

MEADOWOOD

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President's Message – Terry Evanson

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In her book, *The Moment of Lift*, Melinda Gates states that we need to “see the ways we can help each other flourish”. This happens in our community when we eliminate barriers and empower one another. Sheray Wallace has been helping families in our neighborhood overcome barriers by enrolling them in the City’s eviction prevention program, funded with city and federal money. Empowerment comes as people are vaccinated and can begin to return to more normal patterns of work, social, physical and spiritual activities. We all have a part in providing the “lift” that will help everyone succeed in our neighborhood.



Madison West Police have worked collaboratively with MNA and other neighborhood associations to develop a summer strategic plan focused on reducing property crimes, quality of life issues (such as hazardous driving, fireworks and noise complaints), and strengthening partnerships and community engagement. The plan will be implemented in early June and be evaluated later in the year.

In-person neighborhood activities are back! MAKE MUSIC MADISON (MMM) will be held in Meadowood Park on **Monday, June 21st** to celebrate solstice. There will be a COVID-safe community supper, served from Good Shepherd’s Holy Cow truck starting at 4 p.m. Bands will play at the shelter until 6 p.m. Bring your friends and family and some chairs. In case of rain, MMM will be held in Peterson Hall at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church from 4 to 6 p.m.

ANNUAL PICNIC AND MEMBERSHIP MEETING! Please join us on **Saturday, August 21**, at noon in Meadowood Park. Lunch will be served at 12:30 p.m. Come for the great door prizes and comradery with your neighbors. If you haven’t joined MNA for 2021, you can pay your dues (\$10/family) at the picnic. Remember to vote for your MNA board representative.

Congratulations to Alder Christian Albouras on his reelection to the city council. I want to acknowledge all the work that Christian and Matt Veldran, our County Supervisor, do on our behalf. Both spend many, many hours advocating for us with the city and county. We greatly appreciate all they are doing to help lift the Meadowood neighborhood.

The Meadowood Neighborhood Association (MNA) Board of Directors consists of the area representatives and officers, and up to two at-large members. Here is the current board membership with contact information:

Area 1: Maggie Dugan, maggiedugan24@gmail.com
Area 2: Miguel Benson & Sammy Clevenger, miguel.a.benson@gmail.com
Area 3: Mike Edmonds, **Vice President**, m.edmonds@sbcglobal.net
Area 4: Tony Smick, skyumahwi@aol.com
Area 5: VACANT
Area 6: Lisa Veldran, lveldran@yahoo.com
Area 7: Heidi Wiley, heidijeanwiley@gmail.com
Area 8: Mark & Janice Bauman, **‘Meadowood’ Editor (MB), Board Secretary (JB)**, msbauman57@gmail.com
Area 9: Terry Evanson, **Board President**, mtevenson@gmail.com
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Area 12: Arik Grundahl, grundahlak19@gmail.com
Area 13: Sheray Wallace, sherayw@yahoo.com
Areas 14 and 15: VACANT
Member at Large: Kristen McCool, kristen.mccool@gmail.com
MNA Board Treasurer: Lisa Schulz, buttonldy@aol.com

Two (2) areas are not currently represented on the MNA Board. **If you live in one of these areas, please consider serving on the neighborhood association’s board.**

To determine which area you live in, visit the MNA website at: www.meadowoodneighborhood.org/contactus

MNA Annual Picnic and Membership Meeting will take place Saturday, August 21, from Noon to 2 p.m. at the Meadowood Park shelter.

- ⇒ Food service from 12:30 to 1:00 p.m., followed by door prize drawings.
- ⇒ Food is free for MNA member families. Join MNA for only \$10.00 per family! Bring your membership card or find your name on the membership roll at the check-in table.
- ⇒ 2021 MNA Board Elections. MNA members will vote for Officers and Area Representatives of the Board. PLEASE CONSIDER BECOMING A CANDIDATE! See the article elsewhere in this issue on Board elections.
- ⇒ Annual Membership Meeting. Get caught up on what's happening in our neighborhood!

MNA Board Elections

Meadowood Neighborhood Association Board elections will take place on Saturday, August 21, at our Annual Picnic and Membership meeting in Meadowood Park, noon to 2 p.m. MNA works because of the volunteer efforts of people in our neighborhood. **PLEASE CONSIDER BECOMING AN AREA REPRESENTATIVE and serving on the MNA Board.** Volunteers to represent Areas 5, 14 and 15 and an at-large position are needed.

- ◇ MNA Board positions consist of the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and 15 Area Representatives and 2 At-Large Reps.
- ◇ Board members are elected for one year terms and may be reelected.
- ◇ Officers and At-Large Representatives are elected by majority vote of the MNA membership.
- ◇ Area Representatives are elected by majority vote of members from each corresponding Area.
- ◇ All MNA members over 18 years of age are eligible to run for any Board position, with priority given to candidates from each Area.
- ◇ For more information about the duties of each Board member check out the MNA Bylaws at <https://www.meadowoodneighborhood.org/>

To be included on the ballot, submit nominations to MNABoard1@gmail.com or Mike Edmonds at edmondslaw@gmail.com by August 9. The ballots will also have a write-in option for each position at the time of the election.



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Make Music Madison, Monday, June 21, Meadowood Park

Make Music Madison is back in Meadowood Park! MMM celebrates the solstice and will take place 4 to 6 p.m. Come and hear local musicians play, enjoy a free community meal, and meet neighbors you haven't seen for a while. Representatives from local organizations and non-profits will be available to provide information. The music and food service (from the Holy Cow truck) begins at 4:00 p.m.



Help Wanted by a Meadowood Neighbor

Greetings Dear Neighbors!

We are actively seeking out the following type of help at our residence for a longtime Meadowood resident and SMG parish family in the following paid positions with immediate availability to qualified and/or experienced person(s) happy to train and teach willing candidates as well:

1. Physical Therapy-Occupational Therapy-Speech Therapy-Nursing or Athletic Training students!! Great summer practice opportunity to stay sharp and pizza money for piggy bank!!

Duties: range of motion, light stretching, and rehabilitation PT exercises working with stroke patient currently in wheelchair and making great progress!

Timing: We can accommodate your schedule. ideally frequency would be 2-3 visits/week.

2. Light housekeeping and Domestic Helpers:

Duties: Laundry, folding, cleaning, etc. steam mop and handheld steamer sanitization, floors and eating area, and single half-bathroom, wheelchair, transfer device, bedding changes (twin bed), dishes, vacuuming, small/close errands (pharmacy/Pick&Save) when necessary.

Timing: Daily 8a-11:30a

3. Care-provider support: for mobility restricted (wheelchair) stroke patient in active rehab protocol.

Duties: assist primary caregiver(s) in using mobile hydraulic lift for transfers, toileting, feeding and/or light meal preparation. Companionship for coverage of breaks and medical appointments for other family members.

Timing: Daily 8a-11:30a

Interested candidates - have their own transportation (secure bike storage available) and are fully Covid vaccinated (or willing to be prior to start), non-smokers, physically able-bodied, and not exposed to pet dander (cat or dog friends) regularly (due to allergy issues). Exposure to a variety of Indian spices while cooking in progress, but super yummy food to try. References welcomed if available, background check alternatively.

Working environment: Fully Covid Vaccinated, Adult occupied, Non-smoking, Non-pet home ground floor and basement areas of operation.

Please contact via email:

ProfessorChinnaswamy@gmail.com

Stay healthy, be well and read lots of books!
Have a wonderful summer. Look forward to hearing from you.

New Large Item Collection System Coming In June

In June 2021, there will be a new large item collection system. Rather than placing large items out to the curb every other week, residents will have to place a work order with the Streets Division. For more information visit: <https://www.cityofmadison.com/streets/refuse/WorkOrderFAQ.cfm>

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NewBridge is helping older adults, 60+ in Madison and Monona. We are excited to announce we are reopening SOME in-person programming in June and more in July. For up-to-date information on services, check our website and Facebook pages! *Participants will be required to follow all Madison Dane Public Health guidelines.*

Take-Out Meals, In-Person Restaurant and Congregate Meals

We hope to open 1-2 **NEW** in-person restaurant meal sites by July. Our in-person congregate meal sites will remain closed in June with hopes to reopen during the summer. Meals are available to pick up at several locations for older adults 60+. Donations are accepted to NewBridge, 1625 Northport Dr. Madison, 53704. Orders are due Thursday by 10:00 am, one week prior with Candice at (608) 512-0000 Ext. 4006.

NewBridge West Office, 5724 Raymond Rd.
Monday between 10:00-11:30 am
Wednesday between 3:00-4:00 pm
1 Meal Catered by Kavanaugh's Esquire Club

Ten Easy Ways to Save Energy This Summer

From Madison Gas and Electric Company (MGE)

Stay cool and comfortable at home with these tips from MGE.

1. Use a qualified contractor to professionally maintain your central air at least every two years. And, be sure to clean leaves and grass clippings off your outdoor air-conditioning unit.
2. Run major appliances before 10 a.m. and after 9 p.m. or on weekends. This helps lower the demand for power during peak times.
3. Set your thermostat as high as is comfortable, preferably 78°F or higher when you are home and up to 85°F when you are away. Consider upgrading to a smart thermostat—they can adjust temperatures automatically based on your routine and can make saving energy easier!
4. Swap your lightbulbs with LEDs, which use up to 75% less energy than standard incandescent bulbs and last longer.
5. Unplug your phone chargers, printers, computers and other electronics when you are not using them. These devices can still use energy when not in use and can account for 5 to 10% of your total energy use.
6. Run a whole house fan, room or ceiling fans. Be sure to turn off ceiling and room fans when no one is in the room—fans cool people, not rooms.
7. Seal around your window air conditioner so cool air cannot escape. If you need to purchase a new unit, consider a Wi-Fi window air conditioner—you can control them remotely with smartphone apps, which allow you to adjust the temperature while you're away.
8. Keep your window coverings closed to block out direct sunlight.
9. Run full loads in your washer and dryer to cut down on excess energy usage.
10. Keep your water heater temperature set at 120°F, and if you go on vacation, remember to switch it to vacation mode.

By managing our energy use collectively, we can help manage energy costs and reduce carbon emissions as we work together to achieve net-zero carbon electricity by 2050. Find other features about saving energy at mge2050.com.

2021 Meadowood Neighborhood Association (MNA) Events:

Monday, June 21, 4-6 pm: Make Music Madison at Meadowood Park

Saturday, August 21, 12-2 pm: MNA Annual Picnic & membership meeting at Meadowood Park

For updates on additional events in the Meadowood area, please refer to the hot-off-the-press, beautifully-styled, new MNA website, www.meadowoodneighborhood.org/.





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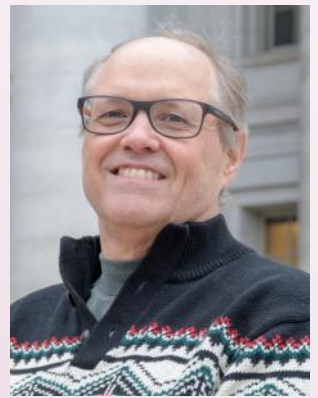
Hello Neighbors!

As Summer approaches, we can all literally take off our masks, if we want and feel comfortable, to enjoy the smells of the unfiltered air! I once again emphasize how important it is to get vaccinated and now that it is available to those 12 and older. The Alliant Energy Center (AEC) is still administering shots but I am not sure how much longer that program will continue. Especially since the first indoor events at the AEC and the Coliseum are scheduled soon. Also opening is the Henry Vilas Zoo! It is closer to being back to full operation, with just a few areas still limited to outside viewing and visiting only. The Children's Zoo is now fully opened! So please enjoy your free zoo!

The County Board is reviewing the results of the survey about how we should re-start having live meetings or having a virtual component moving forward for all board and committee meetings. I think there is a positive component of having meetings held virtually by allowing more people, if not attend, to check in or find a specific topic that is of interest to them. No decisions have been made but I believe we will be finalizing plans, likely for the fall when we start 2022 budget deliberations.

We are also starting to implement some spending priorities for the American Rescue Plan. Spending is still being directed to address homelessness through temporary housing in a program known as rapid-rehousing. It is a successful strategy, used around the country, that gets folks off the streets and into temporary to possible permanent housing so people in difficult life situations can become less dependent on county services and can contribute to our society again. This is not a homeless shelter, which the city is still working on. We have also given \$1,000,000 to Dane County artists who also had their lives turned upside down due to the pandemic. There are also more funds for small businesses through Dane Buy Local. So, if you own a business or know someone who struggled during the past year with their business, please visit the [Danebuylocal.com](https://danebuylocal.com) website to apply for those funds.

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Matt Veldran, Dane Co. Board of Supervisors, District 7





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Dane County's Continued Commitment to Help Our Community Recover from the Impacts of COVID-19

By Dane County Executive Joe Parisi

With the help of the federal government's American Rescue Plan, Dane County and our dedicated partners are working to get COVID-19 relief funds into the community as quickly and efficiently as possible to help recover from the COVID-19 pandemic.

We're infusing \$15 million into our Small Business Pandemic Support Grant Program with Dane Buy Local to help even more businesses rebound from the financial impacts of COVID-19. While recovery will not happen overnight, these grants play a crucial role in helping our local economy bounce back. To date, Dane County has put over \$29 million of funding toward this effort.

Putting food on the table remains a struggle for many in our community. Our recent \$10 million contract extension with Second Harvest Foodbank of Southern Wisconsin will ensure food security for another 12 months. The program not only keeps locally raised produce, meats, cheese, and milk on the shelves of our food pantries, but helps our local growers struggling economically due to COVID-19 as well.

The faces of the COVID-19 pandemic are many, but we are in this together. With these programs, we hope to help the Dane County community recover from the impacts of COVID-19 and see brighter days ahead.

Matt Veldran's Article (continued from p. 5...)

Good news for the Dane County Farmers' Market! Though it is certainly great that the farmers' market was able to move to the AEC, returning to its proper home on the square is approaching. If all goes well, it will return on June 19th! Again, plan on visiting one of the great county parks or spend some time on one of the city and county bike paths or walking trails. Just getting out and enjoying being outside is so necessary now for many of us can be so therapeutic for our mental health!

As always and especially now, if you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Hello Neighbors,

My name is Brittney Hayes and I am a local real estate agent who focuses on serving the real estate needs of home buyers and sellers in Madison. I'd like to take this opportunity to reach out to you and see if you have any real estate needs at this time?

Should you work with me, I would assist you in navigating the often challenging waters of the home buying and selling process, with the end result only being a wonderful experience. When I'm not busy helping clients, I enjoy spending time with my husband, John, our daughter Brooke and our cat, Claudia.

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I hope you will consider contacting me for your future real estate needs. My contact information is below.

Best Wishes,

Brittney Hayes

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