

Elvehjem Echo

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Our Association's 51st Year



Dear Neighbors,



Happy Spring! I believe a congratulations are in order for all of us making it through this winter. The snow storms, the cold, the ice, the rain, and the ice again; we all made it to another Spring!

As the warmer weather rolls in, we start the busy season for LVM Neighborhood Events. We have a familiar set of events along with some exciting new changes this year to share with all of you.

First up, our Annual Meeting on April 13th, 10-11 AM, at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church. I welcome everyone in the neighborhood to attend, hear about our past year, plans for the upcoming year, and also enjoy free pizza and refreshments after the meeting. New neighborhood resource officer, Officer Payne will be joining us to share a few words and talk with neighbors after.

Following the Annual Meeting is our Membership Drive. Going from April 14 to May 19, our goal is to reach 500 houses. If you join before May 31st, you will be entered into a drawing for a \$25 gift card to Food Fight restaurants.

We have a new event to add as well as changes to existing events on our 2019 Calendar. On May 18th, the board will host the Acewood Park Grand Opening, to show off the new playground. The Halloween Bonfire will also change to a Neighborhood Halloween Bonfire, changing to neighbors hosting driveway bonfires on a map instead of the usual fire at LVM Park. Finally, the one big change is our 4th of July Celebration location. The parade will begin at LVM Elementary, following tradition, but end at Our Saviour's Lutheran church. As many of you witnessed at the 50th Anniversary, the staff at Our Saviour's were wonderful hosts with a great location. The parade route is the same length, but now the celebration will have more green space, indoor space for refreshments and bathrooms, and air conditioning in case of the another 90 degree day!

We hope to see you all at these wonderful events, as members, volunteers, or simply as neighbors, as we bring in another year in this great neighborhood.

Sincerely,

Charles Donaldson

ENA President, 651-353-8523, 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! Please contact the board at enaboard@elvehjemneighborhood.org. Thanks!

If you would like to put something in the Echo newsletter, write 40 words or less and email the notice to Jared Marker jared@elvehjemneighborhood.org



Treasurer's Report by Jacob Wright

I will present the 2019 ENA budget for your approval at the annual meeting on April 13. We have a lot of great things planned for this year, and I hope to see you there

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

jacob@elvehjemneighborhood.org

BABYSITTER AVAILABLE

My name is Miriam and I am a part time nanny. I am available mid-May through mid-August. I am CPR and First Aid certified and have experience working with children with special needs. If interested, please contact me at 608-220-7973.

Secretary's Corner by Audra Johnson



Happy Spring! My first piece of news to share is that I will be stepping down from the ENA board in April after serving almost exactly 4 years. So that

means this is the last Echo Newsletter I will edit as well. I'm thankful to live in such a great neighborhood with an active board planning events and activities all year round. If you're thinking about pitching in I highly recommend it!

We will be holding officer elections among board members in April and announce the results at the April 13 Annual Meeting. Other changes from the last board meeting - the board approved adding a SSL certificate to our website which will add a layer of security. There will also be a shorter web address we can use now - TheEna.org. Great changes in time for the Membership Drive to make it easier and safer for people join and renew online.

MSCR Summer Programs

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MSCR East,
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For a complete list of activities & camps see the Summer 2019 Program Guide or go to mscr.org for more information.

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

All residents of Elvehjem Neighborhood are invited and encouraged to attend! Meet the ENA Board of Directors, vote on the 2019 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! Donuts generously from Hy-Vee and coffee will be provided. After the business portion of the meeting, stick around to enjoy delicious pizzas generously donated by Domino's while visiting with neighbors during our social hour from 11-noon. Special guests will include MPD Neighborhood Resource Officer Howard Payne and Alder Michael Tierney.



2019 ENA Annual Membership Drive April 14-May 19

It's time to show ENA your support by joining the association or renewing your membership for 2019! A friendly neighborhood block captain will be stopping by your house with a blue membership packet which includes reasons to join/renew your membership with ENA, our 2019 calendar of events, helpful local contacts, ways you can stay connected and get involved in the neighborhood, and of course a membership form with a preaddressed envelope. If you want to save a stamp, you can also sign up online and pay securely through Paypal at www.elvehjemneighborhood.org/join. Your tax deductible membership dues are just \$15 for the year and that includes your entire household! As an added incentive to join promptly, all households who register by May 31st will be entered in a drawing for a chance to win a \$25 Food Fight Giftcard! We hope we can count on your support!

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!



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Earth Day Clean-up & Garlic Mustard Pull Sunday, April 28 at the Elvehjem Sanctuary from 9-11am

You can choose to pick up trash or pull garlic mustard (or both)!

To help clear the sanctuary of litter that has accumulated in the sanctuary over the past year please meet at Cottage Grove Road Entrance to the Elvehjem Sanctuary (across from Messiah Lutheran Church). Gloves and garbage bags will be provided.

To help pull garlic mustard please meet Crystal at the Elvehjem Park Shelter. Garlic mustard is a highly invasive species that is taking over our beautiful sanctuary and choking off native plants. The best way to keep it under control is to pull it in early spring before the seeds set. A knowledgeable neighbor will lead the garlic mustard pull so no experience is necessary. Please wear work gloves and long sleeves.



*Students are encouraged to attend and will receive a sheet indicating community service hours for participation! We hope to see you there!

Acewood Park Opening Saturday May 18 11am Acewood Park

We're having an informal playdate from 11-1 on May 18 for neighborhood kids to meet and check out the new Acewood Park playground! Bring a picnic lunch if you'd like. The ENA will provide bottled water and juice. Jacob (one of the ENA Board members) is hosting along with his son, Ezra, who helped to design the new play structure and is very excited about it!



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY : **JOIN THE ELVEHJEM NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD!**

If you are looking for a rewarding way to give back to your community and help make the world a better place, then joining the neighborhood board may be right for you. There are only a few minimal requirements, from there, you can make it your own by using your unique talents and capabilities. There is only one meeting per month on the first Wednesday from 7-9pm and that meeting is at The Great Dane, you could enjoy a beverage while taking care of business. Besides meetings, it's just helping with events and performing district coordinator duties during the membership drive. If you aren't sure about joining the board, why not offer to help with one of the upcoming events, or attend one of the monthly meetings to try it on for size. Contact Charles Donaldson today charles@elvehjemneighborhood.org

ELVEHJEM NEIGHBORHOOD GARAGE SALE JUNE 13-15, 2019

*******SIGN UP FORM*******

For only \$5 you benefit from:

- * Your sale on the neighborhood map and a listing of your address with any special items
 - * Advertising in the Wisconsin State Journal, Cragislist, 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
 - * A coordinated effort that attracts more customers and supports your neighborhood!
 - *
- Complete this form and return it with \$5.00 to Diana Winter 1606 Deerwood Dr. Madison WI 53716. Phone 222-1994. Make checks payable to Elvehjem Neighborhood Association. ***Sign up deadline is June 6***
- Advertised times are 8am - 4pm. Thursday June 13, Friday June 14, and Saturday June 15. Please feel free to set your own hours and note them below.

Your Name: _____ Phone: _____

Your Address: _____ Email: _____

Specific items you want mentioned in the sale: _____

_____ Days/Hours of your sale: _____

Would you like St. Vincent DePaul to pick up what is left over from the sale: Yes No

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MGE also is partnering to build two solar projects with another Wisconsin utility. If the projects are approved, construction will begin this year. To learn more, visit energy2030together.com/cleanerenergy.

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Meet Officer Howard Payne Elvehjem Neighborhood Liaison

Officer Payne is taking over the position recently held by Officer Heather Dzick who is still with the Madison Police Department. Officer Payne has 23 years experience on Madison Police Department including SWAT team negotiations, and working with Joel DeSpain in the Public Information Office as a neighborhood resource once per week. He lives on Dominion Drive here in the district.

You can meet Officer Payne in person at the April 13 10am-12pm during the Annual Meeting at Our Saviour's Church at 1201 Droster Road. He's introducing himself and taking questions from those in attendance. Email is the best way to reach him hpayne@cityofmadison.com

Dear Neighbors,

One of our board members, Ted Pertunnen, is transitioning to a new role. He will now be our ENA Special Event and Donation Coordinator. Ted excels at selling our neighborhood, finding sponsorships, and helping us find great donation prizes for all of our ENA events.



In this role, Ted will still help out with ENA events, but take time outside of board meetings to make relationships with local businesses and look for ways to help our neighborhood association through those relationships. He started this position, official on Feb. 6th, and will look to hit the ground running as soon our events start up in the summer.

Please join me in welcoming Ted into this new role in support of the Elvehjem Neighborhood Association.

Sincerely,
 Charles Donaldson, ENA President



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ENA Calendar of Events- Mark your calendars!!!

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
Apr. 3	ENA Board Meeting	7-9:00pm	Great Dane Eastside 876 Jupiter Dr.
Apr. 13	ENA Annual Meeting Block Captain Training	10am-12pm	Our Saviour's Church 1201 Droster Road

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