

DMNA's Multi-tasking VEEP Heather Marley

By Linell Davis, Hornblower Committee

DMNA's new vice president Heather Marley has lived in the neighborhood since she was a student. This smiling young woman with the dark framed glasses is now familiar to anyone who attends neighborhood meetings and events, but she did not become active right away.



When she was a student at Edgewood College, Heather needed a place to live that was close to campus, so she rented a small house on Copeland Street. Five years later she and husband Derek bought the house. It had several problems, so they decided to tear the house down and to build their dream house on the lot.

Heather says that one day she received a postcard in the mail announcing a meet-

ing. She was curious about what was going on around her, so she went to the meeting. Soon she was attending council meetings regularly. Spurred on by her curiosity and her admiration for the many positive things DMNA does, one thing led to another. She volunteered to be the block captain for Copeland Street. Then she took on the responsibility

for compiling the neighborhood directory. She explains that she works at home so attending meetings is a welcome social outlet. It also gives her a chance to indulge her love of baking cookies.

One of Heather's projects is the Social Justice Committee where she leads the effort to provide supplementary snacks to students who attend the five public schools that serve the neighborhood.

She delivers donations of non-perishable foods to the schools where she is repeatedly told how much this means to the students who experience food insecurity.

Heather also assembles and delivers the welcome kits that new residents of the neighborhood receive. She includes a DMNA directory, bicycle map, library locations and hours, and of course her signature cookies. She would like to hear suggestions of what else might be included.

This summer Heather has been working with Science Thursdays, helping to set up, keeping records and cutting watermelon. While the programs are designed for children, Heather says she enjoys them as much as the children do. There is her curiosity again.

DMNA Saves Playground Ashes

Thanks to your DMNA Capital Fund contributions last year and fundraising by the DMNA Parks and Gardens Committee, the three ash trees at the Wingra Park playground have been treated and saved! These trees were considered a priority to continue to provide shade for children using the playground

equipment. Thanks to Percy Mather, Parks and Gardens Committee, for coordinating this project with the City Forestry Department.

In addition, the Friends of Lake Wingra recently completed a successful fund drive to treat additional ash trees in Wingra Park.

Days of wine and chocolate

By Jane Albert,
Social Committee Chair

Join us on Tuesday October 24 at 7 p.m. for good conversation, wine and locally made chocolate. Mystery to Me Bookstore will again be our host for this fall event. Snacks and non-alcoholic beverages will also be served compliments of your social committee.



Fall 2017

The Dudgeon Monroe Neighborhood Association's Hornblower is published four times a year to inform neighbors about the activities of the association.

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President's Message

By David Hoffert

What a great summer it has been to live in the Dudgeon Monroe Neighborhood! The annual Duck Dash and Jazz in the Park were a huge success, even persevering through a brief period of rain to finish out the night strong. A few weeks later, the Independence Day Bike Parade welcomed countless neighborhood children. Watching many of them shriek with joy as they ran under the spray of a fire truck's hose was one of the most delightful sights I have seen in some time.

It is events like these that make our neighborhood a truly great one in which to live, and it is this community spirit that binds us together. We leverage that spirit as a neighborhood association when we find ourselves confronting challenging or controversial issues, such as proposals for new development in the area or getting through much of 2018 with a torn-up main thoroughfare.

But the reason we engage in that work, the thing that makes it meaningful and worthwhile, manifests itself in the serenity of sitting together in Wingra Park to enjoy good music and the squeals of those children.

If you have been able to enjoy these or other DMNA events, I encourage you to get involved and help make sure they continue to happen. If you are passionate about the political issues the DMNA Council confronts throughout the year, we would love to see you join a committee or the Council. But we also need people who are simply committed to enriching our community with events like the ones we have enjoyed this summer. Jazz in the Park, in particular, could use a broader base of volunteer support. Whatever your area of interest, there is likely a need; contact me at president@dmna.org for details.

Thank You Volunteers

Many thanks to so many individuals and businesses who have contributed to the DMNA activities and events we have enjoyed over the summer.

Jazz in the Park: Co-chairs Summer Leeper, Meghan Ross and Debi Leeper.

Jazz in the Park Sponsors: The Laurel Tavern, Lakeview Veterinary Clinic, Taste of India, Orange Tree Imports, Colectivo, Mickies Dairy Bar, MG&E, Restaino on Monroe, Chocolate Shoppe, Amtelco, Neuhauser, Pizza Brutta, Roman Candle, Monroe Street Dental,

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July 4 Children's Parade and Celebration: Parade & Celebration Chair, Katie Ginder-Vogel. Games Chair, Emily Balsley


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Membership Drive is On!

By Aileen Nettleton and Kathy Engebretsen, Membership Committee

It's time to renew your annual DMNA membership. Block Captains will be visiting each household in the next month to invite you to renew your membership. You will also be asked to volunteer to assist with a project or committee. The work of DMNA depends on the contributions of members' dues and volunteer time and talents. In addition, expect to be asked whether you would like to make an additional contribution to the Capital and Charitable Fund. Look on the colored insert for information about volunteer opportunities and the fund drive.

A new DMNA Directory will be published during the upcoming year, if a volunteer for the vacant Editor position steps up. See page 7 for details. Contact Vice President

Heather Marley or Membership Chair Kathy Engebretsen if you are interested. (See "Volunteers Wanted" on the insert.)

Please welcome your Block Captain and consider renewing your membership. We appreciate the many volunteers who take time each year to make a personal connection on behalf of our organization. We also appreciate the ongoing support of so many neighbors who support the work of DMNA to increase the quality of life in our neighborhood.

If you miss your Block Captain, please edit the membership form left for you and return it with your dues in the envelope provided. We hope to complete the drive by October 31.

How does DMNA use your membership dues?

Outdoor Education Grant	2,000
Prairie Restoration along SW Path, Glenwood Children's Park Improvements, Wingra Orchard	1,495
Hornblower Newsletter	1,350
Insurance	1,275
Jazz in the Park	1,000
Beer/Wine Tasting, other social events	600
Other Committees	520
Directory*	500
Social Justice	250
July 4 Children's Parade and Celebration	150
	\$9,140

*Contingent on volunteer coordinators

Volunteers *continued from page 2*

Conkeys, the Ginder-Vogels, the Guilbaults, Melanie Hebl, the Johnsons, the Kellers, the Loheides, the Lucas family, the Luedtkes, the Mandells, the McMurrays, the Navins, the Restle/Wrights, the Robinson/Magnusons, Jen Scholte, the Stantons, the Thalasinis family, the Trests and the Volkman.

Thanks again this year to the Madison Fire Department for keeping us cool with the hose!

2nd annual DMNA "R" Sale: Gracie Foxwell of the Social Justice Committee organized and two dozen households participated. The weather was perfect and the sales were a great success! Goodwill picked up all remaining items the following day. Cheers to another year of recycling, reusing, and repurposing!

Science Thursdays: Coordinator, Debi Leeper

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Street crossings: Ann Clark, Jane Albert, Lisa Grueneberg, Janice Zawacki, and Laura.

Volunteer gardeners who worked on the SW Path prairies and Wingra Orchard and Gardens with coordination of Sandy Stark, Jake Blasczyk, Sue Reindollar, and Percy Mather.

All the bicyclers of the SW Path who helped reduce Monroe Street traffic congestion and pollution.




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Get to Know the Social Justice Committee

By Dave Leeper, Social Justice Committee

The Social Justice Committee (SJC) was created by the DMNA Council in January 2016 to identify social justice issues with an impact in the neighborhood; its mission is to provide helpful information and options for advocacy or action to the Council and to the neighborhood. The SJC is open to all DMNA neighbors and holds its monthly meeting at the Edgewood College Predolin Hall café from 5:00-6:00 p.m. on the last Wednesday of the month.

There are many diverse issues that can be described as social justice issues. The SJC provides a decentralized structure that builds on the interests and expertise of neighborhood residents. Any neighbor with a social justice issue or concern is invited to present the issue at a committee meeting. The committee considers and approves issues appropriate for further study, education, and action as long as someone is willing to take responsibility for the issue

and become the issue coordinator. SJC then presents plans that call for education or broader action to the DMNA Council.

Since its inception, the SJC has discussed the new Westside police station, the criminal justice system, food security, support for local food production, climate change, and recycling. The SJC has addressed issues of homelessness and eviction including a presentation on homeless children in our schools at the 2017 DMNA annual meeting. The SJC also sponsors a coordinated neighborhood rummage sale with the intention of reducing waste and recycling items—known as the R Sale—with donations to Goodwill Industries. The SJC keeps minutes of its activities on the DMNA website at <http://www.dmna.org/socialjustice>. Heather Marley is the official SJC contact, she can be reached at HeathercMarley@gmail.com. Bring your ideas and energy to the SJC meetings!

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Summer's Bounty at Monroe Street Farmers' Market


The bounty of summer is upon us and your neighborhood farmers' market is overflowing with local farm-fresh produce, cheeses, eggs, and meats. If you haven't been to the Monroe Street Farmers' Market, located at the Edgewood High School parking lot every Sunday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., now is the time to check it out. With vendors of hot food, cold drinks, local meats and eggs, produce and specialty items like soaps and jams, the market offers some of the most diverse products you can find in one place.

The market prides itself in creating a festive and family-friendly atmosphere every week, which includes local musicians and children's activities. We also have a community booth that highlights local organizations that are working to

make our community better. With all that the Monroe Street Farmers' Market offers, many families have made it a destination for their Sunday mornings.

And we are excited to announce that planning is in the works for our 3rd annual Brunch at the Market on September 10th. This special event will be catered by the chefs at Brasserie V and will highlight the bountiful produce and meats of our market vendors.

We look forward to seeing you at the market! Keep in touch through <http://monroestreetfarmersmarket.org/> or www.facebook.com/MonroeStreetFarmersMarket/



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Faces of Summer in Dudgeon Monroe Neighborhood



Clockwise from lower left: 1) Wearing a live boa at the Madison Herpetology Society's presentation at Science Thursday, photo by Deb Leeper; 2), 3) and 5) Listening to the music at Jazz in the Park, photos by Melissa Vaughan; 4) and 6) July 4 Children's Parade and Celebration, photos by Jen Lucas.

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Fall Festival

The Forward! Marching Band will kick off the 40th annual Monroe Street Fall Festival Saturday, September 16, at 10:00 a.m. Monroe Street businesses will offer bargains and treats on their front sidewalks as well as in their shops until 5:00 p.m. Monroe Street Merchants Association chair Carol "Orange" Schroeder, who co-founded and has chaired the festival since 1977, is stepping down in 2018. As owner of Orange Tree Imports, Carol will continue to lead the MSMA. Thank you Carol for four decades of hard work—and fun!



Book Sale

Come browse at the Monroe Street Library League fall book sale Saturday, September 16, from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. You'll find books, CDs and DVDs for all interests and ages. Donations of gently used materials (text books, magazines and encyclopedias are not accepted) are welcome. If you have a large quantity to donate and would like help unloading, call 266-6390. Proceeds from the sale benefit the Monroe Street Library's collection and programs. Hours, programs and events: www.madisonpubliclibrary.org/monroe-street

Trick-or-Treat!

Ghosts and ghouls, princesses and pirates, wizards and witches (and accompanying moms and dads) are invited to trick-or-treat on the 1600-1900, 2500 and 2600 blocks of Monroe Street Sunday, October 29, from noon until 4:00 p.m. (or while supplies last). Go to www.monroestreetmadison.com to see a list of the generous businesses offering treats. This event coincides with Halloween at Vilas Zoo.

Leaf and Yard Waste Collection

Find the neighborhood leaf collection schedule at www.cityofmadison.com/streets/yardWaste/schedules.cfm. Put your jack-o-lanterns on leaf piles for pickup too. Check the city website for curbside collection of yard waste (including grass clippings) and brush. Place yard waste and brush separately on the curb, not in the tan refuse cart. The Streets and Recycling Department collects yard waste each fall and spring, but not during summer months. The website also in-

cludes tips for home composting your leaves, yard waste and kitchen scraps.

Traffic Report

It's September and it's back to school, work and football in our neighborhood. Here are a few reminders about keeping pedestrians, drivers and bikers safe and happy.

- Drive 20 mph in school zones when students are present.
- Drive 25 mph the entire length of Monroe Street and stop at flashing yellow lights to let pedestrians cross.
- Walk and pedal on the right of the Southwest Commuter Path. Bikers, please let pedestrians know by voice or bell that you are passing on the left.
- Call Madison Police Department's non-emergency number 266-4275 to report that a vehicle has blocked your driveway or other non-life-threatening traffic issues.

Winter Parking

Winter alternate side of the street parking rules begin Wednesday, November 15, and are in effect through March 15. To avoid a \$20 ticket, from 1:00-7:00 a.m. park your vehicle on the odd-numbered side of the street on odd-numbered days and on the even-numbered side of the street on even-numbered days. Go to www.cityofmadison.com/residents/winter/parking to sign up to receive email and text messages about where to park; an app is also available. The winter parking hotline is 261-9111.

Cats + Crepes

Cat Café Mad has met its Kickstarter

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goal and plans are underway to expand the menu to include barista coffee, tea, hot chocolate, smoothies and ice-cream shakes as well as crepes and bakery items. As The Hornblower went to press in August CEO Cheryl Glover said that plans for reconfiguring the current space to include a kitchen and a seating area where customers can eat and view cats through windows into the cats' play area are awaiting city approval. When customers have finished their treats they can join the cats in the cattery. (City health regulations require that food and animals be kept separate.)

Kula Is Closed

Kula Yoga & Wellness, 1809 Monroe Street, closed June 30. Classes continue to be available at the Cottage Grove location. Kula owner/yogini Becky Peter-

son hopes to find another location in our neighborhood. Keep up with the latest at www.flywithkula.com.

HotelRED Gets OK

Construction of a three-story addition to HotelRED, 1509 Monroe Street, will begin this fall. On August 14 the City Plan Commission approved the hotel's proposal to add 39 rooms plus event space, a lounge and two seventh-floor outdoor decks to the current four-story building. A proposal to increase the height of the building to eight stories was rejected by the commission earlier this year because of concerns from neighbors and city staff about the design and traffic and noise levels.

The Neighborhood News Briefs column is compiled and edited by Peg Davis of the Hornblower Committee.

Directory Editor Needed

The Membership Committee is looking for a volunteer Directory Editor so we can produce a new 2018 DMNA Directory. The editor is responsible for compiling the directory from formatted membership data and advertisements, working with the printer, and editing the directory before it goes to final print. Other Membership Committee volunteers will update the database from the fall membership drive and format the data from the membership data base for the directory. The project will need to be done in February and March to get direc-

tories ready to deliver in the spring.

Janet Niewold has volunteered to coordinate the ad sales for the directory. Many thanks, Janet!

For further information, contact DMNA Vice President, Heather Marley, heathercmarley@gmail.com. To volunteer, please contact membership@dmna.org as soon as possible to begin planning for the new directory.

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Alder Sara Eskrich Reports

The Monroe Street reconstruction planning process drew to an end in August. Thank you all for your participation.

The approximately \$17 million reconstruction budget will include replacing sanitary sewer, storm sewer and water mains throughout the corridor; water quality infrastructure enhancements; utility undergrounding in the business districts; sidewalk replacement; street lighting replacement and installation of pedestrian scale lighting in the business districts; pedestrian safety improvements; and enhancements to Crazylegs Triangle and the Wingra Park entrance.

Over the past fourteen months, the City has held eleven meetings and workshops to understand community values and priorities for the reconstruction; conducted an online community survey that received over 2,700 responses; and organized an Engagement Resource Team of stakeholders to support substantive outreach and engagement.

With planning nearly complete, we can reflect on key successes in the effort to improve safety for all users and ensure that Monroe Street continues to be a vibrant community destination.

I am particularly proud of the following enhancements proposed as a direct result of community feedback gained during the engagement process:

- Four raised intersections at Harrison, Edgewood, Knickerbocker and Glenway – the first raised intersections to be installed on an arterial street in the City of Madison – which will slow vehicle speeds and increase pedestrian visibility.
- Coordinated corridor-wide improvements for pedestrian safety and comfort, including six flashing beacons, pedestrian crossing countdown timers, high-visibility crosswalks, crossing islands, and pedestrian-scale decorative lighting in the business districts.
- New green stormwater infrastructure on and adjacent to the corridor that, combined with existing treatments, will result in a total phosphorus reduction of 22% for the watersheds draining across Monroe Street. You can improve this total

by participating in rain garden with no cost to install, only to maintain. Contact Phil Gaebler for more info (pgaebler@cityofmadison.com).

- Better bike parking and connections, including on-street parking attached to parking meters, side street pavement markings and signage, and new bicycle wayfinding signage along the Southwest Commuter Path.

This fall, the City will hold two additional

meetings regarding the final re-design of Crazylegs Triangle and the Wingra Park Entrance. Be sure to participate if you are interested in providing input on the future design of these two important locations.

Please contact me directly with questions or comments. Remember, you can stay in-touch through my email updates by signing-up at <http://www.cityofmadison.com/council/district13/updates/> or by writing me at District13@cityofmadison.com.

Blooms on the Rocks: Prospect Gardens

by Sandy Stark, Southwest Commuter Path Chair

Our neighborhood is anchored west and east by two SW Path neighborhood-managed native areas, Dudgeon Monroe Prairie at the west end (Odana Road), and Prospect Gardens at the east end (Fox and Prospect Aves.)

Prospect Gardens, the opposite of its flat, open, and tall prairie country cousin, is bordered by houses and fences on both sides in its more urban and shaded section of the SW path toward Spooner Bridge and the UW stadium. As a result, it's cozier, rather cottage gardenish. Multicolored bird houses rise above a mix of showy prairie plants, including black-eyed susans, cone-flowers, and queen-of-the-prairie, old yard favorites like asters and lilies, and borders of prairie grasses, with edibles like rhubarb, berries, and cherries from dwarf trees

mixed in. Strolling through the gardens this summer, I almost expected a table set for (iced) tea, with baked treats, and little bowls of berries

But it didn't start out this way. In 2010 this space on either side of the stairs and ramps connecting Dudgeon Monroe and Regent neighborhoods was a rocky, steep slope ruled by weeds, boulders, and cement, not a pretty sight.

What happened? The story is posted on gardenprospect.blogspot.com but essentially two advocates for gardens and green space, Jake Blasczyk and Steve Arnold, joined forces, took a plan to their neighborhood associations and City of Madison Engineering, and months later volunteers met

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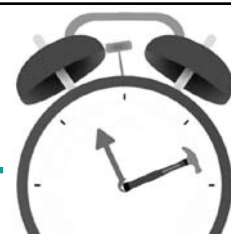


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History of Dudgeon School

By Peter Wehrle

Dudgeon School and the Dudgeon Monroe Neighborhood Association, DMNA, are inextricably linked. The DMNA was formed in 1973 to save the school building, which by then was no longer in use as a Madison public elementary school, and was in danger of being purchased by a developer.

The school and the park that serves as its playground were named for Richard Ball Dudgeon who was superintendent of the Madison Public Schools from 1891-1920. When constructed by architect Edward Tough between 1926 and 28, the gothic style building had only one floor. The second story was added in 1938 by architects Balch and Lippert as part of the Works Progress Administration efforts to combat the Great Depression. In addition to being

home to school activities, the school hosted the Glenwood Moravian Church until 1929 when the church moved into its own newly constructed space on Gilmore Street.

Dudgeon operated as a Madison public school until 1971, when Thoreau School was built in the nearby Nakoma neighborhood. Fearing that the land would be redeveloped in a way that would be detrimental to the neighborhood, area neighbors came together as the DMNA in a campaign to save the school. When they learned that there were not enough neighborhood children to fill the school, the DMNA worked to rent all the school space to nonprofits. Among the eight child-centered tenants were Child Development, Inc. (a day care center) and Community Coordinated Child Care, long-term tenants from the early

1970s to the early 1990s. In 1972, Wingra School began operation as a progressive private school in the Dudgeon space.

In April of 2007, a group of Wingra School donors came together to purchase Dudgeon School for \$969,000, with the money being allocated by the city to the affordable housing fund. The city continues to own the school space and has allocated the front and back playgrounds as city parks. And the DMNA still holds its council meetings in the school building.

Leaf-free Streets Before the Storm Mean Cleaner Lakes

By Adrienne Marvin, Program Director, Friends of Lake Wingra

The health of our lakes and the benefits they bring us are under threat from a most unlikely source – our deciduous trees. Decaying leaves are a great natural fertilizer for gardens and lawns, but they also release unwanted nutrients into our local waters. When it rains, the rainwater flows through leaf piles that collect in the streets and along curbs, creating a “leaf tea” that is rich in dissolved phosphorus. The phosphorus from the decaying leaves is carried through our storm sewers to the Yahara chain of lakes. Too much phosphorus in our lakes leads to algae blooms, low oxygen levels and murky waters, none of which are good for animals living in the water or those of us who use it for recreation.

Although the City of Madison is actively involved in many efforts to improve the quality of stormwater runoff including curbside leaf collection, rain garden installations, and street sweeping, our lakes need your help! Collect leaves from the street and within five feet of the curb in front of

your property before it rains. Pile them up onto the terraces between the street and the sidewalk. You will be helping to keep phosphorus out of our lakes. Check Madison Streets website for leaf pick up dates and other requirements so that your leaves are on the terrace for as short a time as possible.

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to dig and stabilize hillsides, then plant, mulch, and set up seasonal work parties. Seven years later, this work continues.

We have many past and current dedicated gardeners to thank for this visual and literal treat. Tea biscuits with berries, anyone?

Want to be a part of green space restoration? Sign up for SW Path volunteer work during our Fall membership drive or see <http://www.dmna.org/pathcomm> to match your interests to our projects!

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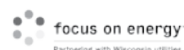
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DMNA COUNCIL MEETINGS

Wednesdays, September 6,
October 4, November 8
Wingra School Library
6:45-8:30 p.m.

PLANNING FOR CRAZYLEGS PLAZA AND WINGRA PARK ENTRANCE

Thursday, September 14
Wingra School Gymnasium
6:00-7:30 p.m.

MONROE STREET FALL FESTIVAL

Saturday, September 16
10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

MONROE STREET LIBRARY LEAGUE BOOK SALE

Saturday, September 16
9:30 a.m.-4:00p.m.
Monroe Street Branch Library

DMNA WINE & CHOCOLATE TASTING

Tuesday, October 24
Mystery to Me Bookstore
7:00 -9:00 p.m.

TRICK OR TREAT ON MONROE

Sunday, October 29
Noon-4:00 p.m.

WINTER PARKING

November 15-March 15
1:00-7:00 a.m.

WELCOME KITS

New neighbors receive:

- welcome letter from the president
- most recent issue of the DMNA newsletter
- latest Neighborhood Directory
- booklet about the Park and Pleasure Drive, Dudgeon-Monroe Neighborhood Nature and History Trail pamphlet
- information about the Monroe St. library (because they have weird hours of operation)
- bike map of Madison
- some kind of treat (from Bloom, Madison Chocolate Company, DB Infusions or, when Heather has time, homemade chocolate chip cookies)

Contact heathercmarley@gmail.com,
609-8736.



DMNA Volunteer Opportunities

Support our Dudgeon Monroe neighborhood! Become a member and contribute your time and talents with one of these projects. Sign up with your Block Captain on your membership form or contact Kathy Engebretsen, membership@dmna.org.

HORNBLOWER NEWSLETTER

This committee produces the newsletter quarterly. Volunteers are needed to solicit and coordinate advertising and to plan, write and edit articles.

HISTORY OF DMNA

This committee attends to the archives of the DMNA and records and shares neighborhood photographs, events, stories and developments.

SOUTHWEST PATH / PRAIRIES & GARDENS

Join others who weed and plant along the Southwest Path. The committee works monthly April-October to reduce the number of invasive plants and establish native alternatives. Solo gardeners are also needed.

BLOCK CAPTAINS & MEMBERSHIP

Serve as Block Captain when vacancies exist or help prepare the materials for the annual membership drive to solicit membership data and collect funds. Deliver Welcome Kits to new neighbors.

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

Participate as an at-large member of the DMNA Council. There are vacancies for those who can commit to monthly meetings and help with at least one DMNA project.

PARKS & GARDENS

Plan and work to preserve and enhance neighborhood parks, gardens and green spaces, including Glenwood Children's Park and Wingra Orchard.

PLANNING & ZONING

Address current zoning and development issues, plan their best outcomes and advise the DMNA Council about them. This committee represents the neighborhood at city boards and commissions after consulting the Council.

SOCIAL EVENTS

Help foster neighborhood building with special DMNA social events: fall beer or wine tasting, spring pie and ice cream social and July 4 Parade. Develop new events and help organize regular events.

CHILDREN'S JULY 4 PARADE

Provide supplies, set up and clean up for the July 4 parade, party and games. Volunteer to help with games, face painting and nail art. Hang posters promoting the event.

SOCIAL JUSTICE

Identify social justice issues that have an impact on our neighborhood, and by extension, our city and the world around us. Provide information and options for advocacy and/or action to the DMNA Council and the broader community.

TRANSPORTATION

Help monitor traffic patterns, anticipate and plan for changes resulting from development, work with residents and city staff on problems and solutions, raise awareness of regulations protecting pedestrians and bicyclists, help calm traffic in the neighborhood.

COMMUNICATIONS

Help keep business listing information up to date on DMNA Web site; moderate discussion forums and DMNA News email; provide technical support for Web site and email; coordinate communications within DMNA; evaluate the effectiveness of our communications.

JAZZ IN THE PARK

Plan and arrange for bands, solicit sponsors, and assist with logistics for the annual Jazz in the Park.

DIRECTORY

Compile data from the membership drive to produce a DMNA neighborhood directory. Solicit advertising from neighborhood businesses.

See reverse side for Fund Drive information.

DMNA 2017 FUND DRIVE

The 2017 Capital and Charitable Fund contributions will be split between two causes:

- *Installing a “Welcome to the Dudgeon Monroe Neighborhood” sign on the east end of the neighborhood.*
- *Providing food and supplies for students in need attending Madison Metropolitan Schools that serve the Dudgeon Monroe neighborhood.*

If possible, the new neighborhood sign will be incorporated into the reconstruction of the Crazylegs triangle area. Otherwise, the sign will be placed at its old location near the Monroe Commons. There is already a welcome sign on the west side of the neighborhood near the arboretum pond on Monroe Street. The money for students in the Madison Metropolitan School District will be administered by the DMNA Social Justice Committee.

Thank you for your generosity.

