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They've Got Spirit!

In December, as the holidays approached, the festive lights and decorations in our neighborhood welcomed us home. While there were many homes decked out for the season, there were a handful that caught the attention of MANA board members. For the second year in a row, we are recognizing residents for their holiday spirit. These residents created displays that were elaborate, whimsical, or classic:

1180 Dousman Street

311 North Oneida Street

1296 Oregon Street

1180 Reed Street

1218 Shawano Avenue

Each resident will receive a \$15 gift certificate to Las Fuentes Restaurant, located at 1007 W. Mason Street.



Happy New Year to all the residents of the Maple Arches Neighborhood Association!

The MANA seeks to preserve and enhance the integrity of its residential culture through beautification efforts, crime prevention, addressing traffic issues, and serving as liaison between residents and local government. It will strive to create a sense of unity among neighbors and support community pride.

Redistricting Makes for Changes

The 2010 census is impacting the residents of Maple Arches. The City of Green Bay has completed its redistricting using the 2010 census. All households north of Shawano Avenue previously in District 8 will now be in District 10 which is currently repre-

sented by Steve Deneys. This change takes effective April, 2012.

As we come closer to April, remember that you will be voting in District 10 and should be looking at the candidates running in that district.

After 10 years, Chris Wery will no longer be the alderman representing the Maple Arches Neighborhood. The MANA Board would like to thank Chris for his support and his attendance at many of our events.

New Policing Districts

“A-Adam” Captain to Be Guest Speak at March



He plants trees to benefit another generation.

—Caecilius Statius
220 BC—168 BC

The Green Bay Police Department switched to a four district model January 3 after extensive research and planning. This will enable officers to routinely patrol the same areas of the city. The benefit to this model is that officers will better identify crime trends and build relationships with businesses, residents, and the neighborhood associa-

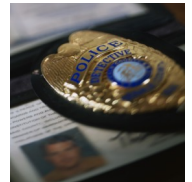
tions within their district.

Maple Arches will be part of the “A-Adam” district headed by Captain Joe Deuster. “A-Adam” district will cover the far west side from Oneida Street to the western city limits.

Captain Joe Deuster will be the guest speaker at the Maple Arches meeting on March 21 beginning at 6:15

at Lincoln Elementary School. He will discuss the model in more depth and answer questions from residents.

Attend the meeting and introduce yourself to the officers who patrol your street.



Ongoing Items and Updates

Crime Prevention Alert

There have been numerous reports of suspicious individuals walking through backyards and checking for unlocked doors on the west side of Green Bay. For your safety please consider these crime prevention tips:

- *Leave outdoor lights on at night
- *Install motion detector lights around your outside doors
- *Install heavy-duty locks or dead-bolts
- *Secure service doors
- *Record serial numbers of electronics and other desirable goods
- *Make sure valuables in your garage are not visible through the window
- *Lock your car, even if it’s in the garage.
- *Place a board at the base of patio doors

Tips from Capt. Joe Deuster, Adam District

Got Pets?

If so, you must know the other area pet owners by name! We would love to have you organize the “match the pet with its owner” contest. We know who you are by sight, but it would be really nice to be able to stop saying, “I saw Bowzer and his mom yesterday...!” Contact a MANA board member if you are interested.

The Garden Walk

We had no volunteers to display their beautiful gardens last summer, but we will revamp the concept and try again late in June. The tentative plan is to start with a guest speaker and then visit some of the neighborhood’s treasures. If you are interested in showcasing some of your plantings, contact a board member.

The Sign, Oh, The Sign

We are still working with City Hall to finalize a sign design. Hopefully we can have something approved by spring. That would give us time to do a bit of landscaping in summer.

As always, it is a challenge to increase residents’ involvement in MANA. We encourage you to contact board members with ideas, suggestions, or concerns.

Future Recreational Trail

The future recreational trail which crosses through MANA is scheduled for development this summer. There has been some interest expressed in saving the old railroad bridge which once crossed Shawano Avenue and having it utilized in the trail develop-

ment. If you are interested in helping save the historic bridge, contact Joe Vanidestine. The bridge has been located, but a preservation committee must be formed immediately in order to ensure it can be used as part of the trail.



Mark Your Calendars—Start Your Planning

MANA Rummage Sale to Return

Though it may be winter, we all know how quickly spring can creep up on us. So, start your planning now. As cabin fever strikes, look around and start thinking about what you may want to offer up for sale at MANA's neighborhood rummage sale. Last year was a great success for many, so we

have decided to give it another go. The Saturday selected will be in late May or early June and designed to avoid dates by other associations. For a contribution to MANA, your sale and main attractions will be listed on a flyer distributed to buyers. An ad will also be placed in the newspaper. The fee for the flyer

listing goes to help us raise the money needed to meet criteria for an 2013 operating grant.

Clean out the basement. Unclutter the house.

Dig through the closets, drawers, and stock piles.

Join in the fun of sale day! Let's see if we can have more than 10 sales going.

One man's trash is another man's treasure.

New Alderman Invited to April Meeting

The election of City Council Alderman will be completed in early April. Due to the change in MANA's district, the MANA Board will contact the Alderman of District 10 after the election results with an invitation to

be a guest speaker at the April 18 meeting. This will give residents the opportunity to build a partnership with their new Alderman (incumbent or truly new).

**MANA Board Meetings
3rd Wed. of the Month
6:15 P.M.
Lincoln Elementary
School**

Calendar of Events	
Mar.	Capt. Joe Deuster at March 21 meeting
Apr.	New Alderman at April 18 meeting
June	Rummage Sale * Garden Walk *
July	Movie in the Park +
Aug.	Movie in the Park + National Night Out
Sept.	Annual Meeting Bicycle Ride +

* Dates to be published in spring newsletter
+ Tentative

Tune Up Your Bicycle

Looking ahead to summer, we hopefully will have a completed and paved recreational trail adjacent to Maple Arches Neighborhood. So, tune up your bike and give it a spin. Be

ready to join your neighbors on a ride from Platten Street to the end of the trail. A date will be determined once progress on the trail and a completion date are known. Refresh-

ments will be available after the inaugural ride.



Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has.

Margaret Mead

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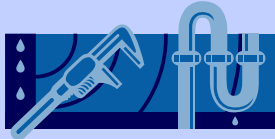
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