

Elvehjem Echo

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Our Association's 45th Year



"Prez Sez"



As we begin 2013, I want to point out some key 2012 board accomplishments. The most significant of these was the overhaul of our membership database. This was a monumental task and we owe special thanks to Ryan McKee for the days and weeks he invested in this project. Special thanks also to Lynn Munsinger-Brown

for guiding us through the updates to our website and web service hosting and for spearheading the establishment and groundbreaking of the ENA Community Garden. Lastly, thank you to the entire board for managing our funds through a difficult financial year.

Our next event is the **Annual Meeting on Saturday, March 9** in the Community Room of the Madison East Police Station. We begin at 9:30 with refreshments and an opportunity for you to offer direct input to the board and other invited guests including our City Alder, County Board Supervisor and Madison East Police representative. The formal meeting begins at 10:00 during which we need to discuss changes to the bylaws, approve the association budget, and elect new board members and officers for 2013. You can save \$2.00 off your annual membership dues by renewing at this meeting.

In closing, ***YOU need new board members***. When current member terms expire in March and May, board participation will drop to five members. That's too few for a quorum, without which our assets are virtually frozen. We will be unable to conduct neighborhood business.

Join the Board! Contact me at 469-8182 to learn how!

Mike Digman, ENA President

The City of Madison 2013 Recyclopeda is now available!

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CALENDAR

- ◆ **February 6**
7 PM
ENA Board Meeting
East Police Precinct
- ◆ **March 6**
7 PM
ENA Board Meeting
East Police Precinct
- ◆ **March 9**
10 AM
ENA Annual Meeting
East Police Precinct
- ◆ **March 30**
10 AM SHARP
ENA Easter Egg Hunt
Droster Park
- ◆ **April 3**
7 PM
ENA Board Meeting
East Police Precinct
- ◆ **April 27**
9 AM to Noon
Earth Day Clean-Up
Elvehjem Sanctuary

Congratulations

to the Holiday Lights
Contest Winners!



1st Place—5618 Kalas
2nd Place—5608 Kalas
3rd Place—1617 National
Honorable Mentions:
5109 Academy and
1617 Woodvale



Have you spotted the neighborhood turkeys lately? Find out where they've been spotted last on ENA's Facebook page!

ENA Board Meeting Minutes—Nov. 7, 2012

Present: Greg Goke, Mike Digman, Christina McKee, Lynn Munsinger-Brown, Justin Martin, Tiffani Roltgen via Skype and phone. **Absent:** Ted Perttunen **Secretary Minutes:** The October minutes were approved electronically prior to the meeting. **Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 7:05pm **ECHO Deadline:** The deadline for submissions of articles and advertisements for the January/February ECHO is December 15th.

Treasurer's Report: See balance sheet: Approved without objection. **Old Business:** Audit report-Greg audited the books for the past quarter. 2013 calendar of events will be published in December. There was discussion about a neighborhood social event held 9-10am before the annual meeting on March 9, 2013 with more info to follow. Mike will create a playbook for the annual meeting. Forty people attended the Halloween Bonfire. Advertising policy: Prices will stay the same or may be reduced slightly to attract more advertisers. We will try to get more advertising by offering a discount referral through our Facebook page. Community Garden: wheat and oats are growing nicely. Fifteen of the 28 plots available people are already locked-in for next year. **New Business:** Turkey Trot: Turkey trot planning is coming along nicely, the race and walk will start at 8:30 AM Thanksgiving morning. Annual Meeting: Annual meeting is set for March 9, location and invitees TBD. Holiday Lights: Holiday lights contest judges have been selected. Justin will start planning a capital campaign regarding the possibility of a shed for multi-use at the community garden location. The goal is to raise funds and install a shed by spring of 2014. Membership Drive: Membership drive committee will be developing plans for 2013 membership drive. Initial 2013 budget review will occur at the December meeting. Website: Lynn is working on some updates to the website and is working on a blog feature. A motion was made to embed a Wordpress Blog into the existing site. Motion approved and Lynn will begin working on the improvements. **Next Meeting:** The next meeting will be December 5 at 7pm at the East Madison Police Precinct Community Room. **Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm Submitted by Greg Goke

ENA Board Meeting Minutes—Dec. 5, 2012

Present: Greg Goke, Mike Digman, Christina McKee, Justin Martin, Lynn Munsinger-Brown. **Absent:** Ted Perttunen, Tiffani Roltgen **Secretary's Minutes:** The November minutes were approved electronically prior to the meeting. **Call To Order:** Meeting was called to order at 7:05pm **ECHO Deadline:** The deadline for submissions of articles and advertisements for the January/February ECHO is January 10th. **Treasurer's Report:** See balance sheet. Treasurer report will be approved electronically after the meeting. **Old Business:** Turkey trot was a big success, 100 participates took part. Holiday sing along will be disbanded due to lack of participation. Holiday lights' contest judges have been selected and will be patrolling the neighborhood in the weeks before Christmas. 2013 calendar of events is completed and will be posted on the website. **New Business:**

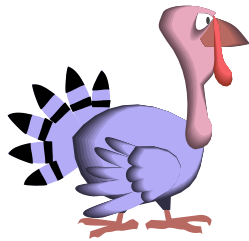
2013 budget planning is underway and will be finalized in the next month or two and presented at the annual meeting in March. Mike has started inviting speakers for the annual meeting, updates on invitees to follow. By Law changes- the board is reviewing the bylaws and will recommend any changes at the annual meeting. Membership drive-planning has begun on 2013 plan for membership drive, details to follow in upcoming months. **To Do List:** Justin will produce a report echo expenses by month for 2012. Mike will look into Good Neighbor recognition award sponsors. Christina and Mike will finalize the echo schedule for 2013. Find new Board Members, Christina will be leaving the board after the membership drive wraps up. Any interested neighbors please contact the board. **Next Meeting:** The next meeting will be January 9th at 7pm at the East Madison Police Precinct Community Room. **Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned at 8:39pm. Submitted by Greg Goke

ENA Board Meeting Minutes—Jan 9, 2013

Present: Greg Goke, Mike Digman, Christina McKee, Lynn Munsinger-Brown, Ted Perttunen, Tiffani Roltgen via Skype and phone. **Absent:** Justin Martin **Secretary's Minutes:** The December minutes were approved electronically prior to the meeting. **Call To Order:** Meeting was called to order at 7:05pm **ECHO Deadline:** The deadline for submissions of articles and advertisements for the March ECHO is February 15th. **Treasurer's Report:** See balance sheet. Treasurer report was submitted electronically before the meeting and motion to approve treasurer's report was made and carried without objection. **Old Business:** Holiday in lights winners were announced. 2013 calendar of events is being updated and will be published soon. Board member update- We need board members- We have 2 board members leaving soon and we need 5 board members to remain an active association, please contact Mike Digman if you are interested. **New Business:** 2013 Budget-We are striving to have a balanced budget for 2013. Mike submitted a plan to reduce the number of Echo issues will be reduced to 6 in an order to save cost. The board will provide feedback to Mike and this issue will be reviewed in February. Annual Meeting- Meeting date is March 9th. Mike is looking into meeting space, we have tentative speakers lined up but still awaiting responses. The board will be presenting some by-law changes at the annual meeting, more details will be available before the meeting. Membership drive - We will be making some changes to the membership forms, Tiffany and Justin will be working on these changes. The Good neighbor award will continue for 2013, Mike is looking into sponsorship of this award. Earth day will be April 27th, Tiffany will be point person on this. Easter egg hunt is set for March 30th, with Snow date for Easter egg hunt April 6th, Ted will be point person on this event. Neighborhood Welcome Kit-Mike is working with Ryan and Christina on this. Items that may be included will be neighborhood map, ENA profile, membership form, Facebook link, latest ECHO, magnets, calendar of events etc. New Grant Program- Tiffany is working on submitting for a grant for the upcoming year. The grant is mainly for Health and Wellness in our community. Tiffany will keep the board informed of the grant and if its approved. **Next Meeting:** The next meeting will be February 6th at 7pm at the East Madison Police Precinct Community Room. **Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm. Submitted by Greg Goke

3rd Annual Turkey Trot a Gobbling Success!

The neighborhood turkeys were in hiding on Thanksgiving but 100 people came out for the 3rd annual ENA Turkey Trot 5K Run and 2 Mile Walk! Many thanks to all of our volunteers who helped with set-up, sign-in, directing runners and clean up – Joel Stone & Georgine Price, Matt Poster, Tiff Roltgen, Matt Poster, Jessica Murphy, Rodney Benson, Carrie Cusick, Jeanne Rotter, Steve & Danielle Taber, Sandra & Jessica Bennet, Craig Brown, Darin Kalisak, Gene Taylor, Tracie Zoll and Mike Digman. And congratulations to our overall and age group winners!



Turkey Trot 5K Winners

Male Overall: Kyle Abernathy 18:46
Female Overall: Tiff Roltgen 22:18
Male Youth: Gabe Murphy 23:09
Female Youth: Devin Rae Lauby
Male Adult: Jason Penticoff 19:23
Female Adult: Jessica Kennedy 24:25
Male Masters: Joel Stone 24:02
Female Masters: Bonnie Benson 30:53

Mark your calendars, and start training for the Firecracker 5K by joining the ENA Wooden Steps Running Club! Check the neighborhood website for the schedule or email Tom Berg at pebble50@sbcglobal.net. Everyone is welcome!

Member Corner

Notices are limited to 40 words and run on a first come, first-served, space-available basis. Youth ads are good for 3 months; all others are 1 month per request. ENA member notices have priority. Notices may be edited.

Send requests to ENA, PO Box 14625, Madison, 53708-0625; or deposit in Echo mailbox at 4503 Deerwood Drive; or email to newsletter@elvehjemneighborhood.org.

Babysitters Wanted! (7th grade or older) Many parents in LVM are looking for local teenage sitters. If you love children and are interested in making a little extra money, please email michelle.l.steffens@gmail.com. List to be shared with LVM parents only.

Tupperware: Fundraising, Opportunity, Service, or Sales. Shop From Your Seat, Not On Your Feet!! For all your storage needs. Save 40-250% on Modular Mates® through January 11th! letspartyathome@yahoo.com Melanie 347-8504 or LetsPartyAtHome.Com

For Sale: Baby's changing table comb Very solid, like new. Includes 1 large drawer, 2 large shelves, railing, belt, raised step for storage and a closet! Asking \$120. Call 333-6397

ENA "Wooden Steps" Running Club Crosses Australia in 2012

The Elvehjem Neighborhood Association "Wooden Steps" Running Club has been meeting since December 2010, and during our first year, we logged 1094.99 miles, which kept us stateside, as we ran the equivalent of the distance from Madison to just past Dallas, Texas.

In 2012, we headed to the land down under and logged 2,568 miles, equivalent to crossing the continent of Australia from east to west.

We are looking to add members and log even more miles in 2013. We'd also like to encourage walkers to join the fun, so we are in need of a leader to coordinate weekly walks.

To volunteer as the walking club leader or find out more information about weekly group runs, contact Running Club Leader Tom Berg at pebble50@sbcglobal.net or 608-221-1892.



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Annual Meeting March 9!**

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