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## Friends of the Fox River Trail news for May 2017

## Notes from our 04/27/2017 quarterly meeting:

**Attendance:** Carol Radosevich, Frank Radosevich, Cliff Wall, Rick Ledvina, Jim O'Rourke, Ronald Cattelan, Jim Genrich and Rebecca Nyberg.

**Treasurer's Report**: Our Starting balance is \$3,248.08. \$235 in membership donations came in February, March and April. The ending balance is \$3,483.08.

We asked Brown County Parks to come up with a project list so we can decide what to do with our donations. Rick said many people give individually for things like benches and picnic tables. But the biggest need they have is funds for trail maintenance.

Since January 1, 2017, 29 households have made donations. Many sent more than the suggested \$10 per household. THANK YOU! But we have 140 addresses on our monthly e-mail list. There is still time for you to send a 2017 donation. But we don't remove anyone from the mailing list for not making a donation.

## Spring cleanup day:

We will be holding a spring cleanup day. Everyone is welcome! Saturday June 3, 2017

9 am to 12 St Francis Park

You can get a nice view of the Fox River as you walk along the shore picking up things blow in by the wind and waves. Wear comfortable clothing. No rain date.

### **Brown County Parks Report:**

- Everything is open on the trail
- Several groups have done trail pickups as part of the Adopt a Trail duties
- Several hazardous trees were cut down and sent to Bay Shore Park for use as campground firewood.
- 57 Overpass graffiti was sealed, painted, and graffiti sealer was put on. WPS service project.
- All State trail Rangers are on and have experience on the trail.
- The culvert South of St. Francis was replaced and looks good.
- Several special events are scheduled on the trail for 2017.
- Drainage ditch was cleaned out by Lazarre Ave. Additional work will be done shortly.

**Grant application/ Sunset Park update:** The WI DNR Stewardship grant the Friends FRT applied for was not awarded to us. Allouez will be spraying and mowing at the park this year to control the remaining buckthorn. They plan on planting native plants by next spring. Expect the area to look worse for a while so it can be beautiful 5 years from now! The Allouez Park director sent a big "Thank you!" to the Friends FRT for the help at this site over the last several years.

# Friends of Mountain Bay Trail: Next organizing meeting will be:

Thursday May 18, 2017 6:30 to 7:30 pm Pamperin Park Pavilion

# Don't forget our next quarterly meeting:

Thursday July 27, 2017 at 7 pm Gallagher's Pizza, Webster Ave