



# Sheboygan County News

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## InHealth Clinic Receives Enthusiastic Reception

by Michael Collard, Human Resources Director

The Sheboygan County InHealth Clinic is now open for business in a beautiful office space on the first floor of the Prairie States Building, 615 Pennsylvania Avenue in Sheboygan. Many employees have reacted enthusiastically to this new option now available to them for basic health care.

Family Nurse Practitioner Karen Bonner and the team of wellness specialists from Interra Health, the operator of the clinic, spent a good portion of June performing health risk assessment screenings and providing health coaching for County employees and spouses.

Although the wellness programs are an important part of the clinic

operation, its bread and butter is the provision of regular family health services. Why should you come to the clinic? Here's an example: Say your child has an earache, and you plan to take him to the doctor's office. The doctor might charge \$120 for the visit. If you have already met your deductible for the year, you will probably pay 10%, or \$12, and the County's health plan pays the rest, or \$108.

If you bring your child to the clinic, you will pay nothing (saving \$12), and the County will probably pay \$45 (saving up to

\$63). The amount you save stays in your pocket. The amount the County saves goes to pay for the wellness program, the clinic overhead, and to reduce health insurance premium increases.

If you would like to schedule an appointment, or have questions about the services that can be provided, please call the clinic at 920-547-4210.



The February 2008 Computer Network Survey has been tabulated and results can be found in the Shared Folder at: [SheboyganCounty\InformationSystems\Feb08 Network Survey](#). The IS Department will be following up to questions and comments and pursue opportunities for improvement. You will be notified when their response is available for review.

## Bonner Focuses On Education & Prevention

by Karen Bonner, MS, APRN-BC

As a Nurse Practitioner for Interra Health, staffing the County's new InHealth Clinic, my role is to educate and partner with my patients to help them achieve their optimal level of wellness. My goal is to prevent medical problems when possible, rather than waiting to treat illness after it develops.

I am Board Certified as a Family Nurse Practitioner through the American Nurses Credentialing Center and I've practiced as a registered nurse since 1985 and a nurse practitioner since 2001. My husband and I have lived in Wisconsin since 1991. We have nine and twelve year old sons and a dog.

Leisure activities include scuba diving, volleyball, biking, and Tae Kwon Do (currently a red belt).

Please contact me at (920) 547-4210 to schedule an appointment.



# Future Aerospace Leader Lands in Sheboygan County

by Chuck Mayer, Airport Manager



Early last year, Morgan Aircraft representatives approached Sheboygan County officials with a proposal to build an aircraft manufacturing facility on the grounds of the Sheboygan County Memorial Airport.

Companies and individuals spend more than \$22 billion each year on new light business aircraft. The Morgan Aircraft EM-J has received a number of patents for their innovative light business aircraft design, which will have the ability to transport people on a typical business trip in less time than any other form of transportation.

Morgan Aircraft has proposed a ten year development plan, which will begin with a 100,000 square foot facility. They anticipate breaking ground at the County Airport later this year. Once they have their initial facility constructed, they will be building several proof of concept aircraft that will go through FAA performance testing in order to receive certification. This certification will allow Morgan Aircraft to begin manufacturing on a large scale. The facility will ultimately be expanded to encompass 14 acres under one roof by the year 2018. Morgan Aircraft expects that over 2,000 jobs will be cre-

ated over the next ten year period with over \$575 million paid in wages.

Sheboygan County officials are working with state and local officials in an effort to secure municipal sewer service to the airport and to secure state and federal funding that is needed for construction of airside infrastructure (taxiways, roads, parking lots, utilities, etc.). The Morgan Aircraft project will provide a real boost to the economy and growth and prosperity for the citizens of Sheboygan County.

“A child’s life is like a piece of paper on which every person leaves a mark”

Chinese Proverb

## Child Support Agency Serves Children's Interests

by James Graf, Child Support Director

One of the County’s 22 departments is the Child Support Enforcement Agency. This Agency is responsible for the direct case management of more than 6,900 child support cases. There are approximately 5,200 active full service child support cases and 1,700 private cases that the Department oversees. The office is located behind the Courthouse in the Annex Building on the second floor. Daily activities involve working with other County Departments including

the Courts, the District Attorney, the Department of Health and

Human Services-Economic Support, the Sheriff’s Department, the Finance Department, Information Systems, and the Treasurer.

The Child Support Agency is funded by Federal, State and County dollars. Federal administrative reimbursement is the principal source of funds for managing and operating the Child Support department. The 2008 budget for the Child Support Department is \$2.2 million, of which approximately 90% consists of employee-related costs. The primary functions of the hard working and dedicated Child Support staff include: case initiation, locate services, paternity establishment, support establishment and enforcement, interstate enforcement, income withholding, review and

adjustment, collection processing and case closure. All of the preceding services are maintained in a statewide computer system called the Kids Information Data System (KIDS). This system helps staff manage their caseload-presently about 700 cases per specialist.

The Child Support Agency consists of 16 staff members. Included in the table of organization is the director, a supervisor, an attorney (contracted through a cooperative agreement with the Sheboygan County Corporation Counsel), 2 paternity specialists, 7 case specialists, 2 account clerks, and 1 full-time and 1 part-time secretary. The department’s liaison committee is the County Law Committee.



# Rocky Knoll Collects County Memories

by Kim Loose, Activities Director

Rocky Knoll Health Care Center’s Activity Department is embarking on a project to capture “Memories of Sheboygan County in Pictures”. Kim Loose and her staff will be turning the walls of the ground floor corridor into a photo gallery of old pictures of Sheboygan County. It will be a wonderful area for guests and residents to reminisce.

**Here’s how you can help.** Kim is looking for 8x10 black and white photos

depicting scenes from the past in Sheboygan County. The ultimate goal is to have a collection representing all 28 municipalities (towns, villages and cities) in Sheboygan County.

If you or someone you know has one or more old photos to donate, please contact Kim Loose at 893-8552. She would be happy to receive scanned photos sent to her via email at loosekml@co.sheboygan.wi.us OR is more than willing to scan your photo

for you and return it, unharmed. Please help Rocky Knoll staff make this a successful project. It will be something residents, families, staff, volunteers and visitors will enjoy for years to come.



Sheboygan County Museum

## Bike & Walk to Work Week

by Aaron Brault, Program Specialist

May 10th through May 16th was the first-ever Bike & Walk to Work Week (BWTWW) in Sheboygan County. The goals of BWTWW are to increase both walking and bicycling as viable modes of transportation and to encourage people to reap the health, monetary, and environmental benefits of active transportation.

The week was a huge success. Congressman Petri visited on Monday morning to kick-off the work week and was greeted by over 60 non-motorized commuters. Each morning breakfast stations were set up to greet non-motorized commuters and on most of those mornings the donated coffee and bakery ran dry. We had over 20 businesses pledge to participate. Great turnouts!

The challenge between County employees, City of Sheboygan employees, and Sheboygan School District employees proved very successful.

County employees logged over 850 miles, School District employees 1,110 miles, and City employees 534 miles. City of Sheboygan employees garnered the most mileage per employee and will house the traveling trophy constructed by Sheboygan South’s shop class for the public agency who logged the most mileage divided by the number of employees.

Congratulations to all those who participated! Special congratulations to Jim Te-



Beest, Building Services Department, and Laura Henning-Lorenz, Treasurer’s Department, who logged 142 miles and 110 miles respectively biking to and from work. WOW! Jim’s 142 miles earned him the most total mileage award for an individual between the three competing entities. Congratulations also to Jayne Dragan, Treasurer’s Department, for winning the longest commute by a walker award for logging a 12 mile trip.

## Julie Kovacs Travels on Two Wheels, by Julie Kovacs, Child Support Specialist.

Our featured employee this quarter, Julie Kovacs, is a member of the Child Support team and has been employed with the County for three years. Julie and her husband have a beautiful and intelligent young daughter. Because Julie’s husband is an avid motorcycle enthusiast, Julie made the decision to attend the Harley-Davidson Rider’s Edge Academy of Motorcycling to obtain her license so she could ride with him. In addition, Julie and her daughter actively partici-

pate in the Martial Arts.

Julie used to do more traveling, but with four dogs, two rabbits, two rats, and one hamster, it’s difficult being gone for too long. Julie says her most exciting (and dangerous) vacation was mountain biking down Pike’s Peak, where they had to stop from time to time to cool off their brakes to assure they didn’t fail. They had to be very careful knowing one wrong move could result in a rider be-

coming part of the aspen below.

Julie enjoys working for the Child Support Agency because it is a challenging, fast-paced environment, and she is helping the families, and especially the children, of her customers.



## Construction Project Will Present Challenges

by Jim TeBeest, Building Services Director

As a follow-up to the last quarter news-letter article regarding the upcoming road project around the Courthouse, a few more details are now available.

The City hopes to start late in July and complete the project before winter. The project consists of installing a 54-inch storm sewer west on Pennsylvania Avenue from 4th Street to 5th Street, then north on 5th Street to New York Avenue (at the Administration Building) and west to Sixth Street. The water main will be re-laid under the north sidewalk of New

York Avenue and east sidewalk of 5th Street prior to the sewer work.

There should always be two entrances open to the Courthouse parking lot. It is likely that both New York Avenue and the alley on the south side of the Law Enforcement Center will be converted to two-way traffic during portions of the project.

The project may present a challenge getting to the Administration Building at times. Please be careful when going around equipment, truck traffic and workers. The trench

for the storm sewer will be up to 30 feet deep. You may want to consider parking in the new lot at 7th Street & Pennsylvania Avenue to avoid the construction altogether, and get a little exercise.

If you have any questions, please contact Jim TeBeest at 459-4349.



## Dental Insurance Provides Enhancements

by Ruth Wilsing, Benefits Assistant

Through discussions with the Strategic Benefits Committee, an agreement has been met to amend the Dental Protection Plan for the Employees of Sheboygan County. The changes add additional routine care benefits and promote wellness. The annual maximum benefit will remain at \$1,500 per member. The following changes become effective July 1, 2008.

The coverage for Panoramic X-rays will be revised to disallow coverage for Panoramic X-rays for any purpose more often than once in any period of 60 consecutive months.

The coverage for Topical Fluoride Treatment on a preventative basis will be revised by removing the limitation that such treatments be covered only for members under 12 years of age.

Coverage for sealants for members under 19 years of age, limited to one treatment each tooth lifetime, will be added to the plan.

The exclusion for implants will be removed, and coverage for implants provided (at 80% of Usual, Customary and Reasonable Charges, subject to the aggregate maximum) when implants are at least as cost-effective as alternative treatments.

Coverage for adult and pediatric prophylaxis (cleaning) will be provided for up to 4 visits per calendar year.

If you have any questions, please contact Ruth Wilsing at 920-459-3578.

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## EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION PICNIC

All employees & elected officials are invited to attend



**Date:** Thursday, August 7th  
(Rain or Shine)

**Time:** 4:30 p.m.—7:30 p.m.

**Where:** Sheboygan County Airport  
Aviation Heritage Center  
N6191 Resource Drive  
Sheboygan Falls, WI 53085

Brats, burgers, veggie burgers,  
German potato salad, baked beans,  
watermelon, soda & bottled water  
will be provided.

Beer will be available for purchase.

*Picnic funded entirely through  
Vending Machine Revenue*

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### PICNIC REGISTRATION

(return by Friday, July 11th)

Yes, I will attend the Sheboygan County Employee Appreciation Picnic

PLEASE PRINT:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Department: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return this request to your Department Head no later than Friday, July 11th**

# Wear Your Sheboygan County Logo With Pride

**\*\*\*Polo Shirts and Sweatshirts now available\*\*\***

We are pleased to offer you an opportunity to purchase a T-shirt, Polo shirt or sweatshirt with an embroidered County logo.

The **short-sleeved T-shirts** are of heavyweight, 6.1 oz. pre-shrunk 100% pigment-dyed cotton fabric. Available in 3 colors with logo as seen below:



The **Polo shirts** are 100% cotton, preshrunk, relaxed fit and are available in Navy, Forest Green or White. **Sweatshirts** are pill-free 50% cotton/50% polyester and are also available in Navy, Forest Green or White.

Once we receive at least 12 requests in any combination of the available selections, an order will be placed and the shirts will be delivered within 2-3 weeks.

If you're interested, please complete the order form below, **attach your check made out to Sheboygan County** and forward it to Kay Lorenz in the County Administrator's Office via interdepartmental mail for employees, or for non-employees, mail to Kay Lorenz at 508 New York Avenue-Room 311, Sheboygan, WI 53081.

**Items ordered will not be shipped. They may be either picked up at the County Administrator's Office or sent to employees via interdepartmental mail.**

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Order Form

T-Shirt			Polo Shirt			Sweatshirt		
Hemp (Green)	Khaki	Navy	Navy	Forest Green	White	Navy	Forest Green	White
M/L/XL	\$20		M/L/XL	\$26		M/L/XL	\$26	
XXL	\$22		XXL	\$28		XXL	\$28	
XXXL	\$23		XXXL	\$29		XXXL	\$29	

\*\*Adult Sizes Only

Please order the following:

Type: \_\_\_\_\_ Quantity: \_\_\_\_\_ Color: \_\_\_\_\_ Size: \_\_\_\_\_ Cost: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Subtotal: \_\_\_\_\_

**Add 5% Sales Tax:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I will pick up my Shirt(s) at the County Administrator's Office

\_\_\_\_\_ Send my Shirt(s) to me via interdepartmental mail

**Total:** \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Department: \_\_\_\_\_ Extension: \_\_\_\_\_