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Meet Your “Tricky Foods” Neighbor!

By Therese Merkel



Hey Bay Creek neighborhood! My name is Therese, owner of [Tricky Foods](#), current Bay Creek resident, and soon to be tenant of The Post, 131 E. Lakeside St. You may recognize my charcuterie business from the [CapTimes](#) or Madison Magazine – we were voted 2022’s Best of Madison for Artisan Food. If not, here’s more on the Tricky Foods story!

I moved to Madison in 2018 after graduating from UW White-water with an Information Technology degree. I began working at Epic Systems as a project manager, quickly realizing this wasn’t a long-term job for me. After two years, I left to “get my life back” only to have the pandemic lovingly greet me the final

week of my corporate job. With most jobs at a hiring freeze, I began waitressing (at a nearby country club for new income and networking possibilities) and simultaneously decided to start a business highlighting my greatest lifelong passion... food! Instead of following the traditional chef route, I launched a colorful and creative food styling business, featuring charcuterie and cheese. Thus, the birth of Tricky

Foods! I found a commercial kitchen space in Stoughton in 2020 and began my journey.

Three years later, Tricky Food is now an artistic food business, specializing in charcuterie and cheese styling. We have three employees and are looking to hire; we cater, teach classes and will open our space as a place to gather by offering beer, wine, and NA options. We take pride in our first impression AND our follow-through: the Tricky Foods experience starts with a breathtaking presentation – some say, “It looks too good to eat;” then we pair the good looks with a mix of local, artisan, and other delicious products. Where there is Tricky Foods, there is a reason to gather, have fun, and most importantly, make wonderful memories – and that starts with the food! We’ve made and sold thousands of charcuterie arrangements and I can’t wait for you all to try one of your own with an online order or in our new space. I’m excited to continue to grow the business and welcome the neighborhood! Watch for our grand opening! ❖

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Biking for Cans

By Gary Gates, (Edited from a longer original speech.)



Normally, people are invited to speak because they have a special knowledge to share. I know why I was invited – because I’m weird. That’s what people think about someone whose idea of fun is digging through garbage to recycle over 2 million aluminum cans. Doesn’t he have anything better to do?

As a kid, I’d go to the beach, but rarely go in the water – instead, I’d walk around and pick up trash. Now people see me scrounging through garbage and try to give me money – they can’t believe I don’t need help. I’ve been stopped by the police: One winter day, a police officer said my can stick looked like a weapon. She was really reluctant, but finally had to let me go. That hasn’t happened recently, probably because I don’t go out at night as often and they already know who that weird guy is.

Another time, I had this apartment dumpster that was always full of cans. I’d clean up trash around it and the maintenance guy was always delighted to see me because I was so neat. When they got a new maintenance man, he immediately told me not to come back because I looked trashy. But that dumpster was so good, I hated to give up so I decided I’d just get there at 4:00 in the morning and clear out before he was up.

My real claim to weirdness came in 1988 when I started keeping track of how many aluminum cans I was recycling. My wife and I both biked to and from work downtown, and on the way we’d pick up aluminum cans. We were averaging 30 cans per day. I said to myself, I can easily get that up to 50, and I did. I kept raising the number and keeping track and pretty soon I was biking to work **(Continued on page 2)**

BAY CREEK BILLBOARD

- Bay Creek Neighborhood Association (BCNA) Meetings.**
Second Thursday of Month. 6:30 pm. baycreekmadison.org has agenda and Zoom link.
- Guided Nature Walks: Friends of Olin Turville (FOOT).**
Second Sundays of the Month: 1:30 pm. Meet at Turville Parking lot off John Nolen Dr.
- Food Pantry:** Tuesdays 10:00–12:00 pm; Thursdays 5:15–7:30 pm
Mark’s Lutheran Church, 605 Spruce St.
- Free Meal:** Fridays 12:00–1:00 pm St. Mark’s Lutheran Church
605 Spruce St. Volunteer Contact: Elaine, 608-256-8463;
StMarks@StMarksMadison.org
- Monona Bay Shoreline Clean-up – Friends of MononaBay.**
Second Saturdays of the Month: 10:00 am–12:00 pm.
Information Contact: Nina: ninaj@wisc.edu, (608) 698-9708.

BCB May Minutes

Andrew Maier Recording Secretary. BCNA discussed **minutes and summaries of its meetings**. Some neighbors advocated minutes include more than vote records and agenda, wanting access to something more like a summary. Others commented, BCNA rules for meeting minutes just say record votes, while meeting summaries include more discussion detail; some expressed concern that vote only minutes leave out BCNA's real work, discussion.

Galway Companies developer Steve Doran shared information about his proposed **drive-through only Starbucks** at 1609 S. Park St, for spring 2024. Neighbors asked why drive-through only; Doran noted a different sit-in Starbucks close by. Some neighbors considered lack of dine-in shortsighted given increasing neighborhood density. Doran also shared with neighbors site plans he submitted to Alders. Neighbors expressed interest in his development process: Galway's next step will be presenting at a public July Plan Commission meeting. Further discussion noted Starbucks' anti-union policies, and the Labor Temple's location directly across the street. Doran expressed openness to using union labor for the construction.

Tag Evers reported the City has issued a Request For Proposals for a 1202 Park St **supportive housing project**: estimated 20% for youth transitioning from the foster care system; 80% mixed income housing. He spoke about his **farmland preservation** panel work, and the panel report advising policy makers. Monona Bay residents have expressed frustration with **Brittingham Park's trash and noise**; Tag attended a meeting

that addressed that challenge. The S. Park St. **grocery store** is expected to open sometime next year and they'll have a community survey as outreach soon.

Committee updates. Web committee: will present subgroups survey results next month. Treasurer Judy: asked about interest in quarterly reports; most neighbors fine with yearly; she'll report next meeting. Planning & Economic Development: McGrath Triangle development on hold, not stopped. Friends of Monona Bay: Earth Day beach cleanup; invited people to next monthly cleanup.

Other discussion: Kirk Elliot proposed BCNA's July 4th potluck at shelter behind Goodman pool; neighbors excited about it and meeting other neighbors! Barb and Cindy raised question of BCNA mailing list/listserv having subgroups. John asked if mailing list should vote on subgroup idea; Jim asked anyone interested in working on the issue to reach out to him and the web committee. Neighbors looked forward to seeing Jim's survey results to inform the discussion next time. Carrie and Judy reported on their progress testing and exploring transcription features for BCNA web meetings; Zoom requires minimum license count in order to get transcription; GoToMeeting provides that in base license. Jay Jurado reports GoToMeeting transcription service reasonably high quality based on his experience and his help with neighbors testing it. Kirstin suggested if we do switch to GoToMeeting, there should be much advance notice so people can come to grips with the new technology. Further discussion again about direction of BCNA meeting platform, and the lack of decisive votes blocking action from being taken. ❖

BIKING FOR CANS From page 1

a couple hours early, getting home a couple hours late so I could detour to explore parks and investigate dumpsters. Every year I said to myself, I can beat last year's record; and I did until 1998, when I recycled 253,000 cans. I killed myself doing it. Sometimes I rode my bike hunting cans for 24 hours straight – or more. I was definitely sleep-deprived and decided never to try to beat that record again. In 2000, I was featured in the Wisconsin State Journal column

“Know your Madisonian” because I had recycled over one million cans.

I should note that if you plan on spending your life digging through garbage, it helps to have a supportive spouse. Pam recycles cans – she just doesn't dig through trash barrels and dumpsters to find them. In fact, sometimes when we are out walking she has gone so far as to suggest that I don't need to point out the best trash barrels and dumpsters to find cans.

You might ask, “How does he know how many he's recycled?” Easy. The recycling center weighs them when I bring them in, and I just multiply the weight by the number of cans in a pound: 27.5 ordinary-sized aluminum cans weigh a pound; I've recycled 77,016 pounds of aluminum, which means 2,117,940 cans.

My objective has always been to recycle cans that otherwise would have ended up in the dump. As my activities have received more notoriety, people have started throwing bags of cans in my yard. Sometimes when people see me biking down the street, they'll yell at me to stop because they have bags of cans for me. When I receive these gifts, I'm never sure whether they would have been recycled anyway, or if I should count them as “my” cans. But I count them anyway. ❖

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Alder Report

By Tag Evers

Madison's housing crisis has been much in the news recently, from the [Core Spaces debate](#) about luxury student housing downtown to the process we're currently undergoing with the [Comp Plan Interim Update](#). There was also an article published this week about how most of the [new apartment buildings being built are unaffordable to average renters in the city](#).



[A draft version of the 2023 Housing Snapshot Report](#) was released this week at the meeting of the Housing Strategy Committee. D3 Alder Derek Field, who sits on that committee, shared his notes from [the staff presentation](#) in a recent blog post. Here are some of his highlights:

- The city is seeing a loss in lower-income households and a gain in higher-income households.
- The newest units being built are among the least affordable, due primarily to the high cost of land and rising construction costs.
- The rental vacancy rate is well below healthy levels.
- Renting households at multiple income levels are competing for the more affordable units in the housing market.
- Increasing numbers of high-income households are moving to the city and competing for high-end and middle-tier housing, driving up housing costs.
- Over 11,000 low-income households are "renting up" and over 13,000 high-income households are "renting down." In other words, our housing market is squeezed at both ends due to a shortage of market-rate and income-restricted units.

The Housing Snapshot Report confirms what I've been saying for some time now. We need a lot more housing at all price levels, and that includes market-rate housing. If we fail to build enough housing, the existing housing stock will continue to

get bid up in price. But it's also true that we cannot build our way out of this crisis. The speculative real estate market cannot build what the average renter needs. Consequently, the city must expand its investments in affordable housing.

That's why we need to see our city's housing crisis as a local emergency. Consider the consequences when [lower and middle-class residents move out of the city](#). After moving to other municipalities like Sun Prairie, many of these former residents will still be working in Madison, increasing traffic congestion and greenhouse gas emissions.

And consider the impact on MMSD. Families fleeing Madison in search of more affordable housing elsewhere means declining student enrollments. And since state revenue for our schools is allocated based in part on enrollments, the [current fiscal challenges of the school district are made even worse](#).

It's not all bleak, however. I'm encouraged by the [plans to redevelop the Triangle](#), a \$300 million investment which will result in a net increase of over 800 units. I'm equally excited about the \$200 million [project proposed for the South Transfer Point](#) at S. Park and W. Badger Rd, which like the Triangle redevelopment, is located along high-frequency transit, a prime spot for density. Folks are moving into the [Park Cedar Apartments](#) and the city has posted the results of the RFP for the mixed-income [youth housing project at 1202 S. Park](#).

We have a long way to go, but we are making progress. ❖

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Bay Creek Bike Benefits

By Rebecca Rettenmund

If you haven't ridden Bay Creek's bike trails yet, you can start with the Wingra Bike Path. If you don't have a bike, rent an electric BCycle at the Arboretum entrance. From there, you can check out the Henry Vilas Zoo, a block west, or find out why Madison bicycling is rated [platinum](#) by heading east on a four mile trek through the isthmus to the [Chocolate Shop](#) off Atwood Avenue!

Follow the Wingra Path along the creek. It's nice riding on a separated bike trail: there're no cars and you can keep your own pace. Right after the trail's railroad tunnel, watch for happy pups heading into Quann park. There's an underpass crossing John Nolan, so no need to fret about traffic. Turning left on the other side, leads to one the Capital City Trail and one of Madison's most beautiful photo ops. Your view stretches all the way across Lake Monona to the cityscape, where the capitol dome highlights downtown.

As you come up to the Northshore Drive intersection, you'll see a fun feature – a bicycle counter that says how many cyclists have ridden past that day; watch the number rise as you go by. Don't miss the counter's bottom line showing how many riders have gone by this year; right now it's well over 200,000. As you ride alongside the Monona Terrace, you'll see lots of people casting their lines over the railing. Sometimes you'll even see someone



pull a bluegill out of the water. Midway, you may notice the bicycle elevator. Maybe one day you'll bike to the Farmer's Market and want to take advantage of the elevator for a lift up Capitol Hill.

The adventure doesn't stop there though! Keep riding east and you might catch a glimpse of water skiers practicing off shore. Sometimes their motor boat tows a pyramid of them behind. Now, you don't see that every day. After you cross Willy Street, you might hear a peregrine falcon -- two chicks hatched this year in their nesting box on the MGE building. They have fledged already, but bird enthusiasts still find them flying around Madison. What a thrill it would be to catch a glimpse of the fastest animal on earth.

Keep going! Where S. Paterson Street intersects the trail, you'll find two fifteen foot birds designed by Dr. Evermore, the famous scrap metal artist. Erika Koivunen helped erect these fabulous sculptures. (She was one of Evermore's apprentices – and sadly one of the people who lost their shop space in the spring fire off Park Street earlier this year.) Next, the trail hooks up with E. Wilson Street, a Bike Boulevard. As you cross Few Street, look to your left and see skateboarders at the skate park. It's so cool Madison has a place people can show off their big heel flips and plasma spins.

You made it! Mile four. The Chocolate Shop has outdoor seating that faces the trail to watch riders go by. (If they can resist stopping for ice cream!) When you order, make sure you tell them about your [Bicycle Benefit](#) sticker. They will give you a free upgrade to a waffle cone! ❖

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A BLANKET ON THE GRASS

By Robert Koehler

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and sleepless in a house's boxed heat,
Mother's blanket became
our magic carpet ride on those humid
nights before TV.
Spread on the lawn, tattered and rough,
it provided theater seating.
Entertainment was guaranteed, even if
the moon was late and
a cooling breeze merely a possibility.
As stars assembled into
the shape of ancient legends and bats
began to dart above,
despite the bombarding mosquitoes,
an expanding universe
held us spellbound until it narrowed.
Which parent carried
whom off to bed, memory doesn't tell.
But decades on, how drab
summer's muggy nights have become.
Cooled by the AC,
with only a computer's window open,
galaxies orbit unnoticed.

—Robert Koehler is a Bay Creek
neighbor and poet.
See his work at: robertupatdawn.wordpress.com

BOOK REVIEW

By Robert Koehler

Papyrus : The Invention Of Books In The Ancient World / Irene Vallejo

This marvelous tome describes not only how books helped to shape the ancient world, but ours as well. In Papyrus, Spanish historian and philologist Irene Vallejo provides in rich detail how both the production of books and reading advanced, hand in hand, down through the centuries. She traces how the earliest texts were first set onto stone tablets, then on papyrus scrolls, and finally paper (a Chinese invention). Writing emerged from — and at first mimicked — humankind's oral tradition, as the first readers spoke the earliest works aloud rather than perusing silently.

Vallejo's book does not follow a strict chronological order; rather she jumps back and forth through time to present a complete picture of the topics addressed. While much of her story focuses on the importance of books in Greece, Alexandria, and Rome, it takes numerous detours to detail the emergence of published works across Europe during the Middle Ages. Also highlighted is the key role that libraries (and librarians) played to ensure the survival of countless manuscripts despite warfare, wanton destruction by rulers, and natural calamities.

Published in the US in 2022, Papyrus is a paean to the importance of the written word as it traces the birth of alphabetic script, literacy, and books' lasting impacts on our world up to this day. A lively and captivating work, on almost every page there is a fresh discovery that is sure to inform and delight. Papyrus should be added to every reader's short list. For me, it is surely to be one of the best books I'll read this year.

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Dane County is Taking Action on Clean Lakes & Climate Change

By Dane County Executive Joe Parisi

This summer's persistently bad air quality resulting from Canada wildfires is our latest reminder of a rapidly changing planet and why it's critical communities follow our lead to aggressively reduce emissions and confront climate change.

Our ground-breaking clean lakes program "Suck the Muck" is now going on its sixth year of cleaning miles of streambeds to prevent one of the causes of blue-green algae we see in our lakes. We've removed 180,000 pounds of phosphorus and 56,000 tons of sludge from four miles of Dorn,

Token and Six-Mile Creeks. In 2023, I've allocated \$2 million to next tackle phosphorus-laden muck in Door Creek.

Our flood risk reduction dredging within the Yahara River continues to progress, and we are on track by the end of this year to have removed over 40 million gallons of debris and dirt that contributed to our lakes rising faster from the heavy rains caused by climate change. In just a couple of short years we have removed the equivalent of 13,400 dump trucks of built up sludge.

Since 2019, our "Continuous Cover Program" has converted nearly 2,000 acres into pastures for grazing, native prairies, and pollinator habitats. Those lands alone have helped trap 800 tons of carbon dioxide and stopped the flow of over 15 million gallons of phosphorus loaded rain run-off from racing toward our lakes.

I was thrilled to cut the ribbon at our new Yahara Solar Project—making Dane County the first county in Wisconsin and the fourth in the nation to reach the milestone of using 100% renewable electricity at our county facilities. The 33,000 solar panels at the 90-acre solar farm on county land will reduce climate-changing emissions equivalent to those produced by 5,000 cars.

Our leadership on water quality and fighting climate change is unrivaled by any county in Wisconsin and beyond, and should be the standard bearer for any community that prioritizes our precious air, water, and land for current and future generations. ❖

Do you live in Bay Creek? Want more neighborhood discussion in your life?

Join the Bay Creek email listserv! Close to 300 people discuss neighborhood issue there.

Sign up through the [groups.io website](https://groups.io) or send a blank email message to baycreek+subscribe@groups.io.

You'll be welcomed with instructions and confirmation request. (Check SPAM folder if you don't see it.) And/or Join [Facebook](#) join [our group](#).

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GATHERING

Sunday, September 10th, 2023 at Brittingham Park
12-5 pm

Bigger and Better Than Ever!

Mark your calendar for Sunday, September 10th, noon to 5 pm, for the "kiddapalooza" of area festivals: The Madison Good Neighbor Gathering (GNG)! Last year we were rained out but this year we hope the weather gods will be kind to us! For the third year, Brittingham Park will be the place for fun, food and friendship. Coordinated by the Neighborhood House Community Center and sponsored by seven neighborhood associations (Baycreek, Bayview, Dudgeon Monroe, Green Bush, Monona Bay, Triangle, Vilas), this public event is open to all. Kids and families will enjoy a dual inflatable slide, dance classes, games, Wild Rumpus circus activities, lots of music (including Don't Mess with Cupid), a bike parade, food carts, and much more! Thanks to the support of DMNA and Vilas neighborhood associations, as well as many businesses in the Monroe Street, Regent Street and Park Street areas, this event is free and open to the public. If you would like to help keep this event free, Neighborhood House is collecting donations at <https://neighborhoodhousemadison.org/madison-good-neighbor-gathering/> You can also contact coordinators at district13cares@gmail.com for more information.

Three names, Five people, and One Close Family

By Lisa Nelson, Pastor of St Mark's Lutheran Church

Jesse Laz-Hirsch, Colleen Manner, their three children – Ada (age 10), Ray and James, (twins: age 7) – and their dog Pepper live near St Mark's. They moved to Bay Creek in 2015 from Jersey City. Jesse works for Paul Davis Restoration (who help assessing, mitigating, or repairing property damage from flood, mold, fire, storm, etc.). Colleen owns her own business, “Colleen Manner Design,” (providing product development and packaging design for hair and skincare businesses). But that's not the most important thing I learned while interviewing them.

What makes you happy?

Ada: Music, friends, art, family, reading, baking cooking, and squish meallows. (That's a stuffed toy.) **Ray:** Mom and Dad, vacations to Grandma and Grandpa's house by the river, my brother and sister, climbing trees, art, and snuggling with my mom and dad. “Parents make the world feel nice.” **James:** Mom and Dad, playing sports, my brother, family movie night, art, and playing tons of stuff with my sister. **Colleen:** Family, friends, neighbors, the Goodman Pool, and being outside. **Jesse:** Everything they said, plus lakes, oceans, rivers, cocktail hour, music, shooting hoops, and softball. Then the neighbors' great grandson, **Azyr**, joined the conversation. He likes games, family, painting, and drawing.

What do you worry about?

Ada: Anything with needles like shots, scary clowns, and plane crashes. I worry about losing my family. **Ray:** I worry about losing my mom and dad. **James:** I worry about getting lost and not seeing my mom and dad again. And when the airplane wobbles when we're flying in it. **Jesse:** I worry about our kids' well-being. **Colleen:** I worry about gun violence. **Azyr:** I worry about my mom and granny and getting into a car crash.

What do you like about this neighborhood?

Ada: I like the people. **Ray:** The trees and playing soc-



Jesse, Colleen, Ada, Ray, James, Pepper, and Azyr

cer with my friends. **James:** There's a lot of nice people. I like the beeping at the crosswalks so blind people can cross the road. **Jesse:** These are good people in this neighborhood. They help each other out. We share tools. We can walk to the store, the dog park, the pool, the school.... I also like the diversity here. **Colleen:** Everything they said, especially being able to walk almost anywhere. I also love the public schools! **Azyr:** Climbing trees.

So that's the Laz, Laz-Hirsch, Manner family in a nutshell (plus Azyr). They've thought about changing their last name to Holiday to simplify things... because ‘everybody loves The Holidays.’ ❖

FROM MGE

Save Energy and Conserve Resources With Simple steps for Your Home and Garden: Did you know smart landscaping can save up to 25% of the energy a typical household uses, according to the U.S. Department of Energy. For example, large, leafy trees or vine-covered trellises help block the sun, especially if you have windows facing west. Shading windows is more important than shading walls because windows let in more unwanted heat. Researching watering tips and which plants work best for our area also can help reduce your need to water in the summer, which is another part of creating a more sustainable home.

Conserve Water: The University of Wisconsin-Madison Dane County Extension [Water Conservation for Home and Gardens guide](#) includes indoor and outdoor water conservation and planning advice. According to Dane County Extension, using mulches helps to cool and protect soil and minimize evaporation. They also recommend keeping grass 3 to 4 inches high when mowing—noting that longer grass develops more drought-resistant roots.

Plant Safely: If you live near power lines, MGE has a planting guide at mge.com with trees and shrubs that can be planted safely near or under power lines. And, don't forget to call Diggers Hotline at 811 before you dig!

Get Free Energy Expert Advice: By working together to conserve resources and be more energy efficient, we can reach our shared energy goals. MGE can provide tips and answer your questions about saving energy. Call the MGE Home Energy Line at (608) 252-7117 or email AskExperts@mge.com.

324 Lakeside Street: Bahá'ís Have Been in Bay Creek Neighborhood for A While!

By Christine Javid

You may have passed the [Bahá'í Center](#) on 324 Lakeside Street with its large green awning hanging over the plate glass windows fronting the old former restaurant. Maybe you've walked past with your dog. Or have peeked inside while the Bahá'ís were celebrating a Feast or Holy day and wondered "Who are the Bahá'ís?"

The Bahá'ís of Madison have been in their present location since June 2000! Since then, we have been worshipping together and working on social and community-building projects just as many of you are. We feel a strong affinity with our neighbors who care deeply about their community, work hard in food pantries, for racial justice, and to protect the environment, among many other worthy projects! We work with a small number of volunteers; sometimes our work is slow. We believe, with divine assistance, we are working for the resolution of society's major problems -- especially the unity and eventual peace of humanity.

The Bahá'í Faith was founded by Bahá'u'lláh in 1863 in Iran, then called Persia. Today there are more than five million of us worldwide, including a little over 100 in Madison and around 300 in Dane County. The Bahá'ís [believe](#) in

the oneness of humanity, elimination of all prejudices, the independent investigation of truth, harmony of science and religion, universal education, spiritually guided solutions to economic inequality, and that all people are born noble.

The Bahá'í Faith has no clergy; we elect a Local Spiritual Assembly of nine people each year to manage our community affairs, while a National Spiritual Assembly located in [Wilmette, Illinois](#) is elected through a delegate process. In Haifa, Israel, a [Universal House of Justice](#) with nine members is elected every five years to administer the faith worldwide.

At our Center, we hold public Sunday devotions at 10 a.m. where prayers from the major religions are offered, with singing and music, frequently with themes of justice and racial equality – all our neighbors are welcome to join us! If you would like to learn more about the faith, discuss collaborative community-building projects, learn about children's and youth classes, or set up a special class for you and your family to answer your questions about the faith, or just say hello, email us at lsa@bahaicentermadison.org call us at (608) 441-1959, and for more information about the Bahá'í Faith: <https://www.bahai.us>. Or stop in on Sunday mornings! Hope to see you soon!. ❖

Neighbors gather for Bay Creek Fourth of July Picnic.



Neighborhood Events

MUSIC:

Good Neighbor Gathering, including *Don't Mess with Cupid*

Sunday, September 10th, noon to 5 pm

Free Olin Park pavilion concerts.

Thursdays in September: Doors open 5:45;

Concert 6-8 pm.

Outside: Bring a picnic and lawn chairs.

Inside: Plenty of seating and space to dance.

Sept 7 Cris Plata

Sept 14 Mark Croft Trio

Sept 21 Whiskey Farm

Sept 29 Grouvin Brothers

Lakeside St. Coffee House

Bar Opens at 6pm

8/4 Richard Wiegel @ 6:30pm

8/18 Classical Guitar Society @ 7pm

8/25 Tumbledown Shack @ 7pm

9/8 Gaines and Wagoner @ 7pm

9/15 The Honey Pies @ 7pm

9/22 Trio Soleil @ 7pm

CITY:

Free Community Cookouts: "Celebrity Chefs"

St. Mark's Lawn, 605 Spruce St. 6:00-7:30 pm

Meet and greet Madison leaders

Thursday Aug. 24: Frances Huntley-Cooper, Former Fitchburg Mayor, 1st African American Mayor Elected in Wisconsin AND Fred Risser, Former WI Senator, Longest Serving State Legislator in US History.

Thursday, Sept. 28: Kristie Maurer, Owner of Maurer's Market Opening Soon on S. Park St.

GSAFE annual [Trick or Trot Walk/Run](#)

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Lake Monona Waterfront Park Update

By Allen Arntsen

The Lake Monona Waterfront Park planning effort took another step forward on July 24 when the City of Madison Parks Department and the [Lake Monona Waterfront Ad Hoc Committee](#) hosted the public presentation of the proposed park's draft master plan at the Monona Terrace. [Sasaki](#), the international design firm who won Madison's design challenge, presented its draft plan, following an extensive public engagement process that generated over 8000 survey comments and included numerous focus groups and public feedback settings. The plan covers **Lake Monona's 1.7 miles of shoreline** along John Nolen Drive between **Blair Street and Lakeside Street**; it foresees separate bicycle, pedestrian, and lakefront uses, adding numerous waterfront and public amenities throughout its length.

Significant plan components east of Monona Terrace include a green connection bridging John Nolen Drive from **Wilson Street** to the lake; a beach and boathouse near **Machinery Row**, an improved waterfront presentation area for use by [Madison Ski Team](#) and other organizations, playgrounds, and expanded fishing piers and food and beverage outlets. Moving south along John Nolen Drive, a signature underpass creates a park entrance near **Broom Street**; a pedestrian connection up **South Hamilton Street** to the Capital ends at a large public pier; and identifies food and beverage service and boat docking amenities.

In addition to separated bike and walking lanes, the Causeway portion of the park will feature noise buffers and piers to fish from or enjoy the view of the lake and capital, boardwalks, and protected wetlands. The portion of **Olin Park** north of Lakeside Street will feature a programed nature area, a nature center and picnic lawn, boat docking locations, new wetlands paralleling John Nolen Drive, playgrounds and a possible canopy walk.

Approximately 150 people attended the event that gave the public a chance to engage in substantive discussion with representatives from Sasaki, Madison's Parks Department, the Ad Hoc Committee, and the non-profit [Friends of Nolen Waterfront](#). The proposed **grand underpass** entrance near Broom street (which would likely require raising John Nolen Drive by a couple of feet) and the **green parkway** (which would extend across John Nolen Drive from Wilson Street to the lake), drew the most interest. The public joined the presenters, City Staff, Committee members, and non-profit representatives to robustly debate the parkway's size and range, with discussion focused on whether and how much to reduce the parkway to preserve Wilson Street residents' views and access to light.

The plan will likely be presented to the Common Council for approval this fall. Persons interested in the details of the plan and process can get more information at www.lakemononawaterfront.org ❖



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Make Words Answers

Seven letter words: raccoon. Six: cancan, cocoon, rococo, arcana, cannon, corona, racoon, rancor. Five: cacao, cocoa, acorn, canon, croon. Four: coca, coco, arco, corn, orca, anon, naan, noon, roan, roar. Three: arc, can, car, con, coo, roc, nor, oar, ran. Two: an, no, on, or.

Word Search Solution

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Treasurer Update and Thanks

Judy Robinson

Hello Neighbors. I wanted to share some info about dues and donations. From May 2022-June 2023, we collected \$550 in dues and \$610 in donations. (For bookkeeping, I consider anything larger than \$50 a donation.) We have a neighbor who contributes generously ever year. They choose to remain anonymous, but I wanted to thank them and let them know that they play a big part in keeping our newsletter going. Our ad revenue covers roughly 70% of printing costs; we depend on dues and donations to make up the rest.

Thank you to everyone who has paid their dues and a special thank you to those of you who added a little extra – your support is very much appreciated. (Please note that I only track the amount of money we collect; I don't keep track of who has paid.) You may pay your voluntary \$10 annual dues in two ways: mail a check made out to BCNA to Sara Richards, 710 Spruce St 53715; or pay online via PayPal or a credit card. To find the payment link on our website, baycreekmadison.org, go to the 'Here's how to' section on the homepage, click the word [Treasurer](#) at the bottom, then select "Pay Now." If you have any questions, please feel free to text or call me 608-469-1218 or email me at judysotheremail@mail.com ❖

Crossword Answer

1	C	2	A	3	S	4	S	5	I	6	A	7	ALL	8	9	10	SCAT	11	12	13
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20	O	21	K	22	E	23	R	24	I	25	D	26	27	28	29	30	DEPLOY	31	32	33
27	R	28	E	29	T	30	I	31	R	32	A	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41
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I subscribe to the "less is more" print-journalism philosophy. Maximum word target: 500. To bring out your best, I edit everything for length, organization, tone, style, voice, and content – you ok final edits; I ok publishing. So go for it and write for the Bulletin!

Senior Notes

NewBridge Madison provides services for older adults, 60+. For up-to-date services, classes, and activities information, check newbridgemadison.org, and Facebook: @NewBridgeMadison, call (608) 512-0000; or email info@newbridgemadison.org. The newsletter available free via email, regular mail for a small fee. *Masks for in-person activities will be determined on a program-by-program basis.*

NewBridge: matches older adults to volunteers who do safety-check calls and/or friendly social calls; **provides** Case Managers to connect older adults to resources; **delivers** food pantry groceries to older adults' door on an ongoing basis; **does** home chores – only case management clients may receive home chore assistance; **gives** Zoom and In-Person Classes & Activities; **runs** Zoom Diversity & Inclusion Activities, for Dane County Black and Hispanic older adults; **feeds** older adults.



NewBridge congregate free meals sites: Make meal and transportation reservations one week prior by Thursday 10:00 am with Candice at (608) 512-0000 Ext. 4006. (NewBridge accepts donations for meals mailed to 1625 Northport Dr. Madison, 53704.)

South Madison: *Madison Senior Center*, 330 W. Mifflin St. Monday-Friday, 11:30 am.

East Madison/Monona: *Messiah Lutheran Church*, 5202 Cottage Grove Rd. Tuesday and Thursday 11:30-12:30 pm; *Monona Senior Center*, 1011 Nichols Rd. Friday, Noon

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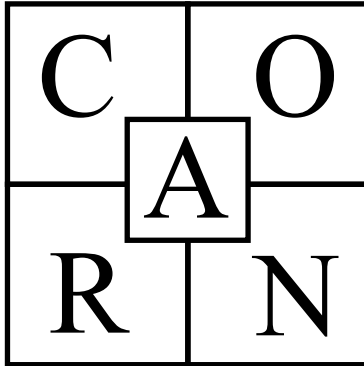
By Stanley Rubio Jackson

Rules: Make as many words as you can with these letters.

Two to six letters per word.

There are at least 37 words; 24 use the letter A.

Use the same letter no more than three times in a word..



August Joke Word Search

Puzzle by Stanley Rubio Jackson

Find the words in this joke: Up, Down, Diagonally, Forwards, and Backwards. (Find repeat words once.)

“Before you criticize someone, you should walk a mile in their shoes. That way, when you do criticize them, you are a mile away and they have no shoes.”

(Answers on Page 11)

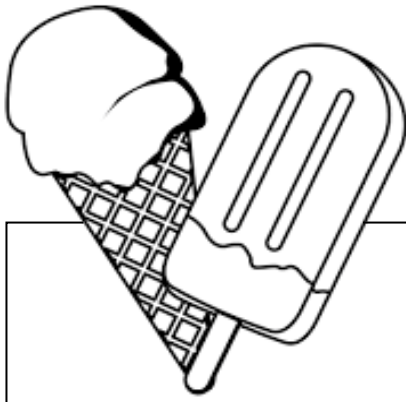


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July
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Midsummer Crossword Puzzle

(Solution on page 11)

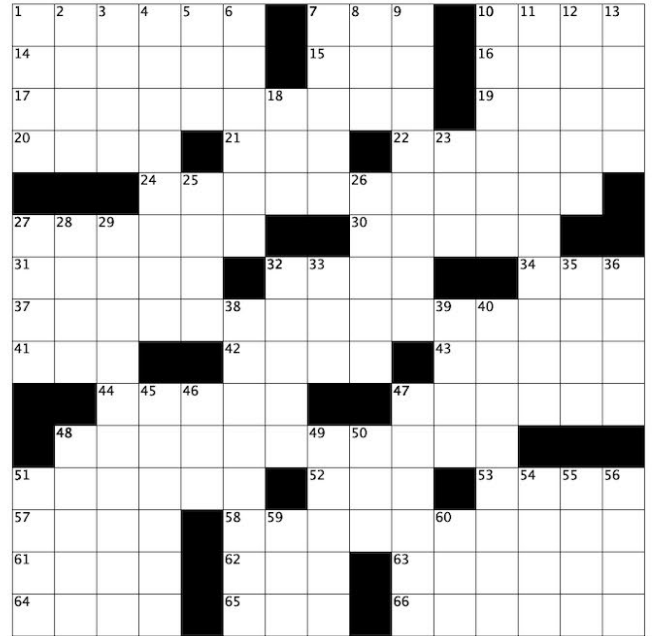
By Jennifer Vernon

ACROSS

1. Chinese cinnamon plant
7. Total
10. "Scram!"
14. Hung loosely
15. Grassland
16. Norse god or war and strife
17. Summer party fruit
19. Farm unit
20. person who says yes
21. Tarbell, Lupino or B. Wells
22. Arrange strategically
24. Essential s'mores ingredient
27. Step down
30. Immune-Related Adverse Events (acronym)
31. Off-kilter
32. Teen woe
34. Sigma follower
37. Times welcomed by teachers and students
41. Compass dir.
42. Dublin's land
43. Capital of Jordan
44. Spats
47. Pitches
48. party barge
51. Influence
52. Aerial defense weapon, for short
53. Goals
57. Soothing stuff
58. Summer pests
61. Condemn
62. Take in
63. Masses
64. Dragged to court
65. Kind of wit or wine
66. Bother

DOWN

1. designation for a single use compact disc (acronym)
2. Middle eastern anise drink
3. Fill
4. belief that male seed holds the entire embryo
5. Comparative ending
6. Put on a pedestal
7. Supreme being
8. Zodiac beast
9. Way to rank countries that puts the United States above Canada, interestingly
10. Metal fastener
11. Hagfishes and lampreys belong to this class
12. Pointer
13. Deuce follower
18. Publisher's staff for short
23. High note
25. Seat in a British pub?
26. Cut into pieces
27. Demolish
28. Native Australians
29. Future (three words)
32. Warning, Spanish-style
33. Conveyance.
35. Meticulous
36. Aircraft carrier (acronym)
38. Reorganized
39. Cantina snack
40. Copy cat
45. Mean
46. product designation for ethical goods
47. "I love you" follower
48. Pacific island nation
49. Not clean
50. Grilled meal, for short
51. Beanie Babies, hula hoops, etc.
54. Hawkeye's home
55. Prescriptions, briefly
56. Snake sound
59. Paddle
60. Former terrorist org.



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