**ISSUE 170** 

# **WEXFORD WATCH**

#### WEXFORD VILLAGE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

# Fallen Tree Removal

A number of trees on Wexford Village property have fallen in the past few weeks. The board contacted a couple of companies to get quotes, and Dennis Harrington, a Wexford resident, gave the best price.

If you notice a fallen or damaged tree in the Wexford Park, Wexford Prairie, or along the walking trails, contact any board member: <u>http://www.wexfordvillage.org/</u> <u>associationBoard.htm</u>

# Neighborhood Watch Meeting

The Wexford Village Neighborhood Watch is meeting with Lt. John Paterson of the Madison Police Department on Tuesday, May 21 at 7pm at the Alicia Ashman Library.

Lt. Paterson will give a presentation on home safety and talk about recent neighborhood crimes. All are encouraged to attend.

Remember, if an incident does occur, contact police at 911 or the non-emergency number 608-266-4275. Also, report any incidents to the Wexford Village Neighborhood through our Web site: <u>http://www.wexfordvillage.org/</u> <u>associationIncidents.htm</u>

## **Wexford Prairie**

Did you know that Wexford Village has two Parks? In addition to Wexford Park, which is owned and maintained by the City of Madi-

son Parks Department, Wexford Village owns and maintains its own recreational area, called Wexford Prairie, which is located on 3.5 acres of beautiful land, between Middleton Street and Longmeadow Road, about one block west of Gammon Road. This area has wonderful walking paths, a brick patio with two stone picnic benches and tables (situated under some large shade trees), and open space which can be used for Frisbee, kite flying, sunbathing, reading or just watching the birds soar

and squirrels play. There are walking-path entrances to this area from both Middleton Street and Longmeadow Road.



### **July 4th Parade**

Volunteers are needed to help with the July 4th parade. The parade begins at 10am and ends at Wexford Park, where there will be food and games. If you'd like to help with the event, contact any board member: <u>http://</u> <u>www.wexfordvillage.org/</u> <u>associationBoard.htm</u>

### **Zoo Events**

Looking for something to do this summer? Check out some of the events at the Henry Villas Zoo. <u>http://</u> vilaszoo.org/events

- May 25 September 2 Zoology Exhibit: Journey Through Time
- June 23 Paddle for Polar Bears
- July 15 19 National Zookeeper Week

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- July 21 Paddle for Polar Bears
- July 27 Rock & Roar Zoo Benefit

#### Longmeadow Resurfacing

Construction has started on Longmeadow Road. Parts of the curb were replaced a few weeks ago, and the street is currently being repaved. The construction is expected to be done by the end of May.

The Wexford Watch is now online. We will only publish one paper edition at the end of each year. To receive the electronic editions published throughout the year, update your e-mail address on our Web site <a href="http://www.wexfordvillage.org/associationUpdate.htm">http://www.wexfordvillage.org/associationUpdate.htm</a> or send your e-mail address to Trish Watts at <a href="mailto:pwatts@tds.net">pwatts@tds.net</a>.

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#### Parkcrest Women's Golf League

This is a 9 hole league that plays on Tuesday mornings from the first week of May through mid September at Pleasant View Golf Course in Middleton. Tee times begin at 8:00 in May and September and 7:36 in the summer. Members sign up for tee times one month in advance and only pay for the rounds they play. Contact Kathy O'Connor at 836-5974 for more information.

#### West Side Yard Waste

The City of Madison has reopened the yard waste drop-off site at 402 South Point Road. More information on hours and what the site accepts is at: <u>http://www.cityofmadison.com/</u> <u>streets/yardWaste/dropoffsites.cfm</u>

#### **Medication Disposal**

Dane County has added more Med-Drop box locations to reduce access to drugs. You can now dispose of prescription and over-the-counter medication at the Madison Police West District 1710 McKenna Blvd and the Middleton Police Department 7341 Donna Drive. More information on how to use the drop boxes and what they accept is at: <u>http://</u> www.safercommunity.net/ meddrop.php

#### Wexford Village Sign

The large Wexford Village sign at the corner of Sawmill and Gammon has been taken down for repairs. It will be repainted and re-installed early this summer.

#### Free Mulch Ended

The City of Madison has discontinued their free mulch program. Mulch can be purchased from the city for \$10 per 3 cubic yards. More information at: <u>http://</u> <u>www.cityofmadison.com/streets/</u> <u>yardwaste/brushprocessing.cfm</u>

# Future Road Construction

In the Summer of 2016, two large roundabouts will be constructed at the bottom of Crestwood Hill. One at the intersection of Old Sauk Road and Old Middleton Road and one at the intersection of Old Middleton Road and Rosa Road.

# Wexford Park

The Wexford Park cleanup was on April 27. 32 people showed up to help. A big thank you to all of them and to The Burish Group, UBS Financial Services for being our corporate volunteer group this year and encouraging a group of their employees to help us.

The brush was cleared out along the road and the buffer area next to the park. The goal is to keep this area more open to improve safety in the park. There is still a lot of cleaning up to be done in the woods. The trails through the woods will be bark mulched again this summer. If you'd like to volunteer to clean up the woods, contact Ken Schmidt at <u>Kschdt@charter.net</u>. We greatly appreciate any and all assistance.

# Art Cart

The MSCR Art Cart is a free, drop-in art program for children ages 3+ and their families. Activities last 15-45 minutes. The Art Cart will be at Wexford Park:

- Monday, July 8, 1-4pm
- Monday, August 5, 5-7:30pm

Call 204-3021 for more information.

The disk gulf baskets are out in the park. This is a great place to practice and improve your skills and also teach kids how to play the game. There are also sand volleyball, basketball, tennis, soccer fields, softball diamond, and a playground. We are currently working on preparing and planting the flower gardens in the park.

We are making plans with the City of Madison to expand the storage shed this fall to accommodate the disc golf and hockey equipment and the garden tools. Expanding the current shed is more cost effective than adding a new shed. The city has already installed more shelves in the existing shed.

### Superintendent Input

Join the new Madison superintendent Jennifer Chetham and other community members to voice your opinion on the direction of Madison schools. The discussion will focus on: advice for the superintendent, what you value in your school, and what are Madison schools strengths and weaknesses.

6:30-8 pm at the following locations:

- Thursday, May 16 Memorial High School
- Thursday, May 30 La Follette High School

https://www.madison.k12.wi.us/ superintendent-entry-plan

### **Mayor Input**

Mayor Paul Soglin and the Common Council are interested in hearing your ideas for making Madison a better place to live, learn, work and play.

Your ideas and votes will help develop the themes of this year's budget.

7pm at the following locations:

**Get Around / Build Opportunity for All** Wednesday, May 15 Packers Community Center Room

**Be Healthy & Safe / Live** Thursday, May 23 Jefferson Middle School

**Eat / Play & Enjoy** Wednesday, May 29 The Villager Atrium Community Room

http://madison.ideascale.com/