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# Bay Creek Bulletin

## Winter Parking and Streetsweeping Changes

By Lisie Kitchel

The City is changing the winter parking regulations for Bay Creek starting this winter. The good news is we will no longer be required to follow alternative parking rules during the winter months, BUT we will have to follow Snow Emergency Zone (SEZ) regulations when a SEZ is declared (<https://www.cityofmadison.com/residents/winter/parking/SEZ.cfm>). This means that alternate-side parking will no longer be required on neighborhood streets except when a snow emergency is declared. When a SEZ is declared, cars must follow the old alternate-side parking rules (even numbered side of the street on even numbered days from 1:00 am – 7:00 am, odd numbered side on odd days). For those with limited street parking, during snow emergencies, parking is free in city-owned ramps overnight until 7am.

A Declared Snow Emergency is when snow accumulates to 3” or more, and a Snow Emergency is declared, which will always be declared prior to 9 pm if it is to take effect that night. When this occurs, people who park in the SEZ must abide by the alternate side parking rules for a minimum of the next two nights. If conditions warrant, a Snow Emergency can be extended beyond the 48 hours. During a Snow Emergency, if

you violate the Alternate Side Parking rules, the fines are \$60, plus a \$65 towing fee. You can sign up for Snow Emergency text alerts on the city website at: [https://entry.inspironlogistics.com/madison\\_winter/wens.cfm](https://entry.inspironlogistics.com/madison_winter/wens.cfm).

A concurrent change is that the Clean Streets, Clean Lakes ordinance (street sweeping) will be expanded to year-round, instead of seasonal. This is intended to make snow and debris removal more efficient. It replaces the alternate side parking snow removal as well as keeping debris and nutrients out of our lakes year-round. This ordinance prohibits parking on one side of a street for a four-hour block of time one day a week, with the day and exact times varying by street. Even if you have seen a snowplow or street sweeper go past your block, do not park in the restricted area until the time period has expired, failure to comply with the no parking rule will be a \$35 fine.

New signs will be posted, so follow whatever your street sign says for days and times for snow removal and street sweeping. This is a pilot program for our neighborhood. These changes were implemented in Greenbush last year and feedback from the neighbors was that they were pleased with not having to follow alternative parking, but snow removal was a mess since folks often did not know a snow emergency was in effect. The City has said they welcome feedback, so let’s keep track and let the City know how this new program is working in Bay Creek. ❖

### BAY CREEK BILLBOARD

**Thurs Oct 10, BCNA** – Emergent Issues Meeting.  
Please go to baycreekmadison.org for updated info.

**Thurs Nov 7, 6:00 pm, BCNA** – Bi-Monthly Meeting at 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 (not to Sara Richards).

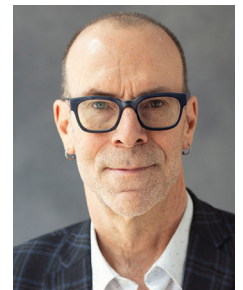
**Sun Oct 13 and Nov 10, 1:30 pm** – Guided Nature Walks by Friends of Olin Turville (FOOT). Meet at the Turville Parking lot off John Nolen Dr. See FOOT Notes on page 5 for more information.

**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

## ALDER UPDATE

By Tag Evers



Greetings! I often get asked how it is going these first few months. My answer is that it’s going great, that I’m learning the ropes. Yes, there are lots of meetings and a tremendous amount of work, but I very much enjoy being your Alder.

The Education Committee held its first meeting on September 11. It’s been frustrating, this delay, which was due in part to Supt. Jen Cheatham’s departure as well as Board President Mary Burke’s decision to step down. There’s much to do, and I’m determined to see this committee become an effective body, with the City and County working collaboratively with MMSD to take on the opportunity gap in our schools.

Regarding the grocery store on South Park, we are making progress. City staff convened a neighborhood meeting on September 26 at the Labor Temple. The four development teams made brief presentations **(Continued on page 4)**

# BCNA Meeting Minutes August 8, 2019

By Fred Turkington

Jim Winkle facilitated. The meeting was sparsely attended, and we did not have enough council members to form a quorum.

**SSM Fish Hatchery Campus Redevelopment:** We heard a recap of SSM Health's presentation given on August 1, which is the first of three overall presentations they'll give related to redeveloping their Fish Hatchery medical campus. There was lots of discussion about parking: would it be open to the public? Would it be a deck/structure? (Maybe someday in the future but not right now). Other highlights: They're trying to rezone the housing around the clinic and will likely tear them down. They are not interested in being landlords in the future. Building schematics, etc, are all still very conceptual. There's currently no timeline for actually starting construction.

**Truman-Olson RFP:** P&ED sent a letter sent to the nearby alders stating that we want neighbors to be able to have input before the common council decides on an RFP selection. The next step in the selection process is for city staff to review the developers' plans. There was a recent listening session for the grocery store needs on the site. Neighbors discussed the Willy Street Co-op and neighborhood integration of their store on the north side of Madison.

# BCNA Meeting Minutes September 12, 2019

By Fred Turkington

Kirk Elliot facilitated.

**Snow Emergency Zone Expansion/Winter Alternate-Side Parking:** We heard a presentation from Brian Johnson (Public Information Officer, Streets Division) about changes coming to winter parking in Bay Creek. He reviewed the Snow Emergency Zone (<https://www.cityofmadison.com/residents/winter/parking/SEZ.cfm>) and noted that it will expand to include Bay Creek over the next few years. This means that alternate-side parking will be eliminated from neighborhood streets except when a snow emergency is declared. On such occasions, cars must follow alternate-side parking rules. During snow emergencies, parking is free in city-owned ramps overnight. The changes will also include expanding the Clean Streets, Clean Lakes ordinance to be year-round instead of seasonal. This is a weekly 4-hour window for street sweeping during which all cars must be off the street that is currently only enforced during warm months. Questions/answers: These are not coordinated with trash/recycling pickup on purpose - there's too much to do in such a short window of time. You can sign up for text alerts about snow emergencies on the city website.

## Committee Reports:

**FOOT** – there's a nature walk Sunday October 13 @ 1:30pm, and dances on Tuesday nights - 9/17 and 9/24 from 6-8p in Olin Park.

**Treasurer** – we successfully treated ash trees in the neighborhood thanks to donations.

**Newsletter** – copy deadline is 9/27.

**Web** – there are now more people on the Bay Creek Facebook page than the email list. Looking for volunteers for approving new signups to the email list.

**Urban Design Committee** – plans for 1224 S Park St presented for final approval, which was granted and will go to the Plan Commission.

**Good Neighbor Gathering:** On Saturday, Sept. 28, a party at Brittingham Park is scheduled for all the communities in District 13. There will be bicycle rides, a lake cleanup, music from a live R&B band, and food carts. The event is alcohol free. The lakefront cleanup is 1-3pm, and the party is 3-6pm. Talk to Alder Tag Evers or Dudgeon-Monroe NA president David Hoffert if you're interested in volunteering. A vote to endorse the Good Neighbor gathering passed with unanimous consent.

**Grocery Store @ Truman-Olson:** Maurer's is the only grocery store that's still interested and working with developers - the Willy Street Co-op has dropped out due to internal organizational issues with raising a bond etc. The current RFP responses include a 24,000 square foot store. See more on the RFP at <https://www.cityofmadison.com/dpced/economicdevelopment/truman-olson-rfp/2773/>.

On Sept. 26 at 6:00pm there will be a meeting at the Labor Temple to discuss the RFP.

**South Madison Neighborhood Survey:** Over 600 surveys were sent to South Madison neighbors, not including Bay Creek. The questions are the same as the survey taken by Bay Creek, with an additional supermarket survey. Results will be shared as part of South Madison Neighborhood Plan assessment. South Madison Plan Community Meetings are: Thurs 9/19 - at Catholic Multicultural Center - 6p -7:45p; Oct 24 at Urban League 6p -7:45p; Nov 21 at the Atrium - 6p -7:45p

**SSM Health Fish Hatchery Redevelopment Plan:** SSM Health plans to build its new clinic between Midland & Fish Hatchery, razing 17 homes, are applying for rezoning. The new clinic entrance will be on Appleton & South Streets. An extension to Cedar St will be considered as part of the Truman-Olson project. The former clinic site and existing parking south of there will become surface parking. The last two public meetings involving the plan were canceled.

**Bay Creek Potable Water:** According to Madison Water Utility, Bay Creek wells are perfectly safe and uncontaminated by PFOS.

**Miscellaneous:** A Town Hall with state representatives and alders will be held Sept 21, 1-3 pm at the Villager Mall.

Judy Robinson will facilitate the November meeting. ❖

# Planning and Economic Development Committee Report

By Jesse Laz-Hirsch

**SSM Redevelopment** – At a public information session Sept. 24th, SSM presented an overview of its plans to replace its clinic with a new 5-story building and reiterated its commitment to community health. Its shade study concluded that, regardless of season or time of day, the houses west of the existing clinic will not fall in the shade shadow of the new building. Concerns raised at the meeting included the amount of surface parking and accessibility, the impact of night lighting of the building on the neighbors, and viewshed from the arboretum. Neighbors requested a more “green” building that would incorporate energy efficiency and solar panels, suggested looking at other clinics that have accomplished sustainable designs. SSM said it would take these suggestions into consideration.

**Truman Olson/Supermarket meeting** – At a public meeting held Sept. 26th neighbors provided input on the four proposals submitted for the development of the Truman Olson site to City staff charged

## PROPOSAL HIGHLIGHTS

### VALEO

- 20,000 sq ft supermarket run by Capital Centre Market to be finished in 2021
- 227 units (6 stories & 4 stories) market rate cooperative student housing
- 450 parking spaces in 3 stories of parking underground
- 17 affordable townhomes (built via Habitat For Humanity)
- Not asking for financial assistance

### GORMAN

- 24,000 sq ft grocer run by Maurer’s to be completed in 2023
- 93 affordable units (5 stories) with some market-rate townhomes on Park Street
- 90 covered parking spaces for tenants and 85 surface stalls for shoppers
- Requesting TIF request at 71% and will apply for 9% WHEDA credit

### RULE

- 30,000 sq ft supermarket run by TBD to be completed in 2021
- 150 mixed-income units (6 stories) phase 1, possible 80 workforce units phase 2 (5 stories)
- 125 underground stalls in phase 1 with another possible 220 stalls in phase 2
- Applying for 4% WHEDA credits, will request \$1,250,000 Affordable Housing credits

### WELTON

- 20,000 sq ft supermarket run by TBD to be completed in 2021
- 92 market rate units (4 stories) in phase 1 with 94 mixed-rate units in phase 2
- 90 underground stalls and 89 surface stalls in phase 1 with 70 underground stalls and 77 surface stalls in phase 2.
- Requesting 129% TIF support

with selecting the most promising of the four proposals based on their financial feasibility. Staff indicated that their primary focus is on a grocery store, although all proposals also include affordable housing and the “connector” street is a requirement.

Neighbors expressed concern that the grocery was getting ‘swallowed up’ by the housing on the site, and that there be no grocery gap. There was concern about the small size of the store but all developers and City staff said that market studies indicated a larger store was not viable and bigger grocers were not interested.

Neighbors also expressed the need for affordable housing, the extent of which varies across the four proposals. Along with union members present, they also expressed concern that contractors for whichever project is selected be accountable to the City’s fair trade practices, that the store hire locally and that an apprentice program be considered for training within the store.

Cedar St east of Park Street is scheduled to be reconstructed to improve the quality of the street, consistent with the other tree streets. Cedar Street is now in the 2020 City budget. Alder Evers indicated that details on the construction of the new portion of Cedar St. on the west side of Park St. still needed to be worked out and would be part of a public process and would consider the intersection of Beld, Cedar and Park. The City will post a form for comments on the proposals on the City Truman Olson website (<https://www.cityofmadison.com/dpced/economicdevelopment/truman-olson-rfp/2773/>)

City Staff will take into consideration the proposals with input received and make their recommendations by mid-October to go to the City Council for the December meeting.

1224 S Park –Demolition begins before the end of the year. To avoid S. Park from becoming a medical corridor P&ED and Alder Evers have lobbied the developer to focus on finding more retail tenants and/or to focus on finding a medical tenant for low-income clients. Space in the new building may be reserved for the Mini 10 Hot Pot, should they wish to return.

South Madison Plan Community Impact Sessions - There are Two sessions remaining: Session 2: “Visioning & Guiding Principles” Thursday, Oct 24 at the Urban League of Greater Madison, 2222 S Park. Session 3: “Key Issues, Strategies & Solutions” Thursday, Nov 21 at The Villager Mall (Atrium), 2300 S Park St. The planning area is bounded by Wingra Creek on the north, John Nolen Dr. on the east, W Beltline Hwy on the south, and Fish Hatchery Rd. on the west but all meetings are open to the public and all residents of South Madison are encouraged to attend. Sessions are from 6 – 7:45 PM. Childcare, and Spanish and Hmong interpreters will be available at each event. Additional sessions will take place in 2020. ❖



Three of Bay Creek’s younger members had fun with experimenting with the dry ice used at the 2019 BCNA Ice Cream Social.

## Ice Cream Social Recap

By Judy Robinson

The weather was perfect and the event was enjoyed by all who attended.

Thank you to the Chocolate Shoppe for the generous discount on the ice cream. Thank you as well to Lisie Kitchel, Matt Lohmann and Sara Richards for their help with the event.

Editor’s note: Thank you to Judy for organizing this event each year!

# Ash Tree Update

By Judy Robinson

The ash trees on West and South Shore Dr. that have been adopted by Bay Creek were treated for Emerald Ash Borer at the end of August. There were originally 5 trees but only 3 were treated this year; one was lost to weather in 2018 and the City considered the other tree too damaged to be approved for treatment.

Thank you to everyone who donated, it is very gratifying to live in a neighborhood with so many people who care about preserving our beautiful trees.

The City recommends treatment every 2-3 years and due to the generous donations we received, we currently have enough funds for the next round of treatment. Thanks again for your support.

“Gold is a luxury. Trees are necessities. Man can live and thrive without gold, but we cannot survive without trees.”

– Paul Bamikole ❖

### CONTRIBUTE TO YOUR NEWSLETTER

**The Bay Creek Bulletin is your neighborhood newsletter and we'd love to hear from you!**

**Have you taken a trip, read a good book, discovered a great hiking trail, met an interesting neighbor? If you have an idea for a story or an article, please see last page for contact info. Thanks!**

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followed by Q & A. (You may read up on the proposals by logging on to: <https://www.cityofmadison.com/dpced/economicdevelopment/truman-olson-rfp/2773/>.)

Concerns were expressed about the extension of Cedar St., and how that may impact current Cedar St. residents on the east side of S. Park. The east side of Cedar is slated for reconstruction in 2020, and the 2020 budget also calls for the extension. This is not a small side-issue. It’s very important that we allow for robust resident input in the decision-making process surrounding all aspects of the Truman Olson project.

My primary focus is on getting the grocery store built. Not just any grocery store, but a well-designed, successful store that serves the community for decades to come with fresh, affordable food. Housing density is an important component in ensuring the store’s success. We need more affordable housing, and we need to ensure that those who build the store

and those who work inside the store are paid livable wages, incomes that will allow them to live in our community.

It’s my hope Bay Creek residents will work collaboratively with me and city staff toward our shared goals, i.e., the best possible outcomes for Truman Olson. Please feel free to share your feedback with me at [district13@cityofmadison.com](mailto:district13@cityofmadison.com).

The fall season means fall leaves. Let’s all remember to keep our leaves and yard debris out of the street. Consider backyard composting if you have the means to do so. More information about composting is available at <https://www.cityofmadison.com/streets/leavetheleaf/>. For information about leaf pick-up, go to <https://www.cityofmadison.com/streets/yardWaste/leaf/>. A gentle reminder that leaves in our streets eventually end up in our lakes, adding to the phosphorous load and those nasty algae blooms that can shut down our city beaches.

That’s all for now. Sign up for regular updates at [cityofmadison.com/council/district13](https://www.cityofmadison.com/council/district13). Thank you! ❖

# FOOT Notes

**By Andria Blattner**

Welcome to Fall (or Winter or Summer) whatever the weather might be two weeks from writing this.

We had a wonderful series of dances this September. The weather was perfect for each of them. Thanks for all who performed, attended, danced, helped with the cleaned-up and provided support.

The annual migrations to the south are almost done. Soon we will be seeing some of the species that consider us “south” - such as Snowy Owls. It was a great fall for seeing big groups of Monarchs as they were heading south for the winter. Some neighbors saw groups of 50 or more!

The old brown leaves will soon be settling into the earth providing food for many, many very small to microscopic creatures, insulation offers protection from rapid freezing and thawing to the seeds, bulbs and rhizomes waiting for spring and warm weather. The creatures who spend their winters

underground will also have a much more comfortable life in the Winter. Protection for all life in winter is also dependent on a consistent snow fall to provide a subnivean zone. This adds protection from predators and the blasting winter winds.

So, let’s hope we get a consistent, thick-enough snow cover to add to the insulations of the leaves.

To more fully enjoy the season join us on the Bird and Nature outing. The outings are sponsored by City Parks and arranged by Friends of Urban Nature (FUN) and take place in a different park every Saturday and Sunday. The walks in Turville Point Conservation Park are on the second Sunday of the month from 1:30 to 3:00. Bev Cann will lead the next three walks. Along with the general topic we will also talk about whatever we see or group members are interested in pursuing. The general topics are:

- October 13th - Signs of Fall
- November 10th - Hidden Trail Tour
- December 8th - Who’s That?

Happy Fall to all! Enjoy the crunchy leaves and bright stars. ❖

## US CENSUS COMING IN MARCH 2020

**By Ben Zellers, Planner, City of Madison**

The 2020 Census is approaching.

The Census is a once-per-decade count of all people living in the United States that is mandated by the Constitution. The count will begin in mid-March of 2020 when most households will receive a mailed invitation to respond online or by phone. Federal law requires the Census Bureau to keep personally identifiable census information confidential – it cannot be shared with any other governmental agencies, law enforcement, landlords, credit agencies, or anywhere else outside the Census Bureau.

The Census usually takes less than 10 minutes to complete, but brings 10 years of benefits. The Census informs how \$675 billion of federal funds – an average of over \$2,000 per person – will be allocated for things like affordable housing, childcare, healthcare, education, transit, roads, and more. The Census count is also important to ensure equal representation when drawing electoral districts - from aldermanic districts all the way to U.S. House of Representatives districts. District boundaries are based on the total population count – not the number of voters

or citizens. Lack of a complete and accurate Census count can lead to underrepresentation in certain areas and a lack of funding for important community programs and infrastructure.

The City is actively publicizing the importance of the 2020 Census through a variety of channels, including working with the UW and MMSD, publicizing the census at community events, working with nonprofit community partners to spread the word, talking with local TV stations and newspapers, and more. One effective avenue is also working through neighborhoods to inform people about the census and encourage people to fill out their census forms. The City encourages residents to reach out to their neighbors to make sure everyone is aware of the 2020 Census and its importance.

Visit [www.cityofmadison.com/2020Census](http://www.cityofmadison.com/2020Census) to find out more about what the City is doing and learn about 2020 Census events and updates, or visit [www.2020census.gov](http://www.2020census.gov) for more from the Census Bureau. The City of Madison wants to ensure all residents are counted - help shape our future by completing the Census next year! ❖

# Senior Notes

**Senior Lunch Program:** NewBridge Madison invites older adults to come enjoy a nutritious lunch at Romnes Apartments, 540 W. Olin Avenue, at 11:30 am Monday through Friday. Our lunches 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 \$9.07. Meal reservations and cancellations must be made 24 hours in advance to NewBridge (608) 512-0000. Door-to-door transportation is also provided for South Madison seniors through Transit Solutions for a \$1.00 round-trip donation. Call Transit Solutions to set up a ride by calling (608) 294-8747. All transportation reservations and cancellations must be made 24 hours in advance. Call NewBridge at (608) 512-0000 for more information.

**Need Help with Home Chores?** Our Home Chore Program connects volunteers to income-eligible seniors who need help with minor home chores. Areas of help often include: vacuuming, dusting, cleaning floors, organizing items, indoor/outdoor help, and friendly visitation. Volunteers are always needed as well. Call NewBridge for more information (608) 512-0000.

**Memory Screening** on Thursday, October 17, 3:00-5:00 pm, at the Catholic Multicultural Center 1862 Beld St. Are you concerned about your memory? Some change can be normal as we age, but significant memory loss is not a normal part of aging. Receive a free 20 minute memory screen from professionals from the Aging & Disability Resource Center (ADRC). They will provide helpful information about memory and tips to keeping your brain healthy. It's easy. Sign up today by calling (608) 512-0000 Ext. 4008.

**New! Easy Yoga Plus:** Fridays, 1:30 pm (No class October 25), Sequoia Library, 4340 Tokay Blvd. Register by calling (608) 266-6385. Fee: Donation

**Think Tank:** Tuesday, October 15, 9:30 am, Lane's Bakery, 2304 South Park St. Thirsty for good conversation and wanting more in the community? Explore ideas and share for programming. No need to RSVP.

**For a complete list of programs, services and activities,** pick up a monthly NewBridge News newsletter at all Madison and Monona libraries. Phone: (608) 512-0000; Email: [info@newbridgemadison.org](mailto:info@newbridgemadison.org); Website: [newbridgemadison.org](http://newbridgemadison.org) ❖

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## Curt's Gourmet Popcorn: A growing enterprise

By Pam Gates

Curt Roeming and his family have been selling popcorn on or just off the Capitol Square since 1985, and their business has only been expanding. They've been at the corner of Martin Luther King and Doty for about 15 years, 11-2 Monday-Friday, 8:30-2 on Farmers' Market Saturdays, and Concerts on the Square on Wednesday evenings. "We make our flavors fresh throughout the week," Curt said. "In summer, it's seven days a week [of work], and sometimes that isn't enough."

How did he get into this? "I was young and needed a job when this came up in the paper," Curt says. "I'd been working at a lunch stand and thought I'd take a shot at it. I didn't expect to be doing it 30 years later ... Ours is the oldest cart on the Square."

Curt built his first stand with his dad, Walter, and opened it on the corner of East Washington and Pinckney. "There were 15 vendors when I started, from the bottom of State Street to the Capitol Square," Curt said. "Now there are 60 that make the cut, and more that want to get in. They don't realize the amount of work involved; it's not an easy way to make a living."

An employee works the popcorn wagon Monday-Friday; otherwise, it's family. "We have four kids," Curt's wife, Brenda, said. "They grew up in the business."

"Summers are busy," she added. "All hands on deck!"

They have two stands now: the one on the Square and a smaller one for special events. They don't take the stands out in rain or snow. "Once they start salting the roads, we keep the stands in. We don't want them rotting out," Curt says.

All this is very interesting, you might be thinking, but what's it got to do with Bay Creek? Well, in 2010, the Roemings bought the building at 1521 Gilson St., put in a kitchen, and started a new aspect of their business: mail-order popcorn! "Now mail order is 35 percent of what we do, and it's increasing," Curt said. "Online has opened a whole new aspect of the business for us."

"We've started doing weddings," Brenda added. "Popcorn at weddings is getting popular. We're at the wedding expo at the Alliant Energy Center every January." And – they get orders for Christmas, Valentine's Day, and even St. Patrick's Day, which they call the unofficial beginning of their season.

"We take January and February off, but we always have someone available to fill orders," Brenda said. "We never say no."

"It's a fun business," Brenda says. "We meet people from all over. Some people from Alaska were biking through Wisconsin and got a sample of our jalapeno-white cheddar popcorn. They thought it was wonderful and ordered some, and we shipped our popcorn to Alaska."

The Roemings recently bought several other buildings near the corner of Gilson and Beld. In 2020, they plan to expand the kitchen on Gilson to accommodate their growing mail-order business, which involves all sorts of interesting flavors of popcorn. You can order one that's already been invented, or make up your own. Peanut butter and jelly, anyone?

Bay Creek residents can order online at [curtscorn.com](http://curtscorn.com), or by phone at 222-0055. "We encourage local people to order and then pick up," Brenda said. "That way they don't have to pay for shipping."

"I'd never have thought that opening up a little popcorn kitchen in this neighborhood would open up so many doors for us!" Curt said to conclude our interview. ❖

# Neighborhood Notes

## Remember Food Allergies at Halloween

– Make Halloween a happier and safer time for kids with food allergies by having some treats without nuts or peanut butter. 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.

**Trick or Trot** – GSAFE (a Madison-based nonprofit that works to create safe and inclusive schools for LGBTQ+ youth across Wisconsin) will sponsor the 2019 Trick or Trot 5K Walk/Run and Kid's Dash. A perfect early fall outing for the family, the run will kick off at Franklin Elementary School on Sunday, October 13th at 1PM and wind its way through the Bay Creek Neighborhood. Franklin School will act as a staging location which includes a Kids Dash.

Registration opens at 11:30 AM. The entire event is anticipated to be over around 3 PM. Young ones in strollers and friendly dogs on leashes welcome – costumes encouraged!

Learn more at [tinyurl.com/gsafetot2018](http://tinyurl.com/gsafetot2018)

**Leaf Raking** – Don't sweep or blow leaves into the street. The phosphorus from leaves leads to algae in the lakes. Leaves should be raked onto the terrace or bagged in untied bags. Leaves should be piled at least four feet away from utility poles or fire hydrants.

**Sewing Lessons** – Want to take up sewing or improve your skills? Madison School Community Recreation Program (MSCR) received a grant from the Friends of MSCR for more



sewing machines which enables them to expand sewing classes to their location on Odana road.

MSCR offers a variety of machine sewing and quilting classes for all ages. For more information, check out the MSCR program guide, visit [www.msqr.org](http://www.msqr.org) or call 204-3000.

**Green Thumb Gardening Classes** – Dane County Extension is offering gardening classes on Wednesdays 6:30 – 9:00 pm. Register for the complete class series at a discounted price or individual classes according to your interests. Check the Extension Dane County website for further information. <https://dane.extension.wisc.edu/horticulture/greenthumb>

Dane County sponsors the Horticultural Hotline at 608-224-3721. Master gardener volunteers are there 9-noon Monday-Friday mid-April through the end of October minus holidays. Or you can email the Helpline and send digital photos at [horticulture@countyofdane.com](mailto:horticulture@countyofdane.com) ❖

## FROM MADISON GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY (MGE)

### Sign up for Shared Solar

MGE's Shared Solar program is expanding! State regulators approved in June MGE's plans to build a 5-megawatt (MW) solar array at the Middleton Municipal Airport in the City of Middleton. The expansion of the program is another step toward our goal of net-zero carbon electricity by the year 2050.

**How it Works** – Seventy percent of the large solar array at Middleton's Morey Field will serve the Shared Solar program. It will deliver energy to our community grid. MGE residential and business electric customers reserve a portion of the energy produced by the array by subscribing to this voluntary program.

**How to Join** – Shared Solar is easy and affordable. Participants can purchase up to half of their annual electricity use through the program.

Visit [mge.com/sharesolar](http://mge.com/sharesolar) to access frequently asked questions and to sign up. The popular community solar program already has a waiting list of customers interested in locally generated clean energy with minimal upfront cost. Participation is available on a first-come, first-served basis, so sign up today!

Construction of the array is expected to begin this summer. We expect it to be operational this fall.

MGE's first Shared Solar installation is on the roof of Middleton's Municipal Operations Center. The program sold out quickly in 2016. We're looking forward to welcoming more customers!

**Shared Energy Goals** – The remaining 30% of the array will deliver clean energy to the City of Middleton and the Middleton-Cross Plains Area School District under MGE's Renewable Energy Rider. Under the program, MGE partners with a large energy user to tailor a renewable energy solution to meet the customer's energy needs. ❖

# BAY CREEK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION CONTACTS

## BCNA BULLETIN

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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