

# Regent Neighborhood

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Regent Neighborhood Association and
The First Unitarian Society partner with
Wisconsin Public Television to host a
conversation on race and civil disobedience
and a screening of the documentary

## Vel Phillips: Dream Big Dreams

with speakers from Young, Gifted and Black

Friday, February 27, 7 pm

Unitarian Meeting House 900 University Bay Drive

(child care provided for children under age 10)

Vel Phillips: Dream Big Dreams, is a documentary biography of Vel Phillips, Wisconsin civil rights leader, first African American graduate of the UW-Madison Law School, first woman and African American on the Milwaukee City Council. This new film includes the story of Mrs. Phillips's first city council election; her critical role at the 1960 Democratic Party National Convention in passage of a civil rights plank; and her role in Milwaukee and Wisconsin's Open Housing protests.

## Little Free Libraries Have Roots in Regent Neighborhood

by Mary Morgan

Over the past few years, we have all seen Little Free Libraries (LFL) popping up around the neighborhood. Initially, they may have been mistaken for large mailboxes or ornate birdhouses, but over time,



the news of the libraries has spread and the number has grown. Rick Brooks, co-founder of LFL, lives in the Regent Neighborhood, and has been thrilled by the reception of Little Free Libraries all around the world.

As a young father, Rick said his daughter Susanna, who was always a reader, showed him how important books were to children, and how many important messages could be taught through reading. When Rick's son was born, Rick wrote a children's book for Susanna to teach her about her new baby brother and the importance of siblings. Her interest in books made him realize how necessary books and reading are for children, and it is something that many years later, made him want to get involved with LFL.

In 2009, Todd Bol posted a model Little Free Library in Hudson, Wisconsin as (continued on page 3)



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## A Note from the President —

Last June, the RNA partnered with the First Congregational Church to hold a conversation on race informed by the Dane County Race to Equity report. Our speakers Rev. Dr. Alex Gee, Professor Will Jones, Alder Shiva Bidar-Sielaff, and Centro Hispano Executive Director Karen Menendez Coller inspired a lively and thoughtful conversation.

This month, the RNA partners with the First Unitarian Society, Wisconsin Public Television, and the Young, Gifted and Black Coalition



RNA Board President Jon Miskowski

to screen the documentary biography of Wisconsin politician and civil rights leader Vel Phillips.

The film shares the inspiring story of Vel Phillips including taking us back to the disturbing and images of 1967 and 1968 when the Milwaukee NAACP Youth Council organized marches for 200 consecutive days in support of an open housing bill.

The film and the participation of the Young, Gifted and Black Coalition provides an opportunity to explore issues of race and civil disobedience now and then. Brandi Grayson, who organized the November rally at the Dane County Jail, was quoted in the Wisconsin State Journal, "What's happening in Ferguson is just bound to happen here" and promises that the Young, Gifted and Black "coalition will continue to plan direct action in Madison until changes are seen in the local and state justice system."

The Young, Gifted and Black Coalition also offers a regular feed of news stories and provocative videos at their "Ferguson to Madison" Facebook page.

We invite you to join us for this critical community conversation.

— Jon

## RNA Board Meeting Schedule

February 25, 2015
March 25, 2015
May 27, 2015

The RNA Board meets on the fourth Wednesday of each month from 7–9 p.m. at the Best Western InnTowner at 2424 University Avenue. These meetings are open to the general public. Agenda items are solicited through the RNA listserv or can be emailed to RNA President Jon Miskowski at jonmiskowski@gmail.com. ■

a tribute to his mother, a former schoolteacher who loved reading. In the summer of 2010, the first Little Free Library was posted in Madison on the bike path behind Absolutely Art and Café Zoma. By the end of 2011 there were almost 400 LFLs across the U.S. In August of 2012, the original goal, to build 2,510 LFLs, had been met ahead of schedule. By January 2014, there were an estimated 15,000 LFLs around the world.

The original goal to TAKE a book, SHARE a book, GIVE a book has not been lost. These libraries belong to everyone — neighbors, friends, people you don't know yet, children, students, anyone. They encourage sharing, giving, caring, and community. They support reading for children, literacy for adults, and libraries around the world, sometimes in places where books would not be present otherwise.

Little Free Libraries have a variety of designs which you can spend hours on Pinterest discovering, and they can also have themes for the types of books they carry. In the Regent Neighborhood, the LFL outside the Froth House was built with the theme of food-related books in mind. There is a plan to add a "peace and justice" library near the Friends House on Roberts Ct. There are two libraries on the bike path, and one on Eton Ridge under a mulberry tree which children regularly gather around on their way home from school.

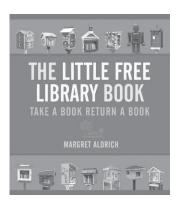
As Little Free Libraries have grown in popularity, more people are building them on their own, creating unique designs and creating another bond as they physically create the library together. For \$35, people should register their LFLs in order to support the LFL organization and to receive support for their library. The LFL organization provides stewards for each LFL to help replenish book inventory, help stick to a library's theme, and help fix LFLs when the normal wear and tear starts to show, or unfortunately, when they are vandalized. Registering a LFL also allows readers to find them on the map on the LFL website.

If you would like to get involved with LFL, you can become a Regent Neighborhood steward — kids are welcome too! And parents and children can become a steward team together.

For more information about the history of Little Free Libraries, how to install a library, and how to volunteer as a steward, please check out the LFL website facebook.com/LittleFreeLibrariesofMadison and the LFL of Madison Facebook page: littlefreelibrary.org.



Children on their way home from school gather around this little library under a mulberry tree on Eton Ridge.



Also, look out for the wonderful Little Free Library book coming out in April from Coffee House Press from Minneapolis: coffeehousepress.org/shop/the-little-free-library-book/



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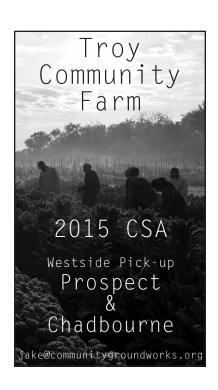
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## Buckingham Inn Bed & Breakfast Opens

The Buckingham Inn, Madison's newest bed and breakfast, recently opened in University Heights following a year-long building renovation. Operated by innkeepers Heidi and Tom Notbohm, the Buckingham Inn is located at 1615 Summit Avenue on the corner of Lathrop Street. The 104-year-old Prairie School-style residence originally housed three apartments. As a bed and breakfast, the inn features three unique guest suites, each with a sitting area, luxury bedding, and spacious tiled bathrooms with jetted tubs and spa-style showers. One of the suites includes features designed for those with physical disabilities and differences or impaired mobility.

In its earlier years as a three-flat apartment less than one block from Breese Terrace, the building housed numerous University of Wisconsin faculty, staff and students. The Notbohms purchased the property in 2006 when one of their sons resided there, and they continued operating it as apartments with the dream of moving in and converting it to a bed and breakfast someday.

With a few changes to interior rooms, renovation began in October 2013 consistent with the building's original architecture. Built in 1911, the residence had no insulation behind its lathe and plaster walls. Mechanical systems had reached the end of their lifespan. Electrical wiring was outdated. Almost 50 windows needed replacement.

The house now has new insulation, electrical, plumbing and heating systems. Interior woodwork was reproduced from the original painted pine to rich dark-stained oak. The renovation included technology upgrades such as high-speed wifi and wall-mounted televisions that can stream internet music and movies. The project also required repairs to the building's foundation, improved onsite parking and landscaping. Fifty gallons of interior paint later, and after driving 12,000 finish carpentry nails and applying over 100 tubes of caulk, the repurposed



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The Buckingham Inn, a Prairie School-style bed and breakfast at Summit Avenue and Lathrop Street

and renewed residence is ready to welcome guests and friends to the University Heights neighborhood.

After living three miles to the west for the previous 30+ years, the Notbohms are thrilled to be a part of the Regent Neighborhood! Heidi and Tom wish to thank all of the neighbors for enthusiastically supporting the bed and breakfast project and for patience and understanding during the disruption and noise caused by the construction. For more information, please view the inn's website at buckinghaminn.com.



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## Eat Local: Sushi Box

This March, neighbors Choon and Sung Kim celebrate 15 years running their true mom-and-pop operation at Sushi Box. Both born in Korea, the Kims met at church in Chicago. They moved from Chicago in the '80s running the Oriental Food Mart on South Park Street. Choon worked in restaurants in Chicago and has a degree in Sushi preparation. In 2001, the Kims opened Sushi Box on University Avenue because of its proximity to the campus and University Hospital and because they can walk to work from their Kendall Avenue home. Choon prepares dishes from a wide menu, including the neighborhood favorites chicken teriyaki and their beautiful bento boxes.

Sung describes the biggest surprise in running the restaurant, "When we opened we expected that our business would be carry out. While many neighborhood customers carry out, we found that families wanted to sit down and enjoy meals together. And, over the years, we've worked to expand and offer a wide menu matching a great variety of tastes of sushi and other Japanese dishes."

"I love this sushi bar. The husband makes the sushi, the wife does the rest. Friendly, small, low key, with a great assortment of sushi. It's tucked away, so many don't even know it's there, but it's worth the stop if you're in the neighborhood." — *Jlo on TripAdvisor.com* 



Choon and Sung Kim with son John. John is a graduate of West High, has a degree in Engineering from UW–Madison and works in Kenosha.

"This is a real nice sushi shop. Reminds me of places in Japan. Sauces are the best. Teriyaki chicken dish is well done. Presentation is excellent. They really want you to have a good meal and they take care of the details." — *Rick on Yelp.com* 

Sushi Box, Lombardino's, Blue Moon, Highland Corner Grill, and Oliver's make Highland and University a hot corner for great food. Support your neighbors and our neighborhood by eating local.





## Greetings from Randall!

Some traces of icing lie on my lips from a ritualistic pastry we share this time of year at Randall. Tradition once again covered our workroom table with a glorious carrot cake hosting the inscription, "We're Halving a Great Year!" Originally, I planned to have the baker scroll, "We're Halfway There!" A colleague noted that such a message inferred that our work is more toil than joy. Sharing her sentiments, we opted for what has now become the standard proclamation.

A tendency lies in many of us to endure rather than celebrate our wintry midyear. Holidays and outdoor activities assist us in defeating the doldrums. I find the snow an agent of inspiration, the perfect backdrop for crimson hearts, emerald clover, and purple, green and gold beads. The frigid frost also elevates our vigilance for a Jimmy the Groundhog sighting. One traversing white sands rather than crystal flakes is unlikely to invest much concern in our regal rodent's detection of his shadow. For folks like us, an early February day requiring sunglasses can bring us to our snowpant-padded knees.

Still, we must wonder how those of us who call Wisconsin our home can mark this season with disdain. Those who would load their lorries with only summer fare belongings and make a break for Southern climes would not be met by a Mason-Dixon border patrol and be denied passage. We choose the Midwest knowing that winter is long, summer is short and sweet, and the seasons between the two may be the most splendid of all.

I'll admit that some days I'd prefer a fig leaf to long johns. I must also admit that in my youth, I was always a bit confounded by the story of Adam and Eve. They allegedly lived in perfect bliss, but I wondered how they knew. How does one appreciate joy without knowing sorrow, light without knowing darkness, a Superbowl victory without knowing a losing season?

Some among you may have seen the now classic Twilight Zone episode about a lecherous hoodlum who met an untimely death and found himself in the afterlife showered with all the vices of which he had availed himself while on the planet. In short time, he complained to the custodian of the dwelling that he was tired of always winning in gambling, having his way in all matters carnal, and having every desire fulfilled with immediate certainty. "This isn't my idea of heaven," he complained.



Randall Principal John Wallace and the Randall students Zoe Esser-Domnitz (left) and Colette Liggon (right) ponder why it is perhaps better that we gather around a ground hog rather than a badger to determine the arrival of spring.

"What makes you think you're in heaven?" the proprietor responded demonically.

Jimmy will soon emerge from his basement bedroom to prognosticate the number of weeks before snow blowers pass the gas cans to lawn mowers. In the meantime, we will enjoy the gifts of the season, such as hiding our post-holiday bodies under layers of wool clothing. Before we know it, the tulips will be among those casting shadows and the crisp grasses will feel our bare feet. And, best of all, mosquitoes will swarm midair, buzzing a resounding, "Hot enough for ya?" — giving us yet another reason to be thankful that winter will be just around the corner.

Go Raccoons!

John Wallace, Principal ■

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## Dane County Board Report—District 10

## by Supervisor Jeremy Levin

I hope this edition of the RNA Newsletter finds you and your family well in the New Year. In 2015, the County Board and County Executive are looking to combat an issue that has plagued our area for too long, namely, racial disparities. In December, the County Board solicited proposals from vendors to conduct an evaluation of Dane County government from a racial



Supervisor Jeremy Levin

equity perspective to help guide county leadership and to provide strategic recommendations.

The objective of this racial equity analysis is to:

- Provide an unbiased, independent evaluation of county government operations, programs, and policies through a racial equity lens in order to inform the work of the Dane County Racial Equity and Social Justice Initiative Staff Team and the Strategic Leadership Team on Racial Equity, and assist the County Board in carrying out its general oversight responsibilities for county government operations and investment;
- 2. Provide specific recommendations for immediate, high-impact changes the county could implement,

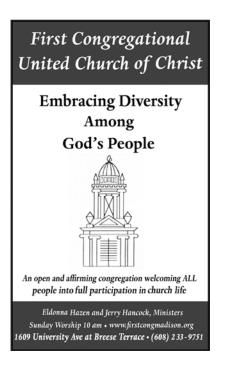
- as well as longer-term, higher-resource recommendations;
- 3. Provide information regarding data needs and next steps; and
- 4. Assist the County Executive in providing guidance on racial equity to all county departments.

We anticipate the County will contract with a selected vendor early in 2015 and begin conducting the Racial Equity Analysis in March 2015. While we have been working to address racial disparities on a number of fronts, the county still has some of the highest racial disparities of all counties in the nation and inequities exist at every age and in every aspect of life, including: economic well-being, family structure, education, child welfare, juvenile justice, health, housing, and the adult criminal justice system. The analysis will focus on racial equity issues across all Dane County Government operations, programs, and policies to identify strategies that all of us can work on together to address inequities within county government.

Should you or your family have an interest in specific Dane County projects or initiatives, please contact me at levin.jeremy@co.dane.wi.us or call me at 608.577.9335. ■







## Alder Report—District 5

## by Alder Shiva Bidar-Sielaff

Dear Neighbors,

Winter is sure here: frigid temperatures and snow on the evening I write this article!

Here is a summary of some key neighborhood issues:

• Stevens Street Park is scheduled to be renovated in 2015. We have had two neighborhood meetings with City Parks staff to discuss the plans.



Alder Shiva Bidar-Sielaff

There will be two new playground areas and an updated seating area as well as resurfacing of the basketball court. There will also be some fencing around the playground area do to safety reasons but with special attention to limit the fencing to the minimal necessary.

- Development proposals: I held a neighborhood meeting in December for neighbors to see the proposed plans for these two sites. Both require Conditional Use approvals by the Plan Commission.
  - o 2501 University Ave: the property owner is proposing a three-story building, less than 40 feet in height, 20 rental apartment units, commercial retail space on the ground floor, 34 parking spaces. Next steps: the owner plans to officially submit the proposal to the city in January/February and be before the Plan Commission in March.
  - o 2583 University Ave: the developer is proposing a three-story building, 43 feet in height, 27 rental apartment units, 25 parking stalls. Next steps: the developer is submitting its proposal to the city on January 7 and it should be on the Plan Commission's agenda at its February

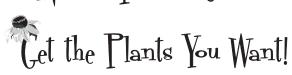
23 meeting. They plan to start construction in the Spring.

• Landmarks Ordinance: I was appointed as one of five alders on the Ad Hoc Landmarks Ordinance Review Committee. We have been diligently reviewing and discussing the recommendations for updates to the Landmarks Ordinance made by the Landmarks Commission. At this point, we are only looking at the non-historic district specific language and hope to have a final draft before City Council in early Spring.

Thank you for your continued involvement in neighborhood and city issues. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any comments, questions, and/or concerns. I can be reached at district5@ cityofmadison.com or (608) 220-6986. ■

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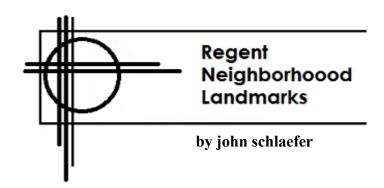


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## **GILMORE HOUSE, 120 Ely Place (1908)**

Edward Gilmore, a distinguished law professor at U.W., bought the land on the highest point of a glacial drumlin in the then suburb of University Heights in 1904. He held a half interest in the lot next to his, also. He decided to build a house on the land after purchasing the other half interest in the adjoining lot in 1907. He had a contensious experience with the first architect he hired, so construction of the house didn't take place right away.

A professor friend referred him to an article in an architecture magazine, entitled *In The Cause of Architecture*, that had been written by Frank Lloyd Wright as a forward to a set of pictures of his early works, including some of the early prairie houses. Included in the article was Wright's list of principles for organic architecture. Gilmore was so impressed with the article that he hired Wright to design a prairie house for him.

Construction was started in mid-1908 and completed in January, 1909. Wright sited the house on the brow of the hill, not on the top, as he did later with Taliesin, in accordance with his tenet for organic architecture that a building should be *of* its site not *on* its site; *of* the hill, not *on* the hill. The house became known as the "Airplane House" immediately, because the trim courses on the exterior and the central chimney made the south façade resemble a biplane. However, an addition to the south facade in 1929 destroyed the symetry and thus the resemblance to a plane it had had before.



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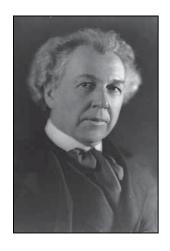
When we think of prairie houses, we think of buildings that are long and low, and no more that two stories in height, expressing the flatness of the prairie. Though it was built shortly after Wright's masterpiece of prairie architecture, the Robie House in Chicago, the Gilmore's above ground basement makes it appear to be three stories in height, so it is taller than most other prairie houses, but that gives the occupants a magnificent view of the west campus and Lake Mendota from the "third" story.

The house was designated a landmark by the City of Madison on May 18, 1971. It is also a National Historic Landmark.

#### The Architect

Frank Lloyd Wright's "Prairie" period was from approximately 1901 until 1912. Prior to that he had done innovative work, but it was all based on existing architectural styles. The prairie house was something new that changed architectural theory forever, and brought him international fame.

Wright had been to Japan in 1905 where he purchased Japanese prints and, no doubt, studied Japanese houses. He claimed throughout his life that he was not influenced by Japanese architecture, but, then, he was notorious for always aggrandizing himself. If one looks at pictures of Japanese houses, the prairie house's similarity is very apparent: simplicity, openness of the interior, lack of ornamentation, and horizontal detailing.



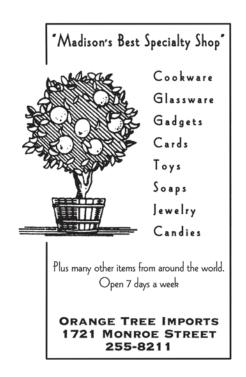
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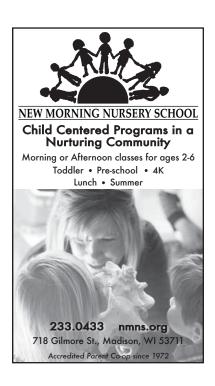
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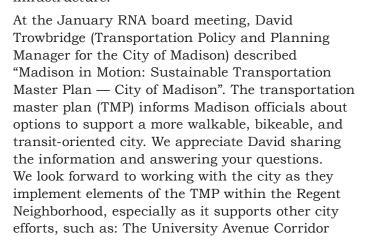




## Regent Neighborhood Streets and Transportation

#### by Charlie Peters

Safe streets and transportation infrastructure that consider the needs of pedestrians, bicyclists, those using mass transit, and individual motor vehicles help to make the Regent Neighborhood an enjoyable place to live. I joined the RNA board as Streets and Transportation chair last year to work with you and the city of Madison to maintain and improve that infrastructure.





Plan (featured on the RNA webpage); the Near Westside neighborhoods transportation study (www. cityofmadison.com/trafficengineering/nearWestTransportationStudy); and the Bicycle transportation plan (www. cityofmadison.com/bikeMadison/about/transportationPlan).

We hope to host other individuals involved with the transportation discussion in Madison at future RNA

board meetings. Discussion topics being considered include: ongoing and upcoming construction projects, metro transit updates, etc. If you have specific ideas for future topics or speakers, or would like to pursue a specific transportation issue, please feel free to contact me (Charlie Peters, capeters53@gmail.com, 608.235.2009).

In the meantime, I urge you to join the RNA listserv to stay current with happenings in the neighborhood, such as: maintaining safe walking conditions during our icy winters, thefts from unlocked cars, and alternate side parking.







## News From Regent Market Co-op — Sales and Planning Update

## by Jim Widder, RMC Board President

The holidays have past and the weather has turned cold and snowy. All the better to shop local. The fall quarter for the store finished with strong sales leading up to the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays and our little, neighborhood-owned corner store will close out the year in the black. The board has found that maintaining our market share in the Regent Neighborhood has been challenging, but with the able management of John Wendt, our store manager, and our friendly staff, we continue to hold our own providing convenience and good food.

We reported in the previous edition of this newsletter that the board is planning big changes to the store. The store will be doubling its size, improving the quality and selection of local, convenient grocery products and fresh meats, along with a full selection of wine, beer, and spirits. Another feature of the store will be an expanded deli, lunchtime offerings, and a community seating space in association with the meat counter. Preliminary plans and images of the remodeling and expansion are available at the store. The timetable for this expansion has been expanded to facilitate the negotiations surrounding the purchase of the buildings and to kick-off a robust capital campaign amongst our members and vendors, which is scheduled to begin shortly after the New Year.



Our cooperative annual membership meeting is planned for February 8, 3–6:00 pm, in the basement of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church at 1833 Regent Street. We will be presenting the recap of 2014 store operations and an update of our expansion plans for 2015. This is a chance to update our members and hear from them regarding their experience at the store. We welcome all of our members, customers, and interested neighbors to the meeting. (Only members will be able to vote on motions and elections of officers.) Neighbors and customers can join at the meeting or renew their annual memberships. Snacks and refreshments will be provided and a new slate of board officers will be elected during the meeting. Please join us to learn more about our little store on the corner and our big plans!















## Wingra School Selects Design-Build Team

The Wingra School Board is pleased to announce the selection of Eppstein Uhen Architects and CG Schmidt Construction as the design-build team for their upcoming construction projects. This choice was made by the School Board with input from Gilbert Cost Control Consultants, a local firm working with Wingra School as they plan their future renovations. The school, located on Monroe Street, has raised approximately \$1.6 million from private donors to complete the prospective work.

The Wingra building was designed to meet the needs of an early twentieth century public elementary school, with rows of desks in isolated classrooms. Wingra's innovative educational program emphasizes integrated hands-on learning, with students ages five through fourteen working together in frequently changing configurations, both indoors and outdoors. Furthermore, the building is also used for community gatherings. While the scope of this project is not finalized, the Board's goals are to provide flexible learning environments, enhance community spaces, increase safety and security, and ensure the facility meets ADA accessibility codes.

The Eppstein Uhen and CG Schmidt team will work with the Wingra Board, Administration and Teachers to meet these goals, while staying under budget and on schedule. These two firms are leaders in K-12 design and construction. They have worked together for 20 years and have completed over 50 projects together. The EUA and CGS partnership received unanimous approval by the Board. They will be managing this project out of their respective Madison offices.

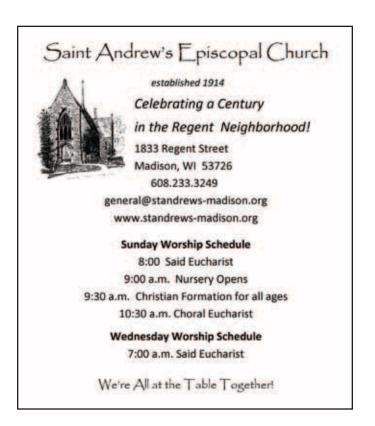
Eppstein Uhen Architects is a 107-year old, full-service design firm best known for pairing inspired design with exceptional client service. More than 125 employees in Milwaukee, Madison and Des Moines are challenged to go beyond design by demonstrating unparalleled commitment to the markets they serve, the community and their clients. The award-winning firm specializes in several distinct markets: workplace, education, retail/mixed-use, senior living, healthcare, residential, public, industrial, master planning and interior design. For additional information, please visit the company's website at eua.com.

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Wingra School

the Midwest. The company serves the markets of community, healthcare, educational, senior living, corporate, industrial and religious facilities. CG Schmidt's notable projects include the Milwaukee Art Museum's Calatrava Addition; Spectrum Brands New World Headquarters in Middleton; University of Wisconsin – Madison's Union South and Carson Gulley Center; Oaklawn Academy; and Monroe Clinic Hospital in Monroe. For more information, please visit the company's website at cgschmidt.com



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- · Lead one-on-one tutoring sessions
- Share your Algebra and Geometry skills
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- · Training provided

We are looking for tutors to begin tutoring immediately at East, West, Middleton, and Memorial High



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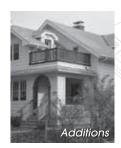
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Ads are black-and-white and are available in 4 sizes:

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Deadlines: Winter Newsletter—January 5, 2015

Spring Newsletter—March 31, 2015 Summer Newsletter—May 31, 2015 Member Directory—August 30, 2015 Fall Newsletter—September 30, 2015 **Distributions:** Winter Newsletter—early February

Spring Newsletter—early May
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- Questions? Contact Matt Costello at 209-0019 or mcostellowi@gmail.com
- Thank you for supporting the Regent Neighborhood Association!

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## Announcements—

#### Market and Meals for Hope

Sunday, February 1, 9:30 am-12:30 pm (breakfast 10 am-12:15 pm) Blessed Sacrament, 2121 Rowley Avenue

Saturday, February 21, 8:30 am–12:30 pm (breakfast 9:30 to 11:30 am). First Unitarian Society, 900 University Bay Drive

Blessed Sacrament and First Unitarian Society will each host an indoor Winter Farmers' Market with breakfast made from market ingredients. The market includes produce, meats, cheeses, preserves, canned goods, baked goods, and more from local family farms. A portion of all proceeds go to the Harvest for Hope Farm Crisis Fund. Tickets for breakfast can be purchased in advance at each church or at door.

#### St. Andrew's Episcopal Church Concert Series

Organ Recital Friday, February 6, 7:30 pm

Celtic Music Celebration Friday, March 13, 7:30 pm 1833 Regent Street ■

#### West High School Drama

The Sound of Music
March 6-7 and 13-14, 7:00 pm
West High School Auditorium, 30 Ash Street ■

#### **Edgewood High School Drama**

Mary Poppins
March 13–15 and 20–22, 7:00 pm
West High School Auditorium, 30 Ash Street ■

#### **Monroe Street Library Events:**

#### **Preschool Parade**

- Preschool Storytime, Tuesdays, January 13-May 5, 10:30 am
- Storytime for the Very Young, Tuesdays, January 13–May 5, 11:30 am

#### School-Age Groove

- CRAFTernoon, Mondays, February 2, March 2, April 6, May 4, 2:00–4:00 pm
- I {Heart} Art, Saturday, February 14, 2:00 pm
- Wooden Art Car, Saturday, February 21, 10:30 am
- Roller Coasters, Saturday, April 18, 10:00 am

#### Fun for Families

- Library LEGO Club, Thursdays, February 19, March 19, April 16, May 21, 3:00-5:00 pm
- One World, One Sound Drum Circle, Saturday, March 21, 10:30 am
- May Flower Fun, Saturday, May 2, 10:00-11:30 am
- Paper Paste Exploration, Saturday, May 16, 10:30 am, (A Bubbler Event)

#### **Teens and Adults**

- Monroe Street Library Book Discussions,
   Wednesdays, February 25, March 25, April 22,
   May 27, 6:00 pm
- Needle Felting with Wool, Wednesday, February 4, 6:00-8:00 pm, (A Bubbler Event)
- Self Portraits, Wednesday, April 1, time TBA, (A Bubbler Event) ■

## Join the RNA Listserv — groups.google.com/group/regentneighborhoodassn

This newsletter is a quarterly publication of the Regent Neighborhood Association with a circulation of 1,900. The deadline for the spring edition is March 31, 2015. We welcome articles of general interest to the neighborhood, discussions of local issues, personal interest stories, etc. Please address items or inquiries, or for current ad rates, to Mary Sarnowski, 469-0284, sarnowski@mac.com. Letters to the editor do not necessarily reflect the views of the Regent Neighborhood Association.