

## Pandemic Easy Membership Drive!

By Kathy Engebretsen and Aileen Nettleton, Membership Committee

Our annual Dudgeon Monroe Neighborhood Association membership drive has a different look this fall, keeping in mind the safety of our volunteers

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and you as residents. Instead of your block captain coming by to collect your membership dues, we are offering you the choice of paying with our PayPal account or by mail with a check:

- Pay electronically at <https://dmna.org/PayDues> or use QR code in Upcoming Events

OR

- Mail your check in the enclosed envelope addressed to the DMNA treasurer

Since we are not updating our membership data base this year with the normal membership form information, your name and address are sufficient. We regret not being able to meet you in person this fall and trust we will meet again as soon as possible. Please make your membership

dues payment by October 15.

Your dues and contributions support your quarterly Hornblower newsletter mailed to your home, the plantings of the DMNA gardens and prairies on the Southwest Path and at Leonard Street, and social justice community service. We all look forward to future summer social events that we must miss this year: Jazz in the Park, the July 4 Children's Parade and Celebration, and Family Science Nights. Your membership dues of \$12 per household keep our DMNA alive and strong. If you are able to make an additional contribution, that will also help us get through this unprecedented period, you should know that DMNA is a 501 (c) (3) tax exempt organization. Thank you.

## Gardens to Delight Us All

By Linell Davis, Hornblower Committee

With more of us working at home, gardens are especially luxuriant this year. Neighbors must be spending lunch breaks watering and weeding and evenings dead-heading and mulling things over. With limited travel and few local events people are spending weekends planting, mulching and rearranging.

Take a walk around to see what nature and increased attention has produced. Where you would expect grass, you might see patches of prairie with purple coneflowers, Queen Anne's lace, lupines, blazing star and phlox. Next door there could be a garden of exotics, thoughtfully selected for their colorful blooms. Connie

Bell combines these two garden types at her home on Leonard Street. She has a front yard of prairie and a terrace full of dahlias. She is working from home and has increased the number of dahlias in her garden this year. Cultivating dahlias in our climate is a labor of love as she must uproot the tubers in winter and replant them in spring, but the reward is giant blooms from July until frost. She gets enjoyable companions and support from the Badger State Dahlia Society.

Down the street on Commonwealth Avenue is another garden of exotics. You will see deep red hibiscus, delphinium,

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Annie Laurie Gaylor and giant hibiscus. Photo by Linell Davis



## Fall 2020

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# President's Message

By Rachel Fields

The last time I wrote my column for The Hornblower, I was hoping that summer would shepherd in a return to normalcy, or something like it. Of course, that hasn't been the case. We might be cautiously eating on patios and seeing friends in small, distanced groups, but the stress and anxiety of Covid-19 is still with us. For those with children going back to school, that stress is amplified by the impossibility of doing the dual jobs of work and childcare at the same time.

I'm sure many of us are wondering what the holidays will look like this year or when offices will be able to safely reopen. When I wrote my last column, I thought we'd have answers to all these things by now. Instead, we're all learning to live without answers for the time being.

So in the absence of certainty, I wanted to share with you a few tangible things that DMNA has been doing in the last six months. I hope hearing about these activities will energize you, give you ideas for how to contribute to the neighborhood, and give you some hope that we can still be curious, active and forward thinking.

Our History Committee recently put together a map-based website that you can plug into the browser on your phone to guide your walks around the neighborhood: <https://dmnahistory.glideapp.io/>. The website has markers

at many neighborhood points of interest, including the pedestrian underpass on Fox Ave (one of my favorite places in Dudgeon Monroe) and a 50-foot tall American Sycamore tree planted 80 years ago.

Our Anti-Racism Committee has developed a guide for when to call 911, based on the fact that calls to 911 — however well-intentioned — can result in police brutality against people of color, particularly Black people. That guide is included as an insert in this edition of The Hornblower and we hope you'll use it as a reference in your household.

Our Zoning Committee has developed a list of guidelines for developers considering projects in our neighborhood, which our Alder will use to help ensure future development aligns with our goals for affordability, sustainability, walkability and economic vitality.

I also want to extend a heartfelt thank you to Richard and Patricia Friday for their generous donation to DMNA this quarter. Your support helps us fuel these creative projects and serve the neighborhood even in uncertain times.

If you or your family members are interested in getting involved in DMNA, please email me at [president@dmna.org](mailto:president@dmna.org). We would love to hear your ideas and benefit from your expertise and creativity.

## Jazz in the Park

Many events were cancelled this past summer, and Jazz in the Park, the annual neighborhood music festival that has been held at Wingra Park for over 25 years, was no exception. While it was not possible to hold Jazz in the Park this year, we would still like to give a big thank you to all the Monroe Street businesses that have supported the event in recent years:

The Laurel Tavern, Wingra Boats, Orange Tree Imports, J. Michael Real Estate, Monroe Street Framing, Taste of India, Alvarado Real Estate Group, Hive, Colectivo, Monroe Street Family Dental, Aaron Perry State Farm, Zander's Interiors, Pizza Brutta, Wingra School, Edgewood Campus School, Everly, Pilates on Harrison, Neuhauser Pharmacy, Milward Farrell Fine Art, Hotel Red, Mickies

Dairy Bar, Madison Theater Guild, Lakeview Veterinary Clinic, Monroe Street Massage, Trader Joe's, Monroe Street Arts Center, Friends of Lake Wingra, and Associated Bank.

We appreciate their past support and encourage neighbors to support them now, as we all look forward to when we can gather together again in the future.

# Voting: Absentee? In-Person Absentee? At the Polls?

By Aileen Nettleton, Hornblower Committee

As a Wisconsin voter, you have three options to vote safely and securely in the November 3 election: absentee by mail, in-person absentee, or at your polling place on election day. First, check your personal status and options at [www.myvote.wi.gov](http://www.myvote.wi.gov).

## 1. Vote Absentee

If you are already registered to vote at your current address, you may receive an application for an absentee ballot from the Wisconsin Election Commission this year, due to the pandemic. Applications will be mailed in early September to those who have not already requested an absentee ballot for November. Or you may apply for an absentee ballot at the [www.myvote.wi.gov](http://www.myvote.wi.gov) website if you are registered at your current address.

Complete the application and upload a photo of your approved Voter ID if you have not recently voted by absentee ballot. For most people, this will be your Wisconsin Driver License. This can be done by cell phone.

What do I need to do to be sure my absentee ballot is accepted?

- Carefully follow all directions, especially for completing the required information on the envelope, to ensure your ballot will be counted.
- Apply soon.
- Allow at least plenty of time for your completed ballot to reach the City Clerk's office by mail. You may also drop it off at a city library with In-Person Absentee Voting or at your polling place on election day.

## 2. In-Person Absentee Voting (sometimes called "Early Voting")

In-Person Absentee Voting will be available for 2 weeks prior to the election in Madison. Check the City Clerk's website for locations and hours, as they may have changed: [www.cityofmadison.com/clerk](http://www.cityofmadison.com/clerk). Bring your approved Voter ID.

## 3. Vote at the Polls on Election Day

If you feel it is safe for you, know that steps are being taken to assure safety at the polls. First, check to find out if your normal polling place will be open, or if your location has changed, due to pandemic situations: [www.myvote.wi.gov](http://www.myvote.wi.gov). Bring your approved Voter ID.

The City Clerk and poll officials will follow guidance for wearing masks, social distancing, barriers and sanitizing. Voters are encouraged to wear masks for the protection of others.

## What if I have moved and need to register?

Register online at [www.myvote.wi.gov](http://www.myvote.wi.gov) if your Wisconsin driver's license is current. Also, you can register with the Madison City Clerk's office: [www.cityofmadison.com/clerk/elections-voting/voter-registration](http://www.cityofmadison.com/clerk/elections-voting/voter-registration). Both online and mailed registrations must be completed 20 days prior to the election.

With an acceptable Proof of Residence (See [www.myvote.wi.gov](http://www.myvote.wi.gov) for specifications.) you can register and vote at the City Clerk's office or an In-Person Absentee Voting site. In addition, you may also register on election day at the polls with an acceptable Proof of Residence.

## How can I find information about candidates' positions?

The non-partisan League of Women Voters of Dane County will post responses to questions by candidates at the end of September: [www.lwvdanecounty.org](http://www.lwvdanecounty.org) or [www.vote411](http://www.vote411).


The LWV Dane County will also publish the candidates' answers in an issue of the Wisconsin State Journal.

## What if I have more questions about how to get Wisconsin ID or how to vote?

Visit the Madison City Clerk and the LWV of Dane County websites:

- [www.cityofmadison.com/clerk/elections-voting/voting](http://www.cityofmadison.com/clerk/elections-voting/voting)
- [www.lwvdanecounty.org/voting-information](http://www.lwvdanecounty.org/voting-information)

The Voter Helpline of Dane County Voter ID Coalition can respond to many questions: 608-285-2141.



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# A New DMNA Committee on Anti-racism

**Julie Whitaker, on behalf of the ad hoc Anti-racism Committee of DMNA: Megan Garvey, Darin Harris, David Hoffert, Heather Keating, Jan O'Neil, Carolyn Shadrach, Lailah Shima and Marie Trest**

The Dudgeon Monroe Neighborhood Association has a new ad hoc committee, the Anti-racism Committee (ARC). We formed in response to our concerns about systemic racism in our community. We want to align our efforts with other neighborhood groups and Black and Brown leaders calling for racial justice in all areas of life.

Though most of us don't like to think of ourselves as racist, we live in a society with deeply racist roots, which continue to affect us all. Racial bias in housing, health care, employment, finance, education and criminal justice contribute to appalling levels of segregation and disparities in our community. In majority-white neighborhoods, racial bias can lead to suspicion of Black and Brown people and unnecessary calls to 911. Such unwarranted calls can unin-

tionally escalate situations that might otherwise have been better left alone or resolved more effectively without police intervention.

The Dudgeon Monroe neighborhood is rarely patrolled by police. Instead, the police typically enter only after we have called them in. As a majority (91%) white neighborhood, we feel that we have a special responsibility to avoid contributing to problems related to over-policing of people of color. Thus, the first project of ARC was the development of the enclosed guide to help residents assess whether it makes sense to call 911, particularly when people of color are involved. In this issue of the Hornblower Carolyn Shadrach, a resident of Dudgeon Monroe, and a member of our committee, recounts her own personal experience with the police as a

cautionary example.

We invite you to share your own experiences and ideas at:

**The Dudgeon Monroe  
Neighborhood  
Dialogue on Race, Policing and  
our Responsibilities**

**Tuesday, September 22  
7:00 p.m. via Zoom**

The dialogue will be moderated by Betsey Day of Groundwork and attended by our committee members and Alder Tag Evers. Please send an email to [anti-racism@dmna.org](mailto:anti-racism@dmna.org) to receive a Zoom invitation

## Working at Home – An Informal Report Card

**By Ann Clark, Hornblower Co-editor**

The neighborhood looks perfectly normal from the outside except for a lot of parked cars on weekdays, but inside, many of our homes are veritable beehives of activity. Houses are bursting at the seams as never before with each school age child and working adult needing dedicated work space and equipment as we all react to Covid-19.

Dave Egan-Robertson, a demographer at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, described his initial office as the dining room table but was soon seduced by a cozy basement office. Katie Johnson, a technical writer, swears by her dining room table which is the wheelhouse for helping and supervising her elementary school age children. She can interrupt her work at any point for their needs and make up the time on her own schedule (in a national survey the most favored perk of working at home). Meanwhile her husband works for Wisconsin Public

Radio from the master bedroom — the best acoustics in the house — in his do-it-yourself broadcast studio and with his own WiFi. Katie Ginder-Vogel, a freelance writer, thinks her children have rolled well with this, and have built more rapport over books and creative play without their friends.

Dave Egan-Robinson, Peter Levonian, a genetic counselor, and Matt Ginder-Vogel, a UW-Madison research scientist, miss their work colleagues, although they all agree that without many meetings and colleagues interrupting, home is more efficient. Matt singled out his lively graduate students. Peter gave a thoughtful assessment of the downside of leaving a collegial, supportive workplace as did Dave. They both pointed out the importance of casual conversations with co-workers, and the creative solutions and sometimes personal closeness they can foster.

Jane Riley, a financial specialist for the state, describes the temptation to check her email before bed even with the risk of spending a sleepless night trying to untangle unexpected problems. Work tends to blend into your personal time.

These experiences of working at home vary, but all have in common the luck of being able to dramatically reduce risks for families. At the same time, we must recognize the contributions of all those who cannot work at home, especially those who may be face-to-face with Covid-19 every workday. We thank them from the bottom of our hearts for keeping our society's ship afloat

# Racial Injustice in Our Own Neighborhood

By Carolyn Shadrach, Anti-racism Committee

For years, I've struggled to share this story. But now, as the country tears itself apart, demanding racial justice, silence feels like part of the problem.

*"What are you doing here? Show me your hands! Show me your license and registration!"*

*After seeing a white police officer running towards my car, I'd pulled over, asking if I could help. Now, as he barks orders, I'm suddenly confronted uncomfortably with the barrel of his loaded gun.*

*Acutely aware that casual interactions between police and Black people can become fatal in an instant, my blood drains. Heartbeat pounds.*

*Terrified and confused, I ask "Do you want me to keep my hands here, or get the registration?"*

*When I hand him the documents, he orders me out of my car. As I answer his questions, handcuffs digging into my wrists, another officer interrogates my distraught 7-year-old daughter.*

*Upon learning that my family lives around the corner and I've just picked up my child from Randall Elementary, confusion spreads across the officer's face. A third white officer arrives, ready to insist that I be taken to the station. Eventually, I'm released, with a cursory apology and no explanation.*

*"Mommy," my little girl whispers, "why did that policeman . . .?"*

In the following days, with the help of friends and neighbors, I'd discover we'd been held at gunpoint because a white woman had pointed an accusing finger

at me. Apparently, I fit the description.

If the officers' reactions sound reasonable, consider that the white woman was a known crack addict. Can you imagine that had the races been reversed, the outcome would have been the same?

Imagine a Black woman, a known crack addict, making accusations, the police unquestioningly following her accusing finger, running to handcuff, at gunpoint, a white, SUV-driving mom.

Whose word matters? Whose life matters?

## Gardens *continued from front page*

lisianthus, tall cosmos, zinnias, roses and more. Annie Laurie Gaylor is also working from home and tried, unnecessarily, to apologize for the imperfections of her garden while chasing a rabbit away. Each plant is placed to highlight it and there is not a weed in sight.

Over at Cross Street Ann Grauvogl follows a different philosophy. Her garden is exuberant with natives and exotics mixed in no apparent pattern. When asked about it, she says that if she finds a plant she

likes, she finds a place for it. She constantly moves plants around to give them what they like. She began her garden when she moved here with a U-Haul full of plants that she installed to replace the grass.

Enjoy the vegetable gardens as well. On Wyota there is a fenced strawberry bed and staked tomatoes bursting with fruit, along with kale and herbs that are already being harvested. Our neighborhood is full of delights, thanks to our gardeners.

## Businesses: the DMNA Hornblower is Your Advertising Bargain

Let us help you work your way back from business setbacks as we all work to return to normal. Use our neighborhood newsletter to reach the more than 1600 residences and businesses of our unique neighborhood. We have limited space for additional ads to appear in the Winter, Spring and Summer issues with our already low pricing rolled back to 2018 rates. See [www.dmna.org/hornblowernewsletter](http://www.dmna.org/hornblowernewsletter) for details.

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# Neighborhood News Briefs

Reopening on Monroe Street began for some businesses as early as May 18, but each one is adapting slowly: limited days, variable hours, sometimes only by appointment. You can find the most current information at [www.monroestreetmadison.com/covid-19guide](http://www.monroestreetmadison.com/covid-19guide).

As a way to encourage supporting our local businesses, the Monroe Street Merchant Association, MSMA, is putting together a coupon book/list of offers, which will be available on the above listed website when it is ready.

Bloom Bake Shop (1851 Monroe Street) is starting an interior remodel that will allow them to expand their offerings and make accommodations for the changing times. They have been open most Fridays and Saturdays for curbside pick-

up, and are at the Sunday Monroe Street Farmer's Market.

Calabash Gifts (2608 Monroe Street) will be reopening at the beginning of October in a new location. Having been closed due to Covid-19 since March, Calabash will open at 1831 Monroe Street, across from Trader Joe's (in what was formerly Canvas Club Boxing).



**Restaurants** have expanded outdoor seating, some assisted by the city's Streatery program. They may temporarily expand outdoor dining onto the public sidewalks, on-street parking areas or in privately owned parking lots through an administrative approval process. Look for outdoor seating at:

Brasserie V (1923 Monroe Street)  
 Everly (2701 Monroe Street)  
 Fairchild (2611 Monroe Street)  
 Garth's Brew Bar (1726 Monroe Street)

Infusion Chocolates (2503 Monroe Street)  
 Madison Chocolate Company (corner of Monroe and Glenway Street)

## Openings

- The Isaiah Church's office is in the former Kula Yoga space (1809 Monroe Street)
- HYART Gallery has moved from Johnson Street to 1619 Monroe Street

## Closings

- Tin Fox (2616 Monroe Street)
- Both the CBD shops on Monroe Street are closing:
  - Herb RX (1821 Monroe Street)
  - Luza CBD Wellness Center (2606 Monroe Street)

A Fall Sidewalk Sale for the Monroe Street businesses, may replace the Monroe Street Festival, which traditionally takes place in mid-September.

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*Sundays 10 a.m.*

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*During the COVID19 pandemic, we meet online. Check our website for weekly service topics, links, and other events.*

**[uuprairie.org](http://uuprairie.org)**

**Want to Know More about Dudgeon Monroe?**

**Visit [dmna.org](http://dmna.org) and dig into the details of our unique neighborhood at [dmna.org/history](http://dmna.org/history).**

## Shopping for Groceries in the Senior Hour

By Sandy Stark

I set a personal record today: 15 minutes total, from waiting for the doors to open to carrying my grocery bags out. That includes my mask-muffled "good morning" to the cart sanitizer crew waving to welcome me in.

My first few trips were horrifying. I learn I turn corners way too fast, stay standing in one place too long, get rattled when asked to move. I forget the old maxim, if I touch it, it's mine.

I do see the footprint circles at checkout, but walk right past the plexiglass shield, have to step back again, stretch for that small credit card slot, after asking where in the heck to find it.

It's not easy to negotiate aisles, distance, decisions. Seems the point now is to get, not really shop for, food, and as fast as you can. No extra conversations, no catching up with friends in line.

When everyone's on the clock, you're losing more than time.





# Helpful Contacts for Neighbors

Click on links at [www.dmna.org/hornblowernewsletter](http://www.dmna.org/hornblowernewsletter)

## Animal services (Dane County Public Safety Non-Emergency)

Stray pets; animal bites; sick or injured animals, domestic and wild  
255-2345

## Bicycles, stolen/lost

Madison Police Department  
245-3662

## Gas odor/leak

Madison Gas & Electric  
252-1111

## Hazardous household waste disposal

Motor oil, paint, medications, household sharps, etc.  
[www.cityofmadison.com/streets/hazardous](http://www.cityofmadison.com/streets/hazardous)

## House watch

Madison Police will drive by your house if you are away for an extended period.  
[www.cityofmadison.com/police/forms/vacationwatch.cfm](http://www.cityofmadison.com/police/forms/vacationwatch.cfm)

## Leaf/yard waste collection

[www.cityofmadison.com/streets/refuse/collectionlookup.cfm](http://www.cityofmadison.com/streets/refuse/collectionlookup.cfm)

## Nonemergency nuisances

Noise, smoke, etc.  
255-2345

## Parking enforcement

Driveway overparking, overtime parking, etc.  
266-4275

## Polling place, Ward 65

Wingra School, 718 Gilmore Street

## Pothole concern

[www.cityofmadison.com/reportaproblem/pothole.cfm](http://www.cityofmadison.com/reportaproblem/pothole.cfm)

## Power outage

Madison Gas & Electric  
252-7111

## Prescription drug disposal (currently closed due to Covid-19)

UW Police Department, 1429 Monroe Street  
<https://safercommunity.net/meddrop>

## Recycle, refuse, large item pickup schedule

[www.cityofmadison.com/streets/refuse/collectionlookup.cfm](http://www.cityofmadison.com/streets/refuse/collectionlookup.cfm)

## Suspicious activity

Neighborhood:  
Madison Police  
255-2345

UW property (e.g., Arboretum):  
264-COPS or 264-2677

Edgewood campus  
663-4321

Crime in progress:  
911

## Tree damage (terrace)

(Tree damage on a private lot is the owner's responsibility)  
Madison Forestry Department (7:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.)  
266-4816

Police Department (outside of 7:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.)  
255-2345

## Water emergency

Madison Water Utility  
266-4665

## Winter

### Parking:

Alternate-side parking, snow-emergency rules (November 15-March 15)

### Snow removal:

Sidewalk-shoveling rules, report unshoveled sidewalks  
[www.cityofmadison.com/winter](http://www.cityofmadison.com/winter)

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

[www.cityofmadison.com](http://www.cityofmadison.com) (search by topic)



# Crosswalk Flags: 1 Step Forward, 2 Steps Back

The DMNA Crosswalk Flag Committee: Ann Clark, Emily Balsley, Lisa Grueneberg, Norine Vedeges, Janice Zawacki

We are seeing a welcome surge in walking in the neighborhood, so we were pleased to learn in March that the city authorized crosswalk flags at Glenway and Cross, one of only four new locations in the city this year. Shortly thereafter, we learned that coronavirus lives on wood for four days, making our flagpoles a possible coronavirus transmitter. We pulled all our

flags and are waiting for evidence that danger from the virus on wood is no longer relevant before we resume operation.

In the meantime, we are hoping that pedestrians will be able to manage the lower level of traffic on Monroe Street. If the traffic seems fast or heavy, there should be a pedestrian crosswalk light system (now automated to avoid transmitting Covid-19

from surfaces) or a traffic light within a block or two, so just detour.

We are looking for a couple of volunteers, especially those living nearby, to help keep the new Glenway/Cross intersection supplied with flags (taking turns with a weekly check) when we resume operation. Call Ann Clark at 238-5612 for more information.



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# From our Alder

By Tag Evers

Here we are, facing the start of the school year, with so much on our minds. Covid-19 most certainly will be with us into the new year. And the economic consequences of Covid-19 will likely be with us for the next several years. In its midst, we have a generational opportunity to confront systemic racism so that Madison might become a great city for all, not just some. On top of that, there's the November election, a pivotal point in history.

It's no wonder Michelle Obama recently recounted on her podcast that she's been struggling with "low-grade depression." I'm so glad the former First Lady was open about that. It's important that we speak openly about the burdens we're carrying, that we're not trying to shoulder them on our own. Let's continue to bear one another's burdens, not allow-

ing shame or stigma to get in the way of seeking help.

If you need help, or if you know someone else who needs help, please contact the District 13 Cares hotline by calling 608-492-1331 or by email at [district13cares@gmail.com](mailto:district13cares@gmail.com).

We are entering what promises to be a very challenging budget season. The vote of the Library Board to close the Monroe Street branch is not the final word. I continue to push for a reduced schedule, allowing our library to be open 2-3 days a week. The library is a lifeline for many in our community. If the library closes, even temporarily, it may prove very difficult to reopen.

The increase in gun violence in Madison is part of a nationwide phenomenon, one that is tied to Covid-19. I am calling for

increased funding for the Focused Interruption Coalition to enhance proactive responses to conflict, not merely reactive responses after shots are fired.

In District 13 we have taken proactive responses to incidents at Brittingham Park and at the Amstar gas station at S. Park Street and West Olin Avenue. We are making progress by taking a broad-based community approach to enhance public safety, not merely relying on law enforcement.

I'll close with the words of John Lewis:

*"Do not get lost in a sea of despair. Be hopeful, be optimistic. Our struggle is not the struggle of a day, a week, a month or a year, it is the struggle of a lifetime."*

We're in this together, and we'll get through this together.

## Bikers and Walkers: New Opps with Apps

By Sandy Stark, Southwest Commuter Path Chair

This June your SW Path Committee Chairs, Jake and Sandy, were contacted by the FairShare Community-Shared Agriculture (CSA) Coalition, a Madison-based nonprofit that connects small, local CSA farmers with clients. Liv Froehlich, their Program Coordinator, and a resident of our Dudgeon Monroe neighborhood, asked us to provide written and audio descriptions for a virtual, guided tour of three DMNA native gardens and prairies. They have been added to an app-support-

ed virtual tour called "Routes to Roots" the annual fundraising event now substituting for "Bike the Barns" this year. The site has launched, with our very own Dudgeon Monroe walk or bike tour, including other points of interest in our neighborhood as determined by the organizers.

To access, download the "Routes to Roots" app from your computer or phone app store. Once you register, for which there is a donation fee, you have access to all the tours, maps, written

and recorded scripts. New routes are released every two weeks.

Kudos to Liv and FairShareCSA.org for ordering a bounty in a potentially lean season! Support their fundraiser, get moving and listening (there are signs at accessible sites) and appreciating what's blooming out there, no matter how you visit.



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### Thinking Ahead to Winter!

**Parking Rules Changes:** The Clean Streets/Clean Lakes program of the city of Madison will likely be delayed in rolling out to Dudgeon Monroe. Be prepared to continue following the usual winter parking rules until new ones are announced for your street.

**Clearing Sidewalks:** Residents are responsible for removal of any snow or ice on the full width of their sidewalks by noon of the day after the snow stopped.

See [www.cityofmadison/winter](http://www.cityofmadison/winter) for complete information.



# Know Your Council Members

By Aileen Nettleton, Hornblower Committee

**Dennis Trest** was ready to take on a volunteer role in public service after retiring from his weekend service with the National Guard. DMNA is very fortunate that he offered his services and was elected our new treasurer this spring.



Dennis became interested in DMNA when he and his wife Marie received the Hornblower

and were visited by their block captain when they moved to the neighborhood 10 years ago. He appreciated reading about what DMNA was doing, joined when personally visited by his block captain, and attended the annual meetings. He and his wife are excited about being in the neighborhood in which she grew up, with its

strong sense of community.

Dennis brings skills to his new role that he gained managing budgets with the University of Wisconsin Library System. He stresses the importance of accountability for public and non-profit funds.

He hopes that our neighborhood will continue to prosper and maintain its quality of life with the balance of vibrant businesses and engaged residents. He expresses the importance of supporting our businesses in these difficult times.

**Ann Sydnor** has served as the DMNA Council secretary for three years. Joining the Jazz in the Park planning committee was her first venture with DMNA when she left her full-time job to be home with her young children. She contacted Monroe Street businesses soliciting contributions for JIP

and learned to appreciate the support of the Monroe Street Merchants Association and local businesses for DMNA.

She finds the role of secretary fits her attention to details, ability to summarize important items from Council conversations, and her ease with computer keyboarding to finalize minutes. The role is rewarding as she gets to know neighbors and what is going on in the neighborhood while giving service to the community.



She hopes that Jazz in the Park will continue in the future after the pandemic to celebrate our businesses and our neighborhood.

Thank you, Dennis and Ann, for sharing your expertise and energy with DMNA!

## Social Justice Committee Report

**T**he Social Justice Committee was created to explore opportunities for DMNA and individuals in our neighborhood to become involved in activities related to peace, justice and sustainability. We have offered "Movies that Matter", coordinated the R-Sale, supported the District 13 Good Neighbor Festival, and collected and distributed food and snacks for homeless students through our neighborhood schools. This time we want to publicize the work of One City Schools and Porchlight as examples of how we seek to share important information so we can all work toward solving the problems our community faces.

One City Schools is supported by the DMNA Social Justice Committee because it is an experiment in reducing the racial gap in education and opportunity in Madison. Located in south Madison off S. Park Street, it provides year-round, research-based schooling at pre-K through 2nd grade levels, as well

as comprehensive support and education for families. UW-Madison is partnering with One City to conduct a longitudinal study that will evaluate best practices and identify lessons learned to be shared in order to drive system change. To donate go to <https://app.etapestry.com/onlineforms/CDIOneCityEarlyLearningCenter/Donate.html>.

To volunteer, contact Gail Wiseman at [gwiseman@onecityschools.org](mailto:gwiseman@onecityschools.org).

Madison also has problems with affordable housing, the starkest example being people who have no home at all. Porchlight Inc. is a local nonprofit that provides overnight shelter for 100 homeless men. It also provides scattered site housing for over 380 individuals including families and those who are mentally ill and veterans.

In addition, Porchlight staff provides services to the approximately 180 homeless men who are currently living in hotel rooms (funded by the City and County) because they have risk factors or have tested positive for Covid-19. For more information, to donate, or volunteer see <https://porchlightinc.org/>. Contact Karla Thennes at [kthennes@porchlightinc.org](mailto:kthennes@porchlightinc.org) or call 608-257-2534, ext. 14.



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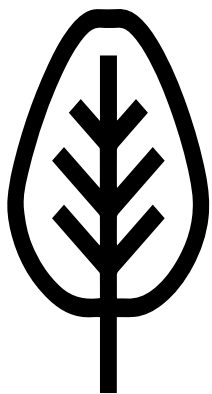
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## DMNA COUNCIL MEETINGS

Wednesdays, September 2,  
October 7, November 4  
6:45-8:30 p.m. Via Zoom  
Contact [president@dmna.org](mailto:president@dmna.org)

## DUDGEON MONROE NEIGHBORHOOD DIALOGUE

"Race, Policing and  
Our Responsibilities"  
Tuesday, September 22  
7:00 p.m. Via Zoom. See p.4

## ELECTION

Tuesday, November 3  
See Elections, p.3

## CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

The many benefits we enjoy in this  
neighborhood are only possible with  
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