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Our Association's 40th Year



"Prez Sez"

JULY 4TH CELEBRATION

The Board is making the final preparations for the July 4th celebration. We're of course hoping for great weather. The event will be held much like it has in the past. We'll be selling Famous Dave's BBQ and all of the fixings. We'll have hot dogs (both regular and vegetarian), soda, and cookies for sale. There'll be activities, a parade, and raffle. This year, the raffle will contain a number of items. See below for what we've got so far.

The Board thanks all of the vendors who have donated items for the raffle. We're seeking some additional donated items for the raffle and the celebration. These items will be on display at the raffle ticket table on July 4th.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

ENA has begun its annual membership drive. Being an ENA member means you support the organization's activities and want to see ENA continue providing a service to our wonderful neighborhood. When you receive your membership notice, please consider maintaining your membership or becoming a new member.

ANNUAL GARAGE SALE

The Board will discuss the date of the annual garage sale at

CALENDAR

- ◆ June 1—June 30 ENA Membership Drive
- ◆ July 3, 2007 ENA Board Meeting
7:00 PM Elvehjem Park Shelter

our next board meeting. We'll publish it in the Echo and post it on our ENA web site.

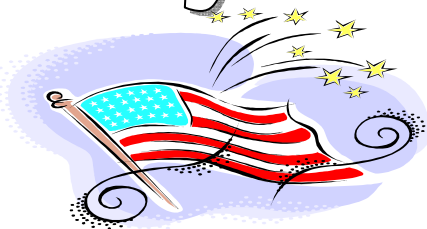
NEEDED: A FEW GREAT BOARD MEMBERS

We're still operating with a board of 6—our capacity is twice this number. A Board member's commitment is a board meeting once per month and an average of 5 to 10 hours per month outside of the board meetings for assigned work and event planning. If you'd like to make a direct, positive contribution to the Elvehjem Neighborhood, please consider being a Board member for the ENA. If you'd like to find out more information about becoming a board member, please contact me or one of the other 5 board members.

Thank you, *Jason Cram*,

President, Elvehjem Neighborhood Association

July 4th Celebration !!



Parade & Food

11:45—Lineup in front of Elvehjem School

12:00—Parade starts

12:15—Food service begins

Raffle

Lots of major awards, including—

- ◆ Schwin bicycle (valued at \$200)
- ◆ 1 month membership to Blast Martial Arts
- ◆ \$20 gift certificate to Latte Da Espresso Lounge
- ◆ \$25 gift certificate to Citgo gas station
- ◆ Gift certificate to Karl's Cakes
- ◆ 2 Friday tickets to UW men's home hockey games
- ◆ 2 Saturday tickets to UW men's home hockey games
- ◆ And more!!

Our special thanks go to the PDQ on Buckeye Road for donating all the soda for our celebration this year!!

ENA Board Meeting Minutes—May 9, 2007

(*NOTE*: Minutes appearing in the Echo are edited for space. ENA's official minutes are posted on the ENA website.)

Attendance: Jason, Jim, Jeanne, Kate, Art and Tom.

Minutes: April minutes approved unanimously (Jim moved, Art seconded).

Treasurer's Report: May report approved unanimously (Jim moved, Kate seconded).

Next Meeting: at East Side Police Station (Cottage Grove Road), June 13th

Hadley Letter: Recognition of receipt of letter from Craig Hadley that he will be leaving ENA area and intention to resign from the board.

Board Member Recruitment Update: Jim will follow up with some leads.

Echo Advertising: Noted lack of advertising in February and April Echo. Jim to send out business associates letter.

LVM school Playground Update: Tom reported on continuing efforts by playground committee with fund raising, and on Figureheads concert.

Survey update: 88 surveys returned with 8 to 12 undeliverable. General discussion on coding and reminders via email and postcards.

Halloween: Tabled until we receive more information, e.g., will check with survey to see response to event.

4th of July: Reviewed needs—most notably the 12 to 15 volunteers—and assignments. Times: 11:45 lineup; 12:00 parade; 12:15 serve food. Will solicit door prizes from neighborhood businesses and announce in next Echo.

Easter Egg Hunt: BOD recognized suggestions and feedback regarding egg equity by age. Discussed feasibility of following: two events; timed releases of participants; staggered starts; continued split regions, thought better adjustment by age; and common sense reminders.

Slow Down Sign Campaign: Tom reported on positive feedback by residents around school.

Garlic Mustard Pull: Kate reported 9 to 10 people attended and next pull on May 19th.

Membership Drive: Preparations underway.

Board Retreat: Will determine need when coding begins.

Adjourned: 8:58 p.m.

Submitted by T Purnell, ENA Board Secretary

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ENA Treasurer's Report

April 1, 2007—April 30, 2007

<i>Checking Beginning Balance 04/01/07:</i>	\$ 1,003.45
<i>Receipts:</i>	
Echo Advertiser, March (Compton)	\$ 180.00
Echo Advertiser, March (MG&E)	<u>180.00</u>
<i>Total Receipts:</i>	\$ 360.00
<i>Disbursements:</i>	
July 4th Raffle License (Dept. of Admin.)	\$ 25.00
Miscellaneous: Checks/Deposit slips (Bradford Exchange)	20.12
Miscellaneous: Slow Down Yard Sign Campaign	35.00
Survey: Printing (Xer-Lith Printing)	208.89
Survey: Mailing (USPS)	234.00
Echo Mailing: March (First Class Mailers)	343.65
Echo Printing: March (Xer-Lith Printing)	383.61
Echo Mailing: April (First Class Mailers)	381.65
Echo Printing: April (Xer-Lith Printing)	<u>222.03</u>
<i>Total Disbursements:</i>	\$ 1,853.95
Transfer from Certificate of Deposit:	\$ 2,036.57
<i>Checking Account Ending Balance 04/30/07:</i>	\$ 1,546.07
Certificates of Deposit face value:	\$ 3,035.61
<i>Total Cash and Equivalent 04/30/07:</i>	\$ 4,581.68

Submitted by Jeanne Rotter, ENA Treasurer

Member Corner

Notices are limited to 40 words and a first come, first-served, space-available basis. Youth ads are good for 3 months; all others are 1 month per request. If space is limited, ENA member notices have priority. Notices may be edited. Send requests to ENA, PO Box 14625, Madison, 53708-0625; or newsletter@elvehjemneighborhood.org; or in the Echo mailbox at 21 Vinje Court.

Found: Verison wireless vehicle charger. Also a gold band. Call Pat at Elvehjem School, 204-1400.

Child Care: Mother of 3 doing after-school care for Elvehjem Elementary. May be able to do some before school also. Transportation, snacks, walks, play, and home work help provided. Dinner provided for later pickups. Call Heather at 279-2290.

Home Maintenance: Schoer's Maintenance & Property Care. No job too big or too small, we can do it all, electrical, plumbing, decks repair/build, garage door repair, remodeling, and any general maintenance needs. Call 222-8369.

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the age 18 you must be with an adult or have a note from a parent or guardian that you have their permission to have the weapon. Fines are hefty.

- ◆ I've also had drafted legislation prohibiting possession of "facsimile" weapons (toy guns looking like the real thing). There is no City ordinance regulating these very scary toys. I'll be introducing this ordinance the at first meeting

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Contact a Board member with your comments or questions concerning a subject affecting our neighborhood. You're invited to attend any ENA board meetings.

in July and hope it will be on the books by August.

Have a happy & safe summer!!

Alder Judy Compton

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“Alder’s Update”

By City Alder Judy Compton

I wish you and your families a happy and safe July 4th holiday. We are truly blessed to live in such a wonderful country!

- ◆ Finally the Elvehjem Park tennis courts have been given a much needed surface improvement! A big thank you to the Parks department. Speaking of parks, the Acewood Park pond improvement is still under way.
- ◆ Storm water issues are being addressed in several locations in the Elvehjem neighborhood.
- ◆ I've reminded David Denig-Charkoff, head of the water utility, that it would be nice to have adequate water pressure. I don't think we ever got the problem fixed.
- ◆ I'm still offering to buy traffic engineering some yellow paint so that they can mark no parking areas and identify traffic calming devices properly.
- ◆ Remember when dropping off or picking up kids from the parks not to park in the spaces marked as bus stops. It's dangerous for people getting on or off the buses. I've asking for more attention from Madison Police to address illegally parked cars, and I don't want you to be ticketed.
- ◆ The State's Transportation Department plans to make an improvement to the Stoughton Road corridor by widening the roadbed to include a new auxiliary lane of pavement beginning at the taper of the existing Cottage Grove Road interchange entrance ramp and ending at the taper of the right turn lane at Buckeye Road. The ditch line will be pushed to the west as needed and existing culvert pipes extended to the new ditch line. The auxiliary lane profile will match the profile of the existing edge of pavement. Work should begin in the summer of 2008.
- ◆ Yahara Quarry has had a couple test blasts where they used a technique that had a minimal negative result in the district. I didn't get a call from the Elvehjem residents on the last 2 blasts. Representatives from Yahara agreed to send us a letter in which they will outline the method of blasting they will use from now on, and that method is to be the one that just proved minimally negative. We may be able to live together in peace!
- ◆ Wisconsin Southern Railroad's staff assures me their engineers will abide by regulations we have doubted they were following lately. They will not blow their whistle until they're 15 seconds from the crossing, pending an emergency situation. That's about 220 ft. from the crossing at a speed of 10 mph. The whistle can't blow for over 20 seconds; that will include 2 long blasts, 1 short one, and another long blast. If you feel the engineers are blasting excessively, get the engine number and send that to me with the time and date. They seem to want to work with us.
- ◆ The Paint Ball Gun ordinance passed. It's now unlawful to shoot a paint ball gun in the City unless it's within your own lot line. If you carry the weapon to a legal site for using it, it must be encased and unloaded. Those under

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