

## FALL 2017 NEWSLETTER

### A Note From the President

#### Hello Neighbors! It's Fall!

It has been a spectacular summer for our gardens; everyone looks like they know what they are doing. But the rainy weather did not slow down a great turnout for the July picnic, which this year reflected the growing number of children that have moved into Arbor Hills. Volunteers continued their upkeep of our neighborhood signs, too.

The city began installing more lights and cameras on streets near Frontage Road. That project will be finished by the time you read this. Thanks to the volunteers who helped with the safety survey, too. The police will present the results at our Annual Meeting on October 12. It is an important report because its recommendations will shape what the city and we do over the next couple of years.

This fall we will host our third annual Halloween party for the kids in the afternoon (October 28), details to follow and, of course, our Annual Meeting. As a reminder, at that event you elect new officers for your association and approve next year's budget, catch up on the news about safety, city initiatives, what your association board is up to, and to hold a general discussion about "stuff." You can also pay your AHNA annual dues for 2018. That is a big deal for your board, because when we meet with local officials they want to know how many members we have, thus how "loud" our voice is. So I ask, please make your Board politically LOUD.

Thank you for getting into the habit of locking your doors and cars, leaving your outdoor lights on at night, and reporting unusual behavior to the police. A year ago this was a campaign; this year you turned it into a habit. Perfect. Now we can take additional steps to combat violence that still occasionally visits us, and work to fix other safety issues—my pet peeve being icy sidewalks on dark streets at night!

There is so much going on in Arbor Hills, that we need to ask for volunteers. We had a lot of them this year, more than in most years, helping with individual events and on task forces, such as the safety study. We could use more help in putting together our newsletter and nurturing our website. So, if you can spare a couple hours a month or even just around an event, reach out to any board member and we will find a match to your skills and availability. Our ability to handle issues and activities of interest to Arbor Hills depends on how many volunteers can participate. Meanwhile, see around the neighborhood!

James W. Cortada

President

Arbor Hills Neighborhood Association

#### AHNA BOARD MEETINGS

The Arbor Hills Neighborhood Association Board meets the 1st Tuesday of each month from 6:30-8:00 pm

Every resident is welcome to attend.

Please contact a board member if you plan on attending the meeting. See page 7 for the list of Board Members.

#### SIGN UP FOR NEWS

Subscribe to our emails by sending your email address to [info@arborhills.org](mailto:info@arborhills.org)



#### SOCIALIZE!

Find us on Facebook! There are several Arbor Hills groups from all over the country on Facebook. Be sure to look for our logo (above) in the profile picture or search for **@arborhillsneighborhood!**

You can also stay up to date on neighborhood happenings at **Nextdoor.com**





# NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS



## Fun on the Fourth!

A great time was had by all at the 4th of July Picnic held in the Arbor Hills Park. Festivities were commenced by a fire truck leading neighborhood kids on their bikes from Grandview to the park. Once there, kids of all ages enjoyed face painting, water balloons, a picnic lunch, and lots of socializing with neighbors. Hope to see you again next year!







## THANK YOU!

Ever wonder who takes care of the beautiful flowers and plants that decorate the two main entrances into Arbor Hills, or Greenway Crossing at Post Road? Volunteers, your neighbors. For years, Bob Alt and Larry Krugar have quietly gone about the task of planting and pruning plants at the entrances on Frontage Road and at Post Road. Our long beautiful Greenway field is maintained by another neighbor, Richard Farris. Thanks to them Arbor Hills has great "curb appeal."





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## Additional Street Lights Installed in Arbor Hills to Improve Safety

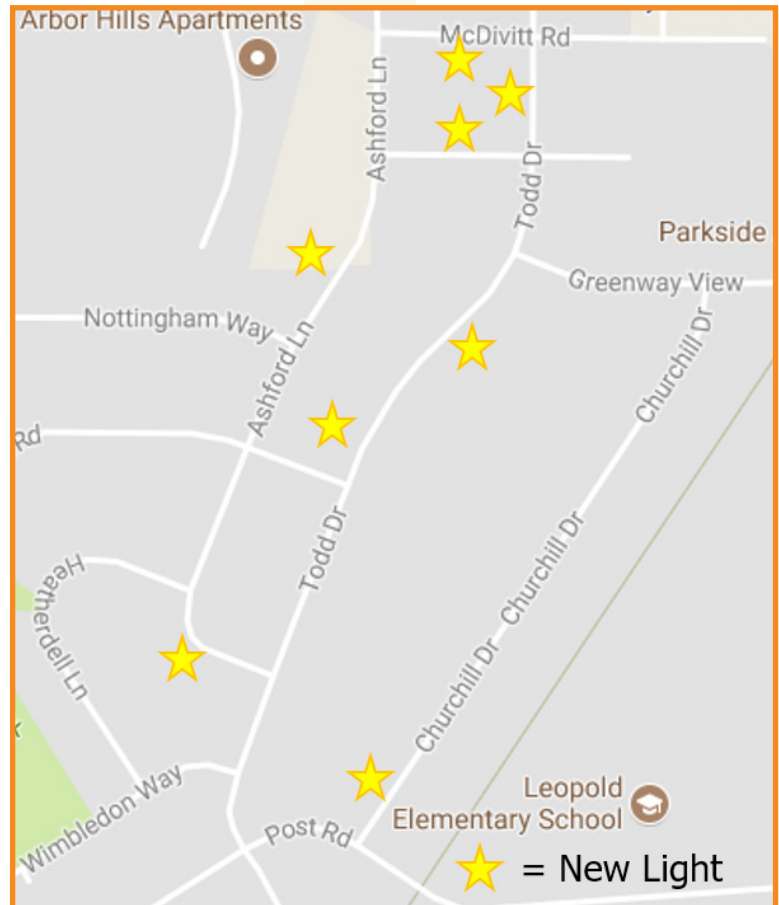
Arbor Hills residents recently got some new street lights installed in parts of the neighborhood to help improve safety and nighttime visibility.

New lights were installed on Todd Dr, McDivitt Rd., Ashford Ln., and Churchill Dr. A total of eight additional street lights were newly installed or added to existing light poles on those four streets.

Your Arbor Hills Neighborhood Association worked with the Madison Police Department and our Alder Sheri Carter to help get this new lights installed. A walkthrough was done with members of the police department and City engineering to determine where lights were needed most, and Alder Sheri Carter ensured that the proposed lights got the necessary funding from the City Council.

The City will to review the lighting needs of the remaining parts of Arbor Hills in the very near future.

Special thanks to Alder Sheri Carter for helping out Arbor Hills once again!





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## Save the Date for these upcoming Arbor Hills Events

**Thursday, October 12th Annual AHNA Meeting**  
**Arbor Hills Covenant Church • Sanctuary • 2509 McDivitt Road**

### Agenda

- 6:00 PM Registration
- 6:30 PM Welcome . . . . . Jim Cortada, President AHNA
- 6:35 PM Alder Message . . . . . Sheri Carter, Madison Common Council
- 6:50 PM Town of Madison Update . . . . Jim Campbell, Town Chair
- 7:00 PM Safety Study Update . . . . . Scott Beckfield, Madison Police Department
- 7:20 PM PR Campaign Update. . . . . George Ermert, AHNA Board
- 7:45 PM Neighborhood Business:
  - President's Report
  - Treasurer's Report and vote to approve 2018 budget
- 8:00 PM Elections of Board Members
  - President- Jim Cortada
  - Vice President- OPEN
  - Treasurer- Neil Dinndorf
  - Member at Large- Jim Campbell
  - Newsletter Editor- OPEN
  - Corresponding Secretary- Jodi Wabiszewski

### Adjourn

## Saturday, October 28th Halloween Party!

Have a spooky good time at the annual Arbor Hills Halloween Party! This year it is scheduled for Saturday, October 28th from 5 - 7 p.m. at Arbor Covenant Church. Bring the family for a Halloween celebration full of fun, food, and friends.





## WANTED!

### VOLUNTEERS TO SERVE ARBOR HILLS

Many of you have told us that you would be willing to volunteer to work on various things if you were asked. Your Association is asking. We have activities that can take a few hours a year or a few hours a month. Here is a list of where we need your help. If any strike you as interesting and takes advantage of your skills, reach out to [arborhillsassociation@gmail](mailto:arborhillsassociation@gmail.com) or **608-274-6382** and a board member will contact you to discuss "what is involved", time commitment, etc. You would be working in collaboration with a Board member as part of a team.

#### Events:

- assistance in preparing food and running games for children at the Halloween Party in each October
- assistance in setting up, preparing food, and running games for our Summer Neighborhood Picnic
- volunteers to help clean up our entrance roads on Earth Day each spring

#### Community Relations:

- ambassador or more to focus on relations with neighboring corporations and to solicit corporate memberships in AHNA (ideally several people)
- help in selling advertising for our newsletters to nearby businesses, beginning in late 2017 (ideally several people)
- help in maintaining Twitter, Facebook, and Nextdoor communications (e.g., social media) (several people)
- spokespersons to communicate with various communities in Madison about Arbor Hills, such as to the media, real estate, schools and school district, public officials--think ambassadors
- legal specialist to help with our Safety Initiative (several people)

#### Newsletter & Website:

- assistance in writing articles four times a year
- assistance in laying out content into the newsletter (not really technical)
- assistance in feeding our website with material (news, updates, etc.)

We do need a Vice President, too. That person would serve as a spokesperson to media and government and periodically take on special projects of the association. Past and current projects include neighborhood surveys, rewriting your association bylaws, etc.

You do not need to be a board member to be a volunteer. New board members are welcome, however, as we always need leaders and people with deep understanding of our neighborhood and its needs.





## AHNA Executive Board Members

### President:

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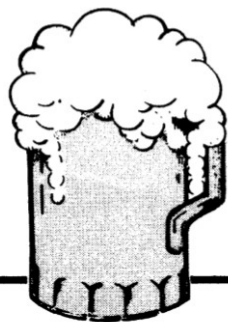
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