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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Happy New Year, Neighbors!

I hope this New Year finds you and your family happy and healthy. Things in the neighborhood are hopping as usual, and we are hoping that some of you would be willing to work with the Board on some of these events. We have another year with many amazing opportunities and activities in our neighborhood.

We are looking forward to another amazing Neighborhood Wine Tasting in the early spring, but are still in need of host homes for this event. If you would be interested to open your home, contact Katie Houle. Don't forget to attend our annual Board meeting on Monday, March 18. This gives everyone in the neighborhood a chance to hear about updates for the city and neighborhood and a chance to meet some fellow neighbors. We look forward to seeing you there! We will also host our annual Easter egg hunt at St. James Park on Saturday, March 30. This always proves to be our first voyage out of our homes after the long winter. Shortly after that we will begin our popcorn in the park evenings during the city band concerts. Thanks to all who have volunteered in the past, and I know that many of you will help out again.

Our Astor Neighborhood Association Board is quite busy and needs some new members. Please consider joining us at our monthly meetings and joining all the fun! Contact me if you have any questions or would like to get involved.

Andy Rosendahl
President
Astor Neighborhood Association

HOUSE KUDOS SEGUE - Historical Color Palettes

By Molly Martzke

NOTE: This edition's 'Kudos' space will be used as a segue to a future feature article regarding a number of kudos worthy color schemes that exist in our neighborhood, while at the same time providing a useful guide to those who are considering doing some painting.

Picking house paint colors isn't just difficult, it's terrifying! Pick colors that are blah, and your house will seem flat and featureless. But if the colors you pick are too bold, they might overwhelm the architecture. The best colors will highlight the most beautiful features of your home. Skillful use of color can even disguise design flaws, boosting the curb appeal and market value of your home. How do you find that magic color combination? Luckily several paint companies have come up with historic color palettes to help you in your search:

Valspar

Valspar has teamed up with the National Trust for Historic Preservation to create more than 250 historically accurate colors that bring to life palettes from different National Trust properties, like the Woodrow Wilson House in Washington, D.C., or upstate New York's Lyndhurst Mansion.

Sherwin-Williams

From Colonial to Victorian, Arts & Crafts to suburban modern, Sherwin-Williams offers a paint palette for nearly every incarnation of American architectural style. With both interior and exterior colors—like the down-to-earth Roycroft Adobe and the delicate Queen Anne Lilac—the palettes provide period-appropriate inspiration for wall, trim, and accent colors for old houses.

Benjamin Moore

The company's web site provides basic background information on a range of architectural styles, beginning with Cape Cod (1600-1955) and ending with Contemporary (1965-present), and gives a sample color palette for each one.

Pratt & Lambert

Developed in conjunction with the Williamsburg Program, Pratt & Lambert's Williamsburg Palette replicates 184 of the colors—from soft grays to grassy greens—discovered over decades of meticulous research on Colonial Williamsburg's 500 historic buildings.

LUMINARY PROJECT

By Crystal Osman

Thank you to the many neighbors that purchased luminary kits, or put out their own, this season and to all the volunteers that helped make it happen! The neighborhood had an extra special glow this holiday season. One of the best parts was getting to meet so many neighbors. Thank you again!



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Luminaries light up the Astor Neighborhood.

AWARD WINNING COMMUNICATION

By Andy Rosendahl



Members of the Astor Neighborhood Association accept the GBNLC award for Outstanding Communications from Mayor Jim Schmidt and Noel Halvorsen (NeighborWorks Green Bay Executive Director).

The Green Bay Neighborhood Leadership Council (GBNLC) recently recognized the Astor Neighborhood Association with an award for Outstanding Communications. Our neighborhood maintains communication through an active Facebook page with nearly 200 members, a quarterly newsletter and frequent email blasts reaching more than 150 neighbors. Other award winners included Navarino for Event/Program, Mather Heights for Beautification, Three Corners for Organization, and Oak Grove for Neighborhood of the Year.

WHEN'S THE WINE TASTING?

Plans are in the works for the 14th Annual Astor Neighborhood Association Wine Tasting. This year the event will take place in the early spring. However, we still need a host home (or homes). Would you be willing to open your home up to the neighbors?

If you are interested, please contact Katie Houle at katiehoule@gmail.com or 471-7867.





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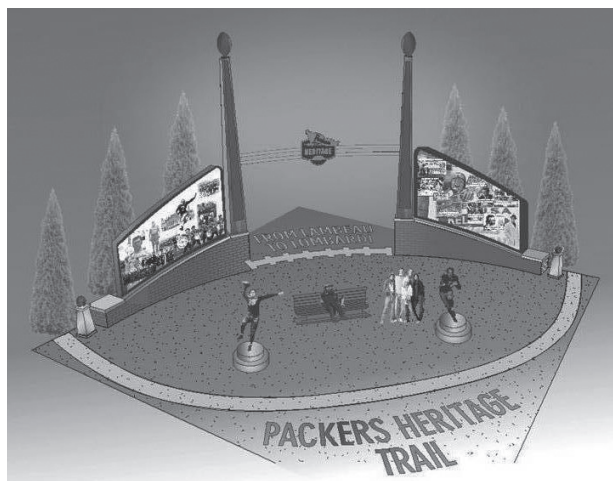
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DOWNTOWN GREEN BAY HEATING THINGS UP THIS JANUARY!

By Molly Martzke

Downtown Green Bay doesn't seem to be in hibernation mode this winter and wants you to hear about it. Downtown businesses and leaders appreciate the interest and support of Astor Neighborhood residents. Here are a few updates to keep you in "the know":

- ❖ **Ameriprise Ice Rink at CityDeck:** If you haven't already, the ice rink is a "must-skate" attraction on the CityDeck located behind Hagemeister Park. Admission is \$2 and skate rentals \$3. Rental hours run 4 p.m. – 10 p.m. weekdays and Noon – 10 p.m. weekends.
- ❖ **New Leaf Winter Farmers Market Presented by Bellin Health:** Who knew you could get fresh tomatoes in GB in January? Head to the winter market Feb. 2nd and Feb. 23rd from 8 a.m. until Noon featuring over 80 vendors, live music and cooking demos at 9 & 11 a.m.
- ❖ **Winterfest On Broadway:** On Broadway, Inc. will again host this popular wintertime event on Sat., Jan. 26th from 11 a.m. – 4 p.m. with ice sculptures, dog pulling competition, great food and more.
- ❖ **Packers Heritage Trail Monument Plans:** A spectacular monument is planned for the corner of Washington and Cherry Streets. It will feature 3 statues, 2 walls of images of the Lambeau-Lombardi era, lit structural poles the height of a field goal post and donor bricks.
- ❖ **Developments Heading in the Right Direction:** Just last month the Watermark development announced 2 new tenants; Wells Fargo and C.H. Robinson. The tenants will bring a combined 60 employees to the building. The Karma Group also announced their move to the Adams Street Garage Development (118 S. Adams St.) which will bring 30 additional jobs.



Proposed drawing of the Packer Heritage Trail Monument

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http://www.ci.green-bay.wi.us/bldg_insp/exterior_report.html

SHARE YOUR LOVE OF READING



The YMCA After School program at Howe Elementary School is looking for community members to spend one Thursday from 3-4 PM reading aloud from their favorite story to the kindergarten – fifth grade students in the program. For more information, contact Tanya Sylvester at Tanya.sylvester@greenbayymca.org or 920-327-0624.

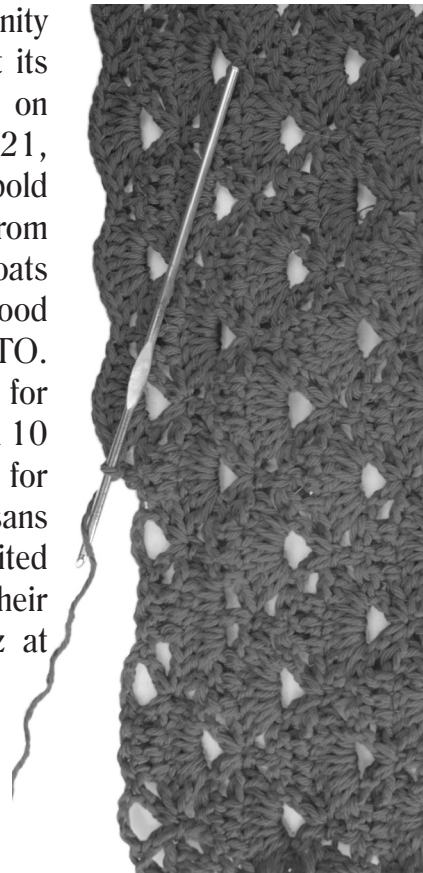
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MARK YOUR CALENDAR: ANA ANNUAL MEETING

Your neighborhood association meets every third Monday at 6:00 at the First Lutheran Church at 743 S. Monroe. Please join us. We discuss and plan upcoming events, discuss neighborhood happenings and have a great time!

CALLING ALL ARTISANS AND CRAFTERS!

Aldo Leopold Community School is going to host its 1st Annual Craft Fair on Saturday, September 21, 2013, in the Aldo Leopold Gym. The proceeds from the fair will benefit Coats for Kids, the Aldo Food Pantry, and ALAPTO. Now available for interested artists: 10 X 10 space for \$25 or (\$30 for electricity). Juried artisans and crafters are invited to submit photos of their work to Sue Schwartz at sschwartz@gbaps.org.



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