

Maple Arches Neighborhood Association

1256 Shawano Ave.
Green Bay, WI 54303

**Happy Holidays
from Your Neighborhood
Association!**

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If you own a business and would like to advertise in the Maple Arches Neighborhood Association quarterly newsletters, please email Beth at enadolski2@new.rr.com. Our newsletters are either hand-delivered or mailed to over 300 homes! We would be happy to insert your logo, a picture of your business, or your picture (if you prefer) to accompany your advertisement! This is a terrific opportunity to reach many area homes!

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Joe Vanidestine, Co-President Beth Nadolski Spears, Co-President
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If you are new to the area...

Meet MANA! Aptly named Maple Arches, our neighborhood is sheltered beneath beautiful arching maple trees and is in close proximity to both downtown and the west side shopping district. Public and private elementary, middle, and high schools, all within walking distance of the neighborhood, separate us from other associations.

WINTER REMINDERS

As weather events increase in the coming months, it is important to remember:

- Sidewalks must be free of snow and ice within 24 hours of a storm event. This greatly reduces risk of pedestrian injury.
- Trash cans, garbage bags, and recycling bins/carts cannot be placed on snow

banks. This poses a potential safety hazard for City employees, and your garbage/recycling will not be picked up.



- Garbage and recycling should be placed out no sooner than 12 hours before pickup time on your scheduled collection day.
- When it is not collec-

tion time, garbage and recycling should be concealed in such a way as to not be visible from the street.

- Adopt a fire hydrant and keep it shoveled free of snow.

If you would like to report potential safety issues to the City, please call the Public Works Department at (920) 448-3535.

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THE SIGN HAS ARRIVED!

If you haven't already seen it, MANA is pleased to announce that in early November the City installed the official sign identifying Maple Arches Neighborhood Association. The sign was placed on the north side of Shawano Avenue adjacent to the proposed recreational trail. It depicts the maple trees that decorate our neighborhood, but also draws on the railroad history of the area. If you are interested in heading or contributing on a committee to plan and execute the landscape design, please contact Joe Vanidestine at 490-4854. Landscaping will begin in spring 2013.



Annual Meeting Update

On September 19, MANA held its fourth annual meeting, which marks three years since our organization was officially recognized by the City of Green Bay on December 1, 2009.

At the annual meeting, we had two guest speakers. First, Community Police Officer Scott Schuetze talked about crime in our area and gave crime prevention tips. While our neighborhood rarely experiences violent or destructive crime, we have had many incidents of petty break-ins and robberies. Officer Schuetze explained that common-sense safety is the best way to deter thieves who are looking for a quick and easy entry to cars and homes. In addition to knowing your neighbors, locking your car and home at all times, and keeping outdoor lights on, Officer Schuetze recommends updating old door locks, especially if you live in an apartment. Similarly, if you park your car in the driveway, do not leave the garage door opener in the car.

Have you ever wondered about the men and women in the area wearing dark pants and gold shirts and/or jackets with the City logo and CSI insignia on them? Jamie Wozniak, one of our Community Service Interns, was the second guest speaker of the evening. Intern Wozniak explained that those seeking to qualify for a CSI position must be attending a college or university and be enrolled in criminal justice, psychology, or related fields. Jamie said she enjoys getting to know the residents as she walks our neighborhoods, providing community outreach support and reporting issues or incidents to appropriate City personnel. There are currently seven CSIs working out of the Joannes Park Community Police Center. Our neighborhood is lucky to have CSIs in our corner!

To report an incident of petty crime, please call our Community Police Center at (920) 492-3785. To check crime in your area, visit www.myneighborhoodupdate.com.

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



Friendly Reminder to Pet Owners:

Please keep pets in a fenced-in area or on a leash at all times. It is also important to clean up pet feces on your property.

Thanks for being great neighbors!



It's Spirit Time!

There might not be snow on the ground yet, but you can't help but feel the spirit of the holidays! Continuing its tradition, MANA will hold a friendly holiday spirit competition, awarding three homeowners a gift card or certificate to a local business.

Please take some time to decorate your homes for the holidays. Your efforts

are appreciated and help to brighten our neighborhood and get others into the spirit of the holidays!

The Board will tour the neighborhood after its December 19 meeting, and the winners will be announced in the winter newsletter. Thank you so much for joining in this



friendly and fun competition aimed at spreading the joy of the holidays! We look forward to seeing your beautiful homes all decked out for the season.

City to Expand Trail System

The City of Green Bay will begin work on a west side recreational trail in the spring of 2013. The ten-foot wide asphalt trail will run between Oneida Street and Military Avenue. According to Dan Ditscheit of the Green Bay Parks Department, the City will begin work in April, and the trail should be completed in July. The project is being funded through City bonding (two-thirds) and a Community Development Block Grant (one-third.)



On November 10, Alderman Mark Steuer and representatives from several neighborhood associations including Maple Arches, Mather Heights, and Perkins Park, walked the trail and collected 40 large bags of trash. In addition to the expected debris, the group found other large items that were discarded there instead of being disposed of according to City ordinance. The group placed the large items along the edge of the proposed trail so the City would have an easier time removing them. This grass-roots effort was made to help the City and to show residents' commitment to the trail project. Thank you to residents Kris Michell, Joe Vanidestine, and Lois Vanidestine, who represented MANA.

MANA Welcomes New Board Member

At the annual meeting, MANA elected a new board member—Beth Nadolski Spears. Beth lives at 1256 Shawano Avenue across from Green Bay Floral & Greenhouse. She works for the City of Green Bay in the Community Services Agency, a depart-

ment that houses Planning Division, Inspection Division (housing and building), Neighborhood Division, Redevelopment Authority, and both the Brown County and Green Bay Housing Authorities.

Beth loves meeting new people and is eager to be involved in the com-

munity. She hopes to draw from her education and experience to help shape the neighborhood into a safe and unified district.

The MANA board appreciates Beth's experience and looks forward to working with her.

You might catch Beth and her dog, Mystique, walking around the neighborhood!

Clean-Up & Reduce Crime

Did you know that maintaining our properties actually helps reduce crime? The message we send is that we are involved and take pride in our property and community. Simply containing garbage and recycling in a neat and orderly manner or removing an inoperable vehicle can even reduce possible hiding spots for those avoiding police.

Please help in this clean-up initiative by not only maintaining your own property but also re-

porting issues other properties might have. Examples are peeling house paint, broken windows, collecting/piling up garbage and other junk, and storing inoperable vehicles. These and more types of building, zoning, housing, and property maintenance concerns should be directed to the City's Community Services Agency by calling (920) 448-3300. Please also visit www.greenbaywi.gov. Thanks for doing your part!

PREVENT PROPERTY CRIME

Follow these four easy steps to avoid becoming a victim of property crime:

1. Keep outdoor lights on at night.
2. Ensure doors and windows are locked as you leave even if for a short period of time.
3. Let your neighbors know when you are on vacation.
4. Keep your garage door closed and locked.