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SPRING 2016 NEWSLETTER

"SPRING IS THE TIME OF PLANS AND PROJECTS"

- Leo Tolstoy

It certainly is!

So many of us have already begun this year's garden work and lawn care. Each spring is a fresh start; the weeds are under control and the tiny green shoots are full of potential. It feels good to take care of our yards and homes.

While we are busy with our own plans and projects, please take a moment to look around Arbor Hills and consider what kind of spring cleaning and preparation our community may need. You could start by joining us for our Earth Day Cleanup on April 23rd. Perhaps your neighbor might appreciate a little extra help with raking. Maybe it's time to start the grill and have the neighbors over for a cook out.

When we invest in our neighborhood, our neighborhood will continue to reward us. Let's welcome spring by working together to keep Arbor Hills healthy and beautiful.

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AHNA BOARD MEETINGS

The Arbor Hills Neighborhood Association Board meets on the 4th Tuesday of each month from 7:00 - 9:00 PM.

Every resident is welcome to attend.

Please contact a board member if you plan on attending the meeting.

UPCOMING EVENTS

EARTH DAY CLEANUP

Saturday, April 23, 10 am - noon
Meet at Arbor Hills Park

SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING

Thursday, May 12th
6:30 - 8:30 pm
Community Room
Fairways Apartments
2301 Traceway

ARBOR HILLS GARAGE SALE
SATURDAY, JUNE 11TH

MORE EVENT INFO INSIDE!



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AHNA SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING

All members (and residents who would like to become members!) are welcome at our Semi-Annual Meeting on Thursday, May 12th, from 6:30 - 8:30 pm. We will be meeting at the Community Room in the Fairways Apartment building, 2301 Traceway Drive.

At this year's Semi-Annual meeting, we will be providing updates on AHNA business, voting on new bylaws, and welcoming our new County Board Representative Richard Kilmer who will be our guest speaker at the meeting.

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EARTH DAY NEIGHBORHOOD CLEANUP

Earth Day is April 22nd and AHNA will be holding its annual neighborhood cleanup the next day, Saturday April 23rd.

Please join us for a little spring cleaning around Arbor Hills! Get out and enjoy the sunshine and fresh air and join your neighbors in helping keep our community beautiful and healthy. Meet us on April 23rd at 10:00 am at Arbor Hills Park. Gloves and bags will be provided. The event runs until noon!

Many hands make light work. - John Heywood

NEIGHBORHOOD GARAGE SALE

This year's Arbor Hills neighborhood garage sale will be on Saturday, June 11th, from 8:00 am until 4:00 pm!

If you have stuff to sell and would like to participate, please contact events@arborhills.org so that your home will be included in the neighborhood garage sale map.



Thanks to everyone who made our first ever Beat the Winter Blues event such a success! Great food, great company, great neighborhood!

JOIN US!

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4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION
Monday, July 4th
Arbor Hills Park

A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Howdy Neighbor!

I hope you are enjoying our early spring weather. So many new plants and opportunities grow in the springtime. It's a very uplifting time of year.

BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR!

*Hey, nice job with that lawn.
Could I hire you to mow mine?*

*Do you know of a babysitter
right here in Arbor Hills who is
looking for jobs?*

*I'm working late and need to
hire someone to walk my dog.*

*I can't pay, but if anyone
would like to volunteer to join
me in painting my house next
week I would love the help!*

Do any of these situations sound familiar? We want to connect you to people who need your skills and services or who can help fulfill your own needs. If you would like to spread the word about what help you need or what you have to offer, please send your name, address, email, and reason for contacting us to **president@arborhills.org**.

In looking back in March, AHNA hosted with Leopold Neighborhood Association and the City of Madison a joint retirement party for Captain Joe Balles and a fond farewell to our neighborhood police officer Mike Richardson. At the party we also gave a warm welcome to the new Captain John Patterson and our new neighborhood police officer A. Scott Beckfield. Our board had promised a new event for the neighborhood and that was our Beat the Winter Blues – South of the Border. It was our first “members only” event. A great time was had by all. It was delightful to see people meeting one another for the first time or seeing neighbors they haven't seen in a while. Thank you to our awesome raffle donors: **Members First Credit Union, Sergenian's, Chipotle Restaurant, Brad Hutter**, Owner & CEO of MIG Commercial Real Estate, **Culvers, Nonno's Restaurant** and the **Fairways Apartments** for the use of their Community Room. Additionally, thank you to the following for their incredible work and volunteerism that made this event so successful: our fabulous Events Coordinator, **Kay Parma, Jackie Pauly, Carol Williams, Jim and Dora Cortada, Greg Sutter, Jodi Wabiszewski, Cav Caldera, Franck Meunier, John Strasser, Jonathan Harrison and Janet and Andy Johnson**.

Coming up in May is our semi-annual All Member meeting. Kay Parma, our Events Coordinator/Social Chair is moving out of the neighborhood and is resigning from the board. Kay has done so much work for the neighborhood and Leopold School. Her dedication and energy will be sorely missed. Please thank Kay for all her service to the neighborhood and the school. If you greatly enjoy and have experience in planning and coordinating events, recruiting and training volunteers and serving on a board, please email me: President@arborhills.org to let me know of your interest in this position and some background on why you would be a great fit!

Have a Wonderful Spring!

Carol K. Harrison
AHNA Board President

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

LOWER YAHARA RIVER TRAIL (LYRT) TO BENEFIT ARBOR HILLS (AH) BICYCLISTS AND WALKERS

The LYRT Phase 1, presently under construction, is a 2.5 mile extension of the Capital City Trail south-east beyond the Lussier Family Heritage Center in Lake Farms Park to McDaniel Park in the Village of McFarland that is scheduled to be completed by July of 2017. Via the Capital City trail, the Lussier Center is approximately 7 miles from AH Park (Pelham and Derby Down). Thus, with completion of LYRT Phase 1, AH bikers will have a paved 10 mile ride that is almost entirely separate from motorized traffic from our community to the amenities and attractions of McFarland.

The LYRT promises to be amazing, including the longest (1.1 miles) continuous bicycle-pedestrian bridge and boardwalk system in the state that is designed to respect sensitive natural (wetland and lake habitats) and archeological (pre-historic Native-American) areas. The trail will also be beautiful, surrounded for substantial portions by Lake Waubesa and Upper Mud Lake.

Additionally, LYRT will also include punch-outs to allow fishing, resting and observing nature.

Furthermore, future phases of LYRT are destined to extend beyond McFarland to Fish Camp County Park, Lake Kegonsa State Park and onward to Viking Park in the City of Stoughton.

Information about LYRT is available by internet search using the term "Lower Yahara River Trail" and then clicking on "Bicyclist's Information-Parks Division". After the paragraph entitled "Phase 1 Lower Yahara River Trail", click on the links.

Special thanks to Arbor Hills resident Robert Alt for this update



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