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Keanan Sargent with one of the bat habitats built for his Eagle Scout project.

Eagle Scout builds bat habitats

By Keanan Sargent
Scouts BSA

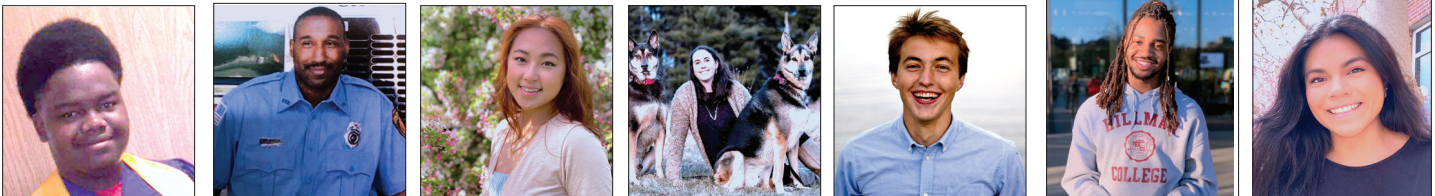
The Northside cares a lot about the environment and conservation. People on the Northside often highlight their experiences engaging with nature whether it be watching the deer, bald eagles and other critters. Bats are no exception to this list.

Did you know the Friends of Lake View Hill Park have worked to protect bats over the years?

I am a member of Scouts BSA who is working to achieve the rank of Eagle Scout. One requirement for Eagle Scout is to do a service project that will leave our world better for generations to come. I chose as my service project to build bat habitats to be installed in our Northside community.

While it was challenging to organize and manage a service project during the COVID-19 pandemic, I was able to recruit and facilitate nearly 20 volunteers to work on this project in a COVID-safe way. From shopping for materials, to cutting lumber, to dispersing supplies to volunteers who fabricated and painted the bat habitats, and finally installing them around the Northside, I was able to learn about my own leadership skills but also about our ability to impact the natural environment in a positive way.

If you would like to learn more about bats and how you could build a better life for bats, the DNR has a lot of materials on their website. It's my goal to have our world be better for generations to come. You can learn more about Scouts BSA and Troop 127 on our Facebook page.



From L-R, Mack Rimson (Photo by Janaie Rimson), Todd Johnson (Photo by Hedi Rudd), Pau Xiong (Photo by Lisa Xiong), Ally Becker (Photo by Sam Porter), Samuel Coleman (Photo by Ian Beilfuss), Elijah Holmes (Photo by Sydney Bobb), Lilly Soderberg (Photo by Teresa Soderberg)

EMCC 2021 Woody Carey Scholarships presented

By Regina McConnell
East Madison Community Center

The Woody Carey Community Scholarship Program was started in the fall of 2013 after the passing of long-term board member Dr. Ellwood "Woody" Carey. Woody served as a volunteer on the EMCC Board of Directors for over 25 years and held various board

positions over his tenure. In addition, Woody was one of the original members of the center's fundraising group, the EMCC Resource Development Team. He was asked to become a member of the team due to his positive attitude and extensive contacts in the community.

The scholarship program is a meaningful and long-lasting tribute to

Woody's legacy, loving spirit and positive values, especially in the area of equal opportunities. This program is especially meaningful because when he went to college, the scholarships he obtained were essential to him being able to afford to attend. Likewise, this year the EMCC has awarded seven exemplary students with scholarships.

School Supply Needs at Mendota Elementary

By Sonia Spencer
Mendota Elementary

- A checklist is handy at this time of year so you can easily see what's needed.
- Families in need of food can access the food pantry located at East high school. If additional times are needed, contact Sonia Spencer via email or call/text 608-333-9809.
 - If you're in need of a car seat or booster seat, register for one and join us July 30 from 1-4 pm at Mendota in the large parking lot.
 - School year calendar can be found at: https://www.madison.k12.wi.us/files/www/uploads/2021-22_school_year_calendar-4.pdf
 - Registration and enrollment for the upcoming school year starts on August 5th (online) for all grade levels. Please be sure to update all information on infinite campus so that you may receive up to date information.
 - Want to donate school supplies? Here's what is needed most:
 - Post-it notes
 - Headphones with microphones that go over the head
 - Washable makers
 - Colored pencils
 - Scissors

The River hosts school supplies drive

By Helen Osborn-Senatus
The River Food Pantry

While we hate to admit it, summer will come to an end. But that means school will begin. As many students return to in-person learning, we want to support them by hosting a community-wide school supplies drive. As you browse the aisles or enjoy some online shopping, think about adding some school supplies to your cart.

You can drop-off donations at either FEED Kitchens, 1219 N. Sherman Ave., or The River Food Pantry, 2201 Darwin Drive, during the hours listed below. Both locations

will be accepting donations until Sept. 1. In addition, your name will be entered in a drawing, and six donors will receive a box of FEED Bakery cookies.

Drop-off details

FEED Kitchens: Monday–Friday, 8 am–4:30 pm. If you have a large donation (over 30 lbs.), call Martee at 608-843-0515 to coordinate a pickup, if needed.

The River Food Pantry: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, 7:30 am–3:30 pm, and Wednesday, 11 am–6 pm.

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