

ARBOR HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD • ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING

October 11, 2022

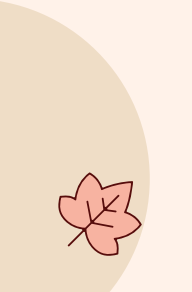
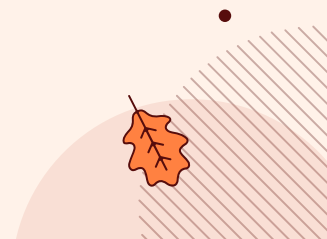


WELCOME!





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A LITTLE BIT OF HISTORY



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SPRING 2022
NEWSLETTER

Winter In Arbor Hills!

All across the neighborhood, folks gathered to celebrate the holidays, enjoy the mild winter and, of course, take advantage of all the snow when it arrived!



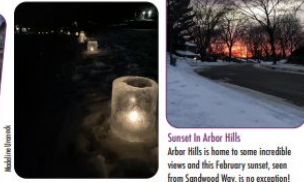
Arbor Hills Out & About

From walking the bike path to sledding in the park, Arbor Hills is always on the move!



Taking Advantage Of The March Snow

Neighbors gathered for a day of sledding in the sun to mark our early-March snowfall!



Sunset In Arbor Hills

Arbor Hills is home to some incredible views and this February sunset, seen from Sandwood Way, is no exception!

Layton Lane Lanterns Returned
Layton Lane gathered again to light lanterns and find togetherness during the winter chill

AHNA BOARD MEETINGS

The Arbor Hills Neighborhood Association Board meets on the 2nd Tuesday of every other month from 6:30 - 8 pm. All residents are welcome to attend - just let a board member know if you plan on attending or email AHNA at info@arborhills.org.
See page 7 or arborhills.org/board-members for the list of board members and contact information.

www.arborhills.org



A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Neighbors,

Recently, a neighbor reached out to the AHNA to see if anything could be done about the overgrowth on the sides of the hill in Arbor Hills Park. When snow covered a ground and kids showed up to sled, there were stumps left that could be dangerous. The City to let them know about the issue, and they sent out a member of the parks department to meet with the neighbor and see the problem areas. The City said they'll take care of it and mow a wider swath, so kids in our neighborhood have a safe, open space to sled.

I think that this small act demonstrates the importance of community: one person spoke up and made a change that makes our neighborhood a better place. I've been reflecting on "community" quite a bit these days. As I write this, communities in Buffalo, Idaho, and Tulsa are mourning the loss of children and adults, and as a nation, we're grieving with them. I recently heard a story about Detrice Dunbar, a woman in Uvalde who decided to don a clown costume and hand out free cotton candy. This lightness of heart felt counterintuitive after such an immense tragedy, but in a way, it makes sense. The face of such sorrow, we need to take action, drive change - and create moments of human connection through fun.

Our central mission as an association is to "create a sense of community by holding events and developing spaces that are welcoming and inclusive for all residents." Right now, we're in the wonderful window of beautiful Wisconsin weather that makes gatherings easier. We hope you'll join us for food and fun during our coming events - make sure to check out our event calendar in this newsletter and arborhills.org.

In addition to planning and hosting events, here's a quick rundown of some of the other things your board is working on:

- **Planning for the October AHNA annual meeting.** After two years of virtual meetings, this will be back to an in-person gathering! Put Tuesday, October 11th from 6:30-8 pm at the Arbor Covenant Church on your calendar - you'll hear from your board, elected officials, and our very own local business leaders.
- **Discussing financial sustainability.** We're proud of our history of ending our annual budget right on target. To keep up with rising costs for newsletter printing, events, etc., we're discussing our options for the future.

PUMP TRACK UPDATE

By Michael Horecki

Starting in July, the Aldo Leopold Park pump track will be open for business with the completion of a 905-foot asphalt track with wooden rumps. The track is the only one of its kind within a township. In La Crosse and Chicago are the nearest tracks of similar caliber. It has quickly become a feature with sometimes more than a hundred users taking advantage of the unique skills course daily.

Initially installed in Aldo Leopold Park in November as a part of the city's 2018-2023 Park and Open Space Plan, the pump track is designed to remain a core feature of Madison's south side for decades to come.



AHNA BOARD MEMBERS WANTED!
See page 3 for details

ARBOR HILLS
NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

FALL 2022
NEWSLETTER

JOIN US FOR THE ARBOR HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING!

Tuesday, October 11, 6:30-8 pm at Arbor Covenant Church

All association members are invited to join us for the annual meeting. This is an important time when we gather to hear from elected board members, vote on a budget and new board members, hear from city officials, and discuss changes to the association. We hope to see you there!

Childcare provided! Please email Josh Grotheer (jrgrotheer@yahoo.com) in advance so we can plan for the number of kids.

To see the full agenda, visit arborhills.org/events-1/ahna-annual-meeting

TOWN & CITY OF MADISON MERGER UPDATE

After a 19-year process, on Oct 31st, 2022, the merging of the Town of Madison and Fitchburg will be completed.

Why The Merger?

Prior to 2003, the Town of Madison was subject to some annexations of its territory by the City of Madison and Fitchburg as both entities were rapidly expanding. The burdensome legal battles and continued anticipated growth clearly demonstrated the need for the three entities to come to the table and put together a plan for the future. That plan, The Final Attachment, is a phased twenty-year elimination of the Town of Madison and the absorption of her remaining components into the City of Madison and the City of Fitchburg.

Is Arbor Hills Affected?

Yes. A section in the north-west of the neighborhood, as well as some adjacent regions are still in the Town of Madison and will be transitioning to the City in the coming year.

What Happens Next?

On Oct 20th, from 6-7pm, the City will be holding a final Virtual Public Information Meeting to answer questions and provide information on the following topics:

- Impact of Resident's Property Taxes
- November 2022 Elections
- Transportation System Changes
- Change Of Address Process
- Park and Public Library Updates

Residents are strongly encouraged to attend if they have questions on the above or are wishing to learn more about how the City is handling these shifts for former Town of Madison citizens.

Who Can I Contact For More Information?

The City of Madison has a variety of communication avenues available to assist residents with questions:

- Email: townofmadisonattachment@cityofmadison.com
- Hotline: 608.267.1188
- Website: cityofmadison.com/townofmadison



MEET THE AHNA BOARD



Ashley Gibson,
President



George Ermert
Vice President



Aaron Eicher
Events
Coordinator



Nanci Horn
Events
Coordinator



Mary Sara
Treasurer

MEET THE AHNA BOARD



Rebecca
Koerschner
Communication
Coordinator



Michael Horecki
Newsletter Editor



Nicholas Griffiths
Block Captain
Coordinator



Jackie Bastyr
Cooper
Membership
Coordinator

MEET THE AHNA BOARD MEMBERS AT LARGE



Lisa Fernandez



Grant Roeming

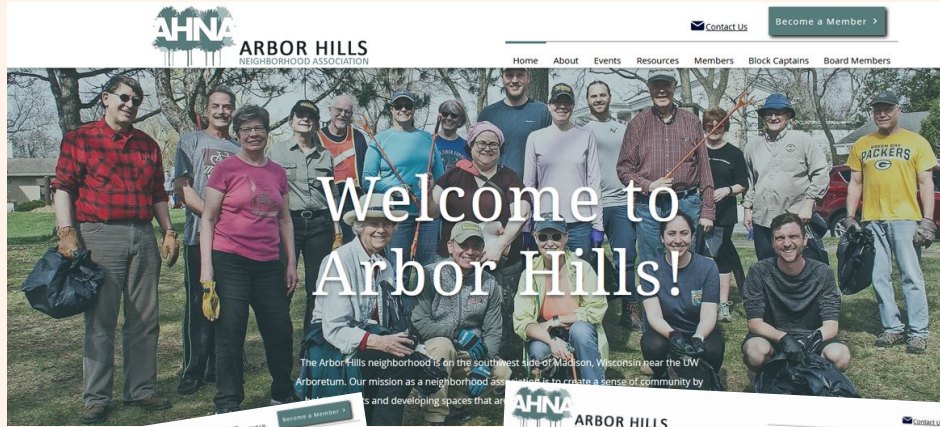


Josh Grotheer

NEW WEBSITE & MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

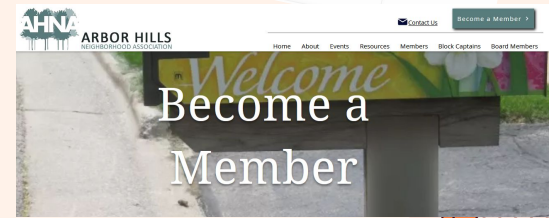
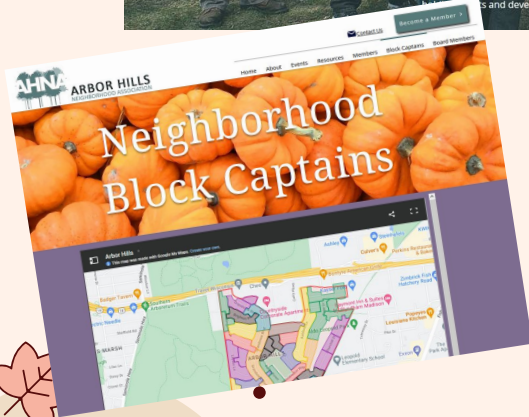


VISIT THE ALL NEW ARBORHILLS.ORG



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[Details](#)



2022 MEMBERSHIP SUMMARY

New Membership Levels*



\$20 - Seed

\$30 - Sapling

\$50 - Tree

2022 Goal: 175 Members	2020	2021	2022
Members	158	172	183
<i>Paid Online</i>			66 (36.1%)
New Members *	16	19	31
Non-Renewal **	39	37	21

2023 Membership Goal 185!

Cash/Check	(no fees)	
PayPal App	(1.99% + \$0.49)	
Online 	(3.49% + \$0.49)	

* you can pay more if desired

BYLAW UPDATES



PROPOSED CHANGES

Current:

Membership Year: The membership year of the Association shall begin on January 1 and shall terminate on December 31 of each calendar year.

Proposed:

Membership Year: The membership year of the Association shall begin on October 1 and shall terminate on September 30 of each calendar year.

PROPOSED CHANGES

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COMPOST BIN GIVEAWAY!

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	2022 Budget	2022EOY Actual	% of Total	2023 Proposed	% of Total
INCOME					
Membership					
Members	175	183		185	
Resident Membership Dues	\$3,500.00	\$3,660.00		\$3,700.00	
Member Contributions (Dues+)	\$350.00	\$855.00		\$634.00	
Other Income (transfer from savings)	\$0.00	\$0.00			
	\$3,850.00	\$4,515.00	82.4%	\$4,334.00	69.9%
Corporate					
Advertising Revenues	\$1,500.00	\$960.00		\$1,860.00	
	\$1,500.00	\$960.00	17.5%	\$1,860.00	30.0%
Operational					
Interest Income	\$10.00	\$4.86		\$10.00	
	\$0.00	\$4.86	0.1%	\$10.00	0.2%
TOTAL INCOME	\$5,360.00	\$5,479.86	100.0%	\$6,204.00	100.0%
EXPENSES**					
Operations					
Business Insurance	\$200.00	\$0.00		\$200.00	
CC/PayPal Processing Fees	\$40.00	\$80.78		\$100.00	
Tax Filing	\$30.00	\$0.00		\$30.00	
Postage	\$10.00	\$0.00		\$10.00	
Supplies - Signs, General & Misc	\$150.00	\$400.97		\$150.00	
Service Appreciation	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$60.00	
MG&E Utilities	\$400.00	\$252.91		\$400.00	
	\$830.00	\$734.66	17.6%	\$950.00	15.3%
Membership Support					
Membership Mailing	\$200.00	\$286.84		\$200.00	
Welcome Packets	\$100.00	\$0.00		\$100.00	
Remittance Envelopes	\$200.00	\$252.29		\$300.00	
	\$500.00	\$539.13	12.9%	\$600.00	9.7%
Communication & Marketing					
Newsletter Printing/Processing	\$2,400.00	\$1,664.84		\$2,500.00	
Newsletter Design	\$0.00	\$770.00		\$400.00	
Website	\$425.00	\$175.00		\$30.00	
Email Host	\$0.00	\$0.00		\$24.00	
	\$2,825.00	\$2,609.84	62.5%	\$2,954.00	47.6%
Events					
AHNA Events	\$965.00	\$294.00		\$1,500.00	
	\$965.00	\$294.00	7.0%	\$1,700.00	27.4%
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$5,120.00	\$4,177.63	100.0%	\$6,204.00	100.0%
NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$240.00	\$1,302.23		\$0.00	

*As of 8/31//2022

Members First Credit Union Business Checking \$1,875.21 Savings Balance \$7,728.88

2023 PROPOSED
BUDGET



ELECTIONS

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President - Ashley Gibson - *Current President running for reelection*

Communication Coordinator - Rebecca Koerschner - *Current Communication Coordinator running for reelection*

Membership Coordinator - Jackie Bastyr Cooper - *Current Membership Coordinator running for reelection*

Block Captain Coordinator - Lisa Fernandez - *Currently serving as Member at Large*

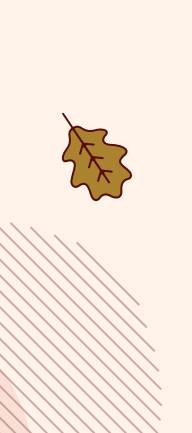
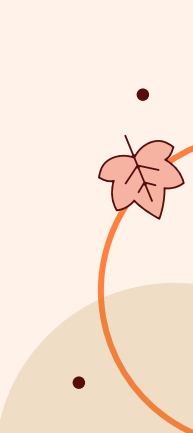

Events Directors* - Nanci Horn and Aaron Eicher

Newsletter Editor - OPEN

Member at Large - Josh Grotheer - *Current Member At Large running for reelection*

Member at Large - OPEN

** Nanci and Aaron began unofficially serving on the board in November 2022. This vote is to formalize their role for the 2022-2023 term.*



A NOTE FROM OUR ALDER

- This morning the Mayor released the Executive Operating Budget:
 - Youth Employment under community service funding was increased
 - CARES was expanded
 - A Parks Alive Coordinator position was created -Parks Alive was a very successful program ran throughout this summer
- Please sign up to my update page to get the latest information including additional budget details
 - <https://www.cityofmadison.com/council/district10/blog/>
- To contact me feel free to call me or email me:
 - Phone: (608) 318-3838
 - district10@cityofmadison.com

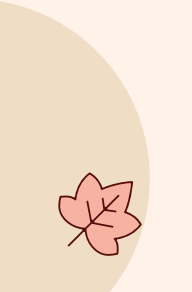
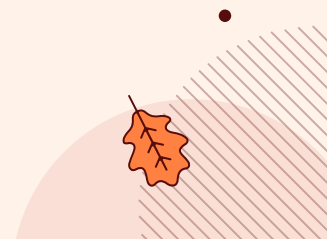
I was really looking forward to be here, but we have a few people absent from Council today and I have to be present to meet quorum and avoid canceling the meeting, Thank you for your understanding!



Alder Yannette Figueroa Cole
District 10



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MPD ADDRESS



Lieutenant Justine Harris

Discussion and Q&A



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