



Dudgeon-Monroe Neighborhood Association

## SUMMER 2011

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Saturday, June 18**  
**JAZZ IN THE PARK—LAKE CLEANUP**  
9:30-12:00 Lake Cleanup/Activities  
12:00-2:00 Kids/Water Activities  
4:00-9:00 Jazz Bands  
See Insert

**Tuesday, June 21**  
**SUMMER SOLSTICE BONFIRE**  
6:00 p.m.  
Glenwood Children's Park

**Monday, July 4**  
**CHILDREN'S PARADE**  
10:00 at Michael's Frozen Custard

**WINGRA ORCHARD WORK DAYS**  
Tuesdays, June 7 and 14, 11:00 a.m.  
Thursdays, June 2, 9, 16, 5:00 p.m.  
Fridays, June 10 and 17, 5:00 p.m.  
Saturdays, June 4, 11, and 18, 2:00 p.m.

**SW BIKE PATH WORK DAYS**  
Saturday, June 18, 9-11 a.m.  
Saturday, July 16, 9-11 a.m.  
Saturday, August 20, 9-11 a.m.  
Glenway & Path Prairie

**Saturday, September 17**  
**MONROE STREET FESTIVAL**

**September 2011**  
**HORNBLOWER DELIVERY BY US MAIL**

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## You're Invited to Jazz in the Park!

By Tyler Leeper, Jazz in the Park Chair

Twenty years of DMNA Jazz in the Park continues Saturday, June 18, and we have a great day of activities! This year we have pushed the confines of the event to give you a day of education, fun water and kids' activities, music, and dancing!

Lake Wingra Clean Up starts the day from 9:30am-12pm. We have expanded this great hands-on opportunity to maintain our beautiful lake and park. There will be clean-up canoeing, painting to learn about geese, and

pulling to prevent invasive plants.

Kids' Activities take place from 12:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m. There will be Kids Crafts with the Monroe Street Fine Arts Center and a guest appearance by Fire Engine #9. At the same time, join us for the Log Rolling Open House--wear your bathing suit and see how long you can stay atop a spinning log! You may get the chance to dump

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## July 4th Children's Parade and Games

By Sarah Affeldt and Kristi Stanton

Come join your neighbors for what is becoming a Dudgeon Monroe tradition and a great way to start the July 4th celebrations! On Monday July 4, watch the kids' parade of decorated wagons, bikes, and strollers parade into Wingra Park followed by some lawn games (new this year) and delicious snacks provided by sponsor businesses!

**WHEN:** Monday, July 4

**WHERE:** We begin at Michael's Frozen Custard, where kids can decorate their bikes and wagons. Decorating supplies will be available thanks to DMNA. The parade will end in Wingra Park, followed lawn games and snacks.

**TIMES:**

10:00-10:45 Decorate in the Michael's lot  
10:45-11:00 Parade to Wingra Park  
11:00-12:30 Lawn games for kids of all ages, snacks from neighborhood businesses, and a time to relax with neighbors.

We are always hoping for a few more volunteers to help make this event even better! Here are a few ways you could help:

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## Hornblower Coming via US Mail

By Aileen Nettleton, Hornblower Editor

Change is on the way! The Fall Issue of the Hornblower will be delivered to you by U.S. Mail. Watch for it in September. You will continue to receive four issues of the Hornblower each year.

We hope that this change will continue to bring your Hornblower to you in a timely

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The Dudgeon Monroe Neighborhood Association's Hornblower is published four times a year

Article deadline for the next issue: August 4, 2011  
Contact Aileen Nettleton  
[Hornblower@dmna.org](mailto:Hornblower@dmna.org)

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Creative Writing: Your Words Here deadline: July 10  
Guidelines at [dmna.org](http://dmna.org)

The next issue should be in your mail by mid-September

For information about DMNA contact: Lynn Pitman, DMNA President, at [president@dmna.org](mailto:president@dmna.org)

This and previous issues of the Hornblower are available at [www.dmna.org](http://www.dmna.org)

Visit [www.dmna.org](http://www.dmna.org) for additional information about the Association.

Sign up for [dmnanews](http://dmnanews) through the dmna website for notices of DMNA events and hearings.

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## Jazz in the Park continued

world champion Shana Martin in the lake. You can also attend the Stand Up Paddle Board Open House and try the fastest growing paddle sport.

In the afternoon, clear your schedule and get out your lawn chairs as we have an incredible line up of music from 4:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. The Edgewood Jazz Ensemble will take the stage and kick off the afternoon of jazz. Tony Castaneda Latin Jazz Sextet's fantastic music will get us moving. MadiSalsa will get all of us out of our chairs as we dance into the evening!

We hope you will invite everyone you

know. Gather your friends, family, co-workers, and even strangers from down the street, and join us for this great tradition! Walk! Bike! Skate! For the drivers, there is extra parking at Edgewood (only two blocks away). From 12:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m., a concession stand will keep your stomachs as happy as the music will make your feet! See the insert flyer for more information.

Please remember that this FREE event is a result of the generosity from Monroe Street businesses! Please consider support them and "Buy on Monroe Street"!

## Hornblower Delivery continued

fashion. In addition, we will be able to send the Hornblower to many residents in private apartment buildings and help them become part of the neighborhood in which they live. We hope to bring you the same quality news from your DMNA committees and elected officials.

Hornblower delivery has relied on a coterie of loyal area reps and block captains to hand deliver the newsletters to you for many years. We know that many of you have appreciated the personal delivery. However, it has become increasingly difficult to replace "retiring" volunteers the past few years. To reduce the need to rely on a few volunteers, the Hornblower Committee researched the processes and costs of mailing out the newsletter to alleviate the burden. Slight increases in advertising rates and funds from DMNA budget will cover the mailing costs. We thank our many advertisers for keeping the Hornblower self-sufficient for many years.

We wish to thank Mary Erdman for her conscientious distribution of 1200 Hornblower copies to area reps over the past three years and to the 12 area reps and 68 block captains for their diligent delivery of the four issues a year, in the heat of summer and the cold of winter. A special tribute to Joe Silverburg, who has delivered the Hornblower to all Monroe Street businesses for many years. You can still

look forward to seeing these intrepid volunteers when they come to your home for the Fall Membership Drive.

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## July 4th continued

-hang up event posters around the neighborhood;

-sign up to bring a game or help organize a lawn game (older kids are more than welcome to help with this!);

-help with set-up the morning of July 4 or clean-up when decorating has concluded.

Please email Sarah Affeldt if you would like to volunteer in any way at [sarahaffeldt@gmail.com](mailto:sarahaffeldt@gmail.com). We hope to see you July 4th!

A huge thanks to the following businesses who have already signed on to help support this event- Michael's Frozen Custard, Mango Girl Design, Trader Joe's, and Pasqual's.

# Update: Neighborhood Developments

By Lynn Pitman, President

Nearby neighbors had a chance to learn about the proposed development project at the Parman's site when Alder Brian Solomon hosted a meeting in March at Edgewood College. Over 100 people were in attendance, including neighbors, city planning staff, and the developers and architect for the project. The meeting provided a chance for the developers to present the project to residents, hear concerns, answer questions, and gather input.

The developers described a four-story building with a top-floor set back, retail space on the ground floor, 22 apartments on the upper floors, and 28 surface or underground parking spaces.

Neighbors brought up many concerns about the effects of increased traffic on Wyota, the Glenway and Monroe Street intersection, and on Lewis Court. Other issues included storm water management and the potential impact on the Arboreteum, and the size and massing of the development given the 2-4 story recommendations in the Monroe Street Commercial District Plan.

Just in at press time: At the May 12 meeting, developers presented revised plans which addressed concerns raised at the first

meeting. The revised plan scales back the development to three stories with 18 apartment units. The city is also working on a traffic plan. The plan now moves to the city's Urban Design Commission.

## New Redistricting for DMNA Area

In other news, redistricting is in our future. Every ten years after the U.S. census is released, the city staff redraws district boundaries to balance district population. Since much of the city's growth is at the edges, central districts such as the one that includes the DMNA neighborhood are often changed, and this year is no exception. At press time, it is very probable that our neighborhood will be part of District 13, which includes the Vilas neighborhood, and which is represented by the newly elected Sue Ellingson. Our current alder, Brian Solomon, who lives in our neighborhood, will continue to represent the newly drawn District 10 until the next election in 2013. The new district maps are available on the city's website: <http://www.cityof-madison.com/cityHall/redistricting>.

## South West Path Update

By Sandy Stark, SW Path Chair

Your DMNA Path volunteers have already, as of early May, had a successful prairie burn (Odana Prairie and adjacent corridors) and a planting/cleanup event at the Prospect Ramp (with our Regent neighbors). Volunteer garlic mustard warriors are still walking the path as I write this update.

Our plans this summer include:

1. remove invasives that are sprouting in the warmth and rain: burdock, thistle, parsley, knotweed, etc. If you need help identifying these plants, we will be posting them at the Glenway kiosk, but the Wisconsin DNR has a site on invasives as well at <http://dnr.wi.gov/invasives/>.
2. maintain both bike path prairies at Odana and Glenway.
3. more plantings at Prospect.

4. clean up the Virginia Terrace/Sheldon ramp area.

As always, we owe much of our success to the pickup crews from city engineering, who faithfully collect the debris we stack on the terraces, and to city staff who work with us to clarify project guidelines for the path corridor. In a time of continued budget cuts and work overloads, their help is especially appreciated.

If you would like to join us this season—one time or many—check the Upcoming Events on page 1, watch for postings along the path, announcements on the DMNA website calendar, and/or contact your Path chair, Sandy Stark, at 255-4195 or [sestark@wisc.edu](mailto:sestark@wisc.edu). We provide guidance, tools, and refreshments during Path events

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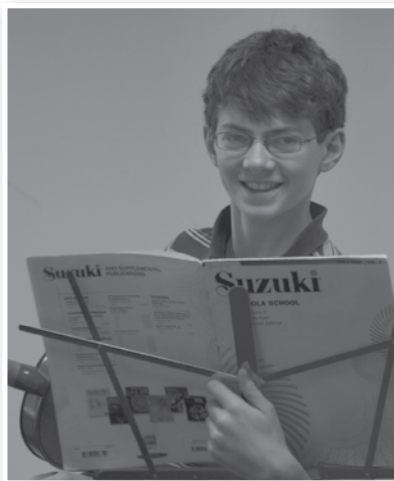
# DMNA Annual Meeting

By Linell Davis

On the unseasonably warm and sunny Sunday afternoon of April 10, neighborhood residents gathered in Edgewood College's Predolin Hall for the annual meeting. Jane Albert, social chairman, greeted new arrivals with pie and ice cream, fuel for the informal socializing that preceded the official meeting. President Lynn Pitman introduced Council officers and committee chairs, asked for approval of minutes of last year's meeting, and invited nominations for a slate of officers for the coming year. Lynn Pitman was nominated to continue for another term as president. Marcia Diamond and Al Nettleton were nominated to continue as secretary and treasurer respectively. The office of vice president is currently vacant. The members present unanimously approved the nominations, appreciative of their neighbors' willingness to serve.

Brian Solomon, Alder for the 10th district, was invited to report on implications of city, county and state government activities for the neighborhood. He gave updates on the Monroe Street roadwork scheduled for next year and on the development plan for Parman's service station.

Janet Niewold then introduced the program for the day which was an introduction to arts organizations in the neighborhood. We heard first from representatives of Young Shakespeare Players who explained that the organization is governed by a philosophy that the works of Shakespeare, G. B. Shaw and others are accessible to young people. To demonstrate the point, two young actors performed a scene from the upcoming production of *The Winter's Tale*. Admission to performances at the YSP theatre on West Lawn is free. Next we heard from the Monroe Street Fine Arts Center that provides private music lessons and art instruction. To demonstrate we were treated



**Jack Niewold, Viola, Monroe Street Fine Arts Center. Photo by Daryl K. Sherman**

with a violin performance by Janet's son, Jack Niewold. MSFAC is bursting at the seams so is happy to announce that it will soon expand into part of the space previously occupied by Pasqual's restaurant. Madison Opera was invited to participate in the program but had to decline because of pressing production needs, but they welcome involvement in future activities of the neighborhood association.



**Young Shakespeare Players  
Shamus Fleichman and Cullen Chosy, *The Winter's Tale*. Photo by Daryl K. Sherman**

## Green Madison Home Energy Program

Green Madison is a new City of Madison program for homeowners who are interested in making energy efficiency improvements to enhance the comfort of their home. The program benefits include energy advocates, low-interest unsecured financing through Summit Credit Union and reduced price for a professional energy inspection by approved consultants. Green Madison participants are able to take advantage of Wisconsin's Focus on Energy rebates. Additional information about Green Madison is available on the City's website at <http://www.cityofmadison.com/greenmadison>.

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# Parks and Gardens Committee News

By Peter Nause, Chair

## The Tradition Continues-- Summer Solstice Bonfire

In homage to Park Landscape Architect Jens Jensen, come celebrate the popular annual solstice tradition at Glenwood Children's Park at 6 pm. on Tuesday, June 21. For a change, we shall have the bonfire on Tuesday eve--the actual Summer Solstice--rather than the weekend. Enjoy "S'Mores" around our friendly fire circle. Committee volunteers are hoping to include live music and readings similar to the past year's successful Winter Solstice when Poets Wendy Vardaman and Greer DuBois enhanced the gathering with readings from Jensen's writings.

## Restoration Progress at Glenwood Children's Park

The committee is in discussion with Madison Parks and Forestry regarding future Phase 2 canopy management. This work is detailed in the Glenwood Children's Park Urban Forest Management Plan (2009), under the auspices of a DNR Grant. Look for a link to this report on DMNA.org soon. Last year, City Forestry crews substantially removed about 17 Phase 1 priority hazard trees, opening up some of the park to more light. Veteran Glenwood nature buffs have observed the abundant species of spring wildflowers this year and feel the ongoing eradication of invasives like Garlic Mustard (thanks Margaret Nelson) and more sunlight (due to tree removals) are paying noticeable dividends. The Parks Committee is considering a future erosion stabilization and understory planting experiment on one of the steep slopes now exposed.

## Stormwater Project and the Glenwood Park Blog

The south end of Glenwood is benefitting from the current stormpipe repair--check it out at the new Park blog at <http://glenwoodpark.blogspot.com/>.

## Glenwood Park Forts On Facebook

Neighborhood kids are always coming up with new forts in the park. These forts are the epitome of what childhood is all

about. See photos of their creations here:

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Glenwood-Childrens-Park-Madison-WI/163767666993119> or <http://tinyurl.com/3brn66e> (shortcut)

## The Greening of Prospect Crossing-Bike Path

Dudgeon-Monroe and Regent Neighborhood volunteers are excitedly watching the spring emergence of last year's new shrub and native seed plantings. This joint neighborhood landscape restoration project is making further plans to green-up and enliven this eyesore of rock rip-rap with more flowering plants, public art, and a fruit-bearing slope of tended berry bushes. If you would like to help with this fun group, contact Jake Blasczyk (251-9506) or Steve Arnold (233-1784).

## Get Bonfire Permission!

The DMNA Parks and Garden Committee wants everyone to have a safe and enjoyable time when utilizing Glenwood Children's Park. One aspect of ensuring the safety of those in the park is obtaining a permit before having a bonfire. It's very easy!

1. E-mail [KPadorr@citymadison.com](mailto:KPadorr@citymadison.com) with the information about your bonfire: name of park, date, other activities taking place, time, contact person. Do this as far in advance as possible.
2. Upon approval, a complete permit application and \$50 fee must be submitted. Page 2 of this form: <http://www.cityofmadison.com/fire/documents/Burn-NaturalLawnLicenseApp.pdf>.
3. A copy of the permit will be returned to the applicant. The permit should be taken to the bonfire site as proof of the legality of the fire.

DMNA Park and Garden Committee Members can assist with locating firewood at the Glenwood Children's Park site. Their assistance depends on availability of wood within the park. Phone Dorrie Sundquist at 257-2724 for more information.

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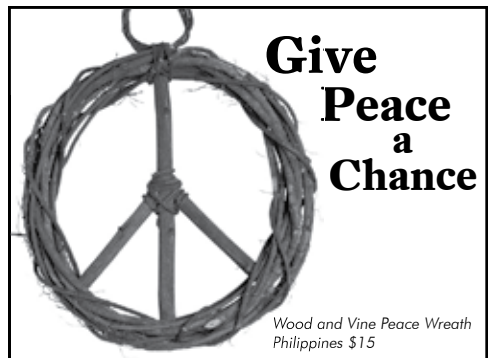
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# New City Zoning Code Passed

By Ken Golden, Planning and Zoning Chair

The Madison City Council recently passed a new Zoning Code that replaces the old 1967 code. The new code reintroduces some of the concepts from the 1922 code that made our neighborhood a wonderful place to live.

A communication from Planning and Zoning staff described several major changes. First, there will be new kinds of zoning districts including such districts as Neighborhood Mixed Use, Traditional Shopping Street, Mixed Use Center, Campus/Institutional (Read UW and Edgewood) and Transit-Oriented Development to name a few. Second, there is a splitting of the R-2 district (most of our single family homes are in R-2) into three different districts to reflect the different configurations around the city (not all of which are in our neighborhood). Third, there are new design standards for major additional, redevelopments, and new developments in commercial and mixed use districts as well as new building placement standards.

Finally, there is a reduction and even elimination of minimum parking requirements and the creation of new parking stall maximums. (Note: This is an interesting one for our neighborhood. If less parking is

required, more street parking results, and there has been a tendency for residents to not like this. On the other hand, less parking assumes more transit use and makes housing more affordable.)

DMNA does not yet know how this will play out in our neighborhood. A second phase of the project is for the City to look at the city map, the comprehensive plan, neighborhood plans, the current zoning map and then apply the new code to all land within the city. DMNA may provide an informational meeting on the subject in the future. For more information about Madison's Zoning Code Rewrite in general and to see future meeting plans and notices by the City, see <http://www.cityofmadison.com/neighborhoods/zoningrewrite/process.cfm>.

## Post Script:

Days after submitting this article, I was informed by the City Zoning Administrator that the new code lacks the area exception process used extensively in this neighborhood for properties zoned R2. This means that people who seek to add on to their houses and encroach into side or backyard setbacks (something very common here) would have to seek variances. The standards for variances are much more difficult to attain. This could result in the return of an old problem we thought we solved some years back of people being unable to improve their houses. Stay tuned--this may be something the neighborhood comments about to Alderman Solomon, Mayor Soglin and the City Council prior to the implementation of the zoning map.

# Your Words Here

Our thanks to Beth Wortzel for this lovely reflection on spring from her window on Cross Street. We do realize that it is summer now, not spring. However, anyone who lives in Wisconsin knows that we can have two or three seasons in a week—sometimes in a day. Who knows what “season” it may be as this issue comes out? So, enjoy the poem. If you're inspired, send us something for our next issue by July 10. Submission guidelines are at [www.dmn.org](http://www.dmn.org) under Newsletter.

## Offer to the March Wind By Beth Wortzel

The last of winter's sun is flowing inside today,

Awakening my spirit with the coming spring.

The energy of life is rising in the tiny tips of bulbs pushing aside the dark ground,  
In the birds calling outside my window.  
The last traces of snow are brown,  
Melting their healing waters onto the dry roots of grasses and flowers.

My mind has been buried in daily tasks  
So I failed to notice this subtle emerging  
Until some vital energy ran tingling into every cell.

The wind is now soft, without the bite it had just days ago.

So I offer this to the wind--

Come caress my spirit into new life,

Wrap around me as I walk,

Play with me and show me your dance

And I, perhaps, will show you mine.



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# From NYC to DMNA: An Interview with Sherwood Malamud

By Karen Redfield

When Sherwood Malamud came to Madison for law school at UW in 1966, the city lacked two New York staples: good bagels and good Chinese food. Despite this, he stayed and finished his degree. He came back and settled in Madison in 1973 to accept a job in the Wisconsin Employment Relations Commission. Luckily, both bagels and Chinese food are now more available.

And, luckily for the DMNA, Sherwood is an active member of the DMNA Council, acting as our Liaison to UW. One of Sherwood's council colleagues, Al Nettleton, provided a long list of Sherwood's liaison duties: meetings with the athletic department on game schedules, parking issues and security concerns, and with the neighborhood merchants on these issues; meetings to discuss the new Public Utility Institute, the Institutes for Discovery, Union South, and the new Energy Institute facility. Sherwood not only brings important information back to the DMNA Council, he brings his skills in mediation as well. Mediation, Sherwood explains, helps two parties come "to a place that's better than the starting place of each side." Al praises Sherwood's "precision of language" and adds that Sherwood is "a delight to work with." Sherwood also works as an arbitrator; one of his most interesting jobs was as the sole arbitrator for the AFSME local chapters in Milwaukee County for many years.

Former alder Ken Golden nominated Sherwood as the UW Liaison because of his strong involvement with the neighborhood



**Sherwood Malamud. Photo by Al Nettleton**

response to Edgewood College's building plans. Sherwood appreciated the effectiveness of the DMNA in getting neighbors' voices heard and for providing an outlet for neighbors "who want to do things, not just be on committees." Doing things to make the world a better place is a Jewish teaching that Sherwood takes very seriously. The son and grandson of cantors (those who lead the singing in a synagogue), from a "rough neighborhood," Sherwood now has deep Madison roots. He and his wife Barbara were drawn to this neighborhood because of its beauty, good schools, Wingra Park and Lake Wingra and Beth Israel Synagogue. It was a wonderful place to raise their two now-grown daughters, Louise and Miriam. We're glad they stayed.

## Wingra Park Orchard, and Now, the Garden

By Percy Mather

This summer, the DMNA's venture into urban agriculture will swing into high gear as volunteers install planting beds between the dwarf fruit trees. The trees, shrubs and raspberry canes survived the winter in good shape despite rabbits' pruning of a few shrubs. Now it is time to let the trees grow and focus on edible and decorative plants. Using a technique called sheet composting, gardening enthusiasts will create a series of fertile plant beds on top of the existing turf between the trees. We will use permaculture techniques to enhance growing conditions for the fruit trees.

We are looking for willing helpers of all ages and all levels of experience to get the garden started, especially during May and June. Work parties are planned to start at 11 a.m. on June 7 and 14, at 5 p.m. on June 2, 9, 10, 16 and 17. On Saturday June 4, 11, and 18, we'll start at 2 p.m. To get involved, call 233-1955, email Percy Mather at [percy.mather@gmail.com](mailto:percy.mather@gmail.com) or check the DMNA website for work

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# Summer Activities Along Monroe Street

By Aileen Nettleton

Are you still looking for special activities for yourself or your kids this summer? Your answer might be right in our neighborhood.

**Monroe Street Fine Arts Center** offers toddler and preschool music and art classes and a wide range of Summer Art Camps for elementary, middle school and high school children. Kids can choose from themes such as All Things Alien, Soft, Squishy and Goopy, Claymaking, Mosaics, and many more topics. Private music and art classes are also offered. Program and registration information are at <http://msfac.org>.

## Young Shakespeare Players

If you have a budding thespian aged 7-18, the Young Shakespeare Players, 1806 West Lawn Ave., may be the ticket. The summer program will rehearse and produce Romeo and Juliet. The first meetings are June 4 and 5 with registration due June 8. <http://www.youngshakespeareplayers.org>

## Library Summer Reading Club

The school age library summer reading program begins in June with the theme “One World, Many Stories.” Encourage your child to read through the summer with the library. Register at Monroe Street or Sequoya Branch to be part of this popular, free program. Preschool story hour will be on Tuesday mornings at the Monroe Street Branch Library. Go to <http://www.madisonpubliclibrary.org> for more information.

**Wingra Boats** has created several new series of water activities. You may wish to “Explore 6 Lakes,” from Wingra to Kegonsa, over three evenings or “Paddle with Birds” with a birding guide. Try “Stand Up Paddle Yoga” for something new. In addition, Wingra Boats Education Series for all ages will provide workshops to learn about the lake and surrounding environment. A full listing of summer activities and rentals is at <http://www.wingraboats.com>.



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# Neighborhood News Briefs

## HotelRED

HotelRED, the boutique hotel at the corner of Monroe and Regent, has new ownership and the final construction phase is underway with plans to open this summer. Red Hospitality of Houston, Texas, is overseeing completion and operations. Inn Development and Management Group of Fort Atkinson has been hired to manage the hotel, planning to promote Monroe and Regent Street shops, local artists, and locally-produced foods through their restaurant. About 50 full- and part-time jobs are expected from this venture.

## New Pier at Wingra

Wingra Boats has purchased and installed a new 500' pier. It will replace most of the main walkways at the marina with access to the slips for sailboats, canoes and kayaks. The marina is open daily 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. from Memorial Day to Labor Day.

## Brocach Irish Pub on Monroe Street

Brocach Irish Pub and Restaurant has announced that they plan to open their third pub at the current Spirals location at 1843 Monroe Street. They are presently applying for a liquor license and hope to open by late fall. Co-owner Cliff McDonald says they look forward to being in this wonderful neighborhood.

## Randall School Playground Improvements

A neighborhood playground for younger children, an amphitheater for school and community events, new landscaping, and improved fencing and accessible entrances are planned for Phase 2 of the Randall Elementary School playground improvements. Information about the plans and how you can assist with matching funds can be located at <http://www.randallschoolpark.org>.

## Monroe Street Fine Arts Expands

Monroe Street Fine Arts is expanding into the adjacent 800-square foot section of space formerly part of Pasqual's. Renovations are expected to be completed in time to move some summer art and music classes into the new area. This will allow for expanded programming and recital space.

## Parman's Closing

Parman's Service Station, 3502 Monroe Street, will be closing at some point this summer, depending on when the new development plans are approved. Keith Parman will be retiring after serving many customers with his gas station that later became an automotive repair business. Mr. Parman, neighbors will miss your friendly service, but wish you well in your retirement.

## West Madison Senior Meals

Nutritious and affordable meals are served at the West Madison Senior Center, 602 Sawyer Terrace, for anyone over 60. The cost is a suggested \$3.00 donation. Transportation is available for \$1.00 round trip for daytime meals. Meals are served Mondays at 5:15 p.m.; on Tuesdays and Thursdays, there is a meal at 12 p.m. Call 238-0196 for meal and bus reservations. Newsletters with more information are available at the Sequoya and Monroe Street libraries. The meals are co-sponsored by the West Madison Senior Coalition and the Dane County Area Agency on Aging.



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# County Supervisor Jeremy Levin Reports

Written May 2

The first few months of this year have seen Madison in political turmoil that will have significant repercussions for Dane County's budget. The proposed State of Wisconsin budget is probably one of the most unfair in recent memory. One of the most worrisome elements of the budget occurs in the Income Maintenance program. In Dane County, this basic survival program is funded by the state and county and is implemented by county workers to ensure that residents who are eligible for assistance such as Food Share (food stamps), Medicaid, or Badger Care receive it. These programs are critical for families affected by the recession and prevent other human services and volunteer programs from being overwhelmed. The total EAWD Division employs about 119 county staff and includes about \$3.5 million of County General Purpose Revenue. The budget proposes that the state take over most of the income maintenance program, including \$1.8 million of the county's \$3.5 million contribution, and contract out its implementation. In addition to the loss of our GPR, we would lose \$4.5 million in state revenues and may have to lay off 70 county employees.

A second blow to Human Services is an increase to the rate the county is charged for youth incarcerated in state facilities and a cut in Youth Aids. We face a cut of about \$355,000 this year. This sig-

nificant cut in Youth Aids is scheduled to take effect July 1. Senior and disabled Specialized Transportation services would also be cut up to \$100,000 per year.

Shared Revenue is cut dramatically by about \$1.1 million. The Working Lands Initiative that funds farmland preservation in Dane County is eliminated. General Transportation Aids for highway maintenance could be decreased by 10%

to the county, a loss of about \$370,000.

Stewardship-assisted land acquisitions would be more difficult. The budget proposes eliminating the stricter phosphorous standards the state recently adopted to improve water quality and comply with federal law. These rules are an important part of reducing the biggest source polluting our lakes.

Contact information: [levin.jeremy@co.dane.wi.us](mailto:levin.jeremy@co.dane.wi.us) or 577-9335.

## Volunteer: Vilas Goose Reduction

By Terri Bleck

Vilas Park and Vilas Beach both important leisure destinations in our area. People use the large open spaces of the park for picnics or to take a walk in a lovely natural setting. Another inhabitant of the park and beach has increasingly been the Giant Canada Goose. While a small flock of geese can be enjoyed by park and beach goers, the goose population at Vilas Park and Vilas Beach has been steadily increasing, causing health concerns due to large amounts of feces in the park lawns and at the beach. Each year, the beach has been closed for longer periods of time due to high bacteria levels in the water. In the summer of 2010 the beach was closed 43 days.

A new project will bring together neighbors and area businesses in an outreach and educational effort that is part of a larger management plan to reduce the goose pop-

ulation at Vilas Park. Local area businesses will be contacted to get involved. "Goose cards" will be developed that include background on the Giant Canada Goose and the Vilas Goose Management Plan. These cards will also have coupons for discounts at local businesses and an invitation to a website quiz where correct answers enter the respondent in a monthly prize drawing. Teams of volunteers will be organized to help implement a strategy for distributing the Goose cards, engaging local businesses, and participating in the Vilas Goose Management Ambassadors Program to conduct outreach and education activities in classrooms, community meetings, and neighborhood events.

If you would like to volunteer for this project to help reduce the goose poop and keep our beaches open, please contact Terri Bleck by email: [terribleck@gmail.com](mailto:terribleck@gmail.com).

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If you are interested in learning more about the work of the council and would like to participate as an At-Large Member, contact the Lynn Pitman at [president@dmna.org](mailto:president@dmna.org). It's a wonderful way to become active in the association and contribute to the neighborhood.

# Wingra Orchard

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party announcements.

Once the weather warms up, most of the work will be weeding and harvesting, which can be done independently. The orchard garden is open to the public for harvest, but volunteers will be rewarded with the best awareness of available crops. In coming months, expect to see typical garden vegetables growing there as well as some interesting, but less familiar, food producers. Flower beds will add color to the park and furnish cut flowers for neighborhood tables. We hope the orchard garden becomes a magnet for food and flower lovers in the neighborhood. Stop by watch us grow!



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