



# Who's New in Madison

March 12, 2026



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## President's Message



Dear WN Members,  
It's **election time!** The slate of executive officer nominees for the 2026-2027 year was presented at the March luncheon. On-line voting opens on March 12 and closes on April 9. Results will be announced at the April luncheon. All members will soon receive information about online voting via email. Candidate bios may be viewed on pages 3 & 4 of this newsletter. Please vote!

WN is **seeking chairs/co-chairs for the Service committee** for 2026-2027. Many thanks to Gail Powers-Schaub and Sue Terry for their dedicated Service Leadership over the past 2 years. Please consider volunteering for this rewarding position. We need you!  
Also, we **need chairs/co-chairs for Not Just Wine and Cheese**. Joan Bachhuber and Nancy Chapman are stepping down. We thank them for 2 years of volunteering. They did a fabulous job. Contact the chairs for either committee for more information about the positions.

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## Luncheon and Program

**Date:** Thursday, April 9  
**Location:** Goodman Center Brassworks, 149 Waubesa St, Madison  
**Time:** 11:00 am - 12:00 pm Cocktails & Visiting; 12:00 pm Luncheon Seating  
**Deadline to register:** March 26 [Click here](#) to register.

Due to limited parking spaces, please consider carpooling to this luncheon. [Click here](#) for Goodman Brassworks parking information link.

Capacity for this luncheon is limited to 125 guests. If capacity is reached, the registration will close earlier than the March 26 deadline. A waitlist will be started. Once registration closes, no credit card refunds will be issued. We will try to find another member to purchase your lunch if there is a waitlist.

### Program: Designing Butterfly (and Moth) Gardens

Hello spring! Join us in April to discover how to create a thriving sanctuary for butterflies and moths in your own yard. Lisa Johnson, Dane County Horticulture Outreach Specialist, will explain sustainable garden design, from choosing the right host plants for both larvae and adults, to incorporating physical features that provide shelter, moisture, and safe breeding sites. She will highlight recommended regional herbaceous natives as well as shrubs and trees that serve as vital larval hosts. Whether you're working with a backyard, balcony, or community space, you'll leave with practical strategies and resources for creating resilient, beautiful habitats that support butterflies, moths, and the broader web of life.

## Not Just Wine and Cheese

**Hostess:** Rose Kimberley  
**Location:** 8551 Greenway Blvd, Middleton  
**Time:** 6:30 - 9:00 pm  
**Date:** Friday, March 20 [Click here](#) to register.

This is a St. Patrick's Day theme. Costumes welcome.

This is a great way to meet new people. Partners and guests are also welcome! If you would like a "wine buddy" to assist you with introductions, contact [njwc@whosnew.org](mailto:njwc@whosnew.org)



Interest  
Groups**Want to see what Interest Groups you're in? Want to drop a group?**

It's easy!

1. [Log](#) into your account.
2. Click on the [My Account](#) tab in the upper right corner on the Homepage.
3. On the left side of the My Account page, click [View My Interest Group Registrations](#). If the group is listed — you're all set! If it's not listed, head to the Interest Group page and sign up. If you'd like to drop a group, simply click the red [Remove](#) button. Note that your Interest Groups are also listed on the [Home Page](#) in the right hand column under [Your Account Information](#) for easy reference.

Need help? Contact Judy White at [VP@whosnew.org](mailto:VP@whosnew.org) and she'll be happy to assist you!

**Gentle Yoga in the Park** is seeking a third yoga leader to rotate into the schedule. If you know of a yoga teacher who may have an interest in joining the teaching rotation, please contact Barbara White or Karen Holschuh.

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### **WNIM 2025-2026 Service Partner Luke's Closet**

**Trivia Night Recap** for February 25, 2026 **\$290 Raised!**

Have you ever had a time when it's challenging to remember vital facts but have no problem recalling useless ones? The task of recall was put to the test playing trivia at Me & Julio's recently! It was fascinating to see how much information everyone had floating around in their brains. Teams laughed and groaned while spouting facts that were interesting but not necessarily important to remember – guess that's why it's called "Trivia".

#### **Upcoming Events**

##### **American Mah Jongg Tournament**

Date: April 29

Location: East Side Club 3735 Monona Drive Madison, WI

Time: Registration opens at 11:30 am, Play 12:45 – 4:30 pm

Play with 2026 NMJL Card, All skill levels are welcome!

Open to members and non-members

Cash prizes for top 3 scores

Multiple door prize chances for all players

Registration \$35 per player. [Click Here](#) to register.

##### **Luke's Closet SHOP & EAT: SATURDAY, APRIL 11, 2026**

Please join us on Saturday, April 11 for the spring Shop and Eat event. Breakfast and lunch will be available for the children and their families taking part in the Luke's Closet program. This fun filled day provides participants with opportunities to shop for new shoes and spring clothes. [Click Here](#) to sign up and volunteer.

Can't make it on April 11? No problem. You can help support the event by providing breakfast and/or a pizza for lunch. Over 300 people are expected to attend. [Click Here](#) for details about food and beverage items needed for the day.

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#### Introducing: Judy White for incoming President nominee

Judy and her husband, Michael, moved to Sun Prairie in 2018 from Cincinnati, Ohio, for Michael's job. She joined WNIM in July 2019 after her friend Diane Wiersema suggested she check it out—and she's so glad she did! Judy is no stranger to moving. Over their 39 years of marriage, she and her family have moved eight times and lived in eight different states. Wisconsin is lucky number eight! She has two children—a daughter and a son who is married with two adorable little girls. Unfortunately for her they all live in Phoenix, AZ. She currently serves as Vice President and previously chaired the Luncheon Committee for five years. Judy is involved in 15 Interest Groups (yes, 15!) and is an IG leader for Indoor Pickleball and Who Wants to Go. She's also Co-Leader of Wednesday Euchre & Ladies Lunch, Savvy Sips Wine Tasting, and Rummikub. She serves as the admin for Sign Up Genius, so if you have a Sign Up Genius question, chances are she can help with that too! When she's not at a WNIM event, you'll probably find Judy on the pickleball court or bowling in a couple's league with Michael. Judy is truly grateful for the wonderful friendships she has made through WNIM and loves being part of such a fun and welcoming group.



#### Introducing: Nancy Fucinato for incoming Vice President nominee

Nancy has been a member since 2022. She moved from the Chicago suburbs near the Brookfield Zoo in 2020. She has been on the Membership Committee since joining. Her husband, Mark works from home so WNIM has been a lifesaver. Her WNIM activities include walking, eating and spending time with the awesome women that make up the organization. Besides WNIM, Nancy is a Badger alum and fan having season football and basketball tickets. She enjoys visiting or having family visitors since her 4 children are scattered about. Nancy is looking forward to a new role on the Board and involvement with the Interest Groups and their leaders.



#### Introducing: Sue Terry for incoming Secretary nominee

Sue grew up in the Midwest and has lived off and on in Wisconsin since 1980. She is a retired nurse with experience working around the country in several hospital specialties, i.e., critical care, pediatrics, orthopedics and the operating room. She has also worked in the private sector as an assistant for a plastic surgeon in Indianapolis and an open-heart team in South Bend, Indiana. In the early 1990s, Sue accepted a position working in industry as a nurse educator for a medical laser manufacturer. She provided instruction about laser safety and laser physics. These teaching responsibilities provided both domestic and international travel opportunities. When she retired, she and her husband sold their home in McFarland of 25 years to become "nomads" traveling the U.S. in their motorhome. After several years of full-time travel, they sold their home on wheels and now live in Sun Prairie. Sue has been a member of WNIM since 2024. She has served on the Service Committee since joining WNIM. Currently she is the committee's Co-chair. She enjoys playing an active role in organizing and helping in fundraising efforts for the annual non-profit Service Partner. She belongs to several WNIM Interest Groups. She leads the Sun Prairie Chinese Mah Jongg group and is Co-chair of the newly formed Tuesday Euchre and Ladies Lunch (Northeast) group. She is looking forward to the opportunity to serve as the organization's secretary.

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**Introducing: Jean Murray for incoming Treasurer nominee**

Jean grew up in the Chicagoland area and moved to Racine, WI a few years after college. Shortly after retiring in 2021 from a career in small business and non-profit accounting, she and husband Jim moved to Fitchburg to be closer to family and to the state parks, hiking and biking trails, and other opportunities that the Madison area has to offer. She joined WNIM in the summer of 2022. Outside of WNIM, Jean crochets with a yarn group, plays Mah Jongg, provides care occasionally for grandchildren (ages 18 mos, 4 yrs, and 11 yrs), volunteers at church, with the AARP Tax-Aide Program, and with the Madison Area Food Pantry Gardens. She enjoys traveling to visit a son in Seattle and her seven siblings who are scattered around the country. Jean is grateful for meeting wonderful new friends through WNIM. She enjoys serving as Treasurer to support WNIM and its social and philanthropic missions, and looks forward to working alongside the other Board members for another year.

Note: ~Isms will be back in April.

**Photos**



**February Luncheon Collage of festive & funky pins by Linda Hopfensperger**



**Not Just Wine & Cheese**



**East Side Coffee Bunch**



**February WNIM Luncheon**

