Daniel James Brown
Oct. 27—Razorblade Tears by SA Crosby
Nov. 17—Knife by Salmon Rushdie

Adult Programs (Continued)



WI Idols: 100 Heroes Who Changed the State, World, & Me (No registration) **Sept. 18, 6:30 pm.** Dean Robbins offers a unique perspective on legendary figures with often surprising connections to the state, including Jackie Robinson, Oprah Winfrey, Harrison Ford, Elvis Presley, Orson Welles, Ann Landers, and Joni Mitchell. With photos, video clips, and humorous anecdotes, this presentation establishes Wisconsin as a notably influential place; a crossroads for people who changed the world!

Neurobiology of Music (No registration) **Sept. 23, 6 pm.** Join Kathryn Rambo, music therapist and classically trained musician, for an exploration into the science behind the effect that music has on pain, stress, anxiety, hypertension, the immune system, and more.

Sounds of Peace: Sound Bath Program (Register for 1 session)

Oct. 7, 10 am; Nov. 13, 6 pm; Dec. 5, 2 pm. Join Kathryn Rambo to experience a sound bath meditation to unwind and reflect, creating a deep sense of relaxation through the use of music and tones.



Author Appearance (No registration) **Oct. 9, 6:30 pm.** Join author DJ Slater as he presents his brand-new horror novel, *Legend Has It*.

Edible Books Challenge (All Ages—See website for full details) **Oct. 10, 5 pm.** Create an edible creation inspired by a Banned Book! Entries accepted from 3:30-4:45 pm; program/judging begins at 5 pm.

Helping with Grief (No registration) **Oct. 17, 1 pm.** Join Compassus for ways to help friends/loved ones cope with the loss of a loved one.

Kodachrome Milwaukee (No registration) **Oct. 18, 1 pm.** Join us on a photographic journey to the past mid-1900s Milwaukee with Adam Levin, author of *Kodachrome Milwaukee*. From basement parties and outdoor fun, to the Great Circus Parade, you will see mid-century Milwaukee on full display!

Cooking Programs (Registration begins 2 weeks prior/\$5 fee due week prior)

-**Spooky, Scary Appetizers: Oct. 20, 6 pm**—Join Keri for a sampling of spooky and simple appetizers for your Halloween shindig!
-**Holiday Mocktail Party: Nov. 21, 1 pm**—Join Keri and Sarah for a spread of finger foods and crafted mocktails!

Human Library (No registration) **Oct. 26, 1-4 pm.** The Human Library (<https://humanlibrary.org>) is opening its bookshelf for readers in the Fadow Room! Come by and borrow a human being serving as an open book for a conversation on prejudice and biases.



Holiday Boutique & Thrift Sale **Nov. 6-9.** Come thrift and browse the unique selection of holiday boutique treasures for your home! To donate, drop off fall and holiday items Nov. 1-4 during open hours.

Death Café (No registration) **Nov. 15, 12:30-2:30 pm.** Come for an open discussion on issues related to death and dying with the Greater Milwaukee Death Doula.



Benjamin Franklin Plaque Now Adorns Entrance to City Hall



A special dedication ceremony of the new handcrafted Benjamin Franklin bronze plaque, that is displayed at the main entrance to City Hall, took place on July 5, 2025, during the City's Independence Celebration.

The namesake of the City of Franklin, the plaque was developed and funded by the Franklin Community–Islamic Society of Milwaukee, Franklin Historical Society, and the Franklin Lions, Franklin Noon Lions, and Franklin Lioness Clubs.

The inscription on the plaque reads:

"Benjamin Franklin (1706-1790) In recognition of our country's 250th anniversary and our namesake, we dedicate this memorial to Benjamin Franklin. He was instrumental in securing liberty and freedom for people involved in the American Revolution. Franklin was articulate, ingenious and extraordinarily imaginative. An intellectual yet humble man. We honor him, our namesake, with pride and recognize the value of his contributions to our Constitution and government of the people, by the people and for the people."

Dedicated by the Franklin Community–Islamic Society of Milwaukee, Franklin Historical Society, Franklin Lions, Franklin Noon Lions & Franklin Lioness Clubs"

Please WELCOME the Following Businesses to the City of Franklin!

4 Season Auto Service Center, 8853 S. 27th Street
(auto repair shop)

Design Department, Inc., 9719 S. Franklin Drive
(product design and engineering/manufacturing)

Floorstock LLC, 5058-5060 W. Ashland Way
(warehouse for commercial carpet/flooring distribution)

House of Beauty, 9733 W. St. Martins Road
(esthetician services)

Midwest Shorin-Ryu Health & Wellness Center,
9130 W. Loomis Road, #750
(health and wellness center)

Mindful Movement LLC, 9875 S. Franklin Dr., #300
(psychotherapy services)

MOTW Coffee, 2850 W. Rawson Avenue
(coffee shop)

NSGEL, Inc., 6705 W. Ryan Road
(gymnastics equipment storage)

Planet Fitness, 7199 S. 76th Street
(fitness center)

Regus, 7095 S. Ballpark Drive, #320
(office suite)

Salon Seventy44,
7044 S. Ballpark Drive, #103
(hair salon)

X-Per-Ts Services LLC, 8833 S. 27th Street
(janitorial and lawn care business)



**PLEASE SUPPORT OUR
FRANKLIN BUSINESSES!**



Thank You



For donating in 2024 towards helping the Franklin Fire Department give back to the Franklin Community through fire education, prevention, and training materials. These donations helped educate children in fire safety programs at schools and other community members of all ages in CPR, AED, First Aid, Stop the Bleed, and Extinguisher training.

- KENDOR CORPORATION
- STATE FARM - JAMES TIMOTHY BILD
- FRANKLIN SELF STORAGE
- BTL PALLET CORPORATION
- STATE FARM - VICKI KIPFMUELLER
- URBAN HEATING AND COOLING

- DATA FINANCIAL, INC.
- HYPNEUMAT, INC.
- RAWSON PUB
- IRISH COTTAGE
- ON THE BORDER
- PEN & INC
- FOTH

Milwaukee County Home Repair



The Milwaukee County Housing Division offers no-interest loans to income-qualified homeowners in the suburban communities of Milwaukee County, *excluding* the Village of River Hills and the Cities of Milwaukee and West Allis, through its Home Repair Program. Loans or grants are available through the program.

Owner-occupied homes are eligible if the homeowner meets income guidelines and property requirements (see income guidelines chart). These funds can be used to make emergency repairs, correct code violations, or improve the living quality of your home. Common items repaired include hot water heaters, furnaces, sewer laterals, roofs, siding, trim, windows, porches, foundations, plumbing, and electrical. Projects funded by Home Repair loans will be secured by a lien on the home.

Household Size	2025 Gross Annual Income
1	\$62,000
2	\$70,850
3	\$79,700
4	\$88,550
5	\$95,650
6	\$102,750
7	\$109,850
8	\$116,900

Program staff will help you through the application process, work with you to create a scope of work, and screen contractors to make sure they are right for your project. Once a contractor is selected, program staff put together an agreement with the contractor and oversee the project while in progress. Upon completion, the County pays the contractor directly. The homeowner repays the County according to the terms of the loan.

The City of Franklin has been awarded grant funds specific to residents of Franklin. For residents who qualify, a portion of the project cost could be covered by the City's grant funds. Grant amounts may be up to half of the project cost, generally targeted for up to \$5,000, and do not have to be paid back.

For questions or to apply, contact Milwaukee County Home Repair at 414-278-4917, by email at HomeRepair@milwaukeecountywi.gov, or learn more at <https://county.milwaukee.gov/EN/DHHS/Housing>.



Public Health
Prevent. Promote. Protect.

Your Health Matters

Franklin Health Dept., 414-425-9101
Monday–Friday, 8 am to 4:30 pm



Flu Vaccine Clinic Dates

Call 414-425-9101 to schedule your appointment!

Franklin Health Department Flu Clinic Dates:

*Thursday, October 2 (65+) 9 am to 2 pm Library
Wednesday, October 8 1 pm to 4:30 pm City Hall
Tuesday, October 14 1 pm to 4:30 pm City Hall

**In conjunction with the Adult Health & Wellness Fair*

High dose vaccines will be available to those 65 and older. Medicare and United Healthcare Advantage Plans accepted. Please bring your Medicare card, insurance card, and a photo ID.

Adult Health & Wellness Fair



**Thursday, October 2
9 am to 2 pm**

Franklin Public Library
9151 W. Loomis Road

Enjoy talking with vendors, service providers, and exhibitors who offer information and screenings for seniors.

Flu vaccines will be given by appointment, call 414-425-9101 to reserve a spot.

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VOLITION **Franklin** HEALTH DEPARTMENT



Franklin Senior Travel Program: Join the Franklin Senior Travelers for a day of fun, entertainment, and the opportunity to make new friends. Franklin seniors choose and pay for their destination and the City of Franklin pays for the bus transportation. You can't go wrong! **Call Basil or Karen Ryan at 414-423-5481 with questions.** To sign up for a trip, visit <https://franklinseniortravelers.com> and download/print the flyer for the trip you want to take. Fill out the form and mail it with a check to the address listed on the flyer by the payment due date. If you do not have a computer, call us, and we will mail you a flyer. If you are not a Franklin Senior Traveler, we welcome you. There is no joining fee—the only requirements are that you live in Franklin, be 55 years young, and enjoy having fun!

October 24, 2025: Oklahoma! – Fireside Theatre, Fort Atkinson

**** RSVP Deadline: September 22 / Resident Fee: \$83 ****

It's an American classic! It's the show that ushered in the Golden Age of American Musical Theatre! It's OKLAHOMA! This bright, brassy, boisterous musical comedy is filled with breathtaking dancing, side-splitting humor, and a musical score featuring hits as "People Will Say We're In Love," "Surrey With the Fringe On Top," and of course "Oklahoma!"

Lunch choices: **Chicken Florentine**, chicken breast stuffed with fresh spinach and cheeses served over a spinach cream sauce; **Baked Almond Crusted Cod**, cod fillets coated with Dijon mustard, toasted almonds, Japanese breadcrumbs, and fresh herbs, served with tarragon sauce; **Beef Short Ribs** braised in beef stock and dressed with a red wine demi-glaze. All entrees served with breads, garlic whipped potatoes, roasted asparagus, carrot cake, coffee, tea, milk.

November 26, 2025: Million Dollar Quartet Christmas – Marriott Theatre, Lincolnshire, IL

**** RSVP Deadline: October 24 / Resident Fee: \$79 ****

From the creators of MILLION DOLLAR QUARTET, Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis, Carl Perkins and Elvis Presley come together again to celebrate the holidays at Sun Records studio, filled with Christmas cheer and enough musical talent to power a city grid. Jam-packed with the sounds of the season and the chart toppers that made the "Million Dollar Quartet" famous, the gang is up to their usual antics as we journey through stories of Christmas past, present, and future.

Lunch choices: **Roasted Turkey Breast** with herbed jus, sweet potato mash; **Christmas Salmon** with creamy sun-dried tomato sauce, sweet potato mash; **Butternut Squash Ravioli** with toasted pecans, roasted squash, and maple cream. All entrees include roasted beet salad with arugula, goat cheese, and pistachios; vegetables; dessert; coffee, tea, milk.

December 12, 2025: A Wonderful Life – Fireside Theatre, Fort Atkinson

**** RSVP Deadline: November 10 / Resident Fee: \$83 ****

The story of George Bailey and his wonderful life in Bedford Falls has brought hope and inspiration to every heart with its celebration of the goodness in all of us. A WONDERFUL LIFE captures all the magic of Frank Capra's beloved film as it shines with the spirit of Christmas.

Lunch choices: **Chicken Monterey Skinless Chicken Breast** breaded with Panko crumbs, topped with a blend of spinach, artichoke, parmesan, Monterey Jack, cream cheese, and Havarti cheese on a sun-dried tomato cream sauce; **Grilled Atlantic Salmon** served with citrus Beurre Blanc sauce; **Sliced Roast Beef Tenderloin** with traditional peppercorn sauce. All entrees served with soup, breads, scalloped potatoes, garlic green beans, Bailey's Irish Cream cheesecake, coffee, tea, milk.

Franklin Seniors Walking Club: The Franklin Seniors Walking Club meets every Thursday from 9 am to 11 am at the Milwaukee County Sports Complex, 6000 W. Ryan Road. Dues are \$9 which includes a T-shirt. You can walk no matter the weather, and, best of all, you are exercising, meeting new friends, and getting out of the house! **Contact David and Judy Beine at 414-421-3490 for more details or visit <https://franklinseniortravelers.com>.**



Franklin Seniors Monthly Lunch: The Franklin Seniors, Inc. monthly membership luncheon takes place the first Wednesday of each month at 11 am at Root River Center in Franklin. There is a nominal cost. **Reservations are required—please contact Lynn Borkenhagen at 414-207-1952 or Beverly Garves at 414-339-2267 to reserve your spot.**

Franklin Senior Dining: Nutritious, balanced hot lunches are served Monday–Friday to those 60 years and older in the Community Room of Franklin City Hall, 9229 W. Loomis Road, through Milwaukee County Department on Aging and Milwaukee Christian Center. Doors open at 10:30 am, meals served at 11 am, and doors close promptly at 12 Noon. **Diners are encouraged to contribute \$3 per meal. Call 414-427-7696 between 9:30 and 11:30 am to reserve lunch (24-hour notice needed).** Gift certificates are available for purchase, 4 meals for \$10, a 50-cent savings per meal! View monthly menus at www.franklinwi.gov/Services/Senior-Dining.htm.





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Mayor John R. Nelson, the Alderpersons, and the Franklin Civic Celebrations Commission (FCCC) thank the following generous sponsors for their contributions and services to the 2025 Independence Celebration. We also express our sincere gratitude to the Franklin Public Works Department, Franklin Police Department, Franklin Fire Department, Franklin Public Library, City Hall staff, and all of the hardworking and dedicated volunteers, parade participants, and entertainers who helped make the 2025 Independence Celebration a safe and successful event! The festival would not be possible without your support.

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make a difference in our lives."*—John F. Kennedy





FRANKLIN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

OPENING DOORS

SEPTEMBER 2025

WHAT WAS YOUR FAVORITE THING ABOUT THE SUMMER LEARNING PROGRAM?



*"My favorite thing about Summer Learning was creating wind chimes and glazing them in my **Art class** and the teacher made the class fun!"*

Bryn, Entering 7th Grade



*"I liked playing kickball in my **Fitness & Fun** class because it is super fun kicking and then you have to run!"*

Drew, Entering 2nd Grade



*"I really liked **Outdoor Games & Fitness**. We got to do more outside than inside and it helped us to exercise."*

Jayden, Entering 5th Grade



*"I liked **Book Club**. It was kind of amazing how much we read! **Lemonade War** was my favorite!"*

Agastya, Entering 3rd Grade



*"I love learning about the **ocean animals**. I like the otters and how they can slide on their backs."*

Jessie, Entering 2nd Grade

2024-27 Coherence Plan Year One Metrics & Franklin Forward Facility Planning Progress

DR. ANNALEE BENNIN, FPS DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR

As we look forward to welcoming back our learners, staff and families, we also want to take a moment to highlight two areas that reflect our commitment to continuous improvement as we strive to be a *Better Place to Learn*, *Better Place to Work* and *Part of a Better Community*.



► Our first highlight is our **Board adopted 2024-27 Coherence Plan** and specifically how we measured our progress as a district after this first full year under the new plan. On August 13, the Franklin Public Schools' (FPS) Board held its Annual Meeting during which we unveiled the latest issue of our Franklin Focal Point publication. This 6th edition of our FPS mailed communication to all community members artfully intertwines the stories behind the data-driven results tied to our Coherence Plan's four strategic priorities: **Learning, Engagement, Well-Being, and Fiscal Responsibility**. A full copy of the Coherence Plan results is available on the website or through this publication. It is a true example of continuous improvement as we celebrate our areas of growth in our core strategy areas over the past school year as we plan for the upcoming school year. There is incredible work happening in our schools. If you haven't received your copy by mid-August, you can find a digital version on our website at www.franklin.k12.wi.us. Please enjoy reading through this publication and finding pride in the celebrations of this past school year.

► Our second highlight is the *Franklin Forward* long-range facility planning work taking place across the district since the communities support of our referendum last November. New playgrounds at **Country Dale** and **Robinwood Elementary** schools were completed before the end of the school year. Roofing, mechanicals, and electrical system updates have been occurring at the five elementary schools and the existing portion of **Franklin High School** throughout the summer. This fall, we will break ground at Franklin High School to begin construction and renovations to our career and technical education (CTE) spaces, science classrooms, special education spaces, and physical education spaces. This work will take place in phases and is estimated to be complete in 2028. Staff, students and visitors to the high school can expect to see site preparation beginning this fall. Our construction partner, **CD Smith**, and the district are committed to providing a safe and functional learning environment for our learners and staff throughout this project. The district will communicate updates to our families and share updates on the "**Franklin Forward**" **webpage** on the district website.

We are proud to highlight both our 2024-27 Coherence Plan year one metrics as well as our progress on our *Franklin Forward* long-range facility planning. Thank you for your continued support in making Franklin Public Schools a **Better Place to Learn**, a **Better Place to Work**, and **Part of a Better Community**.

Fall Programming

Our Fall Community Ed & Recreation Guide is out! Registration opened August 1st!



Remember, in order to register for any programming going forward, you need to use your new account in ARUX. Visit our website to get started and to see our Fall Recreation Guide!

franklin.arux.app



**For ticketed shows, scan the QR code (left) or visit tinyurl.com/scpatix*

- ▶ **Saber Center Marching Bands Invite**
Saturday, September 20, 2025
- ▶ **Forte Theatre: South Pacific***
October 11-19, 2025
- ▶ **FHS Saber Theatre: Front***
November 13-16, 2025
- ▶ **FPMS Grades 7-8 Bands Fall Concert**
Wednesday, November 19, 2025 @ 7pm
- ▶ **FHS Jazz Band Concert**
Thursday, November 20, 2025 @ 7pm
- ▶ **FPMS Choir Winter Concert**
Monday, December 8, 2025 @ 7pm
- ▶ **FHS Choir Winter Concert**
Tuesday, December 9, 2025 @ 7pm
- ▶ **FHS Band Winter Concert**
Thursday, December 11, 2025 @ 7pm
- ▶ **Christmas With the Choristers***
December 12-13, 2025

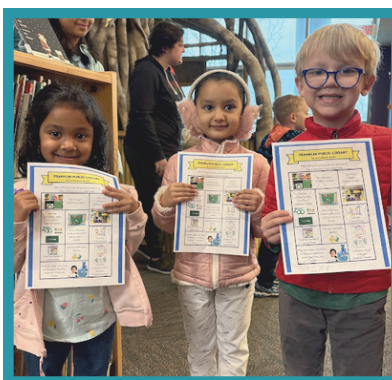
Second School Resource Officer for 2025-26

The **Franklin Police Department** along with Franklin School Administrators completed the hiring process for a 2nd School Resource Officer in April. We are proud to share that **Officer David Crissey** will serve in this role, alongside current **SRO Amy Hempe**, for the 2025-26 school year.

One SRO will be assigned to the high school and one to the middle school. We will continue to have Adopt-a-School officers for the elementary schools during 2025-26 as well. In addition, Officer Crissey and Officer Hempe will also continue to be available for needs that come up at the elementary schools.



FPS School Board President Mike Spragg & Officer Crissey hanging out with Seymour Saber



4K students show off their library scavenger hunt boards at the 4K Parent Event

4K Parent Event A Hit!

While school was not in session for a day in April, our 4K educators put on a special FPS 4K program in an effort to grow our partnerships between families and the schools! The **"4K Parent Engagement Event"** was held at the Franklin Public Library and invited 4K students and families to connect with the community, learn about a variety of resources the library has available to children and to check out materials to encourage literacy learning at home. Families could complete a scavenger hunt highlighting all the materials they could access at the library. Thank you to our 4K educators for helping to connect with our families through this great event!

Summer Happenings!



Did You Know?

Our Summer Learning Enrichment Programs served over 560 elementary, 245 middle, and 175 high school students! Thank you to our staff that provided these opportunities!



The Franklin Educational Foundation annual Tee-Up for Education outing raised close to \$38,000 for grants, scholarships & projects!