



# Bay Creek Bulletin

Dec 2011-Jan 2012

## Lakeside St. Coffee House

By Dan Kennelly

The Washington Hotel Coffee Room is now the Lakeside St. Coffee House. After careful consideration, the management decided to rename the shop to celebrate its location on Lakeside Street and reaffirm its role as a true coffee house and gathering place. Asked about the change, Manager Kate Burmeister said, "We know our greatest asset is being a part of this neighborhood, as well as having one of the best views in the city. It was natural to identify with the street."

As part of this change, the shop created a new website, logo, and sign featuring their back-window view of Monona Bay. The new web-site ([www.lakesidestcoffeeshouse.com](http://www.lakesidestcoffeeshouse.com)) features the menu and a calendar of events. With the new name, Kate plans to emphasize being a true coffee house where people meet and exchange ideas, saying, "Because we are a coffee house now, I hope to make it more of a meeting place for all kinds of events and customers."

Though the name is changing, most of the shop's offerings will stay the same. They will continue serving organic coffees, thoughtfully-prepared local food, and a variety of wine and local beer. Kate says, "Our menu is staying pretty much the same although we are responding to requests for more vegetarian options." The interior of the shop also will remain the same and the management plans to preserve the warm, charming, and relaxed atmosphere of the space.

Kate is excited about the new name and about continuing to be part of the neighborhood, saying "Everyone is welcome. If you haven't been here you must stop by and enjoy our comfortable space and beautiful view of Monona Bay."

## Congratulations to Pam Gates

Pam Gates was recently honored for her community service by Today Not Tomorrow (TNT). Pam was recognized for her volunteer work over the years at Franklin School, St. James School, the Madison Literacy Council (where she became its first executive director), the Goodman South Madison Library and many other organizations where she is an active contributor.

Pam is a long time Bay Creek resident who frequently writes for the Bulletin. Her Artists Among Us and Volunteer columns have profiled many interesting Bay Creekers. She also writes for Madison Times and Southern Exposure. Congratulations, Pam, on a well-deserved award!

## Bay Creek Billboard

### **Sat Dec 10 10:00 am to noon Shoreline clean ups**

With Friends of Monona Bay. Meet at Brittingham Park Beach House (corner of Proudfit & W. Brittingham Place). Garbage bags and tools provided, please bring your own gloves & dress accordingly. Contact Nina for more info. Email: [ninaj@wisc.edu](mailto:ninaj@wisc.edu) Phone: 265-3411 or 258-1788.

### **Mon Dec 12 6:30 pm Friends of Olin-Turville (FOOT)**

Bi-Monthly meeting at Goodman South Madison Branch Library, 2222 S. Park (in Villager Mall).

### **Fri Dec 23 7:00 am-2:00 pm Red Cross Blood Drive**

The Red Cross is hosting their 26th annual Holiday Blood Drive along with a food & fund drive for Second Harvest Food Bank. Please see ad on page 5 for more info.

### **Mon Jan 9 BCNA Annual Potluck and Bi-Monthly meeting**

Madison Baha'i Center, 324 W. Lakeside St. Potluck will begin at 5:30 pm followed by meeting at 6:30. Please bring a dish to pass and your own utensils. More info in Neighborhood Notes on page 4. All Bay Creek residents are invited to attend. Voluntary annual dues of \$10 per household can be paid at the potluck, any neighborhood meeting or sent to Dan Kennelly 808 O'Sheridan St. 53715. Please make checks payable to BCNA.

### **Mon Feb 13 6:30 pm Friends of Olin-Turville (FOOT)**

Bi-Monthly meeting at Goodman South Madison Branch Library, 2222 S. Park (in Villager Mall).

### **First Wednesday of each month Friends of Monona Bay**

124 S. Brooks St., Rm 1, 6:30 pm.

# Information About Tobacco Marketing

From Tobacco Free Columbia-Dane County Coalition

As secondhand smoke dissipates with each new smoke-free air law and the Food and Drug Administration restricts the marketing of cigarettes, smoking takes a hit. Don't assume Big Tobacco isn't noticing. In Wisconsin, the Tobacco Industry is spending \$274 million per year promoting a new line of smokeless and spitless tobacco products. Toothpick-like products dissolve in your mouth to deliver nicotine in a dose equivalent to 3 cigarettes; mini-cigars look like cigarettes and appeal to new audiences through fruity flavors such as peach and strawberry.

What's obvious is that these products are being packaged to look and smell like popular gums, mints, and candy. Many of these tobacco products are strategically placed next to the candy/gum isles in gas stations and convenience stores. The revolting reality: these deceptive marketing techniques are being directed at youth and young adults. It's a fact that 90% of current adult smokers started using tobacco before they turned 18. The tobacco industry is using candy-flavored smokeless tobacco products to attract new, younger users while keeping all of the addictive and harmful substances in order to continue to line their pockets.

Just as shocking is how other tobacco products cost considerably less than cigarettes. Cigarette tax is \$2.52 for a pack of 20 cigarettes compared to the tobacco tax of around \$0.78 for 20 little cigars.

Community members play a key role in increasing awareness and supporting efforts for a healthier community. The Tobacco Free Columbia Dane County Coalition is actively searching for community members to become involved and help address these issues. Education to school boards, parent-teacher associations, and other community leaders is critical. If you have an interest in public health and tobacco prevention, being a part of the Coalition is a great opportunity to make a difference and lasting impact in your local community!

Please contact Ryan Sheahan, Coordinator for the Tobacco Free Columbia-Dane County Coalition at 242-6297 or [rsheahan@publichealthmdc.com](mailto:rsheahan@publichealthmdc.com)

## St. Mark's: A church in search of community

From Lynn Miller, St. Mark's Council President

St. Mark's Lutheran Church, in the heart of Bay Creek at the corner of Spruce and Hickory Streets, was founded in 1929 and has always been a neighborhood church.

But times change. Active church membership was almost a given for previous generations, while today many lead busy, involved lives without ever crossing a church threshold. Churches are adapting in various ways, sometimes even by closing their doors due to financial strains. We don't want that to happen to St. Mark's, but we constantly face that possibility as we struggle to pay our bills.

St. Mark's offers many ways for all of us to expand our role in the community. It has facilities for meetings or events. The Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF) meets there regularly. Franklin Elementary School lunch program prepares weekly snacks in our commercial-grade kitchen. At least one extended family will prepare its Thanksgiving dinner in this kitchen.

Two other churches, Faith Community Christian and Capitol City Mission (Seventh Day Adventists) use the building for services and activities. St. Mark's is a Meals for Madison site every Friday noon; the food pantry serves about 60 families every week on Tuesday mornings (10-12) and Thursday evenings (5:45-7:45). We'd be delighted to have more groups use the building, though we have to stick with nonprofits.

The mural on the Hickory Street side of the building with its spreading oak tree, "branches of love rooted in grace," symbolizes the spirit that St. Mark's wants to share with its community: those who already stop by and those still waiting. We've been in and of the neighborhood for a long time and wish to continue that relationship. Come check us out!

Need a place to hold a meeting?

Need a commercial kitchen?

Need a meal, or someone to share a meal with?

Need a bit of spiritual direction in a chaotic world?

Need some food, or want to help someone who does?

St. Mark's is here for you!

# NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES

## January Potluck

A potluck will precede the January 9, 2012, BCNA meeting. The potluck starts at 5:30 and the meeting at 6:30. Please bring your own beverage, plates, silverware, and a dish to pass. At this meeting candidates are nominated for March elections.

On display will be a 1901 map of the Lake Monona area. Ron Shutvet will bring historical maps, pictures, and data about the history of Olin Turville Park and the John Nolen Drive corridor.

The potluck and meeting are held at the Bahai Center, 324 W. Lakeside Street. Children are welcome. Hope to see you for the potluck, meeting, or both!

## Make Your Vote Count in 2012

The City Clerk's Office recommends checking your ID now to make sure your vote will be counted in 2012. State law now requires voters to present identification when voting. The law is very specific about which forms of ID will be accepted:

Wisconsin driver's license expiring after 11/2/10

Wisconsin DOT-issued photo ID card expiring after 11/2/10

U.S. passport expiring after 11/2/10

Military ID card expiring after 11/2/10

Certificate of naturalization issued within last 2 years

Unexpired Wisconsin driver's license or state ID receipt

ID card issued by a federally recognized Indian tribe in Wisconsin

Unexpired ID issued by a Wisconsin accredited university or college—must contain issuance date, student signature, and expiration date within 2 years of issuance—along with proof of current enrollment.

For more information, see [www.cityofmadison/election](http://www.cityofmadison/election) or call the Clerk's Office at 266-4601.

## Free Mammograms Available

Wisconsin Well Woman Program, in collaboration with Susan G. Komen for the Cure, provides FREE mammograms and Pap tests to age and income eligible women. This program has been serving women since 1994 and provides a choice from more than 30 medical clinics in Dane County.

ALL women can have access to regular breast and cervical cancer screening. Enrollment is quick and is completed over the phone. For more information, call today! Contact the Wisconsin Well Woman Program **608-242-6385** or 608-242-6235 (Spanish) at Public Health – Madison & Dane County.

## Sewing Collective

The former Bohemian Bauble (404 W. Lakeside St.) is now the home of Lakeside Community Arts which offers afterschool and Saturday morning sewing classes for children. Adult sewing class is available on Sunday afternoons. For more information email [lakesidecommunityarts@yahoo.com](mailto:lakesidecommunityarts@yahoo.com) or call 772 1547 or check the website at [lakesidecommunityarts.com](http://lakesidecommunityarts.com).

## **26<sup>th</sup> Annual Holiday Blood Drive**

**Friday, December 23 - 7 AM - 2 PM**

Exhibition Hall at the Alliant Energy Center

**For an appointment, call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767)  
or visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org)**

All presenting donors will receive a holiday t-shirt.  
Free parking, childcare, entertainment, refreshments  
& raffles!

The American Red Cross will be hosting a food & fund drive for Second Harvest Foodbank in conjunction with the Holiday Blood Drive. Please bring non-perishable food items or cash donations to the drive to help those facing hunger.

*Thank you to everyone who paid  
their dues and/or made a  
contribution to the Bulletin.*

*We REALLY appreciate  
your support!*

# Senior Notes

## South Madison Coalition of the Elderly

**Free December 25 Holiday Party.** The South Madison Coalition of the Elderly and Madison Senior Center invite all older adults to a festive holiday dinner on Sunday, December 25, at the Senior Center, 330 W. Mifflin Street. Beginning at 11 a.m. share holiday greetings and hors d'oeuvres amid the center's festive decorations. At noon gather for a traditional meal of roast turkey with all the trimmings. Then enjoy holiday music and humor by guitarist John Dugglesby and play some rounds of bingo to complete the afternoon.

Reservations are needed by noon on Monday, December 19; call 251-8405. Free rides are available and can be arranged when you reserve your meal. The program is free but donations are gratefully accepted.

**Holiday Food and Fun at Romnes Apartments, 540 W. Olin Avenue.** We invite you to attend lunch any or every day, Monday-Friday at 11:30 a.m. Each month we offer fun activities during or after the lunch hour. Below are special events for December.

If you are 60 or older, you will not be charged for the meals, but we hope you will contribute what you can to help maintain this program. Those under 60 are asked to pay \$6.35.

Transportation to the dining center from your home is also available-for \$1 round trip. Meals and rides must be reserved at least 24 hours in advance; call the South Madison Coalition of the Elderly at 251-8405.

**Friday, December 16, Party and White Elephant Exchange.** Begin with Eggnog Punch and a delicious ham dinner. Following the meal, you will have the opportunity to exchange your White Elephant for someone else's! Simply bring your sense of humor and a wrapped used gift or a new one of less than one dollar in value. Share in the wacky fun, as we unwrap our unique items!

**Tuesday December 20, Sing Along and Holiday Bingo.** Raise your voice and sing your favorite holiday tunes along with our accompaniment. Printed lyrics will be provided. Then play some rounds of Holiday bingo for prizes.

**Friday, December 30, Farewell to 2011--Party of Lights and Hope.** Exchange hopes and best wishes for 2012 in a festive atmosphere and celebrate with a dinner of barbequed ribs on the bone and sweet potato pie.

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## BCNA Meeting Nov. 14, 2011

By Dan Kennelly

The Treasurer reported that recent appeals for donations to support the newsletter have been successful in raising \$240 in contributions.

City Clerk, Maribeth Witzel-Behl, gave a presentation on recent changes to Wisconsin Election Laws. Neighbors should be advised that the new voting rules are extraordinarily complicated and will make voting much more difficult for many residents. Residents who are already registered at their current address and have a current State of Wisconsin driver's license should be able to vote as usual, but should expect significantly longer waits at their polling place. Anyone who has moved recently, isn't already registered, or doesn't have a current Wisconsin ID should contact the City Clerk's office and/or review their website to find out what they need to do to be permitted to vote in future elections. You can reach the City Clerk's office by phone at (608) 266-4601, or by email at [voting@cityofmadison.com](mailto:voting@cityofmadison.com). For more info, visit their website [www.cityofmadison.com/election](http://www.cityofmadison.com/election).

Former mayor, Dave Cieslewicz gave a presentation on his current work with a new initiative in the Greenbush/Vilas Neighborhood. Dave is working on behalf of St. Mary's, Meriter, the University, and MG&E to launch a Community Development Corporation (CDC) focused on revitalizing the Greenbush/Vilas neighborhood and improving the housing stock. The project is particularly focused on "workforce housing" for new employees at the hospitals and on transitioning parts of the neighborhood towards more owner-occupied housing.

Lisie Kitchel from Friends of Monona Bay gave an update on the Monona Bay Beaches. Over the summer, the City installed an enclosure and filtration system at Brittingham beach which reportedly worked very well and kept the water very clean. The City used a surface-level boom system at Bernie's Beach that separated the surface water in the beach from the rest of the Bay. Next summer, the City plans to move the filter system to Bernie's Beach. In addition, the city is considering closing Brittingham Beach due to lack of use.

The annual Neighborhood Potluck will be on Monday, January 9 at 5:30 pm at the Baha'i Center. All neighbors are welcome and encouraged to attend. Please bring a dish to pass and your own utensils. Ron Shutvet will be at the Potluck to present his recent extensive research project on the history of Olin Park and the neighborhood. The next BCNA meeting will immediately follow the potluck and begin at 6:30.

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Area 5—Tree streets  
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