

Spring Harbor News

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Spring Membership Meeting

Thursday, April 22, 2010, 7:00 PM
Spring Harbor Middle School

Topic: Reconstruction of University Avenue in 2010

This year's Spring Harbor Neighborhood Association spring membership meeting will feature a presentation on the reconstruction of University Avenue in 2011. The City of Madison has contracted with consultants, who will discuss the project timetable, budget, opportunities for public input, possible design features, and more. The SHNA board has already delivered a document summarizing our recommendations to Ald. Mark Clear, who has provided it to city staff and consultants. This document is on our web site, springharboronline.com.

Also on the agenda are reports from SHNA committee chairs on recent activities and upcoming events. Spring is a busy time in our neighborhood with many activities for residents. You are invited to join one of our committees at any time or participate in one of our spring events. Check our web site for dates.

Ald. Mark Clear and Supervisor Brett Hulsey will update us on city and county issues, including this year's reconstruction of University Avenue from Shorewood Blvd. to Segoe Road, the Target project at Hilldale, proposed redevelopment of the Erdman property on University Avenue, and county initiatives to improve lake quality.

SHNA's annual elections will also take place at this meeting, with the following proposed slate of candidates for 2010 - 2011:

Area Representatives
Area 1: Shary Bisgard
Area 2: Carol Glaser
Area 3: Amy Nickles
Area 4: Kim McBride
Area 5: Greg Hull
Area 6: Vacant

President: Sally Miley
President-elect: Vacant
Treasurer: Bill Fitzpatrick
Secretary: Susanna Daniel



Happy Spring! We look forward to seeing you on April 22nd.

SHNA Neighborhood Garlic Mustard Pull

Saturday, April 24, 9-11 AM, Meet at Spring Harbor Park

We need volunteers to keep our neighborhood looking good. Volunteering for these two events will almost certainly make you feel good too. We invite you to celebrate this year's Earth Day by signing up for our neighborhood's spring cleaning and garlic mustard pull. We'll be picking up trash along our local streets and in our parks and green spaces and attacking the stands of garlic mustard in the parks. In addition, the perennial garden beds by the boat landing need to be readied for spring and summer blooms. Trash bags will be provided. We suggest you bring gloves to protect your hands and wear old clothes.

2nd Garlic Mustard Pull

Saturday, May 1, 9-11 AM, Meet at Spring Harbor Park

We'll supply the trash bags if you'll supply the labor. If you want to help but can't be part of the organized effort on either Saturday, join the ongoing effort to reduce the numbers of the invasive garlic mustard plants by pulling them up by the roots and disposing of them in trash bags. Sadly, there's always plenty of trash near our streets to pick up too. Contact either Kim McBride at 238-8819 or Shary Bisgard at 233-1238 if you have any questions or need additional information.

Annual Indian Hills Garden Club Plant Sale

Saturday, May 8, 8-2 PM

Spring Harbor Middle School

Purchase some hardy perennials for your garden at the Indian Hills Garden Club annual plant sale to benefit our neighborhood. We have many different plant varieties for sale at very reasonable prices. All the plants are dug out of our members' own gardens and potted for sale. We will be selling shade and sun perennials, ground covers, vegetable and house plants. Proceeds go to making improvements in our neighborhood parks and to Spring Harbor Middle School's gardens.

Contact either Kim McBride at 238-8819 or Shary Bisgard at 233-1238. If you have any questions or need additional information.

Your Neighborhood

Join the Indian Hills Garden Club

If you enjoy gardening, you may enjoy belonging to the Indian Hills Garden Club. Our activities include presentations by experts, field trips, neighborhood planting projects, a spring garlic mustard pull, spring potluck and fall brunch and a holiday party with items auctioned off to raise money for local park projects, Olbrich Gardens and the UW-Madison Arboretum. If you would like to join us, please call Kim McBride at 238-8819 or email Shary Bisgard at sharybisgard@charter.com



Our Public Spaces

Be sure to take advantage of the wonderful weather by enjoying our neighborhood parks and right of way areas:

- Spring Harbor Park
- Boat Launch and Beach
- Kettle Pond Conservation Park
- Indian Hills Park
- Merrill Springs Park
- Lakeshore Courts

Zoning and Development

Building a new home or adding a new addition to your existing home can be a complicated process. The SHNA Residential Development Information Guide provides important city and neighborhood information to aid in your building process. When building a new home in our neighborhood please present your

plans at any monthly SHNA board meeting. Please contact the neighborhood president to be put on the agenda.

The guide can be found on the SHNA website: <http://www.springharboronline.com/> or at the Madison Zoning Office, 215 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd., Room LL-110 (Madison Municipal Building).

Transportation Committee

The SHNA recommendations for University Avenue reconstruction in 2011 have been approved by the SHNA board and sent to Alder Mark Clear and County Supervisor Brett Hulsey. Mark has given them to city staff and the consultants. The recommendations cover safety, road and intersection design Madison Metro, stormwater management and landscape and lighting. You can view these recommendations on the Spring Harbor website: www.SpringHarborOnline.com.

The consultants plan to host public meetings in May and October which are likely to be held in the Spring Harbor Middle School gym to listen to neighborhood concerns. The dates have not yet been scheduled. According to our alderman, you will receive a notice from the city announcing the meeting dates once they are scheduled.

The recommendations advocate viable solutions for many of the current problems associated with this very busy transportation corridor. However, that does not ensure they will be automatically included in the reconstruction plans. We have the opportunity

during public meetings to advocate that University Avenue become more user-friendly and that its adverse impacts be reduced as it passes these through our neighborhood. But we need you to be involved. Please attend the public meetings and voice support for these recommendations, and any others you may personally have for the 2011 University Avenue reconstruction. If you have any questions, please contact Shary Bisgard, Committee chair, at 233-1238 or Sally Miley at 233-2976.

History Committee

The history committee met on March 11. Don Sanford met with us with information he has collected about our neighborhood. He is writing a book about Lake Mendota called "On 4th Lake: A Social History Tour of Lake Mendota". He has been researching our area recently. He gave us many interesting facts and copies of newspaper articles. A disabled children's camp was located at 5412 Lake Mendota Drive at a cottage owned by Mr. & Mrs. George Quinn. This was in July of 1937. Another camp was located on Reynolds Avenue.

Now we want to focus on the older cottages that are still standing. Even if your "cottage" has been entirely remodeled we would like to hear from you about your home, especially if you have not filled out the survey form we have available.

Please call Mary Beth Dunning at 238-4598 marybethd53@yahoo.com to receive a form or Ann Sowaske at 238-7903 bsowaske@sbcglobal.com.

Dane County Supervisor Report

Dear friends,

With spring around the corner, it's time to start thinking about gardening and enjoying our lakes. One of the things that makes Madison and Dane County so special is our lakes and beaches. Many of you told me that we need to more to protect and I agree. We have made progress:

- Lake Mendota is clearer and cleaner than 15 years ago, according to UW studies
- Our beaches are getting safer, according to the DNR

But there is more to be done. That's why I brought together citizens, scientists, city, county and state leaders as part of the Yahara CLEAN process to clean up the lakes and restore habitat that reduces flooding. We will talk more about this process at the April 22nd neighborhood meeting.

In the meantime, here's some good news to report.

Clean Energy, Clean Lakes Treatment Plant

Our efforts to clean up our lakes are starting to pay off. I introduced a law to build a clean energy manure treatment plant like this that will:

- Create a regional manure digester and treatment plant for three farms with 2,500 dairy cows
- Remove 80,000-100,000 pounds of phosphorus pollution, up to 70% of the total (Excess phosphorus causes blue-green algae growth that can cause sickness and close beaches)
- Create enough clean energy to power 2500 homes

Cleaning Up our Beaches and Lakes

- Spring Harbor and Marshall Park beaches are off the DNR's impaired beaches list
- Kept money in the budget to clean up sewer outfalls like at Spring Harbor

Managing Lake Levels to Reduce Flooding

- Removed obstructions downstream to let floodwaters move more quickly
- Required a comprehensive plan to address high lake levels

Talk more with you soon and have a great spring. Call me at 238-6070 or email Brett@Brett4us.org. *Brett*



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Sunday Children-Friendly Worship 10 a.m. Sunday Church School 9 a.m. Wednesday Lunch Studies— Thrs Knitting/Crocheting Group— for more information see website	Sunday Worship 12:10 & 1:30 p.m. Wednesday Worship 7 p.m. Morning Prayer 6 a.m. Mon.-Fri. College Group 6 p.m. Fridays For more information see website or contact Pastor Lim

TARGET STORE COMING TO HILLDALE

Plans are moving ahead for construction of a Target retail store at Hilldale with a main entrance in the location of the former Hilldale Theater. The new Target store will cover 150,000 sq ft (more than 3 acres) and consist of two levels: a 340-stall parking garage buried in the hill and escalator access to a retail store above. The building is designed as an up-scale big-box with an urban façade.



Prior to the city's approval of the project, the Hill Farms Neighborhood Association Planning Committee held several meetings to address neighborhood concerns about this project. Spring Harbor and Sunset Village neighborhood representatives were invited to participate.

The group discussed such issues as pedestrian access, University Ave crossings, stormwater runoff, roof-top screening, and connections to Hilldale Mall. Ald. Clear and Ald. Chris Schmidt also participated in the meetings. Ald. Clear will update us on this project at our spring meeting.

As part of the project, Hilldale Way, the short street with curved exit off University Avenue from the west, will be expanded and equipped with a left turn from University Ave onto Hilldale Way to accommodate traffic from the east. Traffic flowing out of Hilldale will remain right-turn-only.

Three-way negotiations were undertaken among Target, Joseph Freed & Assoc (owners of Hilldale), and City of Madison to agree on sidewalks for Hilldale Way, Frey St and along the north side of Sentry Foods connecting Target to Hilldale Mall so that shoppers can walk safely from one destination to another within Hilldale. Neighborhood representatives asked the city and Target to consider a separated grade crossing of University Avenue (pedestrian bridge or open underpass) as part of the project, but were not successful in having this included.

SHNA representatives stressed our neighborhood's concern about the potential impact that stormwater runoff from a project of this size can have on Lake Mendota. Target will infiltrate some runoff into the surrounding landscape and will install an elongated

underground stormwater surge vault with infiltration base. (Spring Harbor will hear more about this technology as University Ave reconstruction plans take shape). Target will also consider slow-release roof pans.

Target has announced construction to begin this summer if plans and permits are approved. Submitted by Herman Felstehausen

Spring Harbor Neighborhood Association Garage Sale



May 21-22

The sun is out which means garage sale season is back! Mark your calendars and start going through your attic, basement and garage for those little-used treasures. It's almost time for the annual SHNA garage sale. The sale will be held on May 21st and 22nd. Similar to prior years, several signs will be placed on University Avenue to guide shoppers to stop in our neighborhood.

Signs will not direct traffic to specific homes, so feel free to put up your own sign(s) around the area. The neighborhood association will also take out a general classified ad announcing the sale weekend, but you are encouraged to place your own ad as well. Particularly if you have specialized items for sale, a specific ad for your sale will help drive up the traffic to your door.

If you have questions about the sale, please get in touch with Greg Hull 443-9169. Please also call if you plan on having a sale so that we can keep track of the success.

*Thank
You*

Dale Heights Presbyterian Church

on University Avenue for its on-going welcome to members of the Spring Harbor Neighborhood Association, for meetings and other community activities held at the church.

SHNA Board of Directors' Meetings

You are welcome to attend the monthly SHNA Board of Directors' meeting, currently held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. If you are interested in attending a meeting, be sure to check the SHNA website at www.SpringHarborOnline.com to confirm the date, time and place. If you would like to have an issue considered by the board, please contact your area director or the SHNA president to have it added to the agenda for that meeting.

SHNA Board of Directors

President	Sally Miley	233-2976
President Elect	Vacant	
Treasurer	Bill Fitzpatrick	233-3584
Secretary	Diana Horton-Williams	233-6493
Past President	Janet Loewi	238-2626

Area Directors

Area 1	Shary Bisgard	233-1238
Area 2	Carol Glaser	233-3725
Area 3	Amy Nickles	231-3391
Area 4	Kim McBride	238-8819
Area 5	Greg Hull	443-9169
Area 6	Chuck Dunning	238-4598



THANK YOU! Halloween Party Volunteers!

I would like to thank the many gracious volunteers who donated their time and talents to the 2009 Spring Harbor Neighborhood Halloween party. Mark and Rabon Miller and the Peppard family helped set up the gym before the party. Yvonne Miller ran the tombstone sucker pull, and Bernie Tennis wowed everyone with his amazing artistic talent by drawing caricatures of the partygoers. Scott Greene predicted everyone's future as our fortune teller, while Lori and Madeline Peppard ran the spooky cake walk, where everyone was a winner. Several volunteers from the Spartan Youth Service Club, including our neighbors Dana Williams and Brooke and Kara Mortenson, did a fantastic job of running the games, crafts, spooky tunnel and Halloween storytime. SHNA President Sally Miley picked up the apple cider from Brennan's, who has generously donated cider to our Halloween party for many years now.

Thank you to everyone who brought food for the potluck. We shared in a delightful feast as we got to chat with old and new friends alike. A special thanks to all of you who stuck around after the party to help clean up quickly, including the Greene family and the Miller family. But above all, thanks to all of the parents who brought their children to the party - it wouldn't be a party without the little spooks and monsters!

Please be sure to come back to the 2010 Halloween party, and please volunteer yourself, or ask any middle school or high school kids you know if they would like to lead a game or activity. This is a great chance for young adults to express their creativity while helping out the neighborhood and earning volunteer hours.



Help Needed

Love Halloween? Love to plan parties? We need a volunteer to chair this year's Halloween Party. Please contact Sally Miley at ssmiley1@charter.net or 233-2976 for details. Thanks!

Alderman Report

Hello Spring Harbor Neighbors,

Spring is here, the ice is almost off the lake and we'll be swimming and boating before we know it. Here's what's happening around our neighborhood.

Old Middleton Road Approved: The council has approved reconstruction of Old Middleton Road from Capital Avenue to the Middleton border. The project includes bike lanes, a sidewalk on one side, and new stormwater retention ponds to clean and control runoff into Lake Mendota. Construction will probably start around June 1. This project has been a very long time coming and I look forward to the safety and water quality improvements.

Hilldale Target Approved: The council has approved construction of a new Target store at Hilldale, to be located in the "hole" that was once going to be Whole Foods. Your SHNA board was very involved in the neighborhood review process for the project and made many recommendations regarding stormwater management and traffic flow. Construction will start soon; they plan to open by July, 2011.

University Avenue Planning: Engineering design work has begun for the reconstruction of University Avenue (Segoe to Allen) in 2011. Your SHNA transportation committee did an excellent job preparing a document with issues and recommendations for the project from the neighborhood's perspective. I've started meeting regularly with a team of city and consulting engineers to monitor and provide input on the project plans. The first public meeting will be held in May to show preliminary plans and gather input. Sign up for the SHNA e-mail list to be the first to know about scheduled meetings.

Erdman Place Redevelopment: Erdman Holdings is working on concept plans for redevelopment of their property at University Avenue and Whitney Way. The first project will probably be a hotel to be located near the former Irish Waters restaurant. Look for further information on this project, including neighborhood meetings, as the plans are further developed.

Please contact me at district19@cityofmadison.com or call 608-695-5709 if you have questions or concerns I can help with. For more frequent updates, join my e-mail list for District 19 by sending a blank message to join-d19news@lists.markclear.com. Have a great spring!

Alderman Mark Clear

Memorial High School Rummage and Bake Sale

Memorial Field House Saturday, April 17, 2010, 8 AM – 1 PM

Sponsored by the Memorial High School Parent Teacher Student Organization, proceeds will support the "JMM Clothing Closet" and Student educational opportunities. In addition to shopping at our sale, we encourage and invite donated items for the sale. The PTSO will accept all gently used clothing, household items, books, toys and games. We will NOT accept electronics, computers, appliances, large furniture or baby cribs and baby car seats.

Schedule of Rummage Sale drop-off times:

Thursday, April 15: 3:00 PM-6:30 PM

Friday, April 16: 7:00am-8:15 AM and 3:00pm-6:30 PM



Please take items directly to Memorial Field House, 201 S Gammon Rd, attached to North side of Memorial High School. Questions, contact Susan Sunde at 233-7012 or ssunde@hotmail.com



Join or renew your membership in **Spring Harbor Neighborhood Association**. Please fill out the form below to join SHNA or renew your membership and mail it to SHNA Treasurer, Bill Fitzpatrick, 5156 Spring Court, Madison, 53705. Dues are \$5.00 per household; please consider a donation as well.

Please make checks out to SHNA

Membership Dues \$ _____
 Donation, unrestricted \$ _____
 Donation, neighborhood parks \$ _____
 Merrill Springs/Rain Garden \$ _____
 TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

Name _____
 Address _____
 Phone _____ email _____

The work of the SHNA is done through committees; help SHNA serve our neighborhood. Please check your interests.

- July 4th Picnic and Parade _____
- Help with Halloween Party _____
- Serve on Board of Directors _____
- Deliver SHNA newsletter 3x a year _____
- Clean Up Day and garlic mustard pull _____
- Serve on a SHNA committee _____
 - Historic Preservation _____
 - Natural Resources _____
 - Transportation _____
 - Zoning and Redevelopment _____