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This board meets monthly to discuss issues concerning Hoyt Park. We welcome your input.

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The Oakleaf

THE FRIENDS OF HOYT PARK NEWSLETTER

Hoyt Park Summer Ranger

Thanks to your generous financial support, we funded a summer park ranger this year. We were fortunate to have UW student Ariel DeBroux for a third, and unfortunately, final year.

In addition to regular duties of invasive and graffiti removal, general park upkeep, and public relations, this summer Ariel's focus was on maintaining trails, the garden by the bathrooms, and work at the Overlook. During all this, she also found time to graduate, marry Garrett Larson, and enter graduate school.

Having Ariel continuously for 3 years has allowed her to do a more thorough assessment of what works well and the best timeline for certain activities. Her report this year will especially help next year's ranger be more effective. Read her full report on our website.

New Tree Planted by Main Shelter

Earlier this year we were all surprised when suddenly, the extraordinary maple tree by the main shelter disappeared, especially after Ann Rutecki

immortalized the tree in her painting of the shelter last year. It turns out the City removed the tree after determining that it was starting to rot. Since the maple tree had framed the shelter so well, we decided to replace the tree as part of our 15-year anniversary celebration. Bob Downing generously provided and planted the tree just prior to our going-away party for Ariel in September. The new tree is an Autumn BlazeTM Maple (acer x freemanii) that combines the best traits of red and silver maples. I'm sure we will enjoy it.



New Autumn Blaze™ Maple

Thanks, Bob, Tammy, &Ava!

New Website and Email Addresses

You can now find our website at <u>www.hoytpark.org</u>. Along with our website, we have several emails that go to our chair, volunteer coordinator, webmaster, and membership chair. Check it out!.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

2011 BOARD MEETINGS:

- Thursday, Jan. 13
- Thursday, Feb. 10
- Thursday, Mar. 10
- Thursday, Apr. 14 All meetings begin at 6:45 p.m. in the Sequoya Library.

HOLIDAY PARTY:

Thursday, December 9 Details in separate mailing

FULL MOON/ OWL WALK:

Friday, February 18, 2011 Details in winter postcard

CITY OF MADISON VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION

Monday, March 14, 2011 Olbrich Gardens

GREAT BACKYARD BIRD COUNT

Saturday, February 19, 2011 Details in winter postcard

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Annual Holiday Party and Silent Auction

Mark your calendars for the 9th of December, at the University Club at 803 State Street. This year will feature a reading of a one-man play, "An Evening with John Olin."

We will also have an exciting and special silent auction, whose theme this year is 'History in the Park."

§ Come join us for an End-of-Year-Celebration on December 9 at 6:00 p.m. at the University Club with silent auction and speaker "John Olin" §

Details in separate mailing.

Watch for the invitation in your mailboxes or call or email now to reserve your place or donate a themed item or service. Contact Betsy Lane at 238-6864 or blane@nelsoncontainer.com.

Membership Renewal

Please renew your membership to FHP for calendar year 2011 using the enclosed form and envelope. Your volunteer and financial support helps maintain the award winning activities of FHP so that you may enjoy a great neighborhood park.

Holiday Giving

Make your generosity count this holiday season. Please give to The Friends of Hoyt Park. All donations are tax deductible.

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NOTE CARDS

FHP note cards will be available at the Century House and Parks Division.

• Package of 6 cards - \$10



