

WIDE-LP outreach activities since Nov. 1, 2023

Ken and Bob attended the Nov. 28, 2023 meeting of the Midvale Heights Community Association board and reported on station activities prior to requesting another grant from them.

We were again a venue on Make Music Madison Day (June 21), with photos of the event subsequently posted on the station website at <http://madisonwi.us/WIDE-LP/photos/MakeMusicMadison/index.htm>. Most of the music performed was broadcast live.

Andy Garst did 3 *Know Your Neighbor* interviews which were later broadcast. The interviews can be listened to online at <http://madisonwi.us/WIDE-LP/KYN/index.htm>.

We again participated in the annual neighborhood garage sale event, from 8 AM until noon on Aug. 30 and 31, where we talked to a number of neighbors about the radio station. Station brochures and the Friends of WIDE-LP Radio pocket cards (door hangers with the hanger part trimmed off) were made available for visitors to pick up. These items have also been made available at the Sequoia Library and in area little libraries. In July Andrew Thomas, who has volunteered in a number of capacities at WORT, contacted us after picking up a brochure from the little library at Prairie. His email said "I'd like to hear more about any available volunteer opportunities at WIDE-LP..." My initial response referred him to the list of volunteer opportunities on the Friends of WIDE-LP Radio page at <http://widelp.org/friends/>, and later I emailed him with info about our Nov. 13 annual meeting, but I have yet to hear back.

This year's annual meeting was announced on our website home page and in the Midvale Messenger newsletter, inviting listeners to the station to attend, especially those living in Midvale Heights.

Station board member and secretary/treasurer Barbara Park talked about the station at the 11/11 meeting of her Meadowood Life Stories writers group and got and got permission to 'pass the hat' to raise money for the station at their next public reading event, expected to be at Sequoia Library in January. (WIDE-LP has been recording these original short story readings for broadcast since 2013.) Members of the group were invited to read additional stories for broadcast, and several and several did. The stories are all available for online listening at <http://madisonwi.us/WIDE-LP/lifestories/index.htm>.

From time to time the station receives email requests to see the broadcast log for a particular day. Our responses say thanks for listening and frequently include a request for a reception report giving location and stating whether the station was heard indoors or in a car.

Carousel Bayrd was asked to consider allowing us to nominate her for the MMR board but declined the invitation.

Bob Park