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HAWKS VALLEY NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING

plus food, drinks, and raffle prizes!

Wednesday, October 26th from 5-7 pm <u>The Draft House</u> 1010 Enterprise Dr, Verona

Social Hour will start at 5 pm and the business meeting will begin at 5:45 pm. A raffle drawing for door prizes will be held after the meeting. Winners must be present to claim their prizes.

Topics to be discussed include:

- Proposed changes to covenants and restrictions
- Financial/budget update
- Social committee update
- Creation of a Communications Committee
- Updates from District 1's Alder McKinney

RSVP to HawksValleyNeighborhood@gmail.com (Not required for attendance but appreciated)



A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello, Neighbors!

I hope you have been enjoying your summer and are looking forward to the colors and cooler Fall weather. For those I haven't met, my name is Jan Viney, and I am the president of the Hawks Valley Neighborhood Homeowners Association (HOA).

The Hawks Valley board and committee volunteers have been very busy since April when the neighborhood developer officially transitioned day-to-day control of the HOA to the homeowners. While the developer still manages unsold lots and new homes, the new HOA Board and Committee members have assumed responsibility for managing the neighborhood business affairs and needs.

It has been a very busy and productive five months. Highlights of accomplishments include:

- Establishing, executing, and monitoring an annual budget (David Dodds, Treasurer)
- Establishing an Architectural Review Committee (Stefan Fletcher, Chairperson) to address covenant and deed restriction questions, concerns, and enforcement
- Establishing a Social Committee (Sarah Moldenhauer, Chairperson) to promote getting to know your neighbors and creating a sense of community
- Creating and publishing neighborhood newsletters (Catherine Gauger, Editor)
- Addressing safety issues, including the Ashworth/Raptor intersection and the crossing at Woods Rd and Silverstone
- Researching and securing vendors for landscaping, snow removal, and insurance
- Working with our Alder Person and other city department heads on issues impacting our neighborhood

I look forward to seeing you all at our **All Neighborhood Meeting on Wednesday, October 26th from 5p – 7p on the upper level of the Draft House in Verona**. It promises to be a great opportunity to share your thoughts and suggestions and ask any questions you may have. Our Alder, Barbara Harrington-McKinney, will be attending as well, so it's a perfect opportunity to meet her if you have not already.

See you soon!

Jan Viney, Hawks Valley HOA President HawksValleyPresident@gmail.com





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Important Numbers

- Emergency: 911
- · City of Madison
 - Non-emergency Dispatch: (608) 255-2345
 - Police Department West District: (608) 243-0500
 - Fire Department: (608) 266-4420
 - Water Utility: (608) 266-4651
- Madison Gas & Electric: (608) 252-7222
- Alliant Energy: (800) 255-4268
- TDS Metrocom: (608) 663-3330
- Spectrum: (608) 274-3511



Click the links below to access the Hawks Valley Facebook and Nextdoor groups. Connect with your neighbors on social media!



Hawk's Valley Neighborhood Group



Hawk's Valley Neighborhood

If you are interested in becoming more involved with the Hawks Valley Neighborhood and HOA, please contact HawksValleyNeighborhood@gmail.com

WHAT IS AN ALDER? WHO IS OUR ALDER?

An alderperson, or alder, is an advocate and liaison for his or her district in the City of Madison. Responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- attending and participating in City Council Meetings
- serving on City Council Committees
- advocating for his or her respective district and constituents in city processes

Alders help make city government accessible and welcoming!

Do you have ideas or submissions for future Hawks Valley Neighborhood News issues? E-mail HawksValleyNewsletter@gmail.com!

Examples include:
Seasonal Tips
Recipes
New Neighbor Spotlights
Wedding/Birth Announcement
Furry Corner (Pets of Hawks Valley)
Free Neighbor-to-Neighbor Classified Ads

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Hawks Valley is a part of District 1 of the City of Madison. Barbara Harrington-McKinney is currently serving a fourth term as District 1's alder, a position that she was elected to in April 2015. She is one of the two first African American women elected to the City of Madison Common Council. Her contact information is listed below and will be included in future issues of the Neighborhood News.

Barbara Harrington-McKinney District 1 Alder, City of Madison (608) 228-8683 district1@cityofmadison.com

STAY CONNECTED!

If you have not done so already, please submit your contact information to HawksValleyNeighborhood@gmail.com to join the email list. This list is used for communication purposes only and is not shared with anyone.

Time-sensitive information will be shared via e-mail and Facebook. *Hawks Valley Neighborhood News* (this newsletter) serves as a good source of information as well, though note that its publishing process is still a work in progress.

COMING SOON: OUR OWN HAWKS VALLEY NEIGHBORHOOD WEBSITE

The developer's website for the neighborhood is hawksvalley.com (.com for "commercial"), but we have now purchased the domain name and hosting service for hawksvalley.org (.org for non-commercial "organizations".)

We are just beginning to consider how our brand new neighborhood website will look and feel. In fact, we're looking for volunteer(s) to step up and offer their talents in helping us with such an effort!

This site will include the usual neighborhood-related materials like newsletters, covenants and restrictions, a calendar of events, resources for relevant services, and some specially password-protected information (such as a neighborhood directory.)

If you have any interest in lending a hand to this effort, please contact HawksValleyNeighborhood@gmail.com.

ATTENTION: PET OWNERS

Pets can be wonderful additions to families, but please remember to be responsible pet owners by taking into account these reminders:

 Scoop the poop! Pick up pet waste immediately and dispose of it in an appropriate trash bin. Besides being an unsightly and smelly nuisance, animal feces is a health hazard and water contaminate.



 When not in an enclosed area, please keep your pet on a leash. A leash provides emergency control over your pet. Even if your pet is well-behaved, you may encounter external factors out of your control - such as unfriendly animals or a person that is allergic or afraid of your pet.

THE ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

The Architectural Review Committee, in conjunction with the Developer, is responsible for reviewing, interpreting, and enforcing the architectural guidelines stated in the Hawks Valley Covenants and Restrictions. The committee, convened by Stefan Fletcher, is currently working on making appropriate changes to the guidelines and developing processes to support architectural review proposals.



THE SOCIAL COMMITTEE

The Social Committee, chaired by Sarah Moldenhauer, aims to build a sense of community by planning and coordinating neighborhood events and activities. This past June, the committee hosted its first event - a potluck on the South end of Raptor Dr. with 35+ neighbors in attendance. The Social Committee would like to thank everyone that brought food and/or drinks to share! They hope you enjoyed your time and look forward to seeing you all at future neighborhood events.

HALLOWEEN. Halloween will be here before we know it. Here are some trick-or-treating guidelines for families and the neighborhood!

Trick-or-Treating will take place on Monday, October 31st from 5PM-8PM. If you are going to be handing out treats, please have your front porch light on to help trick-or-treaters and families know which houses are available to stop at. If you are going to be out trick-or-treating, you may want to put a "Be Back Later" sign on your door or have a bowl of treats on your porch/driveway.



FOR A BADGER FOOTBALL VIEWING PARTY
HOSTED BY THE SOCIAL COMMITTEE

AT 9729 ASHWORTH DRIVE

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 12

TIME TBD



JOIN YOUR NEIGHBORS TO CHEER ON THE WISCONSIN BADGERS AS THEY TAKE ON THE IOWA HAWKEYES!

TAILGATING MIGHT TAKE PLACE DEPENDING ON GAME TIME. AS THE DATE GETS CLOSER, PLEASE CHECK THE FACEBOOK GROUP FOR UPDATES ON THE EVENT.

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE! GO BADGERS!



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OCTOBER HOLIDAYS AND EVENTS

10: Indigenous People's Day26: HOA Neighborhood Meeting

31: Halloween (trick-or-treating details on page 2)



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NOVEMBER HOLIDAYS AND EVENTS

08: Election Day

11: Veterans' Day

12: Badger Football Viewing Party (details on page 2)

24: Thanksgiving Day

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NEARBY FARMERS' MARKETS

Want to support local and small businesses? Check out these nearby farmers' markets while you still can!

Verona Downtown Farmers Market

Hometown Junction Park - 101 W. Railroad St, Verona Wednesdays 3-6pm thru 10/19

Greenway Station Farmers Market

Greenway Station - 1650 Deming Way, Middleton Thursdays, 8am-1pm thru 10/6

Fitchburg Farmers Market

Agora Pavillion | 5500 E Cheryl Pkwy, Fitchburg Thursdays 3-6pm thru 10/27

Dane County Farmers' Market

Capitol Square - Madison Saturdays 7am-12pm thru 11/12



TRASH AND RECYCLING

You may have noticed that trash and recycling have been getting picked up later than normal. As of August 1st, about 900 homes were added to the City of Madison pick-up routes, so the trucks have been getting to our neighborhood later in the morning. To ensure that your trash and recycling are picked up, still have your bins out by 6:30 am on Tuesdays. Per city ordinance, please set them on the terrace (beyond the sidewalk and before the road) and not on the road.

For more information, click <u>HERE</u> or visit cityofmadison.com/streets

