



# Who's New in Madison

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## President's Message



Happy New Year to all ! I hope everyone had an enjoyable holiday season. For 2025, I am not making any lofty resolutions; instead, my goal is to make daily intentions and reflections. Today, I intend to be more in the moment (and less on my phone), and reflect on my relationships with my loved ones. I look forward also to spending time with the wonderful friends I have made through WNIM. I appreciate all of your generosity and dedication!

**Ellen**

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## Interest Groups

Are you interested in taking on a leadership role? Some of our groups are looking for new leaders or co-leaders:

- The Geo-Caching Gals and the Lunch Bunch are seeking new leaders.
- The Cross-Country Ski Group and the Wine Tasting Group need co-leaders.
- There's also interest in starting new groups with co-leads: one for bird watchers and another for musicians who would gather at each other's homes for recitals.

Let us know if any of these opportunities spark your interest!

[Click here for information on Interest Groups](#)

## Luncheons and Programs

**Date:** Thursday, February 13, 2025

**Location:** Maple Bluff Country Club--500 Kensington Dr. Madison

**Time:** 11:30 am - 1:30 pm

**Deadline to register:** January 26 [Click here to register](#)



We are fortunate to have **American Players Theater**, a unique theater recognized nationally, located just 40 miles west of Madison. Forty-five years ago, APT's founders sought to create a home for Shakespeare and other plays filled with poetry and universal themes, performed in front of a most unusual backdrop: Nature. Its setting is 110 acres of woods and prairie. APT's mission has evolved, but the core belief is the same: stories that illuminate big ideas – what it is to be human – are powerful. Coupled with APT's unique location, they can be transformational.

Our **February speaker, Managing Director Sara Young**, will introduce you to this magical theater in the woods. In addition to an overview of the organization itself, she will give you a glimpse "behind the scenes" of what makes APT tick. And, she'll preview the plays in the upcoming season, and let you in on pro tips for your first visit.

## Not Just Wine and Cheese



**Hostess:** Genevieve Murtaugh

**Location:** 3100 Lake Mendota Drive, #303 Madison

**Time:** 6:30 - 9:00 pm

**Date:** January 17, 2025

[Click here to register](#)

### Service Partner

As the new year begins, the Service Committee wants to send a **BIG thank you** to each and every one of you who donated time and resources and provided financial support to Babies and Beyond in 2024, for a total of \$20,819! We are humbled by your generosity. We want to emphasize that all net proceeds from all fundraising events go directly to Babies and Beyond to support local families with supplies such as diapers and formula, furniture, toys and books.

### Opportunities to Support Babies and Beyond

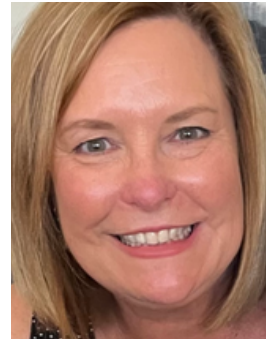
WNIM members may shop the [Babies and Beyond Amazon Wishlist](#) to ship donations directly to the organization. Simply select items for donation, add them to the cart, select the Babies and Beyond delivery address at checkout, and make sure to enter "WNIM Member" in the gift message for the order. Infant rattle toys are requested for the January luncheon donation. Bring those to the luncheon and a Service Committee member will see that they are transported to Babies and Beyond.

WNIM members may volunteer at Babies and Beyond. For more information visit the [website](#).

### Get to Know your Board Members

### Judy White--Luncheon Chairman

Judy White has been a member of WNIM since 2019 and lives in Sun Prairie. She has been chairman of the luncheon committee for five years. Her committee consists of Sue Schaefer, LuAnne Pink and Vicki Krohn. Along with the Programs staff, they work tirelessly to plan and carry out our luncheons schedule. She always has a welcoming smile and willing to give a helping hand. Judy is also an avid pickleball player and leads the WNIM indoor Pickleball group. She co-leads both Afternoon Lunch & Euchre and Savvy Sips Wine Tasting. WNIM thanks her for all her hard work!!



## Member Photo Gallery

The Walkie-Talkies hiked Schumacher Farm Park, Waunakee (top row) & December holiday events.

