



Spring Harbor News

A publication of the Spring Harbor Neighborhood Association (SHNA) serving the area from Shorewood to Middleton and Lake Mendota to Old Middleton Road

Spring Harbor Neighborhood Association invites you to be active in your Community (Please join us, see page 8)

All Neighborhood Meeting

Tuesday, April 26 7:00 pm
SPRING HARBOR MIDDLE SCHOOL

President's Corner Aaron Crandall

Hello neighbors! Spring has sprung, and I cannot wait to see our neighborhood come back to life with everyone outside enjoying the nice weather, soon! With the arrival of spring comes our annual spring "All Neighborhood Meeting," for everyone in the Spring Harbor Neighborhood to come together and participate in our neighborhood governance. The date of our All Neighborhood Meeting is Wednesday, April 26, starting at 7 PM, in the library of Spring Harbor Middle School (upstairs).

At the meeting, we will hear an update on our local water well, Well #14, currently under review due to its elevated chloride levels, along with hearing an update about the relocated Westside Community Market, which will be in the parking lot of the UW Digestive Health Clinic this summer. Along with hearing from guests, you will also hear reports from the officers of your Spring Harbor Neighborhood Association, and hold elections for our neighborhood association leadership, see slate of candidates.

Again, all neighbors are welcome and encouraged to attend this All Neighborhood Meeting on Wednesday, April 26, at 7 PM, and if you are not currently a member of the neighborhood association, you are encouraged to join and participate! Note: Only current SHNA members can vote at the meeting.

Slate of Candidates:

- President: Aaron Crandall
- Vice President: Open*
- Treasurer: Bill Fitzpatrick
- Secretary: Mary Beth Dunning
- Area 1: Liz Freitick
- Area 2: Jussi Snellman
- Area 3: Open*
- Area 4: Kim McBride
- Area 5: Barb Schultz-Becker
- Area 6: Stan Fuka

*Please contact Aaron Crandall at (608) 294-9505 or aaron.crandall@yahoo.com if you are interested in running for either of these open seats. Jeanette Tierney, who passed away in December, had served as Area 3 Director (area between Lake Mendota, Norman Way, Capital Ave, and University).

Neighborhood Garage Sale

sponsored by
The Indian Hills Garden Club



Friday, May 19th & Saturday, May 20th, 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM
Location: 5156 – 5148 Spring Court

Proceeds from the first-ever IHGC garage sale fundraiser will benefit neighbor school nature projects and Madison-area environmental organizations.

Household goods • Books & DVDs • Tools & toys • Clothing & accessories • Furniture and so much more very cool stuff!

Your Neighborhood

Remembering Jeanette Tierney



An active member of our community, Jeanette Tierney, who served as a board member of the Spring Harbor Neighborhood Association and president of the Indian Hills Garden Club, died on December 8th

at the age of 71. It is a painful loss for those of us who knew her.

Jeanette willingly volunteered for tasks that needed doing and that enhanced our neighborhood. She planted trees, picked up trash, weeded and watered the harbor gardens, pulled garlic mustard, raised money for neighborhood projects, gave away milkweed seedlings to improve the local habitat for monarch butterflies and worked on the landscape plans for Merrill Springs Park. She was active in many other local activities, helping where needed. She loved gardening. Utilizing her skills as a master gardener, she generously shared her wealth of knowledge about plants when asked for advice.

Jeanette truly left our world and neighborhood a better place. Words that could be used to describe her--calm, comforting, dependable, innovative--don't fully describe her, despite our best efforts. She will be greatly missed.

Garlic Mustard Pull

It's back! Garlic mustard is a nasty invasive weed that takes over our native spring plants. Please join your neighbors at Spring Harbor Park on Saturday, April 22nd (Earth Day) from 9 am - 11 am to help rid our parks of this invasive weed! It's a great way to enjoy our parks and meet neighbors too! Don't forget your gloves!



Park and Neighborhood **SPRING CLEAN-UP DAY**

Please join your neighbors on Saturday, April 8th from 9 am - 11 am at Spring Harbor Park and sign up to work an hour or two to clean-up our parks and neighborhood! We need as many hands as possible to get the job done! Trash bags will be provided. If you prefer gardening to picking up trash, the perennial beds by the boat landing and Spring Harbor park sign need to be cleaned up for the growing season. If the garlic mustard is up by then we may try and get a head start on pulling it, also. Bring a pair of gloves and join us to make our neighborhood a better place! If you have any questions please call Kim McBride at 238-8819.

Please Join Us! There will be treats!



The Westside Community Market is moving! As construction continues at Hill Farms, your favorite Saturday neighborhood farmers' market is relocating out of the dust and debris. Find us Saturdays, starting April 15th thru November 4th, in the rear parking lot of **UW Health's Digestive Health Center** on the corner of University Row and University Avenue. We're looking forward to a fruitful 2017 season with all your favorite Wisconsin farmers and food artisans, live music, and educational & kids events for the whole neighborhood.

Your Neighborhood

Indian Hills Gathering

This year's gathering of neighbors in Indian Hills Park will take place on Sunday, June 18, starting at 2 pm through 5 pm. As in prior years, it will be a potluck event, but this year will be a desert theme, so plan to bring something sweet to share! You should plan to eat before attending the gathering, since there may only be deserts available. Feel free to bring a favorite beverage to share as well, as we may only have coffee and water available. Lastly, bring yard games to play!

Contact Aaron at (608) 294-9505 or aaron.crandall@yahoo.com if you have ideas or questions, or would like to help. Otherwise we look forward to seeing you on Sunday, June 18, 2-5 PM!



Madison Compost Bin and Rain Barrel Sale, May 7

Discounted compost bins and rain barrels will be available during the event on Saturday, May 7th in the Alliant Energy Center parking lot (enter Olin Ave). The only way to guarantee availability is to pre-order. Rain barrels and compost bins make a great last minute gift for Mother's Day. More information is available at - <http://www.cityofmadison.com/streets/compost/CompostBinSale.cfm>.

SHNA Board of Directors' Meetings

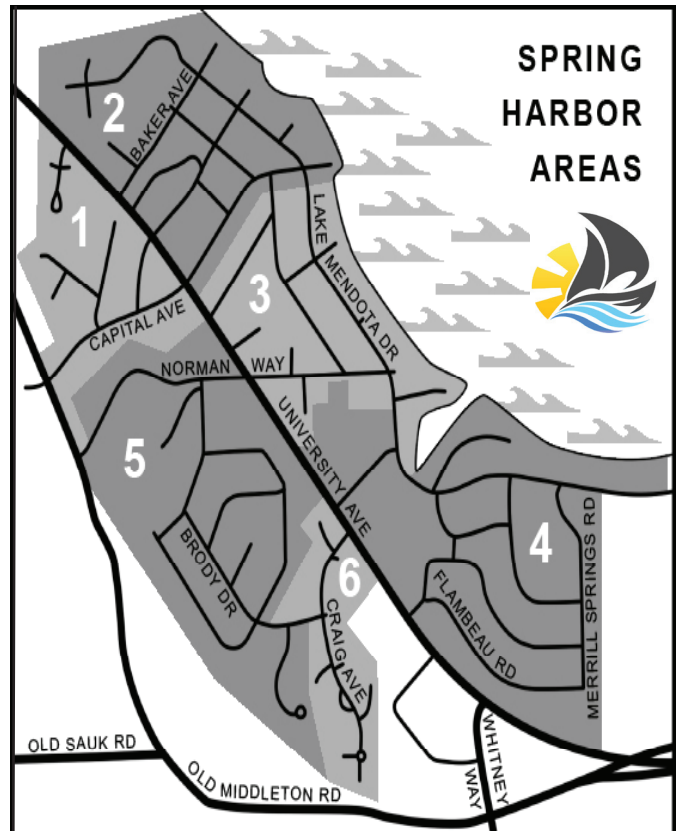
You are welcome to attend the monthly SHNA Board of Directors' meeting, held on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm at the Dale Heights Presbyterian Church. If attending, be sure to check our website at www.SpringHarborOnline.com to confirm the date, time and place. If you have an issue to be considered by the board, contact your area director or the SHNA president to place it on the agenda for that meeting.

SHNA Board of Directors

President	Aaron Crandall	294-9505
President Elect	Vacant	
Treasurer	Bill Fitzpatrick	233-3584
Secretary	Mary Beth Dunning	238-4598
Past President	Janet Loewi	238-2626

Area Directors

Area 1	Liz Freitick	238-2988
Area 2	Jussi Snellman	238-7022
Area 3	Vacant	
Area 4	Kim McBride	238-8819
Area 5	Barbara Schultz-Becker	232-1810
Area 6	Stan Fuka	236-4229



SHNA Supports Crestwood School Children's Garden

The Spring Harbor Neighborhood Association recently voted to provide support for Crestwood Elementary School's Gardener-in-Residence program. This program provides the school's 360 students with the chance to engage in the production and consumption of healthy food, and participate in enriching outdoor education experiences that support their health and well-being while promoting environmental stewardship.



At a time when children are spending about 1% of their time outdoors, and suffering from the myriad health, emotional and academic consequences of our indoor lifestyles, Crestwood School's outdoor classroom and garden program are enabling teachers to increase student access to healthy and fresh fruits and vegetables, promote student health and well-being, and foster a positive relationship between students and the environment.

Funding provided by the Spring Harbor Neighborhood Association will support a Gardener-in-Residence from Community Ground Works to be on site at the school in the spring, summer and fall semesters to lead garden-based outdoor education sessions with students, and help manage, maintain and improve the school gardens with student participation.

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Well 14 Deals with Rising Salt Levels

City Well 14 at the corner of University Ave and Flambeau was shut down for two months in February-March to allow the Water Utility to take water samples from top to bottom along its entire 700-foot length. The Water Utility is trying to determine whether the upper, middle or lower aquifer supplies the majority of salt contaminated water. Sodium and chloride levels in Well 14 have risen steadily over the past 15 years—believed to be caused by winter road salt spread on streets, sidewalks and parking lots.

Well 14 draws from a two-level aquifer. The top 200 feet of the aquifer recharges more quickly than the bottom aquifer and is thus more affected by the infiltration of road salt. The lower aquifer feeds through ancient sandstone layers, but has the drawback that it contains higher amounts of iron and possibly manganese.

There is growing evidence that the upper aquifer may also be connected to Spring Harbor, also with a high salt content. Merrill spring, next to the harbor, flows vigorously when Well 14 is shut down, but stops when the pumps are turned back on. It is possible that the spring flows in reverse when the well is pumping causing salty harbor water to be drawn into the well.

Sodium and chloride levels are reaching their maximum. High sodium levels in drinking water are a health concern to the elderly and to heart patients. Sodium levels at Well 14 have reached 42 mg/L—double the level recommended by EPA for persons on sodium restricted diets. Recommended limit is 20 mg/L.

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What Are the Friends of Merrill Spring (FMS) Up To?



While winter is a time for rest and rejuvenation for some, hearty folks never stop coming down to enjoy the park and the FMS steering committee has continued to prep for the coming summer season. Here's the latest reckoning:

- On November 12th, a clean-up crew tackled a last cleaning of the park (cistern, streambed, leaves) before winter set in – followed by treats in the park.
- The old kayak rack will be moved and replaced by one matching the others when the weather warms up.
- With Well #14 shut down, the springs are running this winter! Check it out in person, or check out our videos on our facebook page. "The Friends of Merrill Spring". Please like us and follow us.
- There is a temporary barricade preventing vehicular entry due to cars parking and making tracks in the park. Working with the city, we have advocated for a permanent solution – a removable bollard which will be installed in the spring.
- Check out the new FMS visitor box on the metal pole at the park and let us know your thoughts about the park!
- Goals for the coming year are (1) decorative stonework around the bollards protecting the wellhead, including a small sign with the Native American name Mąąąą' Mąą'í and (2) a very small kiosk set back by the woods which will host the history of the park and other information.

- FMS's long term priority remains a master plan for the park.

Our FMS annual meeting will be held this June in conjunction with our Summer Solstice Celebration. At this time, we'll present our bylaws and the new board. More information later.

JOIN Friends of Merrill Spring: Friend (\$10), Supporter (\$25) and Patron (\$50). Checks should be made out to 'Friends of Merrill Spring'. Additional donations are always welcome.

Sign up at the SHNA Spring meeting or send your name, address, email and phone to:

Friends of Merrill Spring
c/o Alice Erickson
5109 Spring Ct
Madison, WI 53705



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The Gardener-in-Residence will also provide teacher trainings on garden-based outdoor education for teachers, and organize community work days to engage parents and surrounding neighborhood residents. Our neighborhood association support will also help pay for garden education and curriculum materials and garden supplies.

Spring Harbor neighbors who would like to get more involved in this important program can contact Crestwood School Outdoor Education Committee member Camille.zanoni@gmail.com to volunteer in the garden or participate in community work days. The Association welcomes and encourages neighbors to consider making a personal gift to this important project by sending a check to:

Crestwood Elementary School
Attn: Gardner-in-Residence Program
5930 Old Sauk Rd, Madison, WI 53705

THANKS for GIVING *Your Donations in 2016!*

Below is a listing of those who have generously contributed extra funds to help support our work in 2016. SHNA keeps annual membership dues low (\$10) to encourage all households in our neighborhood to join & participate. Donations are our principal source of funds to support our association. Please consider making an extra contribution to SHNA when you send in your annual dues. Thanks are also due to the many volunteers who contribute time and energy to help with our activities throughout the year. **A reminder: membership dues are on a calendar year basis so if you haven't paid in 2017 please use the membership form in this newsletter and mail it in.**

Jacob Aleckson	Jeffrey Lange & Dolly Marsh	Dian Phelan & Dave Mandehr
Fran Beach	Lambert Lasecki	Pam Rathbun
Walter & Sandra Borowski	Emil & Bernadine Lauber Don &	Doug & Mary Kay Reinemann
Darin Burleigh & Amy Kinast	Susan Lauffer	Richard Rhem & Kem Highfill
Gerald Cambell	Linda Layman	Bruce Rosen
Andy Cohn & Kim Verqeront	Jay & Janet Loewi	Jo Rummelhart
Heather & Steven Crade	Don Macaulay	Mike & Mary Schlageter
Phil Driscoll	David Marks & Kathy Cruice	Bob Schmook & Nancy Graham
Dick & Doris Dubielzig	Jay & Joan Martin	Jeff Schneider & Sara Ensign
Chuck & Mary Beth Dunning	Neal McGuffin & Liz Freitick	Marc Schnipper
Stewart & Nancy Ellison	Carlton & Elma Metzloff	Garth & Karen Scott
Tamara England	Roberta Meyer	Mary Shutter
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Brenzel	Budi & Julie Nara	Willy & Verena Straubhaar
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Elizabeth & David Koehler	Robert Persons & Nona Chris-	Chad Weick & Greg Chesmore
Delbert Kolman	tiansen	Mark & Edit Williams
Rudy Korte	John & Gretchen Petersen	Tom Zalewski & Ann Kinkade
Kristine Lamont	Don & Audrey Peterson	

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Chloride levels now stand at 135 mg/L, more than half of EPA's recommended maximum. High chloride levels make water taste salty and bitter. If these trends continue, the Madison Water Utility projects chloride levels will reach the 250 mg/L limit in about 15 years. Before that time, new water sources must be found.

Well 14 is a high capacity well, key to Madison supply. Well 14 came on line in 1960 delivering more than 2 million gallons of water per day

to Spring Harbor, Hill Farms, Shorewood Hills, and surrounding neighborhoods. When a well like #14 fails, the standard response has been to drill a new well closer to the city periphery. But that also has limits as the aquifers become depleted. Two alternatives have been proposed: draw water from Lake Mendota, or form a metropolitan-wide water district to space out the location of new wells.

Herman Felstehausen

Dane County Board Report—District 10 Supervisor Jeremy Levin

I hope this edition of the SHNA newsletter finds you and your family well, enjoying 2017. In November, the Dane County Board of Supervisors approved an operating budget for 2017 of \$587 million, along with a capital budget of about \$50 million. The budget reflects the shared priorities of fairness and equity while always keeping in mind the impact on taxpayers. The 2017 spending plan calls for a 3 percent pay increase for all county workers beginning in January and offers a 2 percent hike for county human services contractors. It also begins the phase-in toward a \$15 an hour minimum wage for all those working for the county by 2022.

The budget includes several initiatives aimed at criminal justice reform and racial equity. Those include:

- Creation of a Community Service Program so offenders can work off their sentence rather than face fines or time in jail. These programs have been shown to provide positive connections in the community so participants are less likely to reoffend.
- Creation of a court mentoring program to help defendants wind their way through the criminal justice system by keeping track of required appointments and appearances.
- Funding for the county-wide expansion of the Community Restorative Court beyond south Madison. The number of cases is expected to grow significantly with the county-wide expansion.
- Funding is being considered for a Juvenile Restorative Justice program. Previously funded by grants, the program has shown great promise in getting youths to take responsibility for their actions and repair the damage to individuals or their community.

The Board also added funding for low income residents to participate in Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) programs; money for gardens in communities outside Madison and funding for a pilot program to encourage farmers to become certified organic farmers.

Environmental initiatives added to the budget included doubling the funding for urban water quality grants and funding for a chloride study to determine the impact of winter street salt and salt from water softeners on drinking waters.

The County will also be moving forward on a comprehensive master plan for the Alliant Energy Center (AEC) campus, which are County-owned facilities. Currently, the AEC is a major generator of economic activity for the region. AEC hosts nearly one million visitors per year, generating 75,000 hotel room nights, \$2.1 million in room taxes and \$87 million of direct spending. Recently, the Board heard a presentation from Hunden Strategic Partners on their firm's 276-page draft market study, which will help develop a vision that will lead to a master plan for Alliant. They suggest renovating the Coliseum, adding two new hotels, expanding the existing Exhibition Hall, building connecting skyways and creating more dining opportunities.

Additionally looking forward in 2017, the County will continue to look at addressing changes to the State's long-term care programs that are being proposed by the State. The County will also look to meet its long-term obligations to protecting inmates by renovating the Public Safety Building and Jail.

Should you or your family have an interest in specific Dane County projects or initiatives, please contact me at levin.jeremy@co.dane.wi.us or call me at 608.577.9335.

SHNA Bulletin Board

Kim McBride is Bulletin Board coordinator, contact kasmcbride@gmail.com or 238-8819 for questions. Parents: Please be sure you are comfortable with anyone you are permitting your child to work for in the neighborhood. Meet your child's potential employer and remind your child of smart safety practices. This is a wonderful way for your child to meet neighbors and make a little money.

BABYSITTING

Meg Fitzpatrick	Spring Ct.	233-3584
Sylvia Greene	Camelot Dr.	233-3691

MOTHER'S HELPER

Copper Daniel	Norman Way	284-7036
Meg Fitzpatrick	Spring Ct.	233-3584
Kari Larsen, 2001	Camus Lane	236-0468

YARDWORK OR HOUSEHOLD CHORES

Adam Becker	Brody Dr.	232-1810
Paul Becker	Brody Dr.	232-1810
Copper Daniel	Norman Way	284-7036
Tyler Metzloff	Spring Ct.	238-8923

COMPUTER HELP

Kari Larsen	Camus Ln	236-0468
Tyler Metzloff	Spring Ct	238-8923

PET SITTING

Paul Becker	Brody Dr.	232-1810
Meg Fitzpatrick	Spring Ct.	233-3584
Sylvia Greene	Camelot Dr.	233-3691
Cayley Metzloff	Spring Ct.	238-8923

PET WALKING

Copper Daniel	Norman Way	284-7036
Meg Fitzpatrick	Spring Ct.	233-3584
Sylvia Greene	Camelot Dr.	233-3691
Cayley Metzloff	Spring Ct.	238-8923



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 \$10 per household per calendar year; donations are welcome.

Please make checks out to SHNA

Membership Dues	\$ 10
Donation, unrestricted	\$ _____
Donation, neighborhood parks	\$ _____
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 _____
 - Neighborhood Watch Committee _____
 - Planning and Development _____
 - School Gardens _____