



Bay Creek Bulletin

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Long Time Neighbor Gene Brazee

By Sara Richards

How long has Gene Brazee lived in the Bay Creek neighborhood? Long enough to have not one but two articles written about him in the Bay Creek Bulletin. The first, written by Chris Wagner, appeared in the February-March issue of 2001. It is accompanied by a wonderful photo from the September 6, 1948, issue of Life magazine which shows five boys including Gene jumping or diving from a tree into Lake Wingra along Arboretum Drive.

Gene enjoyed many years playing various games at Franklin Park, now known as Goodman Park, in the early forties when the population sign on Olin Avenue going over Murphys Crick read Madison Population 67,000.

During World War II, Gene would fish Murphys Crick now known as Wingra Creek. He would dig for worms at a Victory Garden located in what is now the parking lot for Dean Clinic. "If you wanted vegetables

you got a plot at a Victory Garden as most all canned vegetables were sent overseas for our troops," recalls Gene.

There were seven grocery stores within a six block area when Gene was a youngster. He recounts, "They were as follows: Mrs. Macs and Bernies on Lakeside St., Miss Sheelys on Potter St., Mrs. Mark and Sigrists on the corners of Gilson St and Olin Ave., the Sauer store at 1225 Gilson St., Plaenerts store on the 1100 block of S. Park, and the Cordio store on the 1800 block of S. Park." (Continued on Page 2)



4th of July Activities

Bay Creek Bike Parade: Come to the playground behind Goodman Pool at 10 a.m. on July 4 to decorate your bike, wagon or stroller, then join us in the second annual Bay Creek 4th of July Bike Parade around the park at 10:30. Stick around til noon for some crazy, ol' fashioned fun and games (did anyone say "hula hoops" and "egg toss"?!?). \$1 donation appreciated for bike decorations. All ages welcome!

We need helpers, too: Please text or call Gayle at 608-770-4948 to volunteer!

Bay Creek Picnic: The annual Bay Creek potluck picnic takes place at noon. For the potluck, please bring a dish to pass as well as your own plates, flatware and beverage to enjoy some outdoor time with your neighbors. Gather at the oak trees near the Goodman Pool around noon.

Bay Creek Billboard

Thurs July 12 6:30 pm BCNA Bi-Monthly Meeting at 6:30 pm Bahai Center, 324 W. Lakeside St. **Please note that meetings have changed to the 2nd Thursday of odd numbered months.** 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.

Sat July 28 (Rain date Sun July 29) 9:00 am-2:00 pm Franklin Elementary 305 W. Lakeside St. 10th Annual Bay Creek Wagon Drive. See ad on page 7 for more info.

Sun June 10 and July 8 1:30 pm Guided Nature Walks by Friends of Olin Turville (FOOT). Meet at the Turville Parking lot off John Nolen Dr. See FOOT Notes on page 8 for info on upcoming walks.

Tues June 12, Mon Jun 18, 15, July 2,9 and 16 5:30 pm FREE yoga at Olin Pavilion with instructor Samantha Kellogg. See Page 8 for more info.

Tue 10:00 am to noon and Thurs 5:45-7:45 pm Food Pantry open at St. Mark's Lutheran Church 605 Spruce St. **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, phone: 258-1788 or 698-9708.

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.



Gene Brazee, continued

Military service is something Gene has in common with the older generation of his family. He possesses the discharge papers of his great-grandfather, Alan Brazee, who fought at Appomattox in 1865. His great-grandfather was there when General Lee surrendered. Gene and many of his 19 year old friends were drafted in 1953 and sent to Fort Lewis, Washington. He says when the North Koreans found out that their Basic Training Company was being sent to South Korea, they immediately signed an armistice. Gene spent 16 months near Chunchon, Korea.

Gene's grandparents were caretakers at Monona Park which is now Olin-Turville Park. In the early 1900's his grandfather was fined for spearing pickerel--now called northern pike--from a spot where the VFW now stands. In those days, that spot was under water. Gene's aunt Monona was born at his grandparents' home in Monona Park in 1903. She was named Monona after the Park, not the Third Lake as Lake Monona was named in those days.

Gene's father started at Franklin School in 1915. Gene started there in 1938 and his son Dan in 1969. All three graduated from Franklin.

Gene retired from CUNA in 1990 and volunteered at several food pantries delivering many thousands of loaves of bread to the pantries from the Gardner Baking Company.

Gene has seen a lot of changes in Bay Creek during the decades he's lived here. He commented that now as in the past it's still nice to be living with all the good people in the Bay Creek neighborhood.

Treasurer's Report

By Judy Robinson

During the annual review of the Treasurer's report at the May 14 meeting, it was noted that only \$255 in dues were received. Fortunately, we also received some generous one-time donations but in order to be able to continue printing 6 issues of the newsletter per year, we need to increase the number of people who pay their dues on a regular basis. The revenue from advertisers pays for approximately 2/3 of the printing costs and we are dependent on the dues to make up the difference. As always, dues are entirely voluntary and not mandatory in any way.

Several people at the meeting suggested that we establish a clearer time frame for paying dues, something along the lines of the funds drives done by WORT and

other organizations. The annual report is done each May so going forward, we will print a reminder in the February and April Bulletins reminding people to pay their dues. However this year's plea will be somewhat after the fact--anyone wishing to donate the suggested \$10 per year can mail a check to Sara Richards, 710 Spruce, 53715 at their earliest convenience. In addition to covering newsletter costs, dues are used for incidental expenses like ice cream for the Ice Cream Social held each August and annual corporation fees. Donations in any amount are appreciated. Thank you in advance for your support.

BCNA May 14, 2018 Meeting Summary By Fred Turkington

Treasurer's Annual Report: Budget shortfall totaling cost of 2 two issues of newsletter. Options: 1) Print fewer copies; 2) Hike ad rates; 3) Fewer pages. Discussion: Set common membership year, e.g. June 20th to June 20th; All pay dues on same date; Publish August or December issue only electronically announcing this in previous newsletter; Set up auto payment of dues via Paypal or similar service. [Editor's note: Optional annual dues defray part of the newsletter costs.]

BCNA meeting dates changed: To avoid conflicting with several City Meetings, voted to move BCNA bi-monthly meetings to second Thursday of the month. Next meeting Thursday, July 12th; 6:00pm-7:45pm. Judy will let Baha'i Center know.

Move to add an Outreach Committee: Tabled until next meeting.

New city-wide email list: For Neighborhood Assoc. presidents only. Carrie receives emails via baycreekcontact@gmail.com and will forward to the neighborhood email list.

Committee Reports:

South Madison Plan Committee - Lisie: Meets next Monday May 21. Topics: Wingra Build Plan; Truman Olson site development.

Contact Person - Add "Define role of contact person" on next meeting's agenda.

Newsletter - Copy deadline: Friday 5/18. Published Friday June 1st.

Friends of Monona Bay - Bernie's Beach swim enclosure to be screened and cleaned

Friends of Olin-Turville - Great May 6th spring fling, tasty root beer, hot dogs, s'mores, over 100 attendees.

Pavilion Concerts 6-8PM each Wed. in May; 5 or 6 summer yoga classes in Olin Park;

Controlled burn in the conservation park, at end of summer, prior to burns will ask for volunteers to rake leaves around oaks to avoid scarring of oaks

Web - Next meeting about new website in July

Web/meeting guidelines for civil discourse - deferred to next meeting

Planning & Economic Development - Internal documents for P&ED: how the committee functions; how we work with the neighborhood; how we work with our alder.

1202 Park St - Heartland Housing: Awarded funds by WHEDA, Trying to work with Matt from Heartland who prefers coordinating with Alder Eskrich, updates

requested of Sara but nothing scheduled yet, They still have to apply for the land use and the permits to build.

Funk Factory Geuzeria: from April Plan Commission mtg. - there will be 4 amplified events per year, no wood burning fire pits, outdoor seating will close at 9:00 pm. Working out how to file noise complaint. City isn't convinced of parking problem. Developing log sheet to gather complaints from individual tree street neighbors. City Sound Committee wants to ensure not too many events at one point in time but neighborhood outreach not known. Judy will email Amanda Funk for schedule of events for newsletter publication.

Land Use (Imagine Madison): From the plan commission meeting - Gilson Street was changed from Employment to low and medium residential to conform with the South Madison neighborhood plan. Public hearing June 4, goes to the Common Council in August.

Needs assessment grant: We were awarded \$5000 for neighborhood needs assessment. Working with Gary Green, professor of community ecology at UW-Madison. Smaller committee works directly with Gary Green if you're interested. Grant to be used by December. Capitol View also interested in being part of the needs assessment. Bram's Addition; Burr Oaks; and added Greenbush.

1402 S Park St - Truman Olson site: 3 RFP proposals for the site. Alex has a handout. Dan from Plan wants list of the things the neighborhood does and does not support. Grocery Store - 15000 SF vs 40000 SF grocery store, Current Pick N Save is 30000 square feet. Alex and Carrie met with Food Access Priority Council in the mayor's office. If Welton's proposal accepted, would ensure a grocery store is available during the transition. Hovde's proposal doesn't include that guarantee. Willy St Co-op is the interested grocery store. Want clarity on the food production use and the grocery store floor space. Welton focused more on housing, Hovde/SSM is focused more on jobs with the clinic. Plans are both pretty similar. They don't want a north/south through street to break up the parcel. Welton's proposal for Cedar St. would jog across Park St., Hovde can't do that in their plan. P&ED seeks neighborhood approval to write a letter. Approval can't be given at this meeting since it wasn't on the agenda. BCNA supports continuity plan for grocery store to be there throughout construction. Review of Cedar and Park intersection. Commitment from the state for a traffic light at Cedar and Park. (Continued on next page)

(BCNA Meeting Summary continued)

Dean Clinic / SSM Site: Sara appointed a committee of neighbors. Stanley, Abby, Lindsey from Cargo Coffee, Allen. First meeting June 12th. Jim will post dates on the neighborhood calendar.

AEC Master Plan: Met April 16 Perkins and Wilke presented their proposal. Public comments are being grouped into different buckets.

P&ED Committee Update

By Alexandria Elias

Proposals for 1402 S Park St

Two developers submitted proposals for 1402 S Park St, and the Truman Olson Selection Committee has met twice to discuss the proposals. The first meeting was held on April 26, and it was a discussion between the developers and neighbors. The second meeting was held on May 3, and the Selection Committee asked questions to City staff about the proposals. In and outside these meetings, neighbors expressed concern over the size of the proposed grocery store and extending Cedar St through to Fish Hatchery Rd. P&ED sent a letter to the Selection Committee outlining the neighborhood's concerns. P&ED has also met with members of the Madison Food Policy Council who are very interested in making sure a grocery store remains open on Park St throughout the construction process and beyond. The next Truman Olson Selection Committee meeting is May 29 in the Goodman Maintenance Facility at 6:30 PM. At this meeting developers will present their plans incorporating the recommendations from neighbors and the City. A follow-up meeting will be held on June 21, at noon at the City County Building, Room 108 - Parks Dept Conf Room. If you would like to see notes from any of the above meetings please contact Alex Elias at novoalexandria@gmail.com.

Editor's Note: The Hovde/SSM and Welton development teams requested a 30-day pause in the selection process for Truman Olson proposals to discuss a joint proposal in conjunction with SSM Health's Fish Hatchery Clinic. The Selection Committee meeting scheduled for Tuesday, May 29th, has been canceled.

A grocery store meeting will be held at St Mark's Lutheran Church, 605 Spruce St on Thurs, June 14 at 6:00PM.

Noise Complaints

P&ED reached out to the City requesting what neighbors should do if they are bothered by sound this summer.

The City responded that neighbors should call the

non-emergency police number (608) 255-2345 if they have any noise complaints.

The Building Inspection office responds to a limited set of complaints:

* Noise greater than allowed emanating from point-source mechanical equipment at a building or site, such as air conditioning condensers, compressors, or generators and similar equipment.

* Trash/dumpster pickup between the hours of 11:00pm-6:00am.

* Exterior construction noise, between the hours of 7:00pm and 7:00am M-Sa and 10:00am and 7:00pm Sundays.

These types of noise complaints may be submitted here: <https://www.cityofmadison.com/reportaproblem/generalfedback.cfm>

If you do submit a noise complaint, please let Alex Elias know at novoalexandria@gmail.com or 973 803 9716. P&ED would like to keep a log of complaints in case more establishments request to build sound stages or currently operating establishments wish to expand the number of events they host. We would like to have concrete data to present to Alder Eskrich and the Plan Commission in case the above occurs. P&ED will not be logging these complaints – only keeping track of them.

Please see the meeting minutes from the May 14 BCNA meeting for a complete list of P&ED updates.

Senior Notes

Senior Lunch Program: The South Madison Coalition of the Elderly invites older adults to come enjoy a nutritious lunch at Romnes Apartments, 540 W. Olin Avenue, 11:30 a.m. Monday through Friday. Lunches are provided on a donation basis for persons age 60 and older, with a suggested donation of \$4.00. Others who attend the meals are asked to pay \$9.73. 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 the Coalition at 251-8405 for more information or to reserve meals.



Bahama Bob Plays Steel Drums on Wednesday, June 20, 11:45am—12:45pm.

Enjoy a little Caribbean escape as Bob plays his steel drums. Plan to join us for lunch at 11:30; the menu includes barbecued pulled pork on a bun, three bean salad, creamy coleslaw, cinnamon apples and strawberry shortcake with topping. Reserve lunch by 12 noon on June 19-- just call 251-8405.

Get Ready for the 4th of July with Michael Gruber on Tuesday, July 3, 11:45am—12:45pm. Celebrate early with Michael Gruber's take on this all-American holiday. The menu for this day will be announced in mid-June. Note that our office will be closed and no lunch will be served on Wednesday, July 4. For more information, please call the Coalition at 251-8405.

Farmers Market Voucher Distribution: This month, the Area Agency on Aging of Dane County will distribute farmer's market vouchers to eligible senior adults at locations around Dane County. A set of vouchers is worth \$25 toward the purchase of fruit, vegetables, or herbs at Farmers Markets during the 2018 season. You are eligible if you are 60 or older, live in Dane County, and have a gross income of less than \$22,459 per year for one person, or \$30,451 for two-person households. There is a limit of one set of vouchers per household, no matter what size the household. When picking up vouchers, you will need to complete a short application and sign it, to self-declare that you are eligible.

In the South Madison area, vouchers will be handed out at the Dane County Human Services office, 2306 S. Park St. on Monday, June 11 from 1:00—3:00 pm and at Romnes Apartments on Wednesday, June 13, from 2:00—3:00 pm. You may pick up at either location, but you must have completed your application before 3:00 pm. Distribution is on a first-come, first-served basis. For more details please call the South Madison Coalition at 251-8405.

NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES

REAP Food Program

The MMSD Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) is a federally funded program by the United States Department of Agriculture that provides children 0-18 with free healthy meals during the summer.

The Madison school district operates more than 40 sites across the city. Four sites (Southdale Park, Elver Park, Leopold Park, and Centro Hispano) are organized by REAP Food Group where there are daily educational activities for kids as well as free meals for accompanying adults (funded by the City of Madison).

Information about current sites and the program is available at mmsd.org/food or by calling 211.

Thank you, Baha'i Center

Many thanks to the Baha'i Center for letting us use their space on second Thursday nights rather than the second Monday for the bimonthly neighborhood association meetings. The Baha'i Center has been a good neighbor in providing meeting space not only for the regularly scheduled meetings but also for special events such as candidate forums.

FOOT's Spring Fling Enjoyed By All

Thanks to all who helped make FOOT's first Spring Fling a success! Sandy Fowler and her crew (Mary Zukowski, Lucy Benton, Lily Fowler and Alice McCann) kept the crafts table hopping in the barn and the kids engaged in games outside. Ron Shutvet's impressive display of historic pictures and information was a great centerpiece for activities in the barn. (Ron's homemade root beer was also a hit). Andria Blattner created a wonderful display for FOOT, thanks to John Beeman for manning the table during the event. Tom DeChant and Lisie Kitchel kept the



Photo courtesy of Laura V. Page

hot dogs and s'mores moving and Jim Dexheimer's scavenger hunt highlighted the natural treasures of Olin-Turville. Award winning kite maker Paul Fieber brought some of his amazing kites for all to see and try out.

A special thanks to Laura Page for bringing her games, to Rob & Laura Summerbell for the use of their parachute and to Gayle Worland for her helpful input. And a BIG round of applause for Brian Mott and his fantastic band The Mighty Mohills for keeping the music going all afternoon.

We had over 100 attendees of all ages-hope to see you next year!

Bucky in Bearadise

One of 85 Bucky Badgers on display in Madison and Dane County this summer – in the form of six-foot-tall statues that were transformed by local and regional artists. This one is located at the Goodman Pool and named Bucky in Bearadise.

The Bucky on Parade art event will run through September 12. Go to Buckyonparade.com for a map of all statues, to learn about the artists and other info.





FOOT Notes By Andria Blattner

In June and July our parks are a beautiful lush green. The prairie is greening up, the forest is cool and still. Birds are nesting and there are many little animals exploring their new worlds. This year has been a good one for woodchucks; we have seen them on the last two Nature walks. Maybe we'll see their babies, too. Chipmunks are everywhere as are the squirrels. The summer is also a great time to observe butterflies and other insects. One of the most striking is the Monarch butterfly.

Monarchs have become the poster bugs for environmental action because of their beauty, amazing life cycle, heroic migration, and the extreme jeopardy they are in. There has been an 80% decrease the population wintering in Mexico. The Xerces Society lists 4 main causes for this decrease; 1. use of pesticide resistant crops, 2. loss of milkweed due to the use of Round-up and other pesticides, 3. climate change and 4. logging in Mexico.

So what can we here in Bay Creek do? It's really easy. Monarch larvae are totally dependent on milkweed leaves. So, plant native milkweeds. Or easier, just let the ones coming up unbidden in your yard grow up – well, maybe transplant them out of the middle of the yard. The adults need nectar from flowers from the time they arrive (mid May) to the time they head to south (early September). So, plan your garden to have flowers especially native plants, blooming all summer. Prairies Nurseries specialize in native plants They sell seeds, plants and can help with garden plans.

Raising butterflies is a great project to try. This is really helpful because it protects the young caterpillars from predation. Details are on https://monarchjointventure.org/images/uploads/documents/Monarch_Rearing_Instructions.pdf. Basically the plan is to collect milkweed leaves with eggs on them, feed the caterpillars milkweed leaves, watch the butterfly emerge the chrysalis.

There are many Citizen Science projects concerning Monarchs. They include reporting the first sighting of the arrival butterflies, the first eggs, the first larvae. The maps produced are great. They show the migrations in an animated map. Check out <http://www.learner.org/jnorth/monarchs>.

FOOT gave up trusting winter weather for events and was rewarded with a perfect spring day for our

Spring Fling picnic in the pavilion. I'd like to extend thank-yous to all who helped and to all who came to enjoy the event. It turned out to be very fun.

A bit of sad news, I found evidence that the snows of April did have a negative effect. I found a dead Tree Swallow in a birdhouse on April 25. And yet Tree Swallows are doing well with 5 nests and 26 eggs. Bluebirds have produced one nest with 5 eggs.

This summer there will be yoga in the pavilion, Bird and Nature walks the 2nd Sunday in Turville Conservation Park and in September dancing in the Pavilion. The Bird and Nature Walks are: June 10th, leader Carrie Calkins on Nature Mindfulness; July 8th, the leader to be announced; and August 12th, Carrie Calkins will lead again on Nature Mindfulness.

Enjoy the parks this summer!

In partnership with the City of Madison Parks Dept., the Madison Police Dept, and FOOT: The 7th Annual summer yoga series in the pavilion! Classes will start on Tuesday, June 12 and then move to Mondays – June 18, June 25, July 2, 9 and 16. All classes are FREE and start at 5:30 p.m. Bring your mat if you have one, but mats & props are available.

Samantha Kellogg is trained in the Alignment Yoga method with an interest in cycling, running, stand-up paddling and integrating yoga with other activities. This class is open to all levels and experiences, focusing on yoga fundamentals, breathing, asana postures and bringing people together to practice in a beautiful location.

Road Home Moving To New Location From <http://trhome.org>

Nearly twenty years ago, a handful of people representing congregations across Dane County gathered to discuss the need for a family shelter in our community. In April of 1999, they launched the new shelter with capacity for 14 individuals. Since then with your support, our organization has continued to grow. Last year, we served over 175 families including nearly 400 children in eight housing programs. To accommodate this growth, we are moving just down the road to new office space with twice the square footage, located at 890 W Wingra Dr in Madison. We're excited to have the space to serve families in our community even better.

Editor's Note: Go to trhome.org to learn more about the services that The Road Home provides. You can also make a donation via networkforgood.org



Bay Creek Bulletin & Neighborhood Contacts

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The Bay Creek Bulletin is published every other month by the Bay Creek Neighborhood Association (BCNA). The Bulletin provides news and information about our neighborhood and helps connect neighbors to one another. We welcome your contributions: comments, articles, drawings, photos, poetry, announcements, book and restaurant reviews.

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