



# Sunset Village Voice

Your Neighborhood Newsletter

Fall 2022

**Sunset Village Community Assoc.**  
quarterly meeting:  
Thursday, November 17, 6:30 p.m.  
at Sequoya library

## Dear Neighbors

August was a busy time in Sunset Village with our annual Ice Cream Social in full swing under sunny skies this time. Approximately 150 people enjoyed catching up with neighbors over Luigi's pizzas, beer from the Great Dane and, of course, ice cream from the Chocolate Shoppe. Please thank these merchants with your patronage. The Balloon Man again provided endless amusement for kids and parents alike and Fire Station #9 paid us a visit. The following weekend our annual two-day garage sale took place throughout the neighborhood. The month ended with our August quarterly meeting at Sequoya Library.

As we roll into fall, we look forward to our annual Halloween Parade on October 30; our November meeting, where we will have a drawing for compost bins; and, in December, the SVCA sponsored Red Cross Blood Drive. See separate articles in this issue.

Please let us hear from you. Bring your questions, suggestions and topics for discussion forward. Join us for the next meeting on November 17 at Sequoya Library. Stay well and stay in touch.

Your Co-Presidents,  
Ulrike Dieterle & Jonathan Becker



## Renew Your Membership in the Sunset Village Community Association

See inside this newsletter for a full-page membership form for 2023. Suggested annual membership is \$15 per household, and pays for social events, neighborhood improvement projects, and this newsletter.

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## Halloween Parade in Sunset Park

*Sunday, October 30, 2 p.m. at Sunset Park*

Find your best costume and join your neighbors for the Annual Halloween Parade in Sunset Park. The parade will start promptly at 2 p.m. followed by treats (but no tricks), crafts and games!



If you are interested in helping out with the event – making treats, staffing games, helping with the craft table, set-up, clean-up, etc. – please contact Alice Yuroff, [alice@yuroff.com](mailto:alice@yuroff.com), or Erin Courtenay, [erin.courtenay@gmail.com](mailto:erin.courtenay@gmail.com)

# Sunset Village Neighborhood and Nearby Project Updates

## 2023 South Owen Drive Reconstruction

The purpose of this project is to reconstruct S. Owen Drive from Hillcrest Drive to Regent Street. Proposed work includes replacement of the asphalt pavement and road base, replacement of the sanitary sewer main and laterals, replacement of the storm sewer and private storm connections, installation of new curb and gutter, and replacement of sidewalk and drive aprons as needed.

A virtual Zoom public involvement meeting is scheduled to be held for this project on Thursday, October 20, at 6:00 p.m. Details on the project design, construction schedule, residential impacts, and special assessments will be discussed. Registration is required on the project website. The presentation will also be posted on this website.

[www.cityofmadison.com/engineering/projects/south-owen-drive-reconstruction](http://www.cityofmadison.com/engineering/projects/south-owen-drive-reconstruction)

## University Avenue 2022 and 2023 Road Construction

An update - the multi-use path on the north side of University Ave. will remain open for the remainder of 2022.

Project overview and maps are on the website: [www.cityofmadison.com/engineering/projects/university-avenue](http://www.cityofmadison.com/engineering/projects/university-avenue)

## Blackhawk at University Intersection Improvements & Bike Connections

Safety improvements are being considered for the intersection of University Ave at N Blackhawk Ave to eliminate serious/fatal crashes and make it easier for people walking and biking to cross University Ave.

Proposed design and survey are at: [www.cityofmadison.com/trafficEngineering/CurrentSafeStreetProjects.cfm](http://www.cityofmadison.com/trafficEngineering/CurrentSafeStreetProjects.cfm)

## Let's Talk Streets – City of Madison Project

Let's talk...about what our streets should look like. Madison is working on several projects this year related to how our streets work. These projects will impact the way the City makes decisions about streets in the future: how they are designed, who they serve, how they are used, and how to make them safer. We want these future decisions to be rooted in shared community values. Info and updates: [www.cityofmadison.com/transportation/initiatives/lets-talk-streets](http://www.cityofmadison.com/transportation/initiatives/lets-talk-streets)



## Willow Creek Watershed Study

To review: the purpose of the watershed study is to identify causes of existing flooding in the Willow Creek Watershed, which includes Sunset Village, and then look at potential solutions to try to reduce flooding. As the study nears completion, the City of Madison Engineering Division held a Zoom PUBLIC INPUT MEETING #3 for this project on September 29, 2022. The presentation is available on the project's webpage, as well as updates:

[www.cityofmadison.com/engineering/projects/willow-creek-watershed-study](http://www.cityofmadison.com/engineering/projects/willow-creek-watershed-study)

## Glenway Woods Planning Study

The City of Madison Parks Division is developing a Management and Sustainability Plan for Glenway Woods. The planning process will review existing park uses and amenities as well as identify future improvements. Stop in Sequoya Library on one of four (4) drop-in listening sessions October 20-22. See times on the website:

[www.cityofmadison.com/parks/projects/glenway-woods-planning-study](http://www.cityofmadison.com/parks/projects/glenway-woods-planning-study)

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## 2022 Ice Cream Social in Lucia Crest Park – Another Good One

The Sunset Village Ice Cream Social in Lucia Crest Park once again brought people together on a sunny August 6. This is a free annual event, thanks to generous contributions from our neighborhood sponsors. The **Chocolate Shoppe** provided ice cream at wholesale cost; **Luigi's** provided pizzas at 30 percent discount; **Great Dane** donated kegs of beer. Please support and thank these local businesses. The Station #9 fire engine was there as usual, as well as balloon twister, Joe Beck, of Twist N Shout. See the SVCA Facebook page for MANY more photos (in color).





# Mineral Point Road: A Catastrophe Waiting To Happen

*submitted by Erin Courtenay*

Should I feel guilty about walking my daughter home from school? The fifteen-minute walk to Midvale Elementary is one of the main joys of living in this neighborhood, but it is also a danger. In the morning a group of families walk together and cross Mineral Point with the help of Mr. Paul the crossing guard. Sometimes Mr. Paul gets a little extra help from another crossing guard or a police officer because, that, street, is, insane.

A frequent topic as we walk to school is the aggressive traffic on Mineral Point, with every parent able to recount a recent incident where they came *\*this close\** to getting run over. In the afternoons when there is no crossing guard I've had cars come at me from every direction, speed right past me and my kids as we cross, and feel like I'm taking a stupid risk for the simple joy of a walk with my six-year-old. It has occurred to me that were we to get hit it could be considered my fault for not driving the half-mile route to avoid walking across Mineral Point.



My son's best friend lives in Westmorland, an easy bike ride in terms of distance but an impossibility in terms of safety. It would be ridiculous of me to let him traverse that road without a teen or adult companion. Without a truly safe way to cross Mineral Point, these two neighborhoods full of kids that go to the same school, in actuality, live a car ride away from one another.

As Mineral Point gets busier and more families choose our neighborhood to raise small kids, we are facing down a catastrophe. Before someone gets hurt, or worse, we need to find a way to make it safe to walk between Sunset Village and Westmorland.

**Update, October 7:** This morning we learned Mr. Paul (pictured) is transferring to a different crosswalk because the Mineral Point intersection is too dangerous. He has tried multiple things to help keep him and the families that cross safe, but it is just too chaotic. He's really been wonderful and a real hero but ultimately he cannot feel in danger on a daily basis.

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- BCycle Community Pass Program: To get started, check out the pass from any Madison Public Library location, just like checking out a bike. The passes can be checked out for up to a week at a time and provide access to over 300 electric-assist bikes from more than 50 BCycle stations in and around Madison. Users may choose to check out helmets as well. <https://madison.bcycle.com/nav/in-the-community/community-pass-program>
- Birding Backpacks: Madison Public Library is offering Birding Backpacks thanks to a generous donation from the Feminist Bird Club-Madison Chapter and the Madison Public Library Foundation. Birding Backpacks can be checked out for 7 days at a time and Madisonians will find two backpacks at each Madison Public Library location. No holds are available for the bags, so they are first-come, first-serve. Birding Backpacks include: 1 pair of binoculars for adults, 1 pair of binoculars for kids, 1 Sibley's field guide for adults, 1 youth field guide, 1 birding location guide to help you explore potential birding spots near each library.

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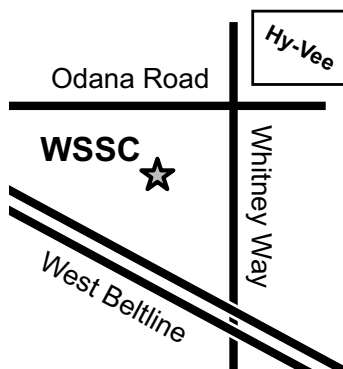
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## In-Person Absentee Voting Hours and Locations for the November 8 Election

[www.cityofmadison.com/clerk/elections-voting/voting/vote-absentee/](http://www.cityofmadison.com/clerk/elections-voting/voting/vote-absentee/)

For the November 8 election, we will offer In-Person Absentee Voting October 25 – November 6 (no voter registration on November 5 or 6, per state law). The offices and candidates on the ballot for your address are listed at My Vote WI (<https://myvote.wi.gov/en-us/>). If you are not already registered to vote at your current address, you may register to vote, with proof of residence, at any absentee voting location through Friday, November 4.

Sequoia Library will offer In-Person absentee voting for this election.

11 a.m. - 7 p.m. weekdays, October 25 - November 4

10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Saturdays, October 29 & November 5

See the website for more In-Person absentee voting times and locations.

[www.cityofmadison.com/clerk/elections-voting/voting/vote-absentee](http://www.cityofmadison.com/clerk/elections-voting/voting/vote-absentee)



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## Compost Bin Giveaway – Enter the Drawing!

*submitted by Ulrike Dieterle*

Sunset Village has obtained compost bins from Bryan Johnson, Recycling Coordinator/ Public Information Officer with the City of Madison Streets Division. We will hold a drawing at our SVCA quarterly meeting November 17, Sequoia Library, Rm B. FOUR lucky winners will take home a large bin ready for assembling and use in your yard before winter weather hits. The boxes are approximately 3' x 3' x 4' so will fit into most cars. Don't miss this great opportunity to get started with or expand your composting activities.



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## Know Your City of Madison Ordinances – Riding Bicycles on the Sidewalk

*submitted by Ulrike Dieterle*

Just to be clear – riding bicycles on sidewalks is okay in Madison except in areas where buildings abut the sidewalk. Remember pedestrians ALWAYS have the right of way. Slow down and be prepared to stop at driveways and intersections. Make your presence known, if approaching walkers from behind.

To read more on this topic, see the following: [www.cityofmadison.com/BikeMadison/getBiking/sidewalks.cfm](http://www.cityofmadison.com/BikeMadison/getBiking/sidewalks.cfm)

Or search City of Madison Ordinances, section 12.76 - SPECIAL RULES APPLICABLE TO BICYCLES

[https://library.municode.com/wi/madison/codes/code\\_of\\_ordinances](https://library.municode.com/wi/madison/codes/code_of_ordinances)

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## Last of the SVCA Beer Glasses go to Fire Station #9



Sunset Village Community Association co-president, Ulrike Dieterle, dropped off the last three SVCA pint glasses at Fire Station #9, with a note of thanks. As she says, "They deserve a 'thank you' for coming to our Ice Cream Socials and for providing the little and big kids the chance to climb around the fire engine."



# Friends of Hoyt Park News and Events

*submitted by Anne Badey Raffa*

Mark your calendars for our annual Full Moon Owl Walk on Monday, November 7. We will be meeting by the Main Shelter between 6:00 and 6:30 p.m. Treats will be provided as well. Check the Google Group listserv for more information as we draw closer to the date.

There was a successful controlled Ready Prairie burn in August, timed to control warm weather grasses and not interfere with monarch butterfly development.

The Summer Fun Day on July 31st was well attended. There was a Kona Ice Truck with unlimited ice treats, yard games, water balloon launch, and a craft table where kids made a butterfly feeder and painted rocks. A business meeting followed.

Our final workday will be November 19. Meet at the Main Shelter Parking Lot at 10:00 a.m., weather permitting. We will be spreading woodland and prairie seeds and pulling up garlic mustard.

Hoyt Park is such a treasure in Madison. We have several family gatherings each year. We maintain the many trails throughout the park and prairie as well as bike areas. We have two shelters, many working fireplaces and a bird sanctuary. We hire a seasonal ranger to oversee current projects as well. Consider joining Friends of Hoyt Park: [www.hoytpark.org](http://www.hoytpark.org)



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### Quarterly Newsletter



### Social Events



*Ice Cream Social*



*Halloween Parade*



*Hillside Terrace Block Party*

### Playground Upgrades



*Ice Rink at Sunset Park*



*Westmorland July 4th Celebration*

### Neighborhood Improvement Projects



*Sunset Park*



*Perennial Garden at Midtown*



*Adopting the ash tree that guards the Lucia Crest playground*



**Suggested Contribution: \$15/household**

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# Red Cross Blood Drive: Sponsored by Sunset Village Community Association

Sequoia Library, Meeting Rooms A and B combined  
Thursday, Dec 1, 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Donate blood and help maintain a stable blood supply. Every day the Red Cross must collect more than 13,000 pints of blood for patients across the country. Encourage family and friends to join you in donating at the West Madison Community Blood Drive on December 1st from 12:00 to 5:00 at Sequoia Library. A pint of blood from you could be a gift of life for someone in need.

We are looking for neighbor volunteers on December 1 to work the registration table from 11:30-2:30 and from 2:00-5:00; the snack table from 12:00-2:00 and from 2:00-4:00; help Red Cross staff to pack up from 4:00-6:00. You can also help by bringing treats (cookies, muffins, etc.) both regular and gluten-free. Any help would be much appreciated. If you can help with any of these, please send your name and contact information to: [info@sunsetvillagecommunity.org](mailto:info@sunsetvillagecommunity.org)

The Red Cross encourages donors to answer screening questions on the day of their donation through Rapid Pass: [redcrossblood.org/RapidPass](https://redcrossblood.org/RapidPass)

More info and links at: [www.madisonpubliclibrary.org/events/red-cross-blood-drive-sponsored-sunset-village-community-association-1248998](https://www.madisonpubliclibrary.org/events/red-cross-blood-drive-sponsored-sunset-village-community-association-1248998)



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## NEIGHBORHOOD EVENTS

### **SVCA Fall Quarterly Meeting**

Thursday, Nov. 17, 6:30 p.m., Sequoya Library

### **Halloween Parade in Sunset Park**

Sunday, Oct. 30, 2:00 p.m. sharp!

### **Hoyt Park Full Moon Owl Walk**

Monday, Nov. 7, 6:00 p.m., main shelter

### **Hoyt Park Events & Work Days**

[www.hoytpark.org](http://www.hoytpark.org)

### **Red Cross/SVCA Blood Drive at Sequoya**

Thursday, Dec. 1, noon to 5:00 p.m.

### **Visit the SVCA website and Facebook page**

Read your newsletter (in color) and see the many photos that didn't fit in the newsletter.



### **Lenore McComas Coberly, poet**

Lenore McComas Coberly, a longtime resident of Sunset Village, died on Sept. 28. In 2015 she offered a poem for this newsletter, which you can read on the Sunset Village website, Winter 2015.

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## NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES

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Ella Klodd: H.S. age, experienced at babysitting and pet sitting; neighborhood references available; please call (608) 238-2859

### **Pet Sitting, Babysitting, House Sitting, Yard Work**

Hi! My name is Alexa Klodd. I am a junior at UW-Madison. I am interested in babysitting, pet sitting, house sitting, and yard work. Please feel free to reach out to me if you are looking for someone for any of these roles! My number is (608) 215-9616 (texting is preferred).

### **Babysitting (preschool and up) / pet-sitting /dog walking**

Completed Red Cross babysitting course.

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### **Pet Sit, Dog Walk, Babysit**

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### **Pet Sitting, Babysitting**

Fun, responsible, 14-year-old, West High freshman in Sunset Village available for babysitting and pet sitting. American Red Cross certified in Babysitting and Child Care. Experienced camp counselor. Loves kids! References available. Text or call Charlie at 608-209-3765 or email [charlie.dargan7@gmail.com](mailto:charlie.dargan7@gmail.com).

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