

## Sunset Village Voice

Your Neighborhood Newsletter

Spring 2019

## Sunset Village Community Assoc. quarterly meeting:

Thursday, May 16, 6:30 p.m. Bethany Church, 3910 Mineral Pt. Rd

## **Dear Neighbors**

In my last letter, I bemoaned the lack of snow, and look what happened. Never knew I was so powerful in terms of natural phenomena! Today, I'll ask for warmer weather so I can get out into my garden!

Please note that our meeting in May has been moved back to the Fellowship Hall at Bethany United Methodist Church because our local District 77 representative, Shelia Stubbs, is joining us for the first half hour (from 6:30 to 7:00 p.m.). Her focus will be on getting feedback on the governor's budget, but I'm sure other topics will come up — plus she'll have comment cards that anyone can fill out to submit questions or comments.

My sympathies go out to those of you living in street construction zones this year. I still need to rent a power washer to get all the dust and dirt off my house from last year's round.

By way of a heads up, most of our summer activities will be the same as last year. I'll post reminders and details on our SVCA Facebook page (have you followed us yet?), but here's a quick overview: Make Music Madison on the solstice, Friday, June 21; our annual Ice Cream Social on Saturday, August 3rd (featuring ice cream, pizza, and the balloon guy); and the Neighborhood Garage Sale on Friday/Sat August 9/10. Several additions, outlined elsewhere in this newsletter, are the appearance the Art Cart

and Fit2Go activities for kids at Hoyt Park, Sunset Park, Lucia Crest Park, and Westmorland Park.

Hope to you see you out and about this spring and summer.

Regards,

Sue Reynard



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## SAVE THESE DATES!

## Make Music Madison on June 21

Lucia Crest Park, 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Enjoy acoustic music on the summer solstice, the longest day and shortest night of the year.



Bethany Church, 4:00-8:00 p.m.

front lawn, great music and hot dogs!

## **Ice Cream Social**

**Lucia Crest Park**, Saturday, August 3, 1-4 p.m. Luigi's pizza, Chocolate Shoppe ice cream, Great Dane beer

#### <u>SVCA Quarterly Meeting with</u> <u>Shelia Stubbs</u>

Bethany Church, Thursday, May 16, 6:30 p.m.

## Sunset Village Community Association February 21, 2019 Quarterly Meeting

The meeting was lightly attended (count of 11) and short. Please see the minutes at: www.sunsetvillagecommunity.org/

NOTE: The May 12 SVCA meeting will be back at Bethany Church, to accommodate a larger attendance expected for State Assembly Rep., Shelia Stubbs, who will discuss the governor's budget proposals. Let's give her a warm welcome.

## Introducing a Welcoming Garden at the New Midtown Police Station

excerpted from Sunset Garden Club solicitation handout to Sunset Village, November 2018

The Sunset Garden Club (SGC) has introduced a project for the purchase of plants to establish a welcoming, beautifying, and pollinator-attracting garden at the prominent front corner of the new Midtown Police Precinct, at the intersection of Westmorland Blvd. and Mineral Point Rd. The foundation perennial bed, designed by the club's Master Gardeners in conjunction with the police district's Master Gardener volunteers, will feature natural bee and butterfly-friendly plants. SGC members will volunteer their time and efforts to establish and then maintain the garden going forward. SGC is looking to collaborate with local residents as well as interested neighborhood groups and associations to make the garden an outstanding success. Tax-deductible donations are still welcome, in the form of checks made out to the Sunset Garden Club and mailed to the club Treasurer, Nancy Fonzen, 9 Firestone Court, Madison WI, 53717.

About the Garden: The Midtown Precinct garden goals are:

- Community enhancement and warm welcome to neighborhood police headquarters
- Honor police staff and provide visual respite for them during stressful days
- Create a pollinator and butterfly way-station to assist endangered species conservation efforts
- Promote pollinator education to local school children by offering instruction and handouts on participation in the WI DNR's Bumble Bee Brigade (http://wiatri.net/inventory/bbb/)

In the words of Captain Jay Lengfeld, "I'm hoping the community feels that this is their building; this is their police department." As such, the inviting garden space near the precinct's entrance is intended to capture the public's attention and make them feel more at ease. The blue, yellow, and white flower color palette will remind onlookers of the women and men in blue who faithfully serve to protect us.

Additionally, conservation efforts to protect the declining population of both monarch butterflies and rusty patched bumble bees will be highlighted as a result of this garden plot. By registering the Midtown Precinct garden as a pollinator way-station, it will become part of a national initiative to create safe habitats and oases for native species. SGC plans to engage with neighborhood schools to make them aware of this crisis and offer ways for them to help, primarily by participating in the photography-based volunteer bumble bee monitoring project called the Bumble Bee Brigade.

**About the Sunset Garden Club**: The Sunset Garden Club was formed in 1941 during World War II with the advent of the Victory Garden. Today about 20 members meet monthly to pursue garden education and understand related environmental issues. Over 75 years later, SGC continues our tradition of community service by volunteering and making donations. For example, in 2017 SGC created a fire-and-ice-themed pollinator-friendly garden at Fire Station No. 9, at the entrance to the Sunset Village neighborhood.

## Midtown Opossum is Hung Up in the Hill Farms Neighborhood

source: Madison Police Incident Report for Case #2019-92716, 03/12/2019

He was just another jack out on a nocturnal food savaging expedition. It was around 5:00 a.m., about time to call it a night, when he made the mistake of ascending a wooden privacy fence on Oconto Court. The next couple of hours surely felt painfully long. Around 7:15 a.m., a concerned human called the MPD to let us know an opossum must be sick or injured as it seemed to be stuck and not moving from atop the slatted backyard fence. An officer arrived to find some blood, and she could tell one of the only marsupials to be found naturally in North America was not moving well, if at all. Realizing she might need backup, she summoned her sergeant, who arrived with a catchpole.

Using the device the first responders were able to lift the animal up a bit and quickly determined a couple of pieces of his male anatomy had become wedged between fence slats. What to do? The sergeant suggested the officer gently hoist the omnivore up as high as she could with the catchpole while he tried to spread and loosen the slats a bit. Bingo, it worked, and they were able to successfully free the animal from its compromising position. The jack (what a male opossum is called) went to the ground and initially seemed to be dead. Was he playing possum, trying to trick the MPD into believing this unthinkable ordeal had proven fatal? A couple of pokes with the pole, and it turned out he was still with the living. He hissed a bit at the sergeant and at the officer; his way most likely of saying "thanks" for the assist. The opossum slowly waddled off. "Going to be sitting in snow someplace for a long bit I bet you," remarked the sergeant to the officer.



## The Midvale Community Garden is a Gem

source: https://midvalecommunitygarden.org/

#### The Vision Behind the Midvale Community Garden

Our goal is to create a community/school garden and gathering space with year-round beauty at Midvale Elementary School. This space is used for meeting, eating, teaching and sharing. We are motivated by a vision where the community and school work together to contribute to a healthy, positive neighborhood environment and improve the livability of the community as a whole.

#### **Our History**

Midvale Community Garden is located on the southwest corner of the Midvale Elementary School grounds, and is owned by the Madison Metropolitan School District. It consists of two main sections: the community garden plots and the Children's (or school) Gardens. Currently, there are 44 community garden plots, each about 100 square feet, planted by individuals or

families most of whom live in the nearby neighborhoods. The community gardens began in 2006. Plots are rented to community gardeners on a sliding scale set to be affordable to everyone. The Children's Gardens, begun in 2007, include many beds which grow gourds, corn, lettuce, spinach, squash, tomatoes and peppers and other food. The Children's Garden is operated by teachers and parents of students at Midvale Elementary, with summer maintenance help from the community gardeners. In fall 2007, 70 fruit trees and shrubs were planted with the help of a contribution from the Fruit Tree Planting Foundation. The gardens were founded by Nancy Gutknecht and Rachel Martin. In addition to plot fees, the school garden has been funded by various grants that have been used to develop the gardens. For example, the Dane County Cultural Affairs Commission awarded the Midvale-Lincoln PTA \$3,900 for the "Growing in Knowing" garden gates, designed and built by local metal artist Erika Koivunen. Midvale Elementary students were involved in designing and finding materials for the gates, which were unveiled in June 2009.



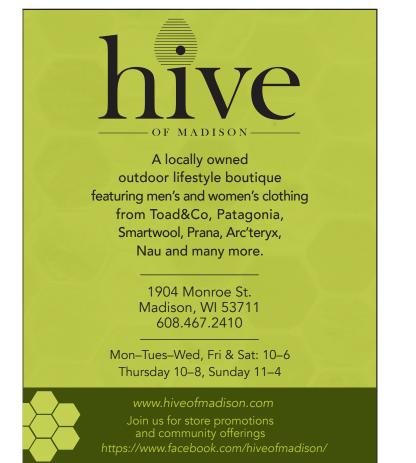
Visit the website for info, volunteer opportunities, and plot availability: https://midvalecommunitygarden.org/ As of April 12, plots were still available: email midvalecommunitygarden@gmail.com.

## **Madison Police Vacation Watch**

source: City of Madison Police Department

Planning an extended trip in the future? Along with the typical items you take care of in preparation for the trip, such as halting your mail, having your newspapers held, having your lawn mowed/driveways plowed, and notifying your neighbors to keep an eye on your home, we would like to add another level of "community" to this process by offering extra patrol, when available, to your neighborhood during the time when you are gone. Please provide us with the information [at **www.cityofmadison.com/police/forms/vacationWatch.cfm**] which will be shared with our patrol officers. We ask that you submit your information 72 hours prior to the start date of your trip. This service is intended for extended periods of time that you are away from your home (longer than one day). Short term requests can still be submitted; however, as is the case with all requests, this service is not guaranteed and officers will only be able to provide additional patrol to your area if calls for service allow for it. If you have any questions, please contact your local district.





## Monroe Street Arts Center 2526 Monroe Street, Madison, WI 608.232.1510 Create art! Play Music! Explore!



monroestreetarts.org

## There is a New Worm in Town

#### source: Jeff Epping, Olbrich Director of Horticulture, and Sunset Village resident

If you haven't heard, there's a new worm in town and it isn't a good one. In fact, no worms are good for your soil, but this one is the worst of the bunch. Wait a minute...we've all been told that worms are good for our gardens, at least that's what we learned growing up. However, contrary to popular belief, worms really do more harm than good, and prior to European settlement there wasn't a worm in the state of Wisconsin.

The worms that we've grown up with aren't great for the soil, especially soils in our natural areas, but none are as terrible as the newest invaders - several species of jumping worm, Amynthas. Jumping worms are super aggressive consumers of organic matter and quickly transform a fertile well-structured garden soil into a dry pelletized soil that resembles coarse coffee grounds. It is interesting to note that the soil is so adversely altered that no other earthworms survive in it after the jumping worms do their thing.

So, how do you know if you have these bad guys in your garden? Just go the Wisconsin DNR's ultra-informative website and educate yourself on what to look for in both the worm and the soil they create. Experts at the DNR are incredibly knowledgeable and at the forefront of the latest research on the jumping worm. Everything you need to know and then some is on their website: https://dnr.wi.gov/topic/invasives/fact/jumpingworm/index.html

As the DNR experts point out, there is no "magic bullet" to control jumping worms at this time, but we can help prevent their spread until better control options are available. Here are some things they recommend we all do:

- Educate yourself and others to recognize jumping worms.
- Watch for worms and signs of their presence impacted soil, cocoons, etc.
- Don't spread the worms or their dormant cocoons through soil, pots, and divisions of plants, infected equipment, leaves, mulch, etc.
- If you own property in "The Northwoods" or a similar natural area, be extra careful not to spread the worm to them.



We all care about gardens and our natural world and love the beauty of what Mother Nature has so generously given us. The world is getting very small these days, which is both good and bad; unfortunately, invasive species arriving from all over the globe each year is part of the bad. The jumping worm is just one of thousands of organisms that are negatively affecting our environment. We can all make a difference by educating ourselves about invasive species, volunteering with groups that are helping with the environment, and by treading lightly on the land each and every day.



# Nature Connection Summer Camps

Join Wild Harvest Nature Connection for some fun, exploring, learning, and mentored time in nature!

Day camps for a variety of ages plus a family camp

wildharvestnatureconnection.org info@wildharvestnatureconnection.org 608-286-9087

## **UW Madison Classics Youth Camp**

source: UW Classics and Ancient Near Eastern Studies

#### MEET THE ANCIENT GREEKS AND ROMANS

Classics Youth Camp on the UW-Madison campus August 5-16, 2019, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Monday-Friday

A day camp experience for students entering 5th-8th grades in the 2019-20 school year. Students must be at least 10 years old.

Are you fascinated by the mythology of ancient Greece and



gladiators of ancient Rome? Percy Jackson and the Olympians? Latin spells in Harry Potter? Explore the rich and fascinating worlds of ancient Greece and the Roman Empire in this Classics Camp on the UW-Madison campus. Through interactive activities, students will learn about everyday life in ancient Greece and Rome, including myth, history, drama, art and architecture, clothing, and food. Students will also learn a bit of Ancient Greek and Latin (don't worry, it's not that hard!) and find out about their roots in the English language we speak today (impress your friends and family when you write their names in ancient Greek!). Students also explore how classical civilizations of ancient Greece and Rome are foundational points of reference for modern fiction like J.K. Rowling's Harry Potter and Rick Riordan's Percy Jackson.

Join us to delve into the ancient world of the Greeks and Romans through stories, archaeology, monuments, language, and arts and crafts! Campers will paint their own Greek vase and make their own toga. They will also learn about the fabled city of Troy and the saga of the Trojan War, stories of the Olympians and the birth of tragedy in ancient Greece, the wonders of the Parthenon in Athens and the foundations of democracy, the gladiators of the Coliseum in Rome and the rise and fall of the Roman Empire. Campers will also explore reflections of classical civilization right here on campus at places like Camp Randall, the Memorial Union, and the Chazen Museum of Art.

Cost and registration info (deadline: May 1, 2019) is at: https://canes.wisc.edu/classicscamp

## Two MSCR Programs are Coming to Sunset Village Parks this Summer

#### Art Cart in Lucia Crest Park

The Art Cart is a free drop-in traveling program that provides creative, outdoor art-making experiences to children ages 3+ and their families. Activities include both group and individual projects with a variety of materials, lasting 15-45 minutes. Art Cart is a partnership program of Madison Museum of Contemporary Art and Madison School & Community Recreation. Art Cart travels to parks, playgrounds and beaches across Dane County in summer. Look for Art Cart in **Lucia Crest Park on July 10, 9:00 a.m.-noon and August 9, 1:00.-4:00 p.m.** See the full Art Cart schedule, including appearances at Hoyt and Westmorland Parks: **www.mscr.org/our-programs/youth-arts-enrichment/art-cart**.

#### FIT2GO in Lucia Crest and Sunset Parks

The Mission of MSCR FIT2GO is to provide free fun activities and games throughout Madison. This year we are including environmental education activities such as butterfly and bug observation and nature walks. With many different types of activities and games that are adaptive to any age and ability, the whole family will have fun. These events are free and open to the public for children of any age. We provide activities such as soccer, disc golf, obstacle courses, Imagination Playground, bug nets, and many other fun and exciting activities. Look for FIT2GO in Lucia Crest Park on August 22, 5:00-8:00 p.m. and Sunset Park on August 23, 9:00 a.m.-noon. See the full FIT2GO schedule, including appearances at Hoyt and Westmorland Parks: www.mscr.org/our-programs/youth-sports-fitness/fit2go.

## Upcoming Neighborhood and Nearby Events (see also front and back pages)

#### Westside Community Farmers' Market behind UW Digestive Health

Saturdays, 7:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m., **April 20-November 9**, behind UW Digestive Health, 750 University Row at Whitney Way and University Ave. Easy parking and shopping. More info at: **www.westsidecommunitymarket.org** 

#### Hilldale Farmers' Market behind L.L.Bean, off Segoe Road

Wednesday and Saturday: 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m., May 4-October 30, 608-209-7130, hilldalemkt@hotmail.com

#### **Capitol City Band concerts in Rennebohm Park**

- Thursdays, 7:00-8:00 p.m., **June 13 thru August 29**. There's toe-tapping music for everyone all ages, all cultures, easily accessible
- On July 4 at 7:00 p.m. the Capitol City Band will play a special concert: Tribute to the Troops then and now

#### Make Music Madison on the Summer Solstice, Friday, June 21

**Bethany Church** front lawn, 4:00-8:00 p.m. Performers will include Raine Stern (young singer/songwriter), Chromatix A Cappella Singers, The Madison Flute Club, and more. Free hot dogs, chips, and lemonade! Bring your lawn chairs or blankets.

Lucia Crest Park, 6:30-8:00 p.m. Come enjoy acoustic music on the summer solstice, the longest day and shortest night of the year. Bring a picnic and a beverage and gather with neighbors. The line-up of performers will be announced closer to the day of the event; watch the SVCA list serve to find out. For more information contact Tim Gruber, (608)338-3840, timothy gruber@yahoo.com.

#### Let's Eat Out food carts-Tuesdays on Midvale Blvd.

The food carts are coming back to Midvale Blvd. on **June 11**. Walk, bike, or drive up the hill to reward yourselves with supper and let the kids play on the recently renovated Midvale School playground. The various carts will rotate in and out. Check the Facebook page for more information and sudden changes (due to weather or otherwise): **www.facebook.com**/ **LetsEatOutMadison** 

#### Friends of Hoyt Park: upcoming activities, submitted by Anne Badey Raffa

- Hoyt Park will participate in the Earth Day Challenge held throughout the city's parks on **Saturday, April 27**. There are 15 sign up slots for Hoyt Park. Meet at the main shelter at 10:00 a.m. for details. Volunteers may assist with garlic mustard removal, raking, weeding and removing sticks. Gloves, garbage bags and rakes will be provided.
- Work days are the third Saturday of the month March through November. Meet at the main shelter at 10:00 a.m. The April work day is moved to April 27 to coincide with the Earth Day Challenge.
- At this time no annual picnic is scheduled. See **www.hoytpark.org**/ for other events.

#### Sunset Village neighborhood yard sales

Dig through your basement, attic, and garage to find treasures to sell. This year the annual Sunset Village neighborhood yard sales will be held **Friday, August 9** and **Saturday, August 10**, which is National Garage Sale Day. Contact Ulrike Dieterle, ulrike.dieterle@gmail.com, with your address and choice of days. Information will be posted on NextDoor and the SVCA Facebook page. Sunset Village Community Association will take care of city-wide advertising.

#### Earth Day Challenges

Celebrate Earth Day with your neighbors and friends by volunteering to clean up your local park on Saturday, April 27, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Register online: www.cityofmadison.com/parks/events/earthdayChallenge.cfm







## The Good Neighbor Project is a Community Safety Program

source: City of Madison Police Department

These days it's easy to do just about everything from behind a screen. We shop online, text and chat with friends and neighbors on apps or on social media, and now we can even use our smartphones to talk to someone at our front door! While all of this technology can be very useful and even fun, we aren't getting to personally know the people who live and work in our neighborhoods like we used to, yet they are the ones who are nearby and can quickly help us when we need it. Safe, caring neighborhoods start with good neighbors who look out for each other, notice things and support each other.

The Madison Police Department's Good Neighbor Project is a community safety program that encourages you to make an effort to personally get to know some of your neighbors. This helps build a neighborhood social support network that's always there when you need it. Madison Police officers are



part of that support network. We not only work in your neighborhoods, but many MPD officers and detectives live in, grew up in, or have friends and family who reside in your neighborhoods. We are eager to get to know you and to partner with you to solve problems and to help keep all of our neighborhoods safe.

Your Good Neighbor Project can involve two people, a small group of neighbors, or even your entire neighborhood! Decide what works best for you. To get started, check out the Good Neighbor Project Starter Kit and resources:

www.cityofmadison.com/police/community/good-neighbor-project/





## Leaving Your Employer? Understand Your 401(k) Options.

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## **Uprooted: Plants in a Changing Climate**

submitted by Shoshauna Schey, Wisconsin Humanities Council

Your local non-profit residing near Hoyt Park, the Wisconsin Humanities Council (WHC), is excited about a program we're helping to fund titled <u>Uprooted: Plants in a Changing Climate</u>. We gave a major grant to the Wisconsin Academy of Sciences, Arts & Letters for programming that includes a group exhibition at the Overture Center, gallery tours, talks and workshops that explore how alterations in plant life due to climate change will shape our sense of place here in Wisconsin.

At the UW-Arboretum, only minutes away, Lynn Keller will give a talk titled "Plants, Poetry and the Anthropocene" on Sunday, May 19th at 2:00 p.m. Advance registration is requested (265-2500). To find out more about another climate



wisconsin HUMANITIES council change program being offered that day at the Arboretum, please go to www.wisconsinacademy.org/gallery.

The Wisconsin Humanities Council is a statewide resource for librarians, teachers, museum educators and civic leaders who create entertaining and informative programs using culture and discussion to strength community life. To learn more about the programs we fund and also create, please visit us at **www. wisconsinhumanities.org** or find us on Facebook and Twitter @wihumanities. Or stop by our office under the oaks at 3801 Regent Street - We would love to meet you!



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## **Selection of Electric Vehicles Continues to Grow**

From: Madison Gas and Electric

One size does not fit all when it comes to electric vehicles. Some drivers want a small car to squeeze into compact caronly spots while other drivers want an SUV to haul their kids' hockey gear. Or, some drivers dream of a sporty sedan that goes zero to 60 mph in less than four seconds. What many buyers may not realize is the assortment of electric vehicle options at dealerships in the Madison area. There are more than 40 electric vehicles available in almost every class from the Chevy Bolt hatchback to the Chrysler Pacifica minivan. That number is expected to double in the next five years.

#### All Electric or Gasoline Backup?

Today's electric vehicles offer many choices when it comes to trim, color, and packages. Like gas-powered vehicles, which may take either regular or premium fuel, electric vehicles are "fueled" in different ways. For example, some vehicles are all-electric while others are plug-in hybrid electric vehicles (PHEV) or battery electric vehicles (BEV).

#### What's the Difference?

BEVs, like the Chevy Bolt, Nissan LEAF, and Tesla Model 3, run on electricity only. They have an electric motor. The battery recharges by plugging into an electrical outlet or charging station. On average, you can drive from 100 to 240 miles on a charge. Automakers are promising future models will travel 300 miles or more on a single charge. PHEVs also have an electric motor and battery with a gasoline engine for backup. You can drive from 10 to 50 miles on electricity before the gasoline engine kicks in. PHEVs can travel between 300 to 600 miles before you need to charge or fuel up. The many available models include the Chrysler Pacifica Minivan, Honda Clarity, Mitsubishi Outlander, and BMW 330e.

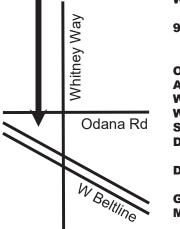
#### **PHEV or BEV?**

This depends on your driving habits and lifestyle. If you live in DeForest and work in Madison a BEV might be a good choice. The Chevy Bolt, for example, gives you more than 200 miles per charge. If you travel for your job or take your kids to distant soccer tournaments, a PHEV may be the option for you since they allow for greater distance travel.

## Learn to Swim this Summer at the West Side Swim Club

Members enjoy free swim lessons for whole family Ask about new member discount rates Try us for FREE on Memorial Day Weekend!





West Side Members Enjoy:

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Open Swim Adult lap swim lanes Water Aerobics Water Ballet Swim team Dive team

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www.westsideswimclub.com 5533 West Odana Road Kitty Corner from Hy-Vee





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## Sunset Village Neighborhood Project Updates

#### Lucia Crest Park playground replacement,

Estimated schedule is May 1 through September 30, 2019. More info and overview at: www.cityofmadison.com/parks/projects/lucia-crest-park-playground-replacement-contract-2019-playgrounds-group-1

#### N. Blackhawk Ave-Bruce Court-Heather Crest project – March through Fall 2019

Work on Bruce Court and Heather Crest began in October 2018. Utilities were installed and a temporary surface was placed for winter. Permanent asphalt pavement and final concrete work will be completed in late Summer or early Fall 2019. Work on N. Blackhawk Avenue began in March. MG&E crews completed the majority of their gas main relocations in March, with work at University Avenue and at Stevens Street continuing into April. Utilities will be replaced, including sanitary sewer main and laterals, water main and services, and storm sewer. Water main will be replaced only on N. Blackhawk Avenue between Street and University Avenue. The project will include 4 speed bumps on N. Blackhawk Ave. to address documented speeding.

www.cityofmadison.com/engineering/projects/blackhawk-ave-n-bruce-ct-heather-crest-resurfacing.

Blackhawk resident, Ulrike Dieterle, organized an April 6 Q&A meeting for neighbors, which included discussion of the impact on neighboring streets, concerns about parking, treatment of terrace trees, a list of important City contacts. City staff did not attend the meeting. The project contact is Chris Dawson, 608-261-5537, cdawson@cityofmadison.com.

#### Hammersley Avenue project – April through August 2019

Contractor plans to start work the week of April 29 with the replacement of the sanitary sewer. The project should be complete by the end of August 2019. The general sequence of street construction will go as follows: tree removals, sanitary sewer, water main, storm sewer, asphalt & concrete removals, new retaining wall, new gravel, new curb & gutter, new driveway aprons, new sidewalk, new asphalt paving. It is anticipated that the construction of the sanitary sewer, water main, storm sewer will take 2-3 months. Grading, concrete and asphalt work will take place in July and August.

More info at: www.cityofmadison.com/engineering/projects/sunset-village

## Jodi Jean Amble and The Honey Pies

There is a lot of talent in our Sunset Village neighborhood. Any given street might have a complete skill set—farmer/gardeners, doctors, mechanics, singer/actors, librarians, teachers, and more. One among us is Jodi Jean Amble, who sings with a group called The Honey Pies.

Here is a bit of their history, from the website: "In September 2017 three veteran Madison musicians, vocalist Jodi Jean Amble, singer and guitarist Tom Waselchuk, and multi-instrumentalist Doug Brown, put together a set of material for a one-and-done performance at the annual Spring Green BeatleFest. Their set was enthusiastically received. The players

came away feeling the spark of a kindred musical spirit, and so began The Honey Pies. A year's worth of performances has only confirmed each member's initial feeling that they'd stumbled onto something special. To mark their one year anniversary The Honey Pies introduced bassist and vocalist Matt Rodgers to the band. The Honey Pies apply crystal harmonies and virtuoso instrumental skills to the best of traditional, contemporary, and original Americana music."

Watch some excellent videos, listen to more music, and look for upcoming performances at

www.honeypiesmusic.com/





#### **VOLUNTEER WITH MADISON PARKS!**

### Saturday, April 27, 2019 10 am - 12 pm



ityofmadison.com/parks/events/earthdaychallenge.cfm Select your park and register online!





## Quarry Park



#### Garlic Mustard Removal and Trash Clean-up

Saturday, April 27, 9:00 a.m. until noon

Join us for the Quarry Park Clean-up project in association with the City of Madison-Earth Day Challenge.

- Volunteers should meet at the park entrance between Barlow Street & Stevens Street to sign-in.
- Stop by anytime between 9:00 a.m. and noon, spend as much or as little time as you wish.
- Please bring your own work or gardening gloves and a bucket if possible.
- We will have trash bags supplied by the City of Madison, info about Garlic Mustard identification and removal, and maps of the park.



## **10 THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW** WHEN MEETING SOMEONE BUYING OR SELLING SOMETHING ONLINE

- 1. Always meet in a public place
- 2. Tell someone
- Never meet at home
- 4. Always meet during the day
- 5. If it's a high-priced transaction, 10. Don't reveal personal do it at a bank information

- 6. Don't pay in cash
- 7. Disable caller ID
- 8 Don't use personal email
- 9. Keep your cell phone close

## NEIGHBORHOOD EVENTS

#### **SVCA Quarterly Meeting**

Thursday, **May 16**, 6:30 p.m. Bethany Church, 3910 Mineral Point Rd. with State Assembly Rep., Shelia Stubbs

#### **Farmers' Markets**

Hilldale - Wed. and Sat., 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

May 4-Oct. 30, behind L.L. Bean off Segoe Rd.

WestSide - Sat., 7:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

April 20-Nov. 9, @UW Digestive Health Center

#### Let's Eat Out Food Carts on Midvale Blvd.

Tuesdays, 5:30-7:30 p.m., June 11-July 30

#### **Capitol City Band Concerts**

Thursdays, 7-8 p.m., June 13-August 29

Rennebohm Park, 115 N. Eau Claire Ave.

#### Make Music Madison on June 21

Bethany Church, front lawn, 4-8 p.m.

Lucia Crest Park, 6:30-8:00 p.m.

#### **Friends of Hoyt Park Events**

http://www.hoytpark.org/

Westmorland July 4

Thursday, July 4, Westmorland Park

#### Ice Cream Social @ Lucia Crest Park

Saturday, Aug. 3, 1-4 p.m., Luigi's Pizza,

Chocolate Shoppe Ice Cream, Great Dane Beer

#### Neighborhood Garage Sales

August 9 & 10, ulrike.dieterle@gmail.com

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## NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES

#### Yard Work, Snow Removal, Pet Care, Odd Jobs

Help teach the Laursen kids where money comes from: WORK. Lawn mowing, leaf and snow removal, cat sitting, dog walking, odd jobs. Contact their dad, Tobin at 608-790-0970 or Tobin@charter.net.

#### Pet Sitting, Babysitting

Alexa Klodd: H.S. age, experienced at babysitting and pet sitting; neighborhood references available; please call 238-2859

#### **Babysitting and Mother's Helper**

Ivory Nordeng 15, with 2 younger sibs, experience with other children. Will babysit at your house or mine. 608-628-5553 Aeza Nordeng 13, experience with toddlers and preschoolers. Bilingual Spanish speaker. 608-960-3305 Both Nordeng teens have completed the babysitter safety course. \$7 per hour.

#### **Babysitting and Pet Sitting**

Hi, I'm Sutton Andersen, 15 y/o. I'm experienced at both babysitting and pet sitting. You can contact me at (608) 960-1111, or email me at sutton.andersen@yahoo.com.

#### **Book Club**

Meet your neighbors, enjoy great conversation, and discuss a wide range of books. Contact Linda Fahy, lbfahy\_27@hotmail.com

#### Preschool "Book Club"

My family and I invite you and your child to come share our collection of children's books. Come read together and spend time in our playroom for a preschool "book club." My kids are growing up and I hate to see these amazing books gather dust until I have grandkids :) Call or text Marie: 608-354-4102.

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Online Message Board: http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ sunsetvillagecommunityassociation

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