

# Walnut Grove Homes Association

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## Who are the people in your neighborhood?

### Getting Involved

Joining a WGHA committee or club is a great way to get to know your neighbors and to promote the wellbeing of the neighborhood. Consider one of the following:

- **Join the Greenways Committee** As a member of the Greenways Committee, you help to maintain our treasured greenways. Contact Davie Phillips at [greenways@walnutgrovemadison.org](mailto:greenways@walnutgrovemadison.org) to join.
- **Become a Block Captain** As a block captain, you help share Walnut Grove news, welcome new neighbors, and promote social engagement. Contact Liz Fenster at [blockcaptains@walnutgrovemadison.org](mailto:blockcaptains@walnutgrovemadison.org) to sign up.

Who's my block captain? To find out, go to <https://walnutgrovemadison.com/block-captains>.

- **Calling all neighborhood clubs!** Are you a member of a neighborhood club? We'd like to promote your club in a future newsletter. Contact Amelia Tastad at [newsletter@walnutgrovemadison.org](mailto:newsletter@walnutgrovemadison.org).

### Welcome!

Please join us in welcoming the following families to the neighborhood:

- Anthony and Chelsea on Harwood Circle N
- Andrew & Tasha, Patrick & Taylor, and family on N Westfield Rd

#### WALNUT GROVE NEWSLETTER

The Walnut Grove newsletter is published twice per year for neighborhood association members.

To provide feedback, suggest story ideas, or to advertise in the newsletter, contact Amelia Tastad at [newsletter@walnutgrovemadison.com](mailto:newsletter@walnutgrovemadison.com).

## THANK YOU

Thanks to Gabe Anibas for many years of service as chair of the Greenways Committee!

Thanks to Diane Littman for organizing a fun and successful bowling event in February! And thanks to everyone who attended!

## Upcoming Events

### Independence Day Celebration

What: Parade, picnic, and kid-friendly activities

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

Where: Walnut Grove Park

### **Your help is needed!**

Contact Diane Littman at [dili@tds.net](mailto:dili@tds.net) to help with activities such as face painting and to help coordinate food and drink.

### **Fall Gathering**

What: Bonfire and social

When: October (exact date and time TBD)

Where: Walnut Grove Park

## Going Green (and Digital)

- **Join us on Nextdoor** for up-to-the-minute information from anyone in the neighborhood, including the WGHA board. Our neighborhood is Walnut Grove.
- **Follow us on Facebook** Search for "Walnut Grove Homes" and look for our signature tree logo.
- Going forward, **newsletters** will be delivered electronically whenever possible. If your communication preferences indicated email and/or Nextdoor, you will no longer receive a paper newsletter. If your communication preferences indicated paper, or if you did not specify a preference, you will still receive a paper newsletter.

To update your communication preferences, e-mail addresses, or phone numbers, contact [blockcaptains@walnutgrovemadison.org](mailto:blockcaptains@walnutgrovemadison.org).

## Yard Waste and Brush Collection

The final round of yard waste collection began on May 14; however, brush collection will continue through early fall. Yard waste includes leaves, weeds, garden trimmings and twigs less than 18" long. Brush includes tree and shrub trimmings over 18" in length.

Missed a collection window or can't wait for the next one? Use one of these drop-off sites:

- 1501 W Badger Rd
- 402 South Point Rd (yard waste only)

Check out the City of Madison website for more information or call 608-266-4681. <http://www.cityofmadison.com/streets/yardWaste/leaf/>

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## Construction Corner

Resurfacing and curb, gutter, and apron replacement are underway throughout our neighborhood. For questions about individual projects and timelines, please contact Stewart Mael at [smael@cityofmadison.com](mailto:smael@cityofmadison.com)

## Green for Green

Maintenance of the greenery in the circles is the responsibility of the circle residents. Walnut Grove Homes Association will reimburse up to \$40 per year per circle. Contact Birgitta Larson Gamez for more information.

Three grants up to \$500 each are available each year as well. Contact Davie Phillips, Greenways chair, to apply for one of these grants. Note that this is a grant rather than a reimbursement, so you must receive approval.

## In the Community

Join community members and representatives from the Madison Police Department at Coffee with a Cop, Thursdays at 9:00 a.m. at Steep N Brew West (6656 Odana Rd)



Neighborhood liaison officers are assigned throughout the Madison area. We have a new neighborhood liaison officer, Krista Luedtke.