

Cindy Van Vreede

Proudly living in Milwaukee's Sherman Park Neighborhood



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1980-2013

Milwaukee PBS

Producer/Director

My duties included but were not limited to selecting topic for different television shows, research of the topics, development of questions for the host to ask the guests, booking the guests, working with the graphic designer about the graphic elements of the show, working with the videographer to shoot video required for the show, contacting other television stations or stock video companies to get old film or video stock for the show, coordinate facilities and crew for studio taping, off-line edit a first draft of the show, sit with the editor as the final production is put together, work with manager for scheduling the finished show for air, and working with the public relations office to promote the show.

2013-Present

Milwaukee LGBT Center

Fifty and Better Group and the Senior Advisory Board

One of the original members of the Fifty and Better group. Present at most of the meetings held every Wednesday of the month for years. As a member of the Senior Advisory Board we consult with other members of the group to find issues they need or want more information on. Looking for ways to get LGBT seniors the help that they need.

As a private action, I'm developing resource materials for senior living communities, nursing homes, and senior assisted living homes to help them as more active LGBT identified people start moving into their facilities.

2013-2019

Common Ground

Prior to covid, Common Ground was working to strengthen neighborhoods. In the Sherman Parks area, we interviewed businesses on Center Street for input on ways to help them succeed. Lobbied (and got) Center Street repaved and decorative banners hung. We were able to get the City of Milwaukee to give money to businesses for new signage. We were also working to get a new track for Washington Park High School.

Sherman Park Action Network

Worked on neighborhood clean-up, fixing broken fire hydrants, getting speed bumps installed on Hadley and 49th Streets, and replacing yield signs with stop signs to slow down fast drivers.

2018-Present

Milwaukee County Depart of Aging Senior Statesman

Participated in the three-day course to become a senior statesman for the department. Represents the Milwaukee LGBT Community Center on both the Advisory Committee and the Nutrition Committee. Prior to covid, meetings were attended in person. Now attending both committees online.

1980 to 2019

Independent Contractor Cindy V Video

Through the business I videotaped weddings, corporate events, and instructional videos. I also edited them. Film to video transfers and tape to DVD conversions were also a part of my business. I worked for the following enterprises:

Fox Sports for Green Bay Packer football games

Fox Sports Net for Major League Baseball games

ESPN for Conference USA Basketball games (Marquette University)

CBS Sports Green Bay Packer games and races at the Milwaukee Mile

Hobbies

Travel, having been to 24 countries and 30 states. Reading mysteries. Cat and dogs (both). Watching movies. Live theater. Sports. Art. Supporting animal sanctuaries.

Education

Graduated, Freedom High School, 1975

Graduated, University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, 1980. Major in Communications, minors in Political Science and Women's Studies.