

GARDEN

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“The choices are endless,” Blair points out. “Outdoor kitchens are hot and the choices in stone and brick are amazing ... water features, small bubblers, fountains and low voltage lighting are all options homeowners have to enhance their property.” Blair Landscaping can incorporate any or all of these creative elements into a new landscape.

Fritz Backyard Nursery 608-335-9186
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Dena Fritz is the propagator, grower, wholesaler and retailer at Fritz Backyard Nursery, located in her own backyard. She sells plants from her home, on weekends from May to October. In September 2008 Fritz had her first sale from her driveway. She put up signs around the neighborhood advertising a plant sale at her address.

Fritz Backyard Nursery offers a wide variety of trees, shrubs, dwarf and miniature conifers, perennial flowers and grasses, hostas, succulents and much more at affordable prices. “Without greenhouses, we don’t force our plants out of dormancy early,” Fritz says. “We let Mother Nature do her job to insure plants grow strong and naturally.”

Fritz, a certified Master Gardener,

does her own propagating by rooted cuttings, seed or division. She also offers design and consultation services for the home gardener. “We will go personally to look at your landscape and help you to design a shade or sun garden,” Fritz says.

“Container gardening seems to be the going trend,” Fritz observes. “People with a small place can have a fantastic flower garden in containers.”

Help In The Garden 242-0712

Bill Jolin, sole proprietor of Help In The Garden, specializes in hand-weeding. “I work on work-of-art gardens,” he says. He takes the extra care required by gardens that feature “designer” flowers; he also offers creative garden planning.

Jolin is a proud freelancer — “I do what there is to do” when customers seek his service.

Madison FarmWorks 608-239-6205
troygardens.org

Madison FarmWorks, an offshoot of Community GroundWorks at Troy Gardens, designs, installs and maintains organic vegetable gardens at homes, businesses and schools in Madison. “We combine the professional skills of farming with the small scale beauty of the home garden to help you produce local food right where you are,” says Megan Cain of Madison FarmWorks. “The foundation of our business is educational. Our passions revolve around empowering people to grow their own food.”

In addition to physical work, Madison FarmWorks is offering Urban Gardener Training this year. Staff will come to your garden three times throughout the growing season and cover the topics you choose. The instruction is one-on-one, tailored exactly to your needs and goals, and it happens right in your garden. “It’s great for beginning gardeners to help guide them through some of the common mistakes of gardening,” Cain says, “but we also work with established gardeners who want to delve more deeply into organic gardening and build their skills in certain areas.”

Madison FarmWorks also offers help with Garden Plans. They work with



Photo by Milt Leidner

Manager Don Dettor at Jung Garden Center on Northport Drive has a selection of brightly colored flowers that is sure to put you in the spring gardening mood.

individual gardeners to help them figure out what to plant, when to plant it and how to reach their gardening goals. Staff then prepares a Garden Plan for the client, a personalized map of the client’s garden accompanied by a written plan with suggestions on how to improve the garden, along with a small handbook that highlights several important organic gardening topics.

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FOOD

The Northside Farmers' Market season starts May 2

By Lynette Jandl
Northside News

The Northside Farmers' Market returns on the first Sunday in May! No matter where you live on the Northside, if you listen out your door that morning at 8:30 am you should be able to hear the opening cheer! After the long winter, it's always so good to see friends, neighbors and your favorite vendors.

This well-established market is enthusiastically enjoying its sixth season of pro-

viding Madisonians with fresh, healthy and tasty fruits, vegetables, meats, eggs, bakery goods, cheeses and other dairy items. Enjoy Tuy's just squeezed juices and smoothies and other "grab and munch" goodies. The Town Square atmosphere fosters plenty of friendly conversations and includes a variety of events and entertainment. Learn more at www.northsidefarmersmarket.org.

Let us know at the Info table if you can join the group of volunteers who make it all happen! See you on Sun., May 2!

Northside Farmers' Market May-June event schedule

May 2 - Opening Day

Cinco de Mayo celebration with a piñata, Mexican Foods and Latin Games

May 9 - Mothers Day

Kids get a free plant or flower for Mom

May 16 - Timebank Plant Exchange 10 am-noon

Bring labeled perennials, seedlings, bulbs, houseplants and seeds to trade or sell for Timedollars. Plant trading open to non-Timebank members. Contact Emily at esteinwehe@gmail.com or call 609-9320.

May 23 - Farm Animals at the Farmers' Market

June 6 - Madison Children's Museum at the Farmers' Market

June 6 - Let's Grow exhibit and program

Includes a market cart, fabric garden plots and veggies. Lots of fun for kids!

June 6 - Milk Mustache Mobile

Fun activities, sampling station and the crowd favorite, the Milk Mustache Photo Area. Don a celebrity-inspired Milk Mustache and strike a pose for your very own souvenir Milk Mustache photograph.



Cook's Corner

Your Northside neighbors' favorite recipes.

We invite you to send your favorite recipe that reflects your ethnic or cultural heritage or recipes featuring local food products as the centerpiece. Please e-mail to: Lauri@northsidenews.org.

This month's recipe contributor: Lisa Wiese

Lisa has lived on the Northside for over a decade. She manages the Northside Farmers Market, serves on the Dane County Food Council and volunteers with the FEED Madison project, all in an effort to get more local food into local bellies.

Lisa's 14-year-old daughter Cora created this easy potluck dish that brightens up boring old mashed potatoes. You'll use up some of the last season's locally grown vegetables before the spring harvest begins.

Cora's Curried Mashed Potatoes (6-8 servings)

- 3 lbs potatoes (about 9 medium)
- 1 1/2 lbs carrots (about 6 medium), sliced or diced
- 1/2-1 cup milk
- 1/4 cup butter
- 1 tsp. black mustard seeds
- 1 tsp. ground cumin
- 2 tsp. turmeric
- 2 tsp. salt
- 1 tsp. black pepper
- 2 tsp. cayenne pepper (optional)



Wash potatoes and cut into large pieces. You can peel them if you want, but I don't. Cover with water and bring to a boil. Boil until tender (about 30 min). While potatoes are cooking, steam carrots until tender (about 10 min), then drain.

When potatoes are cooked, drain and mash with butter, milk and spices. Use just enough milk to make potatoes smooth and fluffy. Stir in carrots. Serve warm.





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Drop-in Crafts
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Family Storytime
Tuesdays through Apr. 27 at 3:30 pm
For kids of all ages.

Preschool Storytime
Tuesdays through Apr. 27 at 10:30 am
Stories, songs, fingerplays and more for children ages 3-5. Younger siblings welcome.

Storytime for the Very Young
Tuesdays through Apr. 27 at 11:30 am
Stories, songs and rhymes for children ages 0-35 months. One adult per child is recommended.

Lotsa Lego Fun
Mon., May 3 at 3:30 pm
Join us for Lego fun at the library. We'll read an inventive book then make our own Lego creations. Kids in grades K-5 can register starting Apr. 19.

"We're Going Batty"
Sat., May 8 from 1:30-2:30
Ken and Barbara Bowman show off their bat friends upside down lifestyle. Discover the real story behind these fascinating furry flying animals.

Preschool Spanish with Ellie Rogers
Wednesdays., May 5-Jun 9 at 10:30 am
Stories, songs, and games to introduce children age 3-6 years to Spanish and have fun while learning. Call 246-4547 to register beginning Apr. 21.

Adult Noon Book Group
The second Thursday of each month
Cookies and books with your neighbors, what could be better?
May 13: *A Confederacy of Dunces* by John Kennedy Toole

Knitting at the Library
Every Wednesday at 6:30 pm
Make new friends while knitting. They will teach you and supply materials.

Scrabble for Adults
Every Wednesday at 10 am

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Lakeview Chess Club
The second and fourth Monday of the month at 6 pm.

Sweets and Stories on Second Saturdays
Saturdays Apr. 10, May 8 and Jun. 12 at 10 am. Storytime for the whole family with donuts, coffee and juice

Afternoon Tea with Laura Schaefer
Fri., Apr 16 from 4-5 pm
Laura Schaefer talks about her book *Teashop Girls* over tea and treats. Read the book and talk about it with the author. Grade 3-6. Register online or call 246-4547.

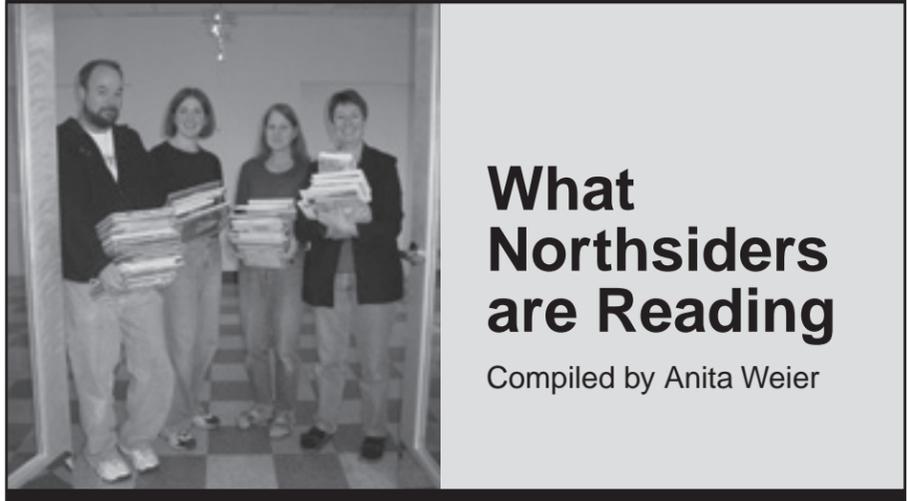
Insect Ambassadors
Sat. Apr. 17 at 2 pm
UW-Madison's insect experts bring along hissing cockroaches for us to hold.

Family Wii Night
Mondays, Apr. 19 and May 24
6:30-7:30 pm. Play Wii games that are fun for the whole family. Register by calling Lakeview at 246-4547.

Game Club
Mondays: Apr. 12 and 26, May 10 and 24 from 2:30-4:30 pm. Kids 8-18 eat snacks and play fun board games. Beginner and advanced gamers welcome.

Games for Seniors
Wed., Apr. 14 and May 12 at 1 pm
Senior Adults are invited to play Wii games. No experience necessary.

Home Composting Class with George Dreckmann
Sat., Apr 24 at 11:30 am
Madison Recycling coordinator George Dreckmann teaches us how to start and maintain your compost pile.



What Northsiders are Reading

Compiled by Anita Weier

Katie Scharf
Lakeview Branch librarian
The Men and the Girls by Joanna Trollope, a descendent of Anthony Trollope (an English novelist of the Victorian era). It's about two long-time male friends who are both in relationships with women 25 years younger. I read one-third of the book in one night."

Char Tortorice
Retired UW administrator and Northside Planning Council Board member
"I am reading *What History Tells: George L. Mosse and The Culture of Europe*, which is a collection of critical papers from a conference commemorating Dr. Mosse's life and legacy. I like it because it captures the spirit of one of our most renowned historians who was, I am honored to say, my friend."

Peg Sherry
Poet retired from the Madison Metropolitan School District
"I'm reading *The Boy Who Loved Anne Frank* by Ellen Feldman. It's fascinating!
I recently read Tim O'Brien's *In The Lake of the Woods*. It was very well written, and I was interested enough to just read a few pages at a time and come back to it. He writes very well and was the winner of the James Fennimore Cooper Prize for historical fiction awarded by the Society of American Historians."

Marcia Yapp
Artist
"The book I'm reading right now is by Nancy Blair (artist/author) called, *Thank You, But Your Opinion Means Nothing to Me ... A Year of Hot Flashes, Flashbacks, and Finding My Voice ... Musings from the Menopausal Highway*. This is a very funny and poignant book. Need I say more?"

Satya Rhodes-Conway
District 12 Alder
"I'm in the middle of Michael Pollan's *The Omnivore's Dilemma*. I loved *The Botany of Desire* and have wanted to read the rest of his work, but I'm less impressed with this one — maybe because I'm a vegetarian. The last book I finished was *The Lacuna* by Barbara Kingsolver. She's one of my favorite fiction authors — her *Prodigal Summer* was amazing. I liked *Lacuna* too — it was an interesting window into history."

Gerry Novotny
Environmental engineer
"I just finished reading *Plato and a Platypus Walk Into a Bar ...* by David Cathcart and Daniel Klein. The two authors majored in philosophy at Harvard and, as might have been expected, ended up working with street gangs and writing jokes for comedians. This is an enjoyable short book that uses jokes to illustrate philosophical concepts."

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YOUTH PROFILE

Alexis Evans-Krueger Dreams of Dancing on Broadway

By Brooksy Beilke-Skoug and Marlene Hardick

"The leg needs to be in passé; arms stronger and elevate your chest," commands the voice of East Show Choir dance lead, Alexis Evans-Krueger. The confident, impeccably trained dancer checks the positioning of the other 39 dancers in the show choir. The group snaps into position and does their best to imitate Alexis' form and line.

"5, 6, 7, 8... let's run the steps again." High standards are set and met only when the entire group is ship-shape.

Alexis spent this spring auditioning for numerous prestigious college dance programs next fall. She has been accepted by all but Julliard, a school that felt she was not tall enough. She has her choice of programs — if the scholarships also come through.

"Dancing is all I want to do with my life. I want to dance with a professional company, teach or do choreography."

She began dancing at age two, clogging in Cripple Creek Cloggers with grandparents Cheri and Armond Krueger. It was plain to see that Alexis loved dancing. Recognizing both her talent and zeal, Cheri enrolled Alexis at the Kehl School of Dance.

Not only did Alexis excel in dance but also expanded into synchronized figure skating. Lessons, classes, competitions and performing became Alexis' life. Every December since 1999, she has listened as sounds of "The Nutcracker" fill the theater. Dancers in pointe shoes

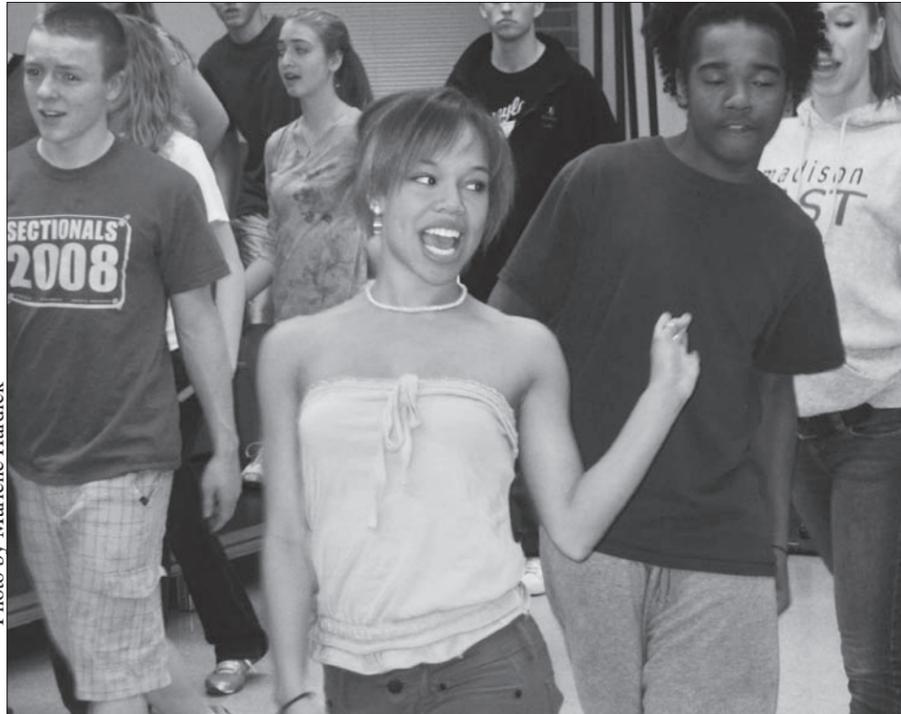


Photo by Marlene Hardick

Watch Alexis, Isaiah Oby and the East High Show Choir dance at Cabaret, Thursday, April 15, and Friday, April 16 at 7pm in the East Auditorium. Adults-\$6; students and seniors-\$4. Buy in advance from show choir students or call 204-1600. A small number are available at the door on Thursday.

grind sticky rosin into the toes of their shoes to prepare for intricate dances. Alexis has danced the roles of Snow, Flower, Rat with the Madison Ballet and was cast as Sugar Plum Fairy in the Stoughton production — a role typically reserved only for seasoned professionals. She has been in Cinderella, Peter Pan and Midsummer Night's Dream.

For two summers she has studied at

Point Park Dance Academy in Pittsburgh. This opportunity has given her the confidence to audition at Fordham University, NYC, which would promote her dream of dancing her way into a position with the Alvin Ailey American Dance Company.

Behind the scenes Cheri and Armond can be found everywhere, volunteering and supporting Alexis all the way with their time, transportation and love. "We are exhausted from filling out scholarship applications," says Cheri Krueger, "but Alexis is focused and a hard worker. Her talent is being recognized."

Alexis recognizes their loving support. "My grandparents raised me and they have supported me in everything. They attend everything — sports, dance, concerts, school events. If I wanted to be a rock star, my grandparents would say, 'Lexi, you go for it.'"

"My family has five generations of dancers. My great-great grandfather was a Cossack dancer and studied ballet at University of Leningrad in Russia. My great-grandma Ursula Silver now 84, danced ballet and flamenco. My grandparents, Cheri and Armond Krueger, are cloggers. My mom, Heidi Krueger, danced in many styles, especially ballet and pointe.



Photos provided by Cheri Krueger

(Top L) Armond and Cheri Krueger with Cripple Creek Cloggers; (Top R) Heidi Krueger as high school dancer; (Bottom) Ursula Silver, circa 1940s.

"I am declaring a major in modern dance, but I am still searching for my favorite style of dance. I dance in all styles — modern, lyrical, African, hip-hop, ballet, tap, jazz. This year I started the "I Got My Nikes On" dance crew at East. Everyone has had my back and gave me a lot of support. At Kehl's, JoAnn Janus-Uhalt and Jenny Hilbrandt have helped me and written a lot of scholarship letters. Brooksy Beilke, my teacher at East, has been really supportive. Being in Show Choir for four years has made me more rounded, improved my singing, partnering and ballroom dancing."

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SCHOOL



Photo submitted by Rosy Bayuk

“Desks of Dreams” May 18 auction to raise money for Emerson School

By Rosy Bayuk

Students at Emerson Elementary School on the east side of Madison are raising money for their school by creating art pieces out of old desks, exhibiting them in the community and selling them at auction. The 1970's era desks are being transformed by students under the direction of artists-in-residence as well as by local artists.

Inspired by the "Cows on Parade" project and funded by a grant from the Foundation for Madison Schools, "Desks of Dreams" will raise money for Emerson's Individual School

Endowment. From the interest on this fund, teachers receive grants to carry out original educational projects that are outside the core school budget.

Desks will be on display for the public to see at many Madison locations including the Overture Center, MATC, Olbrich Gardens and many more locations from early April until early May for the public to see.

The desks will be auctioned at Emerson Elementary School on Tuesday, May 18 from 6-7 pm. Student performances will be included in the festivities.

“The Desks of Dreams project is a wonderful way to connect the school and community! I encourage all of Madison to get involved in this project!”

Jessica Doyle,
First Lady of Wisconsin

Margaret’s Fund: A Northside scholarship seeks applicants

By Alyssa Kenney

Margaret’s Fund: A Northside Scholarship is accepting applications for its 2010 award. Any Northside resident who is an adult returning to post-secondary school after an interruption in education is invited to apply.

All applicants must be a Northside resident and be accepted into a degree or certificate-seeking program for the 2010-11 academic year. Preference will be given to applicants who actively participate in Northside organizations and have overcome substantial obstacles or challenges to success.

You can obtain the application and full guidelines at www.madison.com/communities/mfansf/library/index.php. The application postmark deadline is Apr. 23, 2010.

Margaret’s Fund was established in 2007 to support residents of Northside Madison neighborhoods who are pursuing higher education. The award goes to a graduating high school senior

in odd years and to a returning adult in even years.

College is expensive in many ways beyond tuition and books, the two areas covered by most scholarships. Because Margaret's Fund is unrestricted, the recipient can use the award to pay for some of the often forgotten extra costs of college such as childcare, computers, transportation, supplies or special fees.

The first award of Margaret’s Fund went to Tara Hoffman, a 2009 graduate of East High School. Tara began attending UW-Whitewater in fall 2009 to study early childhood development and social work.

Margaret's Fund is professionally managed by the Madison Community Foundation. Donations are tax deductible and very much appreciated.

Questions about Margaret’s Fund: A Northside Scholarship can be directed to Alyssa Kenney at 213-7917. For more information, see www.madison.com/communities/mfansf/index.php.



Photo by Diane Krszjanick

Holy Cross Lutheran School students raise money for Leukemia and Lymphoma Society

Students at Holy Cross Lutheran School, 2670 Milwaukee St., collected Pennies for Patients this winter to benefit The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Together they raised \$577.33.

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East High School math department student news and updates

By Cynthia Chin

Eleventh Annual Pi Mile event

There's Still Time to Sign Up! The 11th Annual Pi Mile will take place at Warner Park on May 29 with registration at 9 am and the Run/Walk beginning at 10 am. Support the East math community, have a nice walk or run, and get a t-shirt plus pie. We are looking for prize donations for a drawing during the event. For advance registration information (or to make a donation), contact Pat Meloy (pmeloy@madison.k12.wi.us 204-1603 ext. 41526) or Phillip Galarowicz (pgalarowicz@madison.k12.wi.us or 204-1603 ext. 41528).

Guest speakers needed for May event

As of press time, the math department is still seeking guest speakers from the community to talk about how mathematics is used throughout the Madison area. We have several openings in our "Math Week" schedule, May 17–21, especially for mid-day and afternoon presentation times. Artistic, social and political applications are of interest, as well as technical and business uses. Please contact Cynthia Chin (cchin@madison.k12.wi.us or 204-1534) if you are interested in participating.

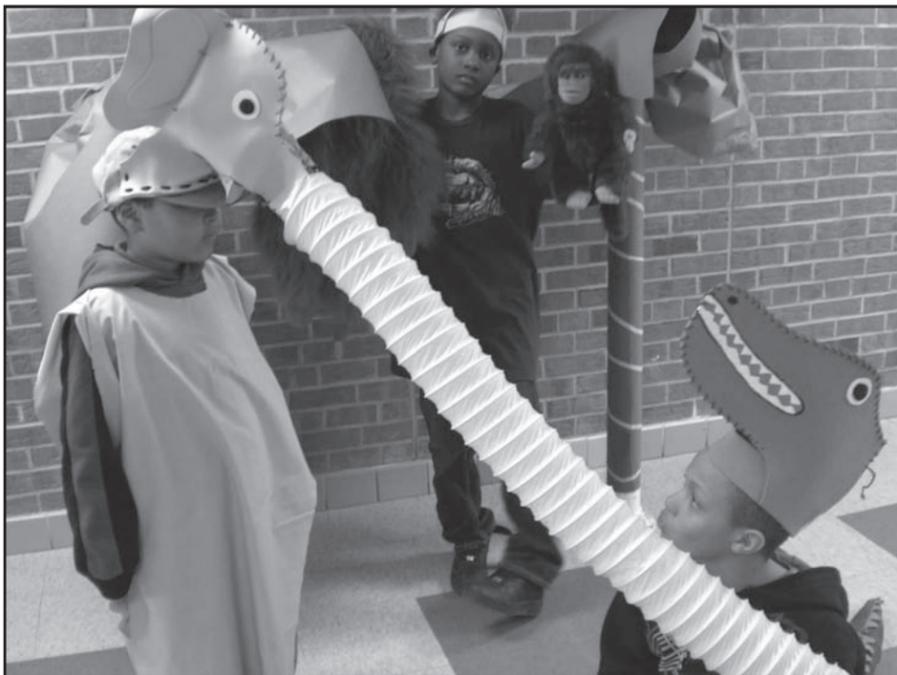
Congratulations

Five East students participated in

the UW-Madison Mentorship for Young Women in Math and Science this year. Joined by their faculty and graduate student mentors, they shared the results of their twice-a-month evening research sessions at a public presentation on March 10. Lydia Auner and Maggie Johnson discussed differential equations that describe the spread of a disease epidemic. Samantha Garity, Nancy Vang and Austen Wygocki demonstrated theorems they had proven about various tilings of the plane — covering flat surfaces and curved ones with combinations of square shapes. New participants are being sought for fall 2010. Learn more by contacting Prof. Gloria Mari Beffa at the UW-Madison Mathematics Department.

A busy competition year

On the same evening as the young womens' program, 33 students represented East at the last city-wide math meet of the year. A team of eight competed in the state-wide Wisconsin Mathematics Council contest the previous week. Scott Wilton (AMC12) and Mikko Utevsky (AMC 10) posted the highest school scores in the February American Mathematics Competitions. February was also the month when results from the Fall 2009 Mathematical Modeling entries were announced — East's technical papers were awarded two meritorious rankings and three honorable mentions.



Ms. Mehlberg's students acted out The Elephant's Child during Lindbergh's Book Week. The Elephant's Child is a make believe story telling how the elephant got its long trunk.

Lindbergh School celebrates Book Week

By Shirley Raymakers

In conjunction with "Read Across America" week in early March, Lindbergh students celebrated their own book week with special events. Librarian Shirley Raymakers visited each classroom dressed as the "Book Fairy" and gave each classroom a new book. Guest readers read in the library. Each child received a book through a RIF (Reading is Fundamental) distribution. Children organized reading nights with their families at home. The big finale featured several 2/3 classrooms headed by Ms. Scoby, Ms. Mehlberg and Ms. Edge making presentations to the entire school based on books that students had read.

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YOUTH SPORTS

Free Girls Basketball Camp

By Lynelle Harrison

The Madison Stars Basketball Club and Madison East High School girls varsity coaches (Kay Galuska and Jason Hairston) are hosting a free basketball camp for East district girls in kindergarten through grade 8 on Sat., Apr. 17 at East High School. The camp runs from 9:30–11 am. All skill levels are welcomed. This camp is a great way for girls to see what the sport of basketball is like. Girls should wear athletic clothing and shoes and bring a basketball if they have one.

Girls who participate in the camp will also get a free lunch after camp. You can register your daughter by e-mailing or calling Lynelle Harrison

at madisonstars@hotmail.com or 692-0218 with the following info: child's name, grade, school, phone number and e-mail address. Although registration will be available the day of the event, we would appreciate pre-registration so that we can make sure we have enough lunch food for everyone.

There will also be an information session for parents during the camp (pre-registration required). Parents will find out more about girls basketball in our area. Hear from parents who are currently involved in girls basketball with the Madison Stars and East High School. Parents who attend the information session will also receive a free lunch.

The Madison Stars will also be running free skills clinics on Wednesday nights this spring, beginning Apr. 21. The clinics are open to new players. Check our website for dates, times and location.

The Madison Stars Basketball Club, Inc. is a non-profit youth basketball organization based in the Madison East High School district. We are the only all-girls basketball club in the area and focus on skill development of all players, along with promoting healthy, active lifestyles to all. All of our coaches and administrators are volunteers who spend their time teaching the girls not only basketball skills, but also respect and responsibility, which they can take with them off the court. To find out more about the Madison Stars, view pictures and videos of events from this past season, download the event flyer and more, please visit our website at www.madisonstarsbasketball.com or call Lynelle Harrison at 692-0218.

Northside Youth Football Thrives

By Jon Schwichtenberg

Warner Park Youth Football (WPYF) has served the Northside neighborhoods of Madison for over 30 years. The Warner Park Youth Football Program (WPYF) was established in 1972 by an interested group of individuals that cared about the children of the Northside communities. Over the years, the organization has grown and begun to take shape into a vibrant organization that is well respected in our community and is comprised of mostly volunteers who give their time and energy to fulfill the original mission.

The program has helped teach area youth about leadership, teamwork and discipline. WPYF has contributed to the well being and development of thousands of children. Last year, WPYF served over 250 children in the football and cheerleading teams that cover grades 4–8.

The overall goal of WPYF is to deliver a full-contact youth football program to the youth and families of Northside communities, so that they may:

- Build character, self-esteem and personal confidence through performing as a team and through their individual accomplishments.
- Develop athletic skills and techniques of football.
- Understand the proper definition of a team — a collection of players united in the pursuit of a common objective and of which each player is an integral part.



Warner Park Youth Football at work

Photo submitted by Jon Schwichtenberg

- Have an equal opportunity to develop and achieve with teammates.
- Provide recreational experiences that balance fun, safety, individual athletic abilities and satisfaction from team achievements.
- Have an enjoyable season that can be remembered for the rest of their lives.

The organization is in need of volunteers to assist in our operations. These positions can be filled by anyone, including player's parents, general public volunteers, etc. There are currently three board positions open, including a parent representative, director and an equipment coordinator. Anyone filling these positions will receive free fees for the participants in their families.

Signups will be conducted at the Warner Park Recreation Center on Tuesdays, May 4, 11 and 18, from 6-8 pm. For more information please contact Jon Schwichtenberg at 608-332-2486.

North East Side Youth Basketball provides spring update

By Michelle Rice

NESYB (North East Side Youth Basketball) would like to thank all the coaches, assistant coaches, team parents, players and families for all the time and hard work they put in during our very successful Fall/Winter/Tri-County Season. We are proud of all of our kids both on and off the basketball court and look forward to our Spring/Summer season. This upcoming season is for

boys and girls ages 9–17 who will play on teams either locally, regionally or nationally from now through early August.

One of the first tournaments for our teams is our own "NESYB Spring Shootout" the weekend of May 1–2 at the MAC in Verona. For information on team openings and registration, general NESYB Club news and information, or how to register a team for the Spring Shootout, please visit our www.nesyb.org.

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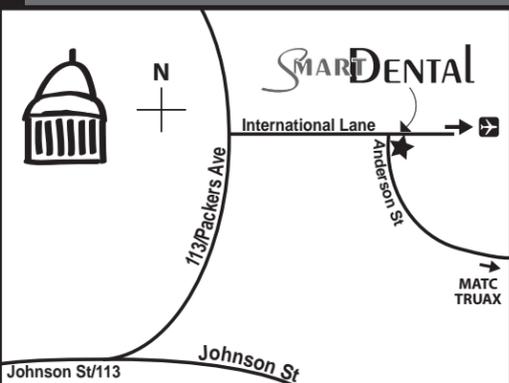
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