

Action Item: Please complete page 4 to update the Walnut Grove Directory.



New Board Members

<i>President</i>	John Pinto 833-2297 pinto@chorus.net
<i>Vice President</i>	Katherine Bidwell 347-1098 kbiwell@starkhomes.com
<i>Secretary</i>	Eric Lewandowski 833-9022 eclewandow@aol.com
<i>Architectural Control Chair</i>	Susan Ames 345-4848 sames@starkhomes.com
<i>Greenways Chair</i>	Gabe Anibas 287-6495 73anibasgj@gmail.com
<i>Treasurer</i>	Karen Kollath 833-8149 kkollath@kollathcpa.com
<i>Block Captains</i>	Liz Fenster 609-440-5673 eliza-beth.marlo@gmail.com
<i>Social</i>	Diane Littman 829-1909 dili@tds.net
<i>Communications</i>	Birgitta Larson Gamez 279-6400 bvlarson@hotmail.com

New Board Members!

Walnut Grove Homes Association (WGHA) new board members are here to serve you and your families in Walnut Grove. We have been busy acclimating and re-acclimating, and are excited to share some news with you with our first newsletter as a new board.

← Please see a list of the new board members to your left.

We are slowly, but surely, updating the **Walnut Grove** website (www.walnutgrovemadison.com), the **Next Door** page (<https://walnutgrovewi.nextdoor.com>) and the **Walnut Grove Facebook** page (Facebook > Walnut Grove Homes). We thank you in advance for your patience while these sites are being updated. These sites will be your resource for information and events in the neighborhood.

Upcoming Walnut Grove Events

Ladies Night Out! Thursday, June 15th, 2017 at Bonefish Grill from 5:30-9:00 p.m. Please meet on the patio.

4th of July Parade: All ages are invited to join in the July 4th festivities in the Walnut Grove park on Tuesday, July 4th, 2017 from 10:30 a.m.— noon. The annual parade will begin at 11:00 a.m.! Use your patriotic creativity to decorate your bikes, strollers, wagons, etc. Following the parade, light snacks and drinks will be provided.

Walnut Grove Board meetings will be...

- Second (2nd) Wednesday of every month
- 6:30 p.m.
- Stark Realty Office
[702 N High Point Rd, Madison, WI 53717](http://702-N-High-Point-Rd-Madison-WI-53717)
- Open to the public. Anyone from Walnut Grove may attend! We encourage participation.
- Next meetings:
Wed., June 14th, 2017
Wed., July 12th, 2017

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We love Walnut Grove!

Block Captains

Block captains make Walnut Grove a unique and welcoming neighborhood! Thank you to all of the current block captains of WGHA!

Block captains are a communication link to the WGHA board and neighborhood information and activities.

The most current information about contact information for your block captain is at: walnutgrovemadison.com/block-captains-2/

Of course, we are always looking for new block captain volunteers. If you are looking to meet new people in the neighborhood, or interested in re-connecting with old friends, join us to be a block captain!

Responsibilities of a block captain include: a) distribution of printed newsletters to neighbors on your block, b) welcoming new neighbors to Walnut Grove, c) communicating with your neighbors as communication needs arise.



Interested?

Email:

Elizabeth.marlo@gmail.com

We would love to have you join our team as a block captain!



Meet Your Board

We thought a few lines would be a nice way to quickly introduce the new WGHA board members:

President: John Pinto has lived in Walnut Grove (WG) since 1979! He is a business owner in the community.

Vice-President: Katherine Bidwell has lived in WG since 1992! Katherine, a realtor, is very involved in the local business community.

Secretary: Eric Lewandowski has lived in WG since 2001 and has been active on WG board and on local Madison committees in various roles.

Architectural Control Committee: Susan Ames, a realtor with an interior design background, has lived in WG since 2002. She is new to the board, and is excited to get more involved in the community!

Greenways Chair: Gabe Anibas has lived in WG for 5 years and has served on the board since 2013. His family loves the neighborhood with its beautiful trees and pathways, schools and neighbors.

Treasurer: Karen Kollath is returning to the WG board as the valued treasurer.

Block Captain Chair: Liz Fenster is new to the WG neighborhood, and new to the board. She brings excellent organization and collaboration skills!

Social Chair: Diane Littman is new to the board, but a WG resident since 1990. Diane loves gardening, and will be a great addition to the board!

Communications Chair: Birgitta Larson Gamez is new to the WG neighborhood, and new to the board. She is passionate about effective communication and welcomes your ideas for optimization.

Note: Diane, Liz and Birgitta will be collaboratively working together as a team to coordinate social activities, block captain activities, and communications.

Did you know that Walnut Grove has a group of neighborhood legal records called Covenants?

Check them out here:

walnutgrovemadison.com > Covenants



Getting the most out of the Nextdoor App and Website

Nextdoor is the place to find out what's happening in Walnut Grove

This will be the primary method of communication between the WGHA and the WG neighborhood. We have received feedback that neighbors would like more information on how to minimize the email overload from [Nextdoor](#). Here's how:

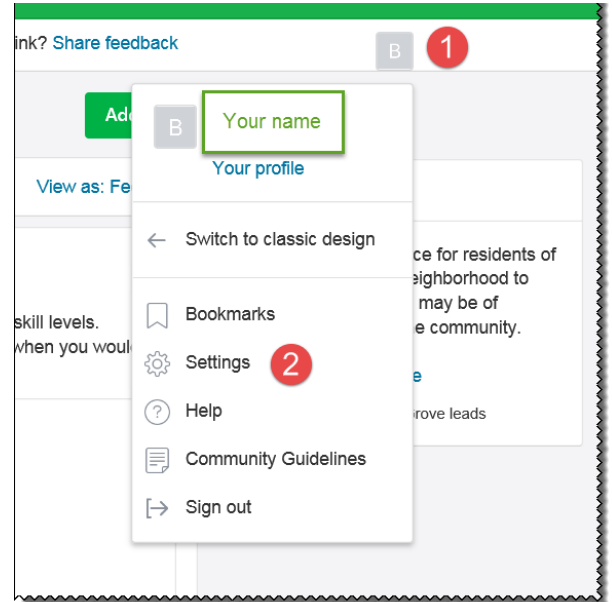
What gets sent to your email Inbox

You can completely customize the email notifications that you receive. For example, you may choose to receive immediate email notifications for crime and safety posts, but no notifications for free items. You can select from three options for receiving email or choose to receive no notifications at all.



Set your notification preferences:

- 1) Click on the dropdown box under your name (in the upper right corner of your screen).
 - 2) Select **Settings**.
 - 3) Select the option that works best for you: All, Some, or Custom. We recommend **Custom**. See diagram to the right for an example of customization selections.
- A) Select your choice for each topic. If you only want to receive WG information, change the drop down box to "Just your neighborhood." Continue selecting until you have customized your email notifications.
 - B) If you only want to receive ONE email a day, there is an option called Daily Digest under the OTHER EMAILS header. To activate the Daily Digest, check the check box. Also, change the email settings to None.



EMAILS WHEN NEIGHBORS POST

Your neighbors have messages for you and sometimes they need your help. When they post, what emails should we send you?

Option A: Custom

- ☐ All
All posts from your neighborhood and top posts from nearby neighborhoods
- ☐ Some
Top posts from your neighbors. Most neighbors use this setting
- ☒ Custom **3**
Choose specific emails you'd like to receive

Choose specific emails you'd like to receive	
General	Just your neighborhood
Crime & Safety	Just your neighborhood
Classifieds	None
Free Items	Just your neighborhood
Lost & Found	Just your neighborhood
New Neighbors	Just your neighborhood
Recommendations	Just your neighborhood
Urgent Alerts	Just your neighborhood
Replies to Posts	None
Invitations to Events	Just your neighborhood

} Set to your liking

- ☒ None
Unsubscribe. You won't be notified when neighbors share important news

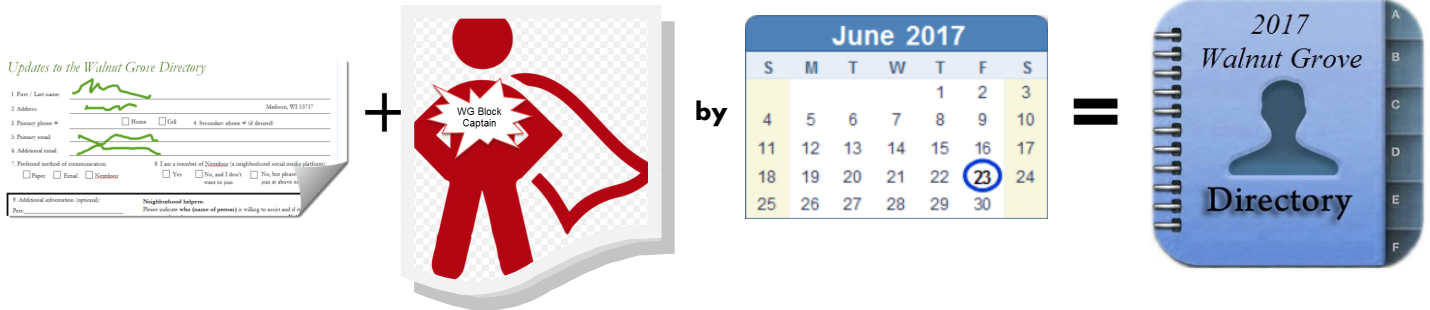
Option B: None w/ Daily Digest ON

OTHER EMAILS

- ☒ Daily Digest **ON**
- ☒ A daily summary of everything your neighbors are saying

Updates to the Walnut Grove Directory

You will find a short questionnaire at the bottom of this page. This questionnaire will give WGHA information to produce a new directory, the first update since 2015. You can share as much or as little information as you choose. Please take a few minutes to complete the questionnaire and return it to your block captain by Friday, June 23rd, 2017.



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1. First / Last name(s): _____
2. Address: _____ Madison, WI 53717
3. Primary phone #: _____ ☐ Home ☐ Cell 4. Secondary phone # (if desired): _____
5. Primary email: _____
6. Additional email: _____
7. Preferred method of communication: ☐ Paper ☐ Email ☐ Nextdoor
8. I am a member of Nextdoor (a neighborhood social media platform): ☐ Yes ☐ No, and I don't want to join ☐ No, but please invite me to join at above email address

<p>9. Additional information (optional):</p> <p>Pets: _____</p> <p>Profession: _____</p> <p>Children's names (ages): _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Interests: _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Other: _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p>Neighborhood helpers:</p> <p>Please indicate who (name of person) is willing to assist and if it is volunteer or paid work:</p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 80%;"></th> <th style="width: 10%; text-align: center;">Vol.</th> <th style="width: 10%; text-align: center;">Paid</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Yardwork: _____</td> <td style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Babysitting: _____</td> <td style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Pet Sitting: _____</td> <td style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____</td> <td style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Need assistance? I am interested in assistance with: _____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Is there anything else you would like to share regarding assistance in WG?</p> <p>_____</p>		Vol.	Paid	<input type="checkbox"/> Yardwork: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Babysitting: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Pet Sitting: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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 Don't know your block captain? Look at <https://walnutgrovemadison.com/block-captains-2/>
 or email Liz at elizabeth.marlo@gmail.com