

# Elvehjem Echo

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Our Association's 51st Year



Dear Neighbors,



A Happy New Year to all in the neighborhood.

As I came back to my home after the three day weekend, I was getting ready to shovel my driveway after the big snowstorm. When I arrived, I was surprised to see my driveway and sidewalk clear. My neighbors had snow-blown the entire area out of the kindness of their hearts. It is this kind of gesture that reminds me of the generosity of this neighborhood.

Continuing with this generosity, ENA will again be helping with the Elvehjem Elementary Restock Drive. This time of year, halfway through the school year, supplies are starting to run low at Elvehjem Elementary School. Let us help the school restock the classrooms so the teachers are able to make it through the remainder of the year without having to dig into their own pockets. The most needed items are the following: batteries, Clorox wipes, colored pencils, crayons, glue sticks, highlighters, markers, pencils, pens, and snacks. There is much more, for a specific list, see Page 7 of this Echo Newsletter.

## How to turn in your donations:

- 1 - Bring your donation to the drop off bin by the main office at LVM
- 2 - Ship your donation directly to the school (LVM PTO, 5106 Academy Drive, Madison, WI 53716).

Not sure what to purchase? Amazon and Metro Market gift cards would be welcomed and used to purchase items that are still needed at the end of our Restock Drive!

This is one of the biggest drives of the year for the Elementary. Let's show our generosity as a neighborhood and help with this restock drive.

Sincerely,

*Charles Donaldson*

ENA President, 651-353-8523, [charles@elvehjemneighborhood.org](mailto:charles@elvehjemneighborhood.org)

## MEMBER CORNER



The ENA is looking for a few green thumbs! Spring will be here soon enough, and the ENA is looking for some neighbors interested in helping to keep our ENA Signs looking good: weeding, adding mulch, and

possibly adding some new plants or flowers! Maybe you have some new ideas! Please contact the board at [enaboard@elvehjemneighborhood.org](mailto:enaboard@elvehjemneighborhood.org). Thanks!

Please let the ENA Board know if you would like to volunteer to have your name and contact information included on a snow remover list [enaboard@elvehjemneighborhood.org](mailto:enaboard@elvehjemneighborhood.org).

If you would like to put something in the Echo newsletter, write 40 words or less and email the notice to Audra Johnson [audra@elvehjemneighborhood.org](mailto:audra@elvehjemneighborhood.org)

## Treasurer's Report by Jacob Wright



Hope everyone is staying warm. On the Treasury front, I am happy to say that we ended the year in good financial shape. Currently, I'm preparing a recap as well as the budget for next year, to be presented at our next Annual Meeting.

I am also pleased to announce that we raised over \$1,000 for use to pay off negative lunch account balances at the school! That will go a long way to help our families in need.

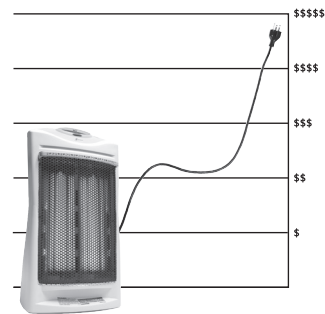
As always, don't hesitate to reach out with questions or concerns!  
[jacob@elvehjemneighborhood.org](mailto:jacob@elvehjemneighborhood.org)

## Secretary's Corner by Audra Johnson



Thanks for a great 2018 with record setting attendance at our neighborhood events like the 50th Anniversary Celebration and Fourth July Celebration. Going into 2019, we welcome a new Director at Large board member Christopher Miller, please read his bio on page 7.

If you or someone you know owns a nearby business and would like to purchase advertising in the Echo Newsletter, please have them contact [jim@elvehjemneighborhood.org](mailto:jim@elvehjemneighborhood.org) we have openings in the newsletter for 2019. Don't forget everyone is always welcome at neighborhood board meetings which are held the first Wednesday of the month from 7-9pm at Great Dane Eastside Meeting rooms upstairs. We're always looking for new board members, or let us know if you want to pitch in with volunteering for an event!  
[audra@elvehjemneighborhood.org](mailto:audra@elvehjemneighborhood.org).



## plug and pay

Using a portable electric space heater is one of the most expensive ways to heat your home. At today's prices, electric heat costs five times more per BTU than natural gas.

You will not save money with an electric space heater unless you turn your central heating system down many degrees and use the space heater to warm a small area.

Questions? Visit: [mge.com/heater](http://mge.com/heater)



## UPCOMING ENA EVENTS

### ENA ANNUAL NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING

**Saturday April 13 Our Saviour's Lutheran Church - 1201 Droster Road**

9:15am Block Captain Training

10am Neighborhood Meeting

11am Neighborhood Social and pizza lunch

### EASTER EGG HUNT

**Saturday April 20 Droster Park 9:30am SHARP!**

Children of all ages and their families are welcome to attend our Annual Easter Egg Hunt! Separate areas will be designated for the big kids ages 5 and up and the littler kids ages 4 and under. Please bring your own basket and don't forget your camera so you can take pictures with the Easter Bunny! Treats will be provided for all participants. We hope to see you there!



## ENA EVENT RECAP

### New Year's Eve Run/Walk-a-Thon

#### **Final Results**

Total laps: 172 (158.24 mi)

Participants: 46

Top male finisher: Jaren C. 33 laps (30.36 mi)

Top female finisher: Jessica Murphy 14 laps (12.88 mi)

LVM walkers and runners raised \$86 during the event for Girls on the Run and received an additional \$50 in anonymous donations. Considering the weather conditions, this was an AWESOME effort, great job! Big thanks to Bonnie Benson for her generous support of the NYE event!



# ENA EVENT RECAP

## 2018 Holiday in the Park Recap

We had a very successful Holiday in the Park celebration on December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018, in Orlando Bell Park. As always, this annual event, a collaboration between the ENA and the East Buckeye Neighborhood Association, featured a roaring bonfire, horse-drawn carriage rides, hot cocoa, and of course, a visit from Santa Claus himself.

About 300 of our neighbors and friends attended this year's event, and thanks to their generosity we collected 200 lbs. of food for Second Harvest Foodbank. A big thank you to everyone who came out--and especially to those who donated baked treats! We look forward to seeing everyone in 2019!



Watch the 50th Anniversary  
documentary movie about Elvehjem  
Neighborhood on YouTube !

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jX5l6sjoQoE&t=32s>

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## **Ice Dams can be Costly**

*From: Madison Gas and Electric*

A few inches of snow, freezing temperatures and warm air leaking into your attic are a perfect combination for ice dams. What's an ice dam, and why should you be concerned if you have icicles hanging from your gutters?

Ice dams form when heat in the attic melts the snow on the roof and water runs down to the overhang and then refreezes. The ice starts to build up, holding water which can then flow back up the roof under the shingles. This often results in serious water damage to the ceiling and walls inside the home. Often, the damage can't be seen until it's too late, and repairs can be expensive.

Warm air leaking into your cold attic through attic bypasses (the small holes and paths by which heated air flows into the attic) is usually the culprit. Some sources include electrical boxes, exhaust fans, lighting fixtures including recessed lights and wiring penetrations and attic hatches/entrances. These warm air bypasses have to be fixed first to eliminate the problem. A lack of ventilation and/or not enough insulation can add to the trouble.

If you think you have a problem, your best bet is to have a home energy audit performed. An energy professional can do a blower door test to find the leaks and seal them. He also can tell you if you need more attic insulation or ventilation. Remember, this problem is not going to just go away. It will continue to happen year after year when conditions are right.

Contact the Focus on Energy Home Performance with ENERGY STAR® program at 1-800-762-7077 or visit [focusonenergy.com](http://focusonenergy.com) to request an energy audit. (Focus on Energy also has a separate program for the income-qualified.)

## **News Release: Madison Museum of Contemporary Art Hosts Memory Café**

The Madison Museum of Contemporary Art (MMoCA) is partnering with the Alzheimer's & Dementia Alliance of Wisconsin (ADAW) on the Arts Memory Café, which will take place at the museum.

Starting on January 17, this new program will offer creative enrichment for those experiencing memory loss and will take place the third Thursday of each month through June, from 1–3 pm at MMoCA. A Memory Café is a monthly gathering place for people with memory loss, early Alzheimer's or other dementias, their family and friends. The Arts Memory Café will include creative activities each month, with occasional talks and presentations by featured artists. "Art has transformative power and touches people in all stages of life. For people with memory loss or dementia, the arts can enhance quality of life by evoking memories, sparking emotions, and encouraging social interaction" stated Sheri Castelnovo, MMoCA curator of education. "With the Arts Memory Café, we are delighted to partner with the Alzheimer's & Dementia Alliance of Wisconsin to provide new ways for people with dementia to be moved by art and to share their responses with others."

For more information about local ADAW programs and services, contact Noreen Kralapp, Dane County Dementia Outreach Specialist, at 608-661-0463 or email [Noreen.kralapp@alzisc.org](mailto:Noreen.kralapp@alzisc.org).



# Monona Grove Nursery School Open House!

Saturday, February 9, 2019

10:30 am to 1:30 pm

Visit [MGNS.org](http://MGNS.org) & add it to your calendar!



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## ELVEHJEM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL UPDATES

### LVM Elementary Classroom Restock Drive Specific List

\* = many requests for this item

Please contact Jesse or Nina (PTO Presidents with questions): [lvmpto@gmail.com](mailto:lvmpto@gmail.com)

3-ring binders, 3x5 notecards, Astro bright copy paper, Bags of sand for sand table, Band-Aids, Batteries\*, Binder clips, Bookmarks (any kind), Cardstock (multicolored, yellow, white packs), Children's socks (all sizes), Clorox Wipes\*, Clothesline, Colored pencils\*, Coloring books/sheets, Command Hooks\*, Command Poster Strips\*, Construction paper (all sizes/colors)\*, Crayons\*, Dry erase markers\*, Electric Pencil Sharpeners\*, Felt-tip Markers\*, File folders (all colored)\*, Folders (heavy duty), Fun pencils (used for prizes), Gum (used for prizes), Headphones (not earbuds)\*, Heavy duty buckets with lids\*, Heavy duty Magnetic tape\*, Highlighter tape\*, Highlighters\*, Kids scissors, Large Elmer's Gluesticks\*, Long Arm Stapler\*, Mailing labels, Markers\*, Masking tape, Packing tape, Pencils\*, Pens\* (all colors), Erasers\*, Play-Doh\*, Post-It Notes\*, Printer paper (neon colors), Regular sized Elmer's Gluesticks\* Sharpie Markers (all sizes/colors)\*, Snacks (crackers, string cheese, fruit snacks, applesauce raisins etc. for 4K, K and First Grade classrooms), Spring-loaded clothes pins, Stickers, Student held dry erase boards\*, Tag board, Tape dispensers\*, Thermal laminating sheets, Various maps of Wisconsin, Velcro (stick on), Wicky Sticks



Welcome  
Chris Miller!  
**NEW BOARD  
MEMBER  
AND  
DIRECTOR AT  
LARGE**

LVM neighbors,  
My name is Chris Miller. My wife Tara and I moved from the Milwaukee area to the neighborhood in October '17. Tara and her family grew up in Middleton and works as a Registered Nurse at St Mary's. I am a career Firefighter Paramedic with North Shore Fire Rescue in northern Milwaukee County. We have two children, McKenzie (4), Leo (2), and another baby due in April. We have a 5 year old black lab that is very friendly should you be out walking Angel Crest and Halo. We continue learning about all the amenities that Madison has and look forward to meeting you all through the great events the association has to offer. Stop by and say hi! Cheers, Chris

## MSCR Winter Spring Programs

Check out our classes at  
MSCR East,  
4620 Cottage Grove Rd  
Dance • Fitness  
Arts & Enrichment  
Family Workshops  
Recreation for all ages.



For a complete list of activities see the Winter Spring 2019 Program Guide or go to [mscr.org](http://mscr.org) for more information.



MADISON SCHOOL & COMMUNITY RECREATION

608-204-3000







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**P.O. Box 14625**  
**Madison, Wisconsin**  
**53708-0625**

**ENA Calendar of Events- Mark your calendars!!!**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Event</u></b>	<b><u>Time</u></b>	<b><u>Location</u></b>
Feb. 6	ENA Board Meeting	7-9:00pm	Great Dane Eastside 876 Jupiter Dr.
Mar. 6	ENA Board Meeting	7-9:00pm	Great Dane Eastside 876 Jupiter Dr.
Apr. 13	ENA Annual Meeting Block Captain Training & Annual meeting & Pizza	9:15am-12pm	Our Saviour's Church 1201 Droster Road
Apr. 20	Easter Egg Hunt	9:30am SHARP	Droster Park