

Walnut Grove Homes Association

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Spring 2019 Newsletter

Upcoming Events

Greenway Crawl

What: The perfect chance to tour the greenways and socialize with your neighbors. We'll make our way through the paths, meet neighbors, and enjoy food and beverages along the way.

When: June 29th, 5:30 p.m.

Where: **RSVP** to Kathy McComb at social@walnutgrovemadison.org to get the starting location!



Thank you to Kathy McComb for coordinating the Cinco de Mayo celebration at the Vintage!

THANK YOU to all past board members for their service!

Annual 4th of July Bike Parade

What: Fun in the sun; red, white, and blue streamers; and patriotic popsicles. Kids are encouraged to decorate their bicycles and participate in a lap (or two!) around the park.

When: July 4th, 10:30 a.m.

Where: Walnut Grove Park (parade on the path and reception in the pavilion)



Thank you and welcome to NEW block captains Katie Zavala (Springwood Circle) and Liz Grosspietsch (7001-7126 Farmington Way)!

A Note from the President

Walnut Grove is a unique neighborhood in Madison! We are fortunate to enjoy 4 greenways that are owned by the association with lit paths that connect to our circles. We all have a responsibility to care for the paths. It is hard to believe that my family moved here 27 years ago. We chose to raise our daughters in Walnut Grove because of the great sense of community & convenient location. Our block captains connect with all of the neighbors further fostering relationships. Please reach out to them or any member of the Board. We have several exciting events coming up this summer thanks to Kathy McComb our Social Director. There are many new families moving into Walnut Grove this spring/summer, so please take a moment when you are out for a walk and welcome our new neighbors!

-Katherine Bidwell

Did you know?

The Walnut Grove neighborhood has a series of covenants that the Architectural Control Committee uses when reviewing requests for architectural changes from home additions to fences. Please obtain permission from the Architectural Control Committee before beginning any project. The complete list of covenants, as well as an application form can be found here:

<https://walnutgrovemadison.org/architectural-control-committee>

Welcome to new (and returning) board members, Kathy McComb, Pam Conrad, Caleb Van Horn, and Hayden McCann!

Welcome to new WGHA residents!

- Shawn & Nicole on Colony Drive
- William & Mary on Farmington Way
- Joseph & Meghan on Farmington Way
- Ben, Laura & family on Farmington Way
- Colin & Carrie on Oldfield Road
- Doug & Molly on Oxwood Circle
- Miguel, Ashley and family on Rye Circle
- Jason & Alyson on Winterset Circle
- David & Paige on Southwick Circle
- Nick & Elaine on Whitacre

The cool weather this spring, along with abundant rain, has produced an unusually plentiful array of wild flowers, ferns and Canada Ginger this year. The wooded areas adjacent to the Greenway walkways invite a stroll through to view and enjoy this display.



You might also notice that Garlic Mustard (see picture above) is also present. Consider putting a plastic bag in your pocket as you plan your walk. Help to decrease the presence of this invasive weed by plucking the plants from common areas. Grasp the stem tightly near the ground and pull straight up to avoid breaking off the root.

Each of these plants is capable of producing several hundred new plants next year. It should be contained in a plastic bag, then discarded with the trash.

Enjoy nature and thank you for helping to maintain our greenways! –Hayden McCann

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