



Sunset Village Voice

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Your Neighborhood Website

<http://www.madison.com/communities/sunsetvillage/>

News from Your Neighborhood

NEXT MEETING: September 30, Capital City Church

- 6:30 p.m. – Apple Fest – Bring your favorite apple dish to share!
- 7:00 p.m. – Meeting Begins
- Treasurer Statement
- Halloween Parade – October 25, 2:00 p.m. Sunset Park
- Santa Visit – December 6, 1:00 p.m. Lucia Crest Park
- Membership Drive
- Area Development
- Call for Volunteers – **President, Editor, Newsletter Carriers**

Bucky Books On Sale

Sunset Village is once more offering Bucky Books with neighborhood membership donations of as little as \$35. Support your neighborhood and save hundreds of dollars over the next year on food, drink, bowling, golf and much more! Contact any SVCA officer, or return the attached envelope to the Sunset Village Community Association, P.O. Box 5635, Madison, WI 53705-5635.

Request for people who can help with shoveling, raking, yard work – Kristine Beck

Do you have a strong back, a love of the outdoors, and some free time? Please consider helping a neighbor who needs assistance with raking, general yard work, or snow shoveling (yes, that day will come, sooner than we would like!). It's great exercise and a wonderful way to make a new friend in the neighborhood! Please contact an officer or visit our neighborhood message board to request or offer help. <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/sunsetvillagecommunityassociation> Thanks!

Sunset Village Association Halloween Parade

Saturday, October 25
2:00 PM at Sunset Park
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County Board Update by Al Matano, District 11 representative.

I appreciate the opportunity to share a little information about the Dane County Board. Here are a few things I've been working on and which might be of interest to you.

Transport 2020. Efforts to bring commuter rail and other transit enhancements to Dane County continue. The Wisconsin Legislature has convened a study committee on possible legislation to authorize the creation of regional transit/transportation authorities. This would provide a means to finance a new system as well as to govern it once it is up and running. At the federal level, our application for federal funds was submitted in September. A subcommittee of the Transport 2020 commission has been meeting on a monthly basis. A diverse group of individuals has been convened to broaden support for the project. Although trains might not be running for 5 to 7 years, the necessary steps are being taken to make the new system a reality.

Zoning committee. For the first time in my 8-plus years on the County Board, I am a member of the Zoning and Land Resources Committee. I'm learning the process through which individual petitions for changes in land use are reviewed. Our goal is to promote land use planning that implements our recently adopted county comprehensive plan. The alternative is for the County to die a "death of a thousand cuts."

Upcoming county budget. We're starting on the annual process of adopting the county's annual budget. Last year we adopted a \$439.7 million operating budget and a \$20.2 million capital budget, for a total of \$459.9 million. While these may seem like staggering numbers, it is always a challenge to meet all our needs. In particular, I'm always looking for ways to protect our human services from cuts and stagnant budgets that hurt our most vulnerable citizens.

911 center. The tragic death of a young woman led to examination of the operation of our 911 center. An independent audit and increased resources - in terms of improvements to the electronics that run the system as well as increased staffing - are ways we are addressing the problem.

I'm looking forward to meeting with the Sunset Village Neighborhood Association. Feel free to contact me any time at MatanA@mailbag.com; 238-3045.

Neighborhood Garage Sale Report by Kurt Reinhold

This year's community garage sales event was probably not the largest in recent history, but good weather and a few eager shoppers did help to make it a reasonable success. I met with many of this year's participants and reports were somewhat mixed. One family admitted that they sold over five-hundred dollars of "stuff" at their sale. Others kept a smile on their faces, but didn't seem to be so satisfied with the level of traffic or commerce taking place. More than one party asked 'why did we have the sale so early this year?' Apparently, some thought that waiting for UW students to come back to town in mid-to-late August might have been better. Others thought more items were going to be showcased at Capitol City Church, where there was such a good turn-out in recent years. On a personal note, let me apologize to the two or three people who called and left me their information on my cell phone, only to have their messages lost into the ether of cell-phone space. I tried to get everybody on the master garage sale list, but I know I missed at least two parties. Any observations or suggestions you all may have for next year's sale would be very welcome indeed. Thanks to all who participated, with particular thanks to Pastor Bob for donating some colored paper and for making copies for me Friday morning.

Alder Tim Gruber

Midvale Plaza/Sequoia Commons: The plans and zoning change for phase two of Sequoia Commons were approved at the September 2 Common Council meeting. After the library moves into its new space in October, demolition of the old building and construction of the new building will begin. Phase two will include retail space and 100 apartments.

Hilldale Construction Delay: The construction of a Whole Foods store, hotel, office and retail space at Hilldale is again delayed, this time for a year. The main reason is that the slow economy has led Whole Foods to scale back expansion nationwide. Whole Foods is now scheduled to open in fall of 2010, rather than 2009 as previously planned. Freed, owner and developer of Hilldale, is still committed to constructing the project. In the meantime, the site of the former movie theater and Humana buildings will sit vacant, a hole in the ground. I am looking forward to hearing the jokes about "Hole-dale" and "Hole Foods." Seriously, I am looking forward to when construction actually starts. Email: district11@cityofmadison.com Home phone: 608-663-5264 Cell phone: 608-217-3390

West Campus News by Liz Vowles

The new Campus Drive bike path opened August 8 (30 years after it was first proposed). It runs from University Bay Drive on the west to east of the Veterinary School, with easy access to Linden Drive and University Avenue. The path intersects Highland Avenue and crosses Walnut Street with an overpass. It is lit with solar lights by MG&E. Note that one section remains to be completed, and is covered with a pile of rubble behind the Vet School. If you are continuing west past University Bay Drive you can take a short right, then left onto Marshall Court and connect to the Shorewood Hills bike paths.

Sustainable Urbanism: Designing Sustainable Neighborhoods, Cities and Regions. Wednesday, September 17, Monona Terrace Community Convention Center, One John Nolen Drive, Hall of Ideas, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. FREE PUBLIC LECTURE by Doug Farr, Farr Associate

How can neighborhoods, cities and regions become both vibrant, livable, walkable, transit-friendly, diverse places while also meeting our environmental challenges of reducing energy consumption, greenhouse gases and improving water quality? Sustainable Urbanism presents a vision for healthy, livable human environments that exist in balance with the natural environment. Doug Farr, architect, urbanist, and author of Sustainable Urbanism: Urban Design with Nature, will discuss the growing movement for sustainable urbanism and how it can be applied in the Madison region. For more information about the event contact Steve Steinhoff, Neighborhood Design Center, stevesc@tds.net, (608) 843-9089 For more information about Doug Farr and Sustainable Urbanism see the Farr Associates website at www.farrside.com.

Mayor's 2008 Neighborhood Roundtable, Saturday, November 8, 2008, Warner Park Community & Recreation Center, 1625 Northport Drive, 8:00 – 12:15 p.m. Mark your calendars for the training session offered this coming Fall. Contact Jule Stroick, Planning Division at 608-267-8744 or jstroick@cityofmadison.com for more information.

VOTER REGISTRATION

Madison residents can register to vote at the City Clerk's Office, any Madison Public Library, or any Madison Fire Station. You can check the status of your voter registration online at <http://vpa.wi.gov>. Eligible voters can also be deputized to register their neighbors to vote. For more information, see www.cityofmadison.com/election/deputy/Registration/.

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The Madison Parks Department in conjunction with the Madison Police Department is launching a **PARKS WATCH** initiative designed to raise community awareness of the city's beautiful park system in an effort to better protect our beautiful public spaces.

In much the same fashion as NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH we are asking the generous people of Madison to extend their watchful eyes and ears to the public spaces throughout the City of Madison. We are particularly interested in securing the cooperation of citizens whose homes or businesses overlook the public parks and public spaces as well as asking visitors who use these attractive and friendly facilities to serve as park ambassadors. The many generous volunteers who regularly tend to the parks and raise money for the park system will also be included in the process.

Madison Police Department representatives will be available to train residents in the processes of PARKS WATCH, focusing specifically on how to be a good witness as well as when and how to contact the 9-1-1 Center. After training the volunteers, the City of Madison will provide signs for the parks that have been "adopted" by the neighborhood.

If you are interested in organizing your neighborhood for a PARKS WATCH please contact Laura Whitmore at 266-5949 or at whitmore@cityofmadison.com. You may also contact Officer MaryAnne Thurber at 266-4238 or mthurber@cityofmadison.com.

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For more information about Tao Shiatsu treatments, training, classes, or charitable activities please contact Deborah Bachmann at The Tao Sangha Center, 2330 Willard Avenue, Madison, 53704, (608) 257-4663 or usa@taoshiatsu.com. Please visit www.taosangha.com.

Your Neighborhood Website and Message Board

To view pictures, minutes, and past newsletters, please visit our neighborhood website at: <http://www.madison.com/communities/sunsetvillage/>

Our thanks go out to Brad Nordeng for creating and maintaining this valuable resource!

Sunset Village Book Club:

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Come find out how you can get involved to make this neighborhood great!
Tuesday, September 30th
6:30 p.m. Capital Church.

WE NEED YOU!

Calendar of Events:

- September 17 – Sustainable Urbanism – Monona Terrace - 7:00 pm (843-9089)
- September 27 – Science is Fun – Hilldale Rear Food Court – 2:00 pm
- September 30 - Sunset Village Meeting – Capital City Church – 6:30 pm**
- October 3 – Gallery Night – Hilldale Mall
- October 25 & 26 – Fall Art Guild Show – Hilldale Mall
- October 27 – Sunset Village Annual Halloween Parade – Sunset Park – 2:00 pm**
- October 31 – Harvest Festival – Games, Food & Contests – Capital City Church – 6:00 pm
- November 8 – Neighborhood Round Table – Warner Park – 8:00 am
- November 18 - Sunset Village Meeting – Capital City Church – 6:30 pm**
- December 6 – Santa Visits Sunset Village – Lucia Crest Park – 1:00 pm**
- December 18 – Jingle Bell Jazz – Hilldale Mall – 5:00 pm

The People and History of Sunset Village

We would love to include your stories about Sunset Village History and Neighbors in the Village Voice. Share your story by contacting John Ottinger at 238-1940 or johnl149@tds.net

Slow Down and Watch for Pedestrians and Bikers

School is back, the weather is mild, and people are out enjoying the fresh air. While you may feel more rushed than ever, please remember to slow down and watch for children, parents, and everyone else walking and riding. There has already been an accident near Midvale Elementary this year. Let's do what we can to prevent another. Please, slow down and put the cell away.



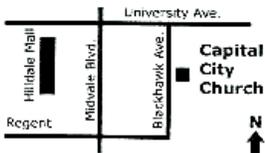
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- Fresh Fire Youth Ministry
- Adult Home Groups
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- Fellowship
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- Thanksgiving Dinner
- Christmas Party
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Making Your Neighborhood Great

Getting Involved

It is that time of year again when you have a chance to let your voice be heard and get involved. Please return the attached envelop with your membership and attach this sheet with your membership to let us know how you would like to get involved and how we can improve our neighborhood to better serve you.

Volunteer Opportunities:

Please mark the opportunities you would most be interested in:

- Neighborhood President
- Village Voice Editor
- Village Voice Distribution Coordinator
- Village Voice Carrier
- Parks Committee
- Traffic Committee
- Development Committee
- Event Planning
- Membership Coordinator
- Red Cross Coordinator
- Falls Prevention Committee
- Book Club
- Schools Reporter
- Library Representative
- Green Team
- Tool Sharing
- Neighbors Helping Neighbors
- West Madison Senior Coalition Representative
- Youth Correspondent
- Other

We need your opinion

- Should we print a directory
- Should we make a directory available online
- Do you use the neighborhood message board?

How can we better serve you:

Your Name: _____

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