

Elvehjem Echo

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Our Association's 36th Year

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"Prez Sez"

Membership Drive Update

August 1 to September 1 marked ENA's 2004-2005 Membership Drive. Thanks to all the folks who renewed and all the folks who joined for the first time. The ENA board will be showing our appreciation for all the hard work done by the Block Captains and District Coordinators at the September 11 Luncheon.

Traffic Circle

You may have noticed the traffic circle (sometimes called a "round-about") at the intersection of Ellen and Painted Post. This traffic-calming circle is a result of a lot of work done by your neighbors to continue to make this a safe neighborhood.

A little history—in August of 2002, ENA conducted a survey and asked residents for suggestions for small projects. Two responses suggested stop signs at Ellen & Painted Post; another suggested stop signs at Woodvale & Academy. Over the course of 2 years, letters were written to city officials and, per the city's requirements to proceed with any traffic calming measures, LVM residents and ENA board members circulated petitions gathering the necessary number of signatures from residents in these areas the traffic engineers deemed would be affected. Alder Judy Compton supported our efforts and scheduled meetings for residents with city engineers who explained the different kinds of traffic calming (speed humps, pedestrian islands, traffic circles, etc) and how these would be more effective than stop signs. The city then conducted confidential balloting of the affected residents and only after receiving the necessary number of ballots approving the calming measures, the city proceeded with plans to put speed humps on Academy (which they have) and a traffic circle at the Ellen & Painted Post intersection. The circle was delayed due to engineering reasons but I was hopeful noticing the paint markings on the road.

While I personally wish the construction would have been done before the start of the school year, I'm thankful to all the residents, ENA board members and Alder Compton who gave their time and effort for these projects. And if a circle is new to you (since, as of this writing, there aren't any signs), please understand that traffic goes around the circle in a counter-clockwise direction, and, yes, you'll be traveling $\frac{3}{4}$ of the way around the "clock" to make a left turn.

CALENDAR

- ◆ September 11 **Block Captains & District**
11:00 AM **Coordinator Luncheon**
..... Our Savior's Lutheran Church
..... Droster Road
- ◆ September 18 **"Saturday Afternoon in LVM"**
12:00 to 1:30 PM .. Acewood Park (no restrooms)
- ◆ October 6 **ENA Board Meeting**
7:00 PM 1517 Wendy Lane

Speed Board

ENA board member Brier N. has been busy this summer scheduling the Police department's Speed Board. On Aug 3, 5 and 21, it made appearances on Droster, South Thompson and Ellen. The Speed Board shows oncoming drivers their current speed on a large display. The goal is to help drivers realize the speed at which they are traveling and to adjust accordingly—and most of the time that means SLOW DOWN.

Your neighbors thank you and your neighbors' children thank you! And here's why.....because is October 4-8, 2004 is **"Walk Our Children to School Week"**.

Cynthia S.

President, Elvehjem Neighborhood Association

"SATURDAY AFTERNOON LIVE IN LVM"

The second annual free concert will occur on September 18, 2004, in Acewood Park, Noon to 1:30 PM.

Aaron Nathans will perform. Aaron is a singer, songwriter, and acoustic guitarist. Bring a lunch, a lawn chair or blanket, and enjoy some outside relaxation.

Remember—Acewood Park has no restroom facilities.

ENA Meeting Minutes

September 1, 2004

Board Members Present: Sue R, Cynthia S, Karl K, Jeanne R, Tom P, Andy K, Jim P, Dean K, and Brier N. Echo Editor Steve D sat in.

August Minutes: Approved.

August Treasurer's Report: Approved.

Bank: Treasurer Rotter informed the Board of additional fees now charged by our financial institution. The Board gave approval to Jeanne to investigate banking alternatives and switch institutions based on her appraisal of fees and availability.

Echo Newsletter Advertising Policies: The Board approved, beginning in November, the addition of due dates on Echo Sponsor invoices saying "Due upon 30 days".

The Board's plan is to have the November Echo be the first issue that is mailed to residents via US mail instead of being hand delivered.

The Board discussed new rate figures and sizes for advertising to help offset the cost for mailing the Echo. This will also permit inclusion of several advertisers who, to date, we have had to refuse. A subcommittee of Tom P, Dean K and Steve D will meet before the next meeting to discuss proposals.

The Board is developing an advertising policies sheet that can be given to current and potential advertisers. A statement such as "The ENA Board's advertising subcommittee retains sole discretion to edit and reject ads that are offensive, or inappropriate for the intended audience of Elvehjem residents" will appear in the newsletter.

Saturday Afternoon Live with LVM: The concert is still planned at Acewood park on Saturday, September 18 from 12-1:30 PM. If it rains, the concert will be cancelled and no rain date planned. If attending, please remember there are no restroom facilities at the park.

Next Agenda: Next meeting board will discuss Holiday Sing-Along, Holiday Light contest, and Sweetheart Dance

Next Meeting: October 6, at 7:00 PM at Tom's home, 1517 Wendy Lane. All ENA neighbors, as always, are welcome.

Minutes By: Brier N.

roads? Are they maintained well? Human services: Are we providing the necessary care to our elderly, disabled and others who cannot fend for themselves?

These are just a few of the issues that fall under the County budget, which will be written in the coming months for next year. Public hearings will be held on four different days in September. The public is invited to comment.

- Human Services Programs
Wednesday, September 8, 6 PM, Alliant Energy Center
 - Adult mental health
 - Programs addressing Substance Abuse treatment for children and adults
 - Child Welfare and Delinquency programs

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Thursday, September 9, 6 PM, Alliant Energy Center
 - Economic Support and Work Services programs
 - Public Health programs
 - The elderly and the Badger Prairie Health Care Center
 - Persons with developmental, physical or sensory disabilities

- General Programs
Monday, September 13, 7 PM, City-County Building Room 201
 - Dept. of Administration
 - County Board
 - Treasurer
 - County Clerk
 - Library
 - Parks
 - Veterans Services

- General Programs
Monday, September 20, 7 PM, City-County Building, Room 201
 - Family Court Commission
 - Family Court Counseling
 - Juvenile Court
 - Coroner
 - Sheriff
 - Public Works, Highway and Transportation
 - Zoo

I will attend these hearings and I hope to see you. If you have a question or concern on any County issue, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sup. Dave de Felice

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“County Corner”

By Dane County Supervisor Dave de Felice

PUBLIC INVITED TO COMMENT ON COUNTY BUDGET

Are you satisfied with our county parks? How about our

NEIGHBORHOOD GROUP INFORMATION

Are you part of an open neighborhood group that would like to get the word out? Perhaps a walking group, bridge group, mom group, play date group, support group that is looking for new members?

If so, and you'd like to let others know, contact the Echo editor at 223-9309 with the name of group, when they meet, where they meet and a contact person (phone number and/or email address).

A list of open neighborhood groups will be published in a future Echo.

Block Captains

The membership drive is now over. Please return your completed membership materials to your District Coordinators as soon as possible.

If you have questions, call Sue R, Membership Coordinator or email her at sue@elvehjemneighborhood.org.

Thanks again for your efforts!!

ENA BULLETIN BOARD

Check out the ENA website for more information about your neighborhood. Go to www.elvehjemneighborhood.org and follow the very simple "click-on" directions.

School's Open—Drive Alertly Thanks!!

Future of Aging Discussions

Independent Living, Inc., is holding monthly "Future of Aging" discussions at their Independent Living Retirement Community, 602 N. Segoe Road. The final session will be September 23, beginning at 8:00 AM and lasting about 1 hour. A light breakfast will be served. This is an opportunity to get input into the City of Madison Comprehensive Plan and to help ensure issues of aging are addressed in our community and by service providers. Contact Patricia Eldred at 274-7900 if you will attend or wish additional information.

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Home Share Program

The Home Share Program at Independent Living, Inc. matches older adults with a room to spare with working people or students who are in need of low cost housing and are able to provide some help around the house. These people are carefully screened. If you would like to explore homesharing for yourself, a friend or a family member, call Independent Living, Inc. at 274-7900 and ask for the Home Share Department.

Volunteer Services Program

If you have some spare time and would like to volunteer with Independent Living, please call the Volunteer Services Program at (608) 274-7900. Volunteer opportunities include Telephone Reassurance, Friendly Visiting and Evening Meals on Wheels. Time and location are flexible.

Madison Police Department

Police Officer Tracie Jokala is our neighborhood beat officer. Contact Officer Jokala by phone at 266-4923 or by email at "tjokala@ci.madison.wi.us".

ENA Treasurer's Report

August 1, 2004—August 31, 2004

Checking Balance Reported August 1, 2004: \$ 2,197.30

Receipts

Memberships	1800.00
Memberships (2005 Prepay)	10.00
Garage Sale Registrations	285.00
Sign Expense Reimbursement (City of Madison)	1,454.00
Echo—4 Issues (One Call Home Repair)	<u>750.00</u>
<i>Total Receipts</i>	\$ 4,299.00

Disbursements

Sue R —Membership Drive/Block Captain Event Expenses	9.06
Our Savior's Lutheran Church (Block Captain Event)	50.00
Heather P (Membership Drive)	73.05
Checks ("Checks In the Mail")	5.94
First Federal Bank Charge	23.00
Stuff-N-Store (September)	65.00
Xer-Lith (August Echo)	<u>160.22</u>
<i>Total Disbursements:</i>	\$ 386.27

Checking Balance Reported August 31, 2004: \$ 6,110.03

Certificates of Deposit face value: \$ 1,000.00

Total Cash and Equivalent August 31, 2004: \$ 7,110.03

Submitted by Jeanne R, Treasurer

2004-5 ENA Board of Directors

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Contact an ENA Board member with your comments or questions concerning a subject affecting our neighborhood. You are invited to attend any of the ENA board meetings.

ENA ECHO Publication Policies

Neither attachment of political ads nor inclusion of business ads constitutes an endorsement. Opinions expressed in ECHO articles are not necessarily those of the ENA Board.

ENA, Inc. welcomes political advertisements as a public service. The first is free; subsequent ads are \$50.

The Echo will have 1 paid sponsor a month. For \$200, the sponsor will receive notice on the front page masthead and a 1/2 page ad within the issue. All other notices will be free of charge, but limited to 40 words and located in the "Member Corner" section. Notices will run on a first come, first-served, space-available basis. Youth ads are good for 3 months; others for 1 month per request (requests must be re-submitted monthly). If space is limited, member notices will have priority; requests from entities outside the Elvehjem Neighborhood will have lower priority.

Sponsorship ads, notices and other items must be received by the Echo editor not later than 6:00 PM on the 5th of the month. Notices may be edited at the editor's discretion. The Board reserves the right to refuse whatever it deems unfit for reasons of language or general content. Articles of interest to the neighborhood are welcome; do not submit them anonymously.

Mail materials to the ENA, PO Box 14625, Madison, WI, 53708-0625 or E-mail to Newsletter@elvehjemneighborhood.org or drop off in the "Echo" mailbox at 21 Vinje Court.

"Echo" Distribution: Carolyn M (221-1042)

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