

Elvehjem Echo

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Our Association's 50th Year



Dear Neighbors,

I hope you had a wonderful holiday and are surviving winter thus far! While the ENA calendar is slow in the winter months, the board never rests! We are extremely excited to be celebrating our 50th Anniversary this year which makes us the longest standing neighborhood association in Madison! To commemorate the occasion we are creating a video history of our neighborhood which we will be showing at a party later this fall. We are also planning for our Annual Neighborhood Meeting and Pizza Social to be held on April 14 so mark your calendars and save the date! As if that isn't enough to keep us busy, we are also preparing for the Annual Membership Drive which will take place from April 15-May 15. It is our goal to have block captains deliver a membership packet to every household in the neighborhood and for that we need YOUR help! Please consider serving as a block captain for your street; you can contact me with any questions or to sign up. We can ALWAYS use more volunteers!

See you in the spring!

Sincerely,

Jamie Meise

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

SECRETARY'S CORNER

by Audra Johnson

There are changes to announce in the Elvehjem Neighborhood Association board, Abby Abernathy is stepping down after almost 4 years. On behalf of the whole board, I'd like to thank Abby for her enthusiasm, input, assistance at the meetings and events over the years. In her place, Shane Corcoran will step in as a Director at Large effective immediately. We're all looking forward to his new perspective, and ideas he will bring to the table. Please read his introductory bio on page 4.



We are actively recruiting two more neighbors to be Directors at Large of the Elvehjem Neighborhood Association. The only qualification is living in the neighborhood and a willing community spirit. Directors attend and contribute to monthly meetings and volunteer for leading events and assisting with events. Please consider coming to the next monthly meeting which now takes place on the second Monday of the month, 7-9pm at Great Dane East. The next two meetings will be February 12 and March 12. We hope to see you there!



Are you up for a challenge?!?

We would like to challenge you to donate \$1 for every year that you have lived in Elvehjem Neighborhood to help fund our 50th Anniversary video documentary the accompanying celebration to be held this fall.

Central Storage Warehouse on Cottage Grove Road is generously matching donations up to \$500!

Please help us make this the party of the year! Please go to www.elvehjemneighborhood.org/celebrations to donate via PayPal, or mail a check to the ENA, Attn: 50th Anniversary, PO Box 14625 Madison, WI 53708 Contact Marilee Cronin Marilee@elvehjemneighborhood.org with questions.

TREASURER REPORT

by Jacob Wright



Greetings, neighbors! I've heard from several of you, and I think I've answered all of your questions. But if I missed anyone, please accept my apologies and contact me again!

I've written a tentative budget for the new year, and I'll be presenting it to the Board this month. Generally, the ENA is in a sound financial position and I'm excited for the great activities and charitable actions we'll be able to take over the coming year. It's all because of your support, and for that I thank you.

On a personal note, we're now pretty well settled in following our move into the neighborhood. We are very happy here, and we look forward to many more years in our home.

As always, don't hesitate to reach out with questions or concerns!
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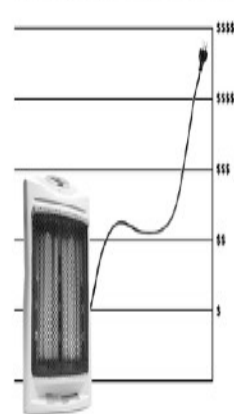
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UPCOMING ENA EVENTS



Culver's Night

Tuesday, March 13, 2018 5:00-8:00 PM

Take a night off from cooking and join us at Culver's on Cottage Grove Road. Culver's will donate part of the profits to the Elvehjem Neighborhood Association for the 50th Anniversary Celebration!



Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, March 31, 2018 at 9:30am SHARP

Droster Park

Join us at the Elvehjem Neighborhood Annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday March 31, 2018. The event starts at 9:30 am at SHARP at Droster Park. Children of all ages and their parents/guardians are welcome. A separate area will be designated for children age 4 and under. Treats will be provided for all participants. We look forward to seeing you there.

SAVE THE DATE!

2018 ENA Annual Meeting and Pizza Social

Saturday, April 14 at 10am

All residents of Elvehjem Neighborhood are invited and encouraged to attend our Annual Neighborhood Meeting! Meet the ENA Board of Directors, vote on the 2018 budget, learn about neighborhood events and initiatives, and have the opportunity to join/ renew your annual membership dues at a special reduced rate of \$12!

Stick around after the business portion of the meeting for a pizza and social hour from 11am-noon!



COMING THIS YEAR

See the story of
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New ENA Board Member:

Shane Corcoran

Originally from central Illinois, Shane and his wife Jessi moved to LVM in the spring of 2016. Shane currently works as Senior Scrum Master/Business Analyst contractor at TDS Telecom and Jessi works as the Prevention Coordinator at the Wisconsin Coalition Against Sexual Assault (WCASA). They have 3 awesome and crazy furbabies, cats Bigby (m) and Onions (f) and puppy Helga. Shane is excited to join the Board and continue the work towards better community.



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ENA EVENT RECAPS

Turkey Trot 5k and 2 Mile Walk November 23



Our Annual Elvehjem Neighborhood Association Turkey Trot was once again a huge success! Families and friends started their Thanksgiving Day off with a 5k run/walk or 2 mile walk. This year we had a 183 participants!!! Our celebrity guest was local Alder Amanda Hall. Through generous donations from participants we were able to donate 139 pounds of food to Second Harvest Food Bank and also contributed to the Elvehjem Elementary School Hats and Mittens Drive. We would like to thank all those who joined us and the many hard working volunteers. We are already looking forward to next year!

ENA EVENT RECAPS

Holiday in the Park

We had an amazing moon filled evening to celebrate our annual Holiday in the Park event with a roaring fire, horse drawn carriage rides, hot cocoa and treats, and of course, a visit from our bearded friend, Santa. We estimate that 400 neighbors and friends attended this year's event. Through generous donations of those who attended we collected over 500 pounds of food for Second Harvest Food Bank and four big grocery bags full of items for the Warm Winter Clothing Drive. It was an amazing evening and we hope to see you all again in 2018!



Holiday Lights Showcase

Below is the winning photo in the Holiday Lights Showcase. Thanks to everyone who took the time to decorate their home to make the neighborhood more festive this 2017 Holiday Season! Seven neighbors emailed photos of their decorations for the Elvehjem Neighborhood Holiday Lights Showcase. All the photos were posted on Facebook and everyone was invited to vote on their favorite. On December 23, the photos that got the top three votes were announced and they each received the following prizes thanks to generous donations from these businesses 1st Place - \$25 Karben4 gift card, 2nd place \$20 Angelo's Restaurant Gift Certificate, 3rd place \$10 Cuco's Restaurant Gift Certificate.



NYE Last Chance Run-a-thon

From 12:01am to 11:59pm on December 31 neighbors took advantage of their last opportunity to run or walk in 2017 during Elvehjem Neighborhood's Wooden Steps Running Club's Annual New Year's Eve Run & Walk-a-thon. Despite the frigid subzero temperatures, 27 brave participants completed 180 laps of the route equaling a total of 165.63 miles! Mike Fink was the first on the course at 12:10am and went on to complete 21.12 miles. Jeanne Rotter closed out the event at 11:03pm. Jaren Christianson and Jessica Murphy were the top male and female participants with 32.2 miles and 10.12 miles respectively. Thanks again to Jaren Christianson for organizing this fun event and to Peter Schroder and Max King for the great donations!

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ENA Adopt-A-School Update for LVM Elementary

Elvehjem Neighborhood Association has adopted LVM Elementary school again for the 2017-2018 school year! Through volunteer opportunities, fundraisers, and donation drives our neighborhood can show love and support to the student, families, and staff at our local elementary school. **THANK YOU!**

The Hat's and Mittens drive was hugely successful, thank you to everyone who donated items to help keep our neighborhood kids warm this winter!_

Classroom Restock Drive, February 1-28: As we reach the middle of the school year, many classroom supplies are starting to dwindle. Let's work together to replenish the classrooms so the teachers can get through the school year without having to dig into their own pockets. A few commonly needed items include snacks, markers, pencils, glue sticks, and dry erase markers but please check elvehjemneighborhood.org/LVM or Facebook for a list of teacher requested supplies. Donations can be dropped off in the front office at LVM.

Trivia Night, February 10 at the VFW on Cottage Grove Rd: Neighbors are invited to join in this exciting night of trivia, raffles, auction, and cash prizes! Doors will open at 5:30 and trivia begins at 6:30. Teams can be 8-10 people and registration is \$15 a person in advance or \$20 at the door. Please contact Lisa Slotten at lmsslotten@madison.k12.wi.us to sign up.

Fun Fair, March 2 from 6-8pm: Volunteers will be needed to help with ticket purchasing, food sales, and games. Please contact Cori at cori.vandekieft@gmail.com if you are available to help with this fun event!

**Keep up to date on all Adopt-a-school initiatives on our website at www.elvehjemneighborhood.org/LVM.*

THINKING OF SELLING?

The Spring real estate market is starting early!
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ENA Calendar of Events- Mark your calendars!!!

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
Feb 1- 28	Classroom Restock Drive for LVM Elementary		Drop off donations at LVM front office
March 13	Culver's Fundraiser	5-8pm	Culver's Cottage Grove Rd.
March 31	Annual Easter Egg Hunt	9:30pm	Droster Park
April 14	ENA Annual Neighborhood Meeting and Pizza Social	10am-Noon	Our Saviour's Lutheran Church
April 15 - May 15	ENA Annual Membership Drive		