# **MWCA Monthly**

May 2024



Maple Wood Condominium Association www.maplewoodcondosmadison.com



#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

May 6 - Board Executive Session 6 pm

May 14 - Property Easement Funds

Allocations and Options Ballot vote to returned by mail or 2/6 dropbox

May 16 - Open Board Meeting 6 pm

May 23 - Bingo Night 7 pm

May 27 - Memorial Day

June 1 - MWCA Summer Picnic! Noon by the pond-more info to come

# Featured Rules and Regs... for Spring Cleaning

See Section III B #2 in the MWCA Rules and Regulations for exact details.

+Patios and balconies (not enclosed) are Limited Common Elements.

Patios and balconies need to be kept in a clean and sightly condition.

- +No objects or structures other than moveable furniture should be placed there without prior written approval.
- +Patios and balconies may never be used for storage or trash.
- +Interior surfaces of patios and balconies need board approval to be repainted.
- +Consult the Board if you have questions.

### **Owner News**

We invite owners to submit news and photos they would like to share with the Maple Wood community.

How to submit:

Email <u>maplewoodcondosmadison@gmail.com</u>. OR

Drop a written note in the dropbox at the front of building 2/6.

Welcome to new owners!
William McMahon-Building 5 Unit 108

Jennifer Kilps-Building 2 Unit 30

#### The Drumm Beat

Do you ever see someone at Maple Wood and wonder-Does that person live here? or Who's car is parked next to mine? Or who is playing that enchanting piano music filling the lobby? I'll try to answer those questions and more in this article that will showcase a Maple Wood owner in The Drumm Beat! My name is Mary Drumm and I have lived at Maple Wood for 3 years in building 2 & 6.

When I first moved in, I started to wonder who was keeping up the beautiful garden next to me. I spied rhubarb, thyme, oregano, roses, and lilies to name a few of the vast plants that I walked by regularly. My neighbor Judy Sorenson and I first met outdoors and started talking about the lilies I just planted. We quickly bonded over a common enemy-bunnies. Judy prefers to use chicken wire for defense, but I use a product called liquid fence. She told me that the smell of liquid fence is enough to gag a maggot, which made me laugh hysterically because it was true. Judy told me that she has lived at Maple Wood for over 21 years. I also learned that Judy is from the Madison area. She grew up in a house on Lake Monona, and spent many happy summers splashing around. She had 2 children later in life, who she brought to her parents house often to continue the swimming tradition.

Judy still splashes around with water aerobics. She has been very active her whole life. She used to cross country ski and was an avid biker. Some of her most memorable bike rides include cycling around the Mount Horeb area with a fun "water break" at Riley Tavern. She said her farthest bike ride was 500 miles that started in Eagle River and ended in Prairie du Chien, which she has done twice! It was a ride called GRABAAWR, which stands for "The <u>GReat</u>, <u>Annual Bicycling Adventure Along the Wisconsin River</u>. The second time she

did it, she had to stop during a thunderstorm and seek shelter in a random garage! Now Judy spends more of her time painting, baking, keeping up with her 5 grandchildren, and doting on her garden-the cleomes are her



favorite. If you haven't seen it, I suggest taking a walk around the property and saying hello to my lovely neighbor Judy.

## **Property Management Corner:**

-Much time has been spent seeking estimates and bids for projects to improve and maintain the common elements of Maple Wood

Major projects for May:

- -Sidewalk work is continuing
- -Pond silt removal
- -Mulch beds
- -Installation of the boiler treatment filters.

\*Please use the paper form by the mailbox, form on the website, or email for non-emergency maintenance requests.

#### **Committees Corner:**

The Garden Committee will be planting flowers in pots outside the main entrances to all buildings. We look forward to this beautification!

A *Safety Committee* is being formed and we would like members from all the buildings.

Be on the look for more information about Bingo and our MWCA Picnic from the *Special* Events Committee!

Contact the board if you are interested in being on a committee.