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GO PAPERLESS!

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A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello, Neighbors!

The recent record-setting snowstorm was certainly a surprise to most everyone – including the robins who had just started their annual nest-making! Just imagine, in a few short weeks we will be seeing the colors return and hearing the whirr of lawnmowers.

Speaking of how the outdoors will be changing, did you know that one of the main goals of a Homeowners Association (HOA) is to **help maintain and increase property values** in the community? To do that, the HOA sets and enforces rules for how properties in the neighborhood should look and what homeowners can - or can't - do. This task is one that is shared by everyone in the neighborhood. So, if you see something on a neighbor's property that concerns you, please consider reaching out to them directly. You may find that they were not aware of the covenants, or perhaps it is a very temporary situation. If you are interested in maintaining high quality and consistent aesthetics in our neighborhood, think about joining the Architectural Review Committee.

Another goal of our HOA is to promote a sense of community here in Hawks Valley. By getting to know your neighbors you not only make new friends but also help keep the neighborhood safer by increasing awareness and identifying things out of the ordinary. If you want to support this goal of making our neighborhood a fun, safe place to live, please consider joining the Social Committee - which, along with the Architectural Review Committee, you can read more about on page 3 of this newsletter.

Happy Spring!

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



KESTREL PARK DEVELOPMENT PROCESS

January 23, 2023: Public Input Zoom meeting #1



March 27, 2023: Public Input Zoom meeting #2



May 17, 2023:

The Kestrel Park Development Plan will be presented and considered for adoption at the Board of Park Commissioners meeting

Construction of the park and its amenities is currently expected to occur in 2024. Read more about the Kestrel Park Development Plan on page 2.

KESTREL PARK DEVELOPMENT PLAN

What is a Park Development Plan?

It is a dynamic, long-term document that...

- provides a framework for future developments and improvements
- establishes the general location recommendations for desired amenities and resource protection

The identified improvements are often implemented in phases, with each phase requiring further design development and public engagement before construction.

Following the Board of Park Commissioners meeting on May 17, 2023, additional meetings will be held to gather input on the design of amenities included in the Park Development Plan. To review recordings and the presentation slides from the first two meetings, visit the website listed below or scan the QR code on the image on the right.

If you have questions or comments about the Kestrel Park Development Plan, contact Adam Kaniewski at 608-261-4281 or akaniewski@cityofmadison.com. Adam is a City of Madison Parks Division Landscape Architect and the main project contact.



Draft Park Development Plan

FOR KESTREL PARK UPDATES, VISIT THE WEBSITE AT

www.cityofmadison.com/parks/projects/kestrel-park-development-plan

SPRING HOME MAINTENANCE

As the cold weather begins to dissipate and flowers begin to flourish, your home maintenance list will begin anew too. Don't forget to add these tasks to your seasonal to-do list as you get your home ready for warmer weather.

Check and clean your window screens, as winter weather can be harsh on them. Check for rips, cracks, or other damage. Install new ones if necessary.

Check your driveway and walkways for cracks, as the winter's snow and ice can be particularly damaging to these areas. Patch them as soon as possible to prevent further damage.

Reseal decks and outdoor wood furniture to help them defend themselves against the spring rain and extra moisture.

Check your paint and siding, as your siding is also a crucial part of your home's defenses against moisture and other damage. Also, freshening up your home's paint job or replacing damaged siding after the winter can do wonders for its curb appeal.

Inspect your air conditioning unit before summer arrives to give you plenty of time to have it fixed should there be any problems. Don't be afraid to call a professional!

SUPPORT THE MADISON PARKS FOUNDATION

Looking for a great spring night out? Picnic in the Park is May 20th at Burrows Park! This signature event features expertly crafted food & drinks as well as live music to help us celebrate 128 years of Madison Parks! Ticket costs go back into supporting our city parks and programming, so get yours today!

For more details, visit www.madisonparksfoundation.org/picnic-in-the-park or scan the QR code below.





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Social Committee

Open, Chair

Architectural Control Committee

Open, Chair

Thank you, Sarah Moldenhauer and Stefan Fletcher, for your time serving as chairpersons for the Social Committee and Architectural Control Committee, respectively.

Important Numbers

• Emergency: 911

• Madison Gas & Electric: (608) 252-7222

Alliant Energy: (800) 255-4268TDS Telecom: (608) 663-3330

• Spectrum: (608) 274-3511

City of Madison

• Non-emergency Dispatch: (608) 255-2345

• Police Department West District: (608) 243-0500

Fire Department: (608) 266-4420Water Utility: (608) 266-4651

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Social Media





<u>Hawk's Valley Neighborhood Group</u> facebook.com/groups/265572908512517





<u>Hawk's Valley Neighborhood</u> nextdoor.com/g/i7v79mkvn/

*starting April 18, 2023

OPPORTUNITIES FOR NEIGHBORHOOD INVOLVEMENT

The members of the Hawks Valley HOA Board are continually looking for individuals with varied skills and new ideas to join their team! Board members fulfill different roles and responsibilities but all share the common goal of making Hawks Valley a great place to live. Please consider volunteering your time and skills towards improving your community! Joining a committee is just one of many ways to become involved.

The **Social Committee** promotes neighborhood camaraderie by planning events and encouraging neighbor interactions. The HOA Board has budgeted monies to help offset some expenses for future events. Previously, the Social Committee planned and put on a potluck and Badger game viewing party. The committee has also discussed facilitating game nights and interest-based groups (e.g., cycling, book clubs, playgroups, etc.)

The Architectural Control Committee (ACC), in conjunction with the Developer, is responsible for reviewing, interpreting, and enforcing the architectural guidelines stated in the Hawks Valley Covenants and Restrictions. These guidelines set the standards for uniform, visual aesthetics of the community. Residents that wish to make any architectural modifications to their property must secure approval from the ACC first.

The **Communications Committee** aims to keep Hawks Valley residents well-informed by the HOA Board and updated on happenings in the community. Effective channels of communication used are newsletters, e-mails, and social media. A resident website is also in the works and can be visited at www.hawksvalley.org.

Please contact any board member if you are interested in becoming more involved!



APR-JUN 2023 HOLIDAYS & IMPORTANT DATES

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4: Spring Election Day

9: Easter 18: Tax Day 5: Cinco de Mayo 14: Mother's Day 20: Picnic in the Park

29: Memorial Day

14: Flag Day 18: Father's Day 19: Juneteenth 21: Summer Solstice



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.

If you have ideas or submissions for future Hawks Valley Neighborhood News issues, contact HawksValleyNewsletter@gmail.com.



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