Elvehjem Echo

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Our Association's 45th Year



Words from the Wooden Steps

There's No Place Like Home Dear neighbors.

It is an honor to serve as your ENA Board President. Many thanks to past president Mike Digman for his years of leadership to the Board.

He has left big shoes to fill, but thankfully, he won't be far away, as he is now serving as Vice President!

Some of you may know that my husband was on active duty this past year at Keesler Air Force Base in Biloxi, Mississippi. Our girls—Adelline, age 2, and Stella, age 1—and I accompanied him. Although we enjoyed our southern adventure, especially during all the snowstorms, there was nothing quite like cresting the hill on Buckeye Road and catching sight of those creaky old wooden steps leading up the hill to our house. Home sweet home! Many thanks to the ENA Board for "Skyping" me into our monthly meetings while we were away.

As we look to the ENA year ahead, I'm still convinced that the more we reach out, get to know one another, and build relationships, the smaller and safer our neighborhood becomes. I hope to meet and talk with many of you during one or more of our summer events including Day at the Zoo, Make Music Madison, Fourth of July Celebration, Firecracker 5K/2 Mile Walk/Kids Fun Run, Neighborhood Night Out, Neighborhood Garage Sales, Taste of Elvehjem Neighborhood, Community Garden Work Days, and our ongoing Wooden Steps Running Club. I'm excited for the \$1000 EL-VEH-JEM to WELL-V-M grant our neighborhood was recently awarded from the Wisconsin Association of Family and Consumer Sciences (WAFCS).

One question remains: What can we do to make our neighborhood more welcoming, more inclusive, and more crime-resistant? I look forward to working together with all of you to help Elvehjem Neighborhood continue to be a wonderful place to call home on Madison's Eastside.

Sincerely, Tiffani Roltgen ENA President 608-513-9433 tiffani@elvehjemneighborhood.org



CALENDAR

- **◆ June 5** 7 to 9 PM
- June 159:30AM to 5 PM
- + June 17
- **June 21** 3 to 8 PM
- ◆ June 23 11 AM to 5 PM
- **◆ July 4** 8AM
- July 48:30 AM Sharp
- July 4Noon
- July 4Noon to 2 PM
- July 10 6 to 9 PM
- + July 15
- August 6
- August 7 7 to 9 PM
- August 9-10
- August 17 4 to 7 PM
- + August 19

ENA Board MeetingEast Police Precinct

Day at the Zoo Henry Vilas Zoo

Community Change Double Day

Make Music Happen Elvehjem Park

Neighborhood Pottery

Fired Up Pottery (Monona)

Kids Fun Run
Elvehjem Elementary
Eiroprocker EK/2 Mile

Firecracker 5K/2 Mile Walk

Elvehjem Elementary

4th of July Bike Parade Elvehjem Elementary

4th of July Celebration Elvehjem Park

ENA Board Meeting 5306 East Buckeye Road

Community Change Double Day

Neighborhood Night Out

ENA Board MeetingEast Police Precinct

Neighborhood Garage

Taste of Elvehjem Neighborhood & EL-VEH-JEM to WELL-V-M Kick-Off

Community Garden
Community Change

Double Day

ENA Board Meeting Minutes- May 1, 2013

Present: Greg Goke, Lynn Munsinger Brown, Scot Whitney, Ted Perttunen, Tiff Roltgen, Jamie Meise, Steve Johnson, Christina McKee, Mike Digman, Guests: Betsy and Chris Winterhack. **Absent:** Justin Martin.

Call to Order: Tiff called to order at 7:05pm.

<u>Secretary's Report:</u> The April minutes were approved electronically prior to the meeting. Jamie reported on the plan for the 4th of July celebration raffle. This year each item will have a bucket and people will decide where to put their raffle tickets.

<u>reasurer's Report:</u> Financial sheets were sent electronically prior to the meeting and will be placed on file for audit. Scot and Mike Roltgen will be auditors for the quarterly audit in June.

Old Business: Membership Drive- Tiff made a motion to approach the membership drive in 3 phases, 1-paper copy, 2 -electronically, 3-door to door. Motion carried. **Spring Slow Down Campaign-** set for May 6-17 when we will blanket the neighborhood with red slow down signs. As the host neighborhood, we will join Safe Communities in organizing a summer safety press conference on Monday, May 13, at 10 a.m. at Acewood Park. Neighborhood Watch- Steve will work with Gail Good and the police department to get more information and set up an informational meeting. Make Music Madison- Chris volunteered to coordinate this new event scheduled for Friday, June 21, at Elvehjem Park. This free event will include a musical lineup and be open to everyone. New Business: Board Mentors-Board mentors are set up for all the new board members to ease the transition. Dropbox Security- Tiff will contact Ryan McKee for his recommendation regarding Dropbox security. Election of New Board Member: Greg made a motion to add Betsy to the Board; motion was seconded and carried. Fourth of July Assignments: Lead roles were assigned to board members to cover all areas of the celebration. Event Leadership-Lead roles were assigned for the Day at the Zoo (Mike). Neighborhood Night Out (Jamie), and Taste of Elvehjem (Lynn/Tiff). Reports: Easter Egg Hunt - Easter basket sponsors have been thanked; Tiff updated the playbook. Earth Day Cleanup- Tiff reported there were 6 adults picking up litter and 11 working on invasive species. A specific September date for the Joint Neighborhood Association Meeting will be determined via a Doodle poll. East Buckeye, Heritage Heights, Rolling Meadows, and McClellan Park Neighborhoods have confirmed their participation. Garden-Lynn reported great success for opening day and noted the garden is full for the year. Garage Sales-A survey question will be included on this year's sign-up form asking neighbors about their preference for late June or early August neighborhood sales. Based on survey results, changes to the schedule will be considered for 2014. Well-V-M Committee will be meeting this month; new members welcome. Bylaws Committee-Mike, Tiff, and Betsy, committee will meet in August.

Next Meeting: The next ENA meeting will be Wednesday, June 5, at 7 p.m. at East Precinct Police Station.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

ENA Wooden Steps Running Club "Runs For Boston"

The ENA Wooden Steps Running Club is currently in the midst of a "Run For Boston" tribute to log one mile for each of the injured victims at the Boston Marathon and a full, 26.2-mile marathon for the three individuals who lost their lives. For a complete summer running schedule (May-August), visit the ENA website at www.elvehjemneighborhood.org. The club also offers weekday speed workouts and early bird miles prior the Sunday morning group run. Contact co-leaders Tom Berg (221-1892) and Tiff Roltgen (513-9433) at run@elvehjemneighborhood.org with questions or requests to be added to the weekly reminder e-mail. All runs leave from 5306 East Buckeye Road at the Wooden Steps. New members are always welcome. See you on the road!

Congratulations "Runner of the Quarter!"

ENA Wooden Steps Running Club member Jake Roedsens was recently named the April-June 2013 "Runner of the Quar-



ter." Jake is a new member of the club who has made a big impact in a very short amount of time. He has been instrumental in encouraging club members to increase their weekly mileage totals, and he recently challenged the club to log miles for a month-long "Run For Boston" tribute. This year, Jake completed the Des Moines (4:24:27) and St. Louis (4:12:55) Marathons and will participate in the Chicago Marathon in October. He's also planning to "Conquer the Capital" by running the Madison Marathon 10K, half marathon, and full marathon this year. When he's not training or involved in church activities, Jake works as an analyst at Hewlett Packard. Congratulations Jake, and many thanks to your wife Cecilia, daughter Aria (4), and son Isaiah (2) for supporting your running!

THANK YOU to the Following Sponsors of the 2013 Easter Egg Hunt:

Culver's Misty Mountain

Dairy Queen Papa Bear's BBQ

Dominos Premier Auto

Fraggin' Dragon T.G.I. Friday's

Fraggin' Dragon T.G.I. Friday Heritage Bakery Tupperware Home Town Buffet Walgreens

Magic Car Wash Xer-Lith Printers



Volunteer Spotlight - Meet Chris Winterhack

Chris Winterhack moved to Elvehjem Neighborhood with his wife Betsy (the newest ENA Board member) in April. Chris is heading up the effort to put on a great inaugural Make Music Madison event at Elvehjem Park on Friday, June 21. Chris is the General Manager at Red Card Media, a small business that offers marketing services and an off-campus meal plan for college students. On the side, Chris is the Marketing Coordinator for the local music blog Jonk Music

(www.jonkmusic.com). Chris has also worked as Marketing Coordinator for the Majestic, the live music venue on King Street, and Promotions Coordinator for the Onion. Needless to say, organizing Elvehjem's Make Music Madison day is right up Chris's alley! He already has several acts lined up—check the ENA Facebook page for updates as the event gets closer.

Tell Us Your Elvehjem Neighborhood Story:

"Great neighbors who support each other. Not a story just a reality."

 ENA member and neighbor Ken Eeg

2013 ENA Calendar of Events Correction

We apologize for an error on the 2013 ENA Calendar of Events distributed in the April/May 2013 Echo Newsletter. The 2013 5K Turkey Trot and 2-Mile Walk is set for Thanksgiving morning—Thursday, November 28, at 8:30 a.m. SHARP—not Thursday, November 21. Please note the corrected date, and plan to participate in our fourth annual event! To print the most current refrigerator-friendly ENA Calendar of Events, visit: http://www.elvehjemneighborhood.org/files/ENA Calendar of Events 2013.pdf

2013 ANNUAL ELVEHJEM NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION Garage Sale

Join the Elvehjem Neighborhood Garage Sale! For only \$5 you get:

- * Your sale on the neighborhood map, and a listing of your address with any special items
- * Advertising in the Wisconsin State Journal, Craig's List, and Madison Stuff Exchange.
- * Map and sale lists to hand out to your customers with the other sales in the neighborhood.
- * Map and sale list posted on the Elvehjem Neighborhood website.
- * Attract more customers, and support your neighborhood!

Complete this form and return it with \$5.00 to Diana Winter 4617 Steinhauer Trail (223-1994). Make checks payable to <u>Elvehjem Neighborhood Association</u> Sign Up Deadline August 5

Advertised times are 8-4 Friday, August 9 & Saturday, August 10 Please feel free to set your own hours and note them below.

/our Name:	Phone Number:
/our Address:	
f you wish items mentioned on the garage sale map please list them here:	and list, such as "baby clothes," "gas grill," etc,
	xt year's garage sale? Check one: now, on the second weekend of August

I would prefer the garage sale be held the last weekend of June

Thank you for your input!



3RD ANNUAL FIRECRACKER 5K RUN, 2 MILE WALK & KIDS FUN RUN

THURSDAY, JULY 4, 2013

Kids Fun Run @ 8AM Sharp!
5K and 2 Mile @ 8:30 AM Sharp!
All events start and end in front of
Elvehjem Elementary
(Kids Fun Run next to playground)
Register today at www.elvehjemneighborhood.org!
New this year: Optional T-Shirt!
Use race registration form to order.



Grace Bible Church
1309 Painted Post Drive
Madison
608-222-2205
www.gracebiblechurchmadison.org

Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Worship - 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday Bible Study - 6:00 p.m.

Bring the family to learn more about God's grace



Thank You Earth Day Clean-Up Volunteers!

On the first weekend of beautiful spring weather, 17 hardworking volunteers and two young helpers spent their Saturday morning working to clear Elvehjem Sanctuary of litter and invasive species. The Madison Area Weed Warriors and several volunteers from Virent were on hand, as well as ENA Madison City Park Liaison Joel Stone, who led the invasive species removal crew. At left, neighbor Terri Gregson gathers the litter that was removed from the sanctuary. We hope to see even more neighbors of all ages at next year's event. Don't forget to help us continue the spirit of Earth Day throughout the year by picking up trash that makes its way onto your yards or streets. Please do your part to keep Elvehjem Neighborhood beautiful!

Thank you to all of our neighbors who have joined us so far in making the **2013 Membership Drive** a success. As of May 30, a total of 291 households, out of the 1,749 households in our neighborhood, have joined the Elvehjem Neighborhood Association as member households in 2013. If you haven't yet made the commitment to support ENA by becoming a member, there's still time!

Top Five Streets by Total Memberships		Top Five Streets by Percent of Member Households	
Ellen Ave	25	1. Sherven Dr	57%
Painted Post Dr	22	T-2. Marg St	50%
Starker Ave	20	T-2. Bea Cir	50%
Academy Dr	19	T-2. Montgomery Dr	50%
Woodyale Dr	12	5 Ironwood Dr	44%

We would also like to thank those members who chose to make a financial contribution to ENA in addition to their annual dues. We have received these donations from **64 households**, amounting to **\$1,015** which will serve to directly support community activities and events hosted by the Elvehjem Neighborhood Association.

Thank you to our friends and neighbors for your support!



Summer Fun

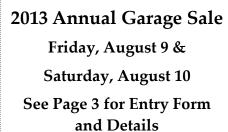


Don't Miss ENA's Annual Fourth of July Celebration!

Thursday, July 4, 2013

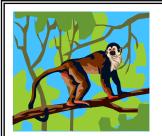
Activities include a Kids Fun Run, Firecracker 5k/2 Mile Walk, Kids Bike Parade, Picnic, Kids Activities, Silent Auction, Raffle, and Bounce Houses

Check the Calendar of Events on Page 1 for Event times and Locations



ENA Pottery Painting Party ~ Fired Up Pottery ~ 4112 Monona Drive Sunday, June 23 ~ 11 AM to 5 PM

Join us for an ENA-sponsored Pottery Painting Party! 30% of all product and gift certificate sales come right back to our neighborhood. Just be sure to mention you are there on behalf of Elvehjem Neighborhood. Come meet your neighbors, bring the kids, and enjoy a fun, creative art experience just a couple miles from home! For those who'd like to combine brunch or lunch with pottery, Crema Café is located a few doors down and is open 8 AM—3 PM. We look forward to painting and partying with you!



Day at the Zoo

Saturday, June 15, 2013 9:30 AM to 5 PM Henry Vilas Zoo 702 South Randall

Avenue

Celebrate the start of summer by joining friends, family, and neighbors for a fun-filled day at Madison's FREE 30-acre zoo!

ENA will provide bottled water between noon and 2 PM in the grassy area next to the main tent.

Celebrate the fruits of our labor and kick off a yearlong commitment to neighborhood wellness at the *first annual* ...

TASTE OF ELVEHJEM
SATURDAY, AUGUST 17 4 TO 7 PM
COMMUNITY GARDEN
1202 PAINTED POST DRIVE

Please bring a garden-fresh dish to pass!
Sign-up information for the El-VEH-JEM to
Well-V-M project will be available.

The WELL-V-M Recipe Contest entry form is located at www.elvehjemneighborhood.org

Make Music Madison

Summer Solstice 2013—Friday, June 21

Make Music Madison is a one-day citywide, free outdoor musical experience held at venues throughout the city. Our very own Elvehjem Park will feature music for all ages from 3 to 9 PM. Bring a picnic (no glass containers please) and blanket or chairs, and come enjoy the sounds of:

3:00 Best of Elvehjem Neighborhood3:30 Music Together (interactive music session

for kids and families)

4:30 Double Ewes

5:15 Dietrich Gosser

5:45 Icarus Himself

6:30 Little Legend

7:15 Luyas

8:15 Julian Lynch

If you or a family member has a musical performance you'd like to share during the Best of Elvehjem Neighborhood session, please contact Make Music Madison coordinator

Chris Winterhack at music@elvehjemneighborhood.org.

All ages and skill levels welcome!

Neighborhood Night Out Tuesday, August 6, 2013

See Page 7 for More Information

ENA Board Welcomes New Members



Steve Johnson has returned to Elvehjem Neighborhood, and fortunately, he is willing to come back to the Board and share his leadership experience as a Director at Large! In the middle- to late-1990s, Steve served terms as Vice President, President, and ECHO Editor. Steve formerly resided on Woodvale Drive near Elvehjem Elementary School; he and

his wife Leslie Ross now own a home on Bay Ridge Drive. Steve has one son, 13-year-old Seth, who is an eighth grader at Whitehorse Middle School and will be attending LaFollette High School next year. Steve works at Promega Corporation as a quality assurance specialist. Leslie is the director of religious education at First Unitarian Society. Steve can be contacted via e-mail at

<u>steve@elvehjemneighborhood.org</u> or phone at 608-513-4187.



Betsy Winterhack and her husband Chris have lived on Ellen Avenue since April 2013, and Betsy joined the ENA Board shortly after moving into the neighborhood. Betsy has worked as in-house counsel at the Wisconsin Department of Administration since 2007. Recently Betsy has been spending most of her time

on the adventure of first-time home ownership, but she also enjoys seeing live music and exploring Madison's tastes, brews, sights, and scenes. Betsy brings legal expertise and a strong commitment to community to the Board. She can be contacted via e-mail at betsy@elvehjemneighborhood.org or phone at 608-445-7961.

Two Neighbors Needed to Fill Open Board Seats

There are still two open spots on the ENA Board. We currently have representatives from the following areas of the neighborhood: East Buckeye Road (1), Bay Ridge Drive (1), Dondee Road (1), Ellen Avenue (2), Starker Avenue (2), South Thompson Drive (1), and a member-at-large from the East Buckeye Neighborhood (1). Don't see your street listed? Think about joining the board! Contact ENA President Tiffani (Tiff) Roltgen at tiffani@elvehjemneighborhood.org or 608-513-9433. We have mentors ready to assist your transition. Plan to attend one of our next meetings on Wednesday, June 5, or Wednesday, August 7, from 7 to 9 p.m. at the East Precinct Police Station. We're saving a seat for you!

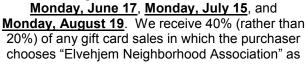
Joining ENA Just Got EASIER!

Lost your ENA membership form? Can't find your checkbook? Don't have a pen? We understand! Now you can renew your ENA membership online in 5 minutes (or less) using our new, secure membership form found at http://formsmarts.com/form/17ze
After completing the form, you will be prompted to complete payment via PayPal. Online ENA membership dues are

Please consider joining 272 of your neighbors who are already part of the growing network of informed, involved residents who love Elvehjem, the hard-to-spell but easy-to-love eastside neighborhood!

\$13/year.

The next "Double Donation Days" for the Elvehjem Neighborhood Association are





their designated charity. Visit www.TheCommunityChange.com today!

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savings are in the air

There are simple ways we can all save energy this summer. Hanging your laundry outside to dry is one way. If you use your dryer, run it during the cooler parts of the day. For more warm weather energy and cost saving tips,

hang out online at mge.com/summer.

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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.

Tupperware: Fundraising, tunity, Service, or Sales "Shop From Your Seat, Not On Your Feet!!" for all product your needs. www.LetsPartyAtHome.com Melanie 347-8504 or LetsPartyAtHome@yahoo.com Proud sponsor of the three large Easter baskets for ENA's Easter Egg Hunt! Experienced 17 year old willing to babysit with her own vehicle. Contact Jessica at 222-4747.

What is National Night Out?

We are encouraging all residents of Elvehjem Neighborhood to do something to improve relationships with their neighbors on **August 6** or any day that works best for you!

Here are some ideas to get started:

Host a cookout, bonfire, or ice cream social * Pick up litter * Organize a block party * Go for a walk or run * Work together on a landscaping or home improvement project * Set up a childcare or meal exchange * Bake cookies for your neighbors

Please consider submitting a picture / description of how you celebrated Neighborhood Night Out to the ECHO Newsletter Editor at newsletter@elvehjemneighborhood.org by August 15 for publication in the September/October issue.

For more information on National Night Out, please visit www.natw.org.

Slow Down Campaign – Wrapping up the Spring Campaign and Looking Forward to the Fall!



This year's spring Slow Down Campaign ran from May 5 to May 17 and the Elvehjem Neighborhood had the honor of being selected (by Safe Communities) as the host neighborhood for the campaign. On Monday, May 13, a press conference was held at Acewood Park with members of local law enforcement and Safe Communities. An online driving pledge was started on the ENA Facebook page. Many neighbors signed up, committing to driving posted speeds in the neighborhood.

Thanks to all Elvehjem neighbors for being supportive of the campaign and for hosting signs near your yards. Sincere thanks to the many volunteers who made this event possible by setting up and taking down approximately 250 signs. This year's volunteers in-

clude Jenny Gotcher, Mike Digman, Janet McCormick, Mike Roltgen, Jason Kennedy, Betsy Winterhack, Steve Dunning, Scot Whitney, and Lynn Munsinger Brown. Thanks to the volunteers and their families!

The fall back to school campaign will run from September 3 to 13. If you would like to volunteer to put up signs on September 2, would like to host a sign in your yard, or have a suggestion, please contact Gail Good (ENA Safety Coordinator) at safety@elvehjemneighborhood.org or 608-345-3899.

Please remember we can all "pace" traffic by driving the speed limit EVERY time we are on our neighborhood streets. Thanks again for keeping Elvehjem Neighborhood safe!



Elvehjem Neighborhood Association PO Box 14625 Madison, Wisconsin 53708-0625

Art Cart is Back for Its 38th Year!

The Art Cart is a free, drop-in traveling art program that provides creative, outdoor art-making experiences to children ages 3+ and their families. Children ages 6 and younger must be accompanied by an adult.

June 25	9 AM—Noon	Acewood Park		
July 2	9 AM—Noon	Elvehjem Park		
July 9	1 PM—4 PM	Acewood Park		
July 18	1 PM—4 PM	Elvehjem Park		
July 31	5 PM—7:30 PM	Acewood Park		
August 7	5 PM—7:30 PM	Elvehjem Park		
The Art Cart is sponsored by the Madison Museum of Con-				
temporary Art and Madison School & Community Recreation				

Congratulations to the newly elected 2013-2014 ENA Board Executive Officers!

President Tiffani (Tiff) Roltgen
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Vice President Michael (Mike) Digman
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Treasurer Justin Martin
justin@elvehjemneighborhood.org
Secretary Jamie Meise
jamie@elvehjemneighborhood.org
608-477-3955

To contact the entire board with questions or concerns, e-mail enaboard@elvehjemneighborhood.org



Les Feldick Conference

Saturday, August 24, 2013 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Held at: Crowne Plaza Hotel 4402 East Washington Ave.

Sunday August 25, 2013 8:00 a.m. - Noon Held at: Grace Bible Church 1309 Painted Post Drive Madison

Call 608-222-2205 for information