



# Bay Creek Bulletin

## Craft With A Cop by Sara Richards

Officer Amelia Levett is the neighborhood resource officer (NRO) associated with the South Madison Station. In an effort to get to know people from the district, she hosted Craft with a Cop at the South Madison Library this summer. Officer Amelia explains more about her role.

“A neighborhood resource officer is essentially a neighborhood officer for the whole police district. We are able to focus on an area where there are hot spots of crime, address the issues and then move to another. It is more flexible than a typical neighborhood officer who is assigned to only one area of a district. Neighborhood and neighborhood resource officers are competitive spots. All officers at the city of Madison police department start as a patrol officer. Prior to this, we go to the Madison PD police academy and do field training (on the job training with another officer). I chose to put in for the NRO spot as I like engaging with the community, getting to know people and did not have enough time to do this as a patrol officer. And I love it!”

Officer Amelia has been with the Madison police department 4 years and has been on patrol in the south district her entire career. She likes the community in this area as well as the diversity.

Originally from Grand Rapids, Michigan, she attended Michigan State University for a bachelor’s degree in criminal justice and psychology followed by a master’s degree in criminal justice.

And crafting? In her own words: “I.....started crafting because I wanted a hobby but wasn’t sure what to do! I started with knitting. I have not learned much more than how to knit in a straight line so I am limited to scarves or blankets. I did knit a blanket recently but it took me six months. From knitting I decided.....to try embroidery. So I picked up a kit and using YouTube, taught myself how to embroider.

"I really enjoy doing this, it is a good way to relax. I like it so much I started an Etsy shop where I embroider sayings on pillows.” She adds (perhaps superfluously), “I am not your typical police officer!”

The response to the craft program has been good. Officer Amelia has taken some ribbing as people seem to think it is strange but she finds it a good way to share an activity with children in a setting which is fun and relaxed. She says she chose crafts as there are already many sports programs police help sponsor. “I was not very athletic when I was younger and wanted something which may appeal to children who aren’t drawn to sports.”

Requests from the children attending keep her on her toes. The sessions have been attended by boys and girls aged 2 to 12. And will there be more sessions of Craft with a Cop? We hope so.



 Bay Creek now has a Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/BayCreekNeighborhood/>

### Bay Creek Billboard

**Mon-Sun through Nov 6** In person absentee voting is available at City libraries, City Clerk's office and other locations. Go to [www.cityofmadison.com/clerk](http://www.cityofmadison.com/clerk) or call 266-4601 for a complete schedule and a list of locations or for information on the Voter ID Law.  
Not sure if you're registered? Go to [myvote.wi.gov](http://myvote.wi.gov) to verify.  
**Tues Nov 8** Fall General Election. Voter ID Law is in effect.  
**You can still register to vote at the polls on Election Day.** Bay Creek residents vote at Romnes Apartments 540 W Olin Ave. Polls are open from 7:00 am to 8:00 pm.  
Union Cab will continue their practice of offering free rides to the polls on Election Day. Please call (608) 242-2000 for info or to schedule a ride. Union Cab asks that if possible, you call before Election Day to schedule a ride.

**Mon Nov 14 6:30 pm** BCNA Bi-Monthly Meeting at Bahai Center, 324 W. Lakeside St. Voluntary annual dues of \$10 per household can be paid at any neighborhood meeting or sent to Sara Richards 710 Spruce St 53715. Please make checks payable to BCNA. Thanks to all who have paid.  
**Sun Oct 9 and Nov 13 1:30 pm** Guided nature walks by Friends of Olin Turville (FOOT). Meet at the Turville Parking lot off John Nolen Dr. Please see page 9 for info.  
**2nd Sat of every month 10:00 am to noon** Shoreline clean up with Friends of Monona Bay. Contact Nina for info. Email: [ninaj@wisc.edu](mailto:ninaj@wisc.edu), phone: 258-1788 or 698-9708.  
**Oct 12 (and 2nd Wed of every other month) 6:30 pm** Friends of Monona Bay meeting at Barriques on Park St. Call Lisie for info: 266-5248.

## BCNA September 12, 2016 Meeting Summary

By Carol Medaris

Bob Stoffs called the meeting to order at 6:30.

**Jade Garden Development Plan:** Steve Davis, Planning and Economic Development (P&ED) co-chair, reported that the newest plan submitted at the recent public meeting at the Water Utility Building does not significantly change the older plan, especially regarding the issues that particularly concerned close neighbors: the height of the building is still five stories, six on the back side, while only zoned for three; and the entry continues to be off Emerson, which the neighbors feel is problematic. (Steve reported that the Urban Design Commission, which is reviewing the development, also felt that the building as first proposed was too high.)

Steve passed out a rendering of the most recent plan. The BCNA passed a motion last meeting stating that the proposed plan did not meet the neighborhood's planning guidelines, but a new motion is needed because of the changed plan. It was moved and seconded that, "The BCNA finds the latest development proposal for 1109 S. Park St. (the Jade Garden site) as presented at the public meeting on September 8, 2016, to be out of compliance with the Planning and Development Guidelines approved unanimously by the BCNA in June, 2016." The motion passed unanimously. Plans for Jade Garden are anticipated to be heard Oct. 17 by the Plan Commission.

**Barriques's Coffee Roasting:** Lisie Kitchel reported for the P&ED on the status of Barriques's request for a Conditional Use Permit to continue roasting coffee for all its stores plus wholesale and internet sales. It is due to be heard at the Plan Commission meeting of September 19th, and she asked to get the BCNA on record regarding their request. Barriques requested and was given a three-month extension to give it a chance to upgrade its equipment, to see if the smoke and fumes from the roasting operation could be reduced so that the severe problems affecting neighbors could be eliminated. It is unclear exactly what steps Barriques has taken as Matt Weygandt did not get back to the neighborhood, as requested. Volunteer neighbors quickly resurveyed close neighbors and found that they overwhelmingly indicated they were having all the same problems, as indicated in the survey of households in May. Lisie encouraged those who wrote the Plan Commission before the extension to do so again, indicating that their situation had not improved. She also reported that Alder Sara Eskrich had been in contact with Matt about the continuing problems, although she had not yet taken a position regarding the permit. (Following this BCNA meeting, Sara notified the P&ED Committee that she would be opposing the permit at the Plan Commission meeting.) It was then moved and seconded that, "The BCNA strongly opposes the granting of the Conditional Use Permit for coffee roasting at Barriques, based on neighbors continuing to be adversely affected by Barriques roasting as demonstrated by surveys conducted in May and September, 2016". The motion passed unanimously.

**Facebook Page for Bay Creek Neighbors:** Cynthia Hoffman described the Facebook page that has been started for "Bay Creek Neighbors." This has been discussed on the neighborhood listserv, and by the time of the meeting 186 people had already joined. Members discussed the pros and cons of having an additional neighborhood publication and it was decided that there was no need to vote on whether to "officially" adopt the new page. The listserv is not an official publication of the BCNA either, according to Jim Winkle, Web Committee chair. The Facebook page is not designed to replace the listserv, but merely to be an additional way for neighbors to communicate. Jim has volunteered to help administer this new page. (Please see article in this Bulletin for additional information.)

### Committee Reports:

**FOOT (Friends of Olin Turville):** Andria Blattner reported that the next nature walk is scheduled for October 9 from 1:30 to 3:00, when a talk focusing on the history of the park will be presented by Ron Shutvet. Please meet in the south parking lot, as usual. Also, dancing continues in the Pavilion through the fall. Please see the [Olin-Turville.org/calendar](http://Olin-Turville.org/calendar) for more information.

**FOMB (Friends of Monona Bay):** Andria and Lisie also reported on the shoreline cleanup, which occurs the 2nd Saturday of the month throughout the year from 10:00 to noon and begins at Brittingham Boats. The filter and enclosure at Bernie's Beach have been taken out for the season.

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**Treasurer:** Judy Robinson reported that the first treatment of the shoreline ash trees has taken place. The money collected for the trees exceeded the amount needed by \$221.00, which will be saved for the next treatment round.

**Newsletter:** Judy also reported that the deadline for getting items in the Bulletin will be Wed, Sept. 14 and that the newsletter will be ready to be distributed on Friday, Oct 7.

**Bay Creek Orchard:** Judy said that the orchard has been very productive. She asked that we pass the word that it was important not to pick the fruit until it is ripe.

**Contacts:** Bob Stoff's announced that the Madison Metro Jaycees will again be hosting the annual haunted house at the Olin Park Pavilion, from 7 to 10 on October 14-15, 21-22, and 18-19. Proceeds fund community service events, with usually a large donation to The Road Home. Bob also announced that County Executive Joe Parisi wishes to visit at our next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at about 8:10. John Beeman has agreed to facilitate the next meeting.

## **Planning and Economic Development Committee Report**

### **By Steve David, Lisie Kitchel, and Carrie Rothburd**

September Update on Barriques: Barriques has been roasting coffee beans for all six of its stores, its online and retail sales on South Park Street since August 2011. This operation has been illegal because city law prior to 2015 allowed manufacturing for use on site only in residential areas. The law was changed in 2015 to allow for "limited" manufacturing along urban corridors with a conditional use permit (CUP). The CUP requires that: the establishment, maintenance or operation of the conditional use will not be detrimental to or endanger the public health, safety, or general welfare; and the uses, values and enjoyment of other property in the neighborhood for purposes already established will not be substantially impaired or diminished in any foreseeable manner. Barriques has applied for a CUP to roast on South Park Street.

BCNA's Planning & Economic Development Committee (P&ED) surveyed neighbors to find out the impact of roasting fumes in May 2016. Of 32 individuals who completed the survey, 31 were disturbed by Barriques' roasting fumes with people reporting such things as coughing, burning throats and nostrils, and difficulty breathing when Barriques roasting fumes were present. P&ED asked Barriques to ask the city postpone its conditional use hearing and to search for newer and better ways to deal with its exhaust that would not disturb neighbors. Barriques and the city agreed.

In June 2016 Barriques met once with P&ED to discuss plans to update its roasting machinery to lessen the troublesome fumes. P&ED expressed the strong desire to see Barriques before and after emissions testing to identify the offensive chemicals in Barriques' roasting exhaust to eliminate them. Owner Matt Weygandt said at that time that he would cooperate with neighbors on the timing of the follow-up survey. However after this meeting he did not respond to further requests for updates on his progress. Nor did he respond to Alder Eskrich's requests in our behalf.

In early September P&ED, circulated its follow-up survey to determine whether fewer, the same number, or more neighbors were still bothered by Barriques' roasting fumes, still unaware whether Barriques had completed its updates. Members met with Alder Eskrich September 10, 2016, and indicated that neighbors still report problems with Barriques' fumes, and we discussed possible conditions for a CUP. Alder Eskrich understands the neighbors' situation and her position will be provided prior to the Sept. 19 meeting, since she was out of town September 14-19.

The Plan Commission is required by ordinance to ensure that Barriques' roasting operations do not have a negative effect on neighbors' physical well-being or on their enjoyment of their property before it approves Barriques' request for a permit. On Monday, September 12, BCNA voted to oppose granting Barriques a conditional use permit on the grounds that neighbors continue to experience fumes from roasting at Barriques. The Plan Commission will make its decision regarding Barriques' CUP at its September 19 meeting.

***Editor's Note: Barriques application for a CUP was denied at the Plan Commission's Sept. 19th meeting.***  
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**Update on Development at 1109 S. Park St. (Jade Garden):** On September 9, the development team for the Jade Garden site held a public meeting at which they unveiled the latest version of their plans which are the ones likely to progress towards an Oct. 17th Plan Commission hearing. The two significant changes in the plan are the addition of two 2 story townhouse units fronting Emerson Street and a reduction in the overall number of apartment units to 39 due to a reduction in the number of efficiency units which now stand at 15. What has not changed is the building's basic footprint (other than the addition of the new townhouses) and the number of stories which still stands at 5 on the west side facing Park St. and 6 on the east side facing the neighborhood Emerson. While neighbors largely supported the addition of the townhouses which block the parking lot and nicely connect the development to the street, serious concerns remained about the height, shading, and traffic flow onto narrow residential streets. In fact there was near-unanimous opposition to the height expressed amongst the neighbors present in a straw vote.

On September 12, BCNA passed a unanimous motion finding that this latest version of the development proposal still does not conform to the Park St. Planning and Development Guidelines developed and adopted by BCNA in April. This proposal will likely proceed to UDC for approval soon, though no date has been formally set (Oct. 5th is a likely possibility, check baycreekmadison.org or the Facebook page). From there, it will go to the Plan Commission for approval on Oct. 17.

*Editor's Note: The UDC held a 3rd informational meeting regarding this project on Sept 21. Neighbors who attended focused on the height of the building as the main issue.*

## MATC Programs

Are you interested in a career with high job placement, job security and good wages that is both fascinating and rewarding, and that requires less than a 4-year degree? If so, check out these programs at Madison College! We would love to hear from you!

**Professional Associate in Applied Administrative Science Degree:** Learn current business technology and software, and attain the office skills needed to work as support staff in any organization. Instructors have real-world experience as administrative professionals and are ready to work with you.

The Administrative Professional degree is on a career pathway that includes an associate degree, an Office Assistant technical diploma and a Microsoft Office technical diploma. All will prepare you for a good job. With the associate degree, you can transfer to another college to earn a bachelor's degree. Learn at your own pace and increase your earning potential with credentials that keep you moving on your career path.

Students in the Administrative Professional program can attend full or part time. Classes are offered on-campus and online.

For more information see, <https://madisoncollege.edu/program/administrative-professional>.

**Medical Administrative Specialist Associate in Applied Science Degree:** Instructors in Madison College's Medical Administrative Specialist degree program will prepare you to work in a doctor's office, clinic or hospital setting. This degree will also provide excellent preparation for office positions at any business. At the end of the program, you will have the potential to be certified as a Microsoft Office Specialist.

Medical Administrative Specialist associate degree program is on a career pathway that includes this associate degree, a Medical Billing Specialist technical diploma and a Healthcare Receptionist technical diploma. All will prepare you for a good job and with an associate degree you can transfer to another school to work toward a bachelor's degree. Learn at your own pace and increase your earning potential.

Students attend full or part time with classes that are offered on-campus and online. For more information see, <https://madisoncollege.edu/program/medical-administrative-specialist>.

# NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES

## **Remember Food Allergies at Halloween**

How can you make Halloween a happier and safer time for kids with food allergies? Giving treats without nuts or peanut butter is one way. If you do have candies with nuts, consider a separate bowl of no-nut candies (Skittles, Starbursts, Dum Dums and Smarties) or small novelty toys, tattoos or stickers. A separate bowl will help keep the no-nut candies or toys from cross-contamination by the nuts.

## **Cub Scouts Wanted**

Cub Scout Pack 302 is looking for boys from first to fifth grade. Cub Scouting offers activities like learning outdoor skills, camping, Pinewood Derby, earning badges, community service projects and lots of fun! If you have questions, please check out our website [Pack302madison.org](http://Pack302madison.org) or contact Jackie White (Den Leader) at [jackiewhite004@yahoo.com](mailto:jackiewhite004@yahoo.com).

## **Project Home's 2016-2017 Home Maintenance Classes**

FREE and open to the public, the series will begin in late October. Classes are focused on educating folks to do work themselves or to be more knowledgeable when hiring a contractor. Topics include weatherization, how to identify and keep up on home maintenance items, how to tackle home repairs. There are special classes for First Time Home Buyers. For a full list of classes, see <http://www.projecthomewi.org/programs/owner-renter-classes/>

## **Bay Creek Facebook Page**

Our neighborhood now has a Facebook page! We will still have our website and calendar at [baycreekmadison.org](http://baycreekmadison.org) but the Facebook page will give neighbors a quick and easy way to share information about events and other topics of interest. To join, please go to <https://www.facebook.com/groups/BayCreekNeighborhood>.

Thank you to Cynthis Hoffman for her work on this and to Kirstin Bloy, Perry Govier and Jim Winkle for offering to be administrators of the page.

## **RSVP Opportunities**

For the four volunteer opportunities listed directly below, please contact Andrea Beaster at 441-7894 or [abeaster@rsvpdane.org](mailto:abeaster@rsvpdane.org)

**All Dane County Schools Need Volunteer Tutors for Grades K-12.** Volunteers are matched 1:1 or with small groups of children, helping primarily with literacy and math. Achievement Connections: Volunteers tutor one-on-one with high school students in Madison or Middleton-Cross Plains school districts to improve their performance in algebra and geometry and provide a strong, ongoing relationship throughout the school year.

**Senior Tax Exchange Program (STEP):** Senior volunteers tutoring in academic tutoring programs in the Madison Metropolitan School District may be eligible to participate in the STEP Program, which offers a property tax rebate for eligible senior volunteer.

**Computer Buddies Program:** Volunteers and students correspond, pen-pal fashion, weekly via email. A fun way to volunteer from home that isn't a big time commitment (~30 minutes/week).

**DRIVER SERVICES OPPORTUNITIES** –Drivers needed to drive passengers who are seniors (60 yrs. and older) or veterans of all ages or to deliver meals to seniors in Dane County communities outside of Madison. Set your own schedule, no minimum hours required. RSVP provides mileage reimbursement and extra liability insurance. If interested in driving seniors or delivering meals, contact Gene Kundert, [gkundert@rsvpdane.org](mailto:gkundert@rsvpdane.org) or 608-441-7896. For driving veterans of all ages and their families, contact Tom Poppe, [tpoppe@rsvpdane.org](mailto:tpoppe@rsvpdane.org) or 608-238-7901.

**COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS OPPORTUNITIES** – Contact Jan Karst at 441-7891 or [jkarst@rsvpdane.org](mailto:jkarst@rsvpdane.org) Independent Living is looking for a volunteer receptionist at their senior living community, The Gardens, on N. Segoe Rd. Greet residents/guests, answer phones, receive mail /deliveries, and perform office tasks. Shifts are in the afternoon 2-5 p.m.

Habitat Restore needs cashiers for Thursday morning and afternoon shifts where folks can buy used building material and donated furniture to support building more low-income housing.

## Senior Notes

**Care About Quality Services for Local Seniors? Join Our Staff!** The South Madison Coalition of the Elderly is a local nonprofit agency providing social services to help older persons maintain their place in our community with safety and a good quality of life. Our staff includes two registered nurse case managers, each teamed with a social work case manager. These teams work with older adults who have challenging chronic health problems. These teams set up and continually monitor a detailed plan of services to help this group of older adults to live as independently as possible in the community.

We are currently in need of an experienced registered nurse to join our dedicated staff. Interested? Contact us at 251-8405.

### **October 2016 Senior Activities at Romnes Apartments**

Older adults are invited to come enjoy a hot, nutritious lunch at Romnes Apartments, 540 W. Olin Avenue, at 11:30 a.m. Monday through Friday. These meals are provided on a donation basis for persons age 60 and older, with a suggested donation of \$4.00. Other persons who attend the meals are asked to pay \$10.00, which is the actual cost to provide a meal.

Menus include a vegetarian entrée choice every day, and a main dish salad choice on Wednesdays. The menu for each month is published in our SOUTHSIDE SENIOR newsletter—call us if you would like to be on our newsletter mailing list—it is free and includes info on programs of interest to older adults.

Meals must be reserved no less than 24 hours in advance, but you can sign up for a regular schedule, or several individual meals at one time, if you wish. Call South Madison Coalition of the Elderly at 251-8405 for more information or to reserve meals. Lunch and the activities below take place in the community room on level 1. Transportation to lunch door-to-door from your home is available on a donation basis (\$1 round trip). Rides must be reserved separately by calling Transit Solutions, 294-8747, at least 24 hours in advance.

### **Cards, Games, Adult Coloring and Snacks on Mondays 1:00-3:00 pm**

Have fun, exercise your brain and stretch your creativity! Stay after lunch or just drop in to play cards, dominos or other games while you trade news with your neighbors. Or try the adult version of coloring—a great way to express your creativity while you get rid of stress. We provide the coloring books and colored pencils. While you are there, enjoy a free snack!

### **Bingo and Yoga Every Wednesday**

Play Bingo at 1:00 p.m. Stay after lunch or just drop in. We play for the love of the game, not money.

Join in a Yoga session from 3:00-4:30 p.m. This gentle yoga class is designed for people of all abilities and newcomers are always welcome! The class is free, but please call the instructor ahead of time to let him know you are coming: 515-8127.

## Fall Leaf Collection Begins

The City of Madison will begin the annual Fall leaf collection on Monday, October 3rd. Streets Division will collect leaves as long as the weather permits through late November and early December.

There is no set leaf collection schedule. Street crews will follow a rotation. Beginning October 3, crews will begin collecting leaves from residences within the Monday refuse collection district. Once crews have collected from each street within the Monday refuse district once, crews will move into the Tuesday district. After servicing the Tuesday district, crews then rotate to the Wednesday district, etc. Upon completion of Friday district, the cycle will begin again in Monday district. Crews will continue to cycle through the city in this manner for as long as weather allows.

Leaves and yard waste is generally considered to be leafy plant material and small twigs less than 18 inches in length. Crews will also collect other yard waste and garden debris during the fall leaf collection period. This material includes pumpkins, corn stalks, pine cones, and so on.

When placing yard waste to the curb, the residents are reminded not to place material into the gutter or in the street. Leaf piles left in the street lead to material being washed into the lakes during the autumn rains, which increases phosphorus levels in the lakes contributing to algae and weed growth.

The Streets Division asks that residents pile their leaves and yard waste loose on their terrace or in compostable paper bags. If compostable or plastic bags are used, leave them open at the top so crews can identify the contents. Residents can also use a tarp on top of leaves to prevent them from blowing.

Brush should not be mixed within the yard waste and leaf pile. Brush is processed differently so these piles need to be separated. Commingled piles will not be collected. Also, if possible, residents are encouraged to place their leaf and yard waste piles at least 4 feet from obstructions, such as parked cars and mailboxes. Piles that cannot be safely collected will be left behind.

Due to the uncertainty of workloads and weather conditions, predicting when leaf collection crews will be in a given area can be very difficult. The Streets Division has several options to get the latest information on where crews are working.

During the leaf collection season, daily updates regarding the whereabouts of the collection crews can be found on the collection maps on the leaf and yard waste section of our website, [www.cityofmadison.com/streets](http://www.cityofmadison.com/streets). Residents can call the 24-hour hotline at 608-267-2088 for weekly collection estimate updates. And residents can contact the Streets Division. Residents east of S. Park Street, and that includes the isthmus, can call the east side Streets Division at 608-246-4532 and residents west of S. Park Street can call the west side Streets Division at 608-266-4681.

In addition to using our collection service, Madison residents can bring their leaves to any of the three yard waste drop off sites. The sites are open seven days a week from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and until 8:00 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The yard waste site at 1501 W. Badger Road is the nearest one to Bay Creek. Sites will be open at these hours until December 4, 2016.

### **Love Our Lakes? Use Your Leaves By Theresa Vander Woude, Clean Lakes Alliance**

This fall, show your love for our lakes by using the leaves that fall on your property to improve the health and beauty of your yard. The same nutrients in leaves that are great for your lawn and garden can also negatively impact water quality in our lakes. When leaves in street gutters and terraces “steep” in rainwater, a nutrient-rich “tea” is created... which flows down the storm drains and directly into the lakes. This is full of phosphorus, the nutrient that drives algae growth.

Avoid sending your leaves to the curb altogether with the following practices: 1) Mulch fallen leaves into your lawn with a lawnmower; 2) Use shredded leaves to mulch your garden; 3) Consider making leaf mold, an inexpensive substitute for peat moss that can increase water-holding capacity of soils by fifty percent.

Visit <http://www.cityofmadison.com/streets/yardWaste/leaf/LeafWest.cfm> and view the color-coded maps (updated every day by 3 p.m. starting in early October) to find leaf pick up times. Plan your raking to minimize leaves' time on the curb.

Visit [cleanlakesalliance.com/renew-the-blue/](http://cleanlakesalliance.com/renew-the-blue/) for more citizen action tips.

## FOOT Notes

### By Andria Blattner

October and November usually represent a decrease in outdoor activity; but not for participants of the Bird and Nature Walks. A new city site brings the total to 5 locations. The original sites were Cherokee Marsh, Turville Point and Warner Park. The next year Lakeshore Preserve was added. The newest is Starkweather Creek on the 3rd Saturday. All sites feature monthly walks the year round.

Our next walk is on Sunday Oct. 9 at 1:30. Ron Shutvet will talk on the history of Turville Point from the time of the glaciers through the Turville family. He has done a great deal of research on this subject (see the FOOT website, <http://www.olin-turville.org/>). It has links to many wonderful pictures in the Historical Society.

Twenty-four UW Law Students who participated in the Law School's Community Service Day did a wonderful job removing burdock from Olin Park along the Turville fence line and clearing honeysuckle, buckthorn and sumac from a corner of the prairie. Thanks to them and the city staff who directed them.



It's warmer than usual but the fall migration is under way. The peak Monarch migration was predicted to be September 11th with reports of quite a few around the neighborhood. I hope there are enough goldenrod, coneflower and New England asters along the way to provide them with nectar for strength and energy; they have a long way to go. Hummingbirds are also coming through on their way to Mexico and Central America. Cranes have been sighted recently; soon they will form larger and larger flocks and head south. The biggest flocks I've seen around here are in fields by Arena.

We are fortunate to see such numbers of birds and should celebrate the Migratory Bird Treaty passed 100 years ago for their recovery. This act also protects non-migratory birds and their nests, eggs, young and feathers. It stopped the practice of market hunting, feather collecting for fashionable hats and the elimination of whole colonies by extensive egg collecting. We can be grateful that such strong, thoughtful measures were taken so long ago and that they are still in effect. We need to add to these laws to protect wildlife and the environments that they need from the new challenges arising worldwide for the rest of this century.

### Green Madison

Madison is one of 50+ cities competing for a \$5 MILLION prize from Georgetown University that will go to the city that makes the biggest reductions in energy use. Currently Madison is in the top 20 cities in the competition, which winds down at the end of 2016.

Green Madison is a citywide effort to educate and inspire Madison residents to reduce energy use in their homes, businesses, and schools. You can help Madison win the prize and make your home more comfortable and energy efficient.

Madison homeowners, did you know that energy efficiency improvements can cut utility bills by an average of \$400 per year? During this competition you can host a house party to receive a free energy assessment and your guests will qualify for a \$99 energy audit.

Madison homeowners, schedule a reduced cost energy audit to have a combustion safety test, blower door test, infrared camera test, heating system and water efficiency test done on your home.

You can both make your home more comfortable, save money on your energy bills and help Madison develop a more energy efficient future.

Contact [jen.rubin@greenmadison.com](mailto:jen.rubin@greenmadison.com) for more information and check out our website [www.greenmadison.org](http://www.greenmadison.org)



## Bay Creek Bulletin information

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Sandhill Cranes stop at the former Truman Olson site on their way south for the winter. Photo by Sarah Carroll

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