

Elvehjem Echo

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Our Association's 49th Year



Dear Neighbors,

It's the most wonderful time of the year! Here in Elvehjem Neighborhood we have several events planned in December to celebrate the holiday season and I hope you can participate in one or all! Please check our upcoming events section for full details on our Annual Holiday in the Park Celebration, Holiday Cookie Swap and Annual Holiday Lights Contest. Also during the month of December we are collecting donations of new or gently used hats, mittens and gloves for children in need at LVM Elementary.

With 2016 coming to a close, the ENA board has already begun planning for 2017! We plan to offer a full calendar of events including all the annual events you have come to look forward to as well as a couple exciting newer events. If you have been thinking about getting more involved by joining the board, now is a great time! We will have two open seats on the board for Directors-at-Large when our current treasurer and secretary both retire at the end of their term this March.

Please contact me for more information at jamie@elvehjemneighborhood.org, I would be happy to talk to you about the opportunity and answer any questions you might have.

Sincerely,

Jamie Meise

ENA President 608-477-3955 jamie@elvehjemneighborhood.org



Treasurer's Report

By Stacy Wellford



2016 has been another great year for ENA's finances, membership revenue was the highest on record bringing in 453 households and \$9,749. So far this year \$3,800 was spent on the cost of printing and mailing of the Elvehjem Echo Newsletter which was greatly offset with \$1,900 in advertising dollars received from local businesses. The board has worked hard to keep cost down with also continuing to expand our event listing, so far ENA has spent \$5,100 in events and administrative expenses, compared to the prior year of \$4,800. The board has currently been busy working on the budget for next year and will be presenting a draft at our board meeting on Wednesday, December 7th.

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SECRETARY'S CORNER

By Justin Martin



In the two meetings since our last issue we recapped the various events we hosted throughout the late-summer and fall months. We noted that some of our newer initiatives such as the Halloween Decorating Contest and the Women's Health Talk Series unfortunately had limited participation despite being well received by those

who did participate.

We continue to research tech solutions for maintaining our annual membership information, mail distribution list, and events registration. We have also begun developing our budget for 2017 to reflect changes to our events and include new initiatives like our exciting new partnership with Elvehjem Elementary through the Madison Foundation Adopt-A-School Program.

Neighbors are always welcome to attend our monthly meetings. The next meeting will take place on Wednesday, December 7, from 7 to 9PM, at the home of Alice Pulvermacher. Please let me or Jamie know if you plan to attend and we would be happy to give you the address. Our January meeting will take place on January 4, also at 7 PM, in the upstairs meeting room at Great Dane Eastside.

For a copy of meeting minutes, visit our website or contact Justin Martin at 608-219-2060 or secretary@elvehjemneighborhood.org.

MEMBER CORNER

Save the Date! Elvehjem Bobcat Trivia Night! Saturday, January 28th @6 pm. Team trivia for cash prizes, raffles and more! More details to come!

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HELP WANTED

Are you intrigued by local history? **The ENA 50th Anniversary Committee needs YOU!** Job description includes: working with fantastic members of the Elvehjem Neighborhood to interview neighbors, collect artifacts and work with local historians to build a historical timeline of events.



We are also in need of artifacts that might be collecting dust in your basement! Have any old home videos or photos that show what backyards used to look like? Events at the school or parks? Please let us know, we can work with any form of media! Contact Marilee marilee@elvehjemneighborhood.org or 608-239-0975.

UPCOMING ENA EVENTS

Hat and Mittens Drive

December 1-18

There is always a need for winter weather gear at Elvehjem Elementary. Please consider donating new or gently used hats, mittens, and gloves to help keep our neighborhood kids warm while they play out in the snow during recess.

Donations can be dropped off in the front office at Elvehjem Elementary or contact Jamie to arrange pick-up at 608-477-3955 or

jamie@elvehjemneighborhood.org. We will also be collecting donations at the Holiday in the Park Celebration on Saturday, December 3 from 4-7pm.



Holiday in the Park

Saturday, December 3 from 4-7pm at

Orlando Bell Park, 2274 S. Thompson Dr.

Bring the family and join your neighbors in celebrating the holiday season in the park! Gather 'round the fire and warm up with a cup of hot chocolate, take a horse drawn sleighride through the neighborhood, and visit with Santa. Remember to bring your camera; this is sure to be a memory filled evening!

Santa is excited to visit with the children again this year from 4-6pm! We recommend arriving to the celebration 15 minutes early so you don't miss his

exciting arrival on a fire truck! Sleigh rides will begin around 4:30pm and continue through 6:30pm. The bonfire will be roaring from 4 to 7pm or later!

All activities are free of charge! Please bring a non-perishable donation for Second Harvest Foodbank of Southern Wisconsin. We will also be collecting hats and mittens to donate to children in need at LVM Elementary School. If you would like to make a donation to offset the cost of the event you will be entered to win a prize!

Holiday Cookie Swap

Sunday, December 11 at 4pm Our Saviour's Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall, 1201 Droster Rd. We hope you can join us for our annual neighborhood Holiday Cookie Swap! Please bring 5 dozen of your favorite homemade cookies packaged together in sets of 6 for easy trading and go home with a delicious assortment of cookies! A portion of the cookies will be used to create platters for our local police and fire stations. Refreshments and snacks will be provided and children are welcome! If possible, please RSVP via the Facebook Event Page or contact Jamie Meise at

jamie@elvehjemneighborhood.org or 608-477-3955 by December 10.



MORE UPCOMING ENA EVENTS

2016 Holiday Lights Contest

There are so many homes with wonderful holiday lights and decorations in our neighborhood every year we hope to see all of them entered in this year's contest. Email your address to audra@elvehjemneighborhood.org between December 1-11. We'll take pictures of your home, and post them on Facebook for you to vote on your favorite December 12-22. Winner announced December 23. First place \$25 Metro Market gift card, second place \$20 PDQ gift card, third place \$15 Habanero's gift card.



RECENT ENA EVENT RECAP

Halloween Bonfire

Close to 80 neighbors came and enjoyed hot chocolate, candy and apples by the warm fire at Elvehjem Park after trick or treating on Halloween night. Friendly conversation buzzed among friends and parents while their kids played under the lights in their costumes. A Harry Caray pumpkin won first prize in the jack-o-lantern contest, while a Kylo Ren carving won for most creative. It was another successful event for the community. Next year's bonfire will again be on Oct. 31st, from 6 to 8 PM. Mark your calendars!



Halloween Decorating Contest

Congratulations to the winners of our Halloween Decorating Contest and thank you to everyone who participated!

1st place \$25 Great Dane gift certificate

1106 S. Thompson Drive

2nd place \$20 Angelo's gift certificate

4817 Starker Avenue

3rd place \$10 Dairyland gift certificate.

1722 Grafton Road

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Recreation programs in your neighborhood! Fun has moved to your neighborhood! Check out MSCR East at 4620 Cottage Grove Road. This new facility offers a variety of arts, enrichment and fitness classes for youth and adults. Register for classes like Boot Camp, Ballet, Photography, Drawing and much more. View available winter & spring class options at www.msqr.org or call 608-204-3000.

ENA Adopts LVM Elementary

Elvehjem Neighborhood Association (ENA) is excited to announce that we have adopted Elvehjem (LVM) Elementary through the Foundation for Madison's Public Schools Adopt-a-School Program for the 2016-2017 school year! We sincerely hope that this partnership opens the lines of communication between the school and the neighborhood and leads to greater community involvement and support of the school. We are working closely with the LVM PTO and school staff to discover ways that we as a neighborhood can support the school and we need YOUR help! There are many ways YOU can get involved:

- Donate to the December Hat and Mitten Drive
- Donate to the February Classroom Restock Drive
- Volunteer at a one-time event such as the Spring Read-a-thon or End of the year Field Day
- Volunteer regularly as a Lunch Buddy, Reading Buddy, Classroom Helper, or Garden volunteer
- Collect Box Tops for the PTO to support their ongoing fundraising efforts

Full details are posted online at elvehjemneighborhood.org/LVM or contact Jamie@elvehjemneighborhood.org or 608-477-3955 for more information and to sign up to volunteer!

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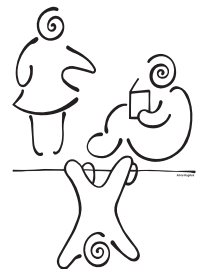
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Babysitter's Name (Age)	Parent's Name	Phone#
Abigayle Baxter (15)	Jill Baxter	222-0544
Sherry BonDurant (adult)	N/A	770-5192
Moly Hill (14)	Janet McCormick	221-4171
Kaitlyn McClain(15)	Jody McClain	224-0695
Gabe Murphy (14)	Jessica Murphy	575-3597
Lucy Murphy (12)	Jessica Murphy	575-3597
Sidney Schrage (15)	Kari Schrage	320-4574
Zoe Svanoë (14)	Dawn Svanoë	443-8946
Triona Witkins (15)	Kelly Witkins	320-8432

*Disclaimer: This is a compiled list of submissions; babysitters have not been reference checked.
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A Note From Dane County Executive Joe Parisi :

We live in a compassionate, caring community. It's core to our quality of life and helps make our neighborhoods the very best they can be. Homelessness is a real challenge facing too many families not only here, but in growing communities across the country. What makes us unique is the way we are coming together to make a real difference for our neighbors.

With a site now secured, we are working diligently with the City, United Way, Catholic Charities and others to develop a new Day Resource Center to help individuals who fall on hard times get back on their feet and find employment. This new one-stop-shop is slated to open next summer once remodeling is complete.

In addition to connecting those who are homeless with the vast array of services our community offers, it's important we continually focus on what can be done to prevent homelessness before it occurs. Too often families working hard to support their loved ones come upon a car repair or other significant expense making it hard to pay rent. That's why I created the "Eviction Prevention Program" through Dane County Joining Forces for Families – to stabilize living situations for families with children. We are on track to help 200 families and 400 kids this year. Given demand, I am doubling the dollars for this effort to \$100,000.

Working with the Salvation Army, the County is providing nearly \$1 million for emergency shelter and to support a new expanded "Rapid Re-Housing" initiative to secure permanent housing for dozens of individuals. Once housing is found, "Rapid-Re-Housing," empowers homeless individuals with the training and skills to stay in those residences. That's why I'm putting more county dollars into case managers for the coming year, people who can work directly with those with housing challenges to get them into and keep them in affordable housing. Together, we are making a real difference.



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ENA Calendar of Events Mark Your Calendars!

December 1-18	Hat & Mitten Drive	Drop off donations	LVM Elementary, ENA Events
December 3	Holiday in the Park	4-7 p.m.	Orlando Bell Park
December 11	Holiday Cookie Swap	4-5 p.m.	Our Saviour's Lutheran Church
December 1-23	Holiday Lights Contest		Neighborhood homes & Facebook