



LINDA AND GENE FARLEY CENTER FOR PEACE, JUSTICE & SUSTAINABILITY

SUMMER 2024 NEWSLETTER



Farley Summer Markets Are a Hit

Summer Markets are new this year at the Farley Center. Artists, musicians, food, local vendors and organizations gather for a fun time on the second Saturday of the month in June, July and August. Each market highlights a different part of our work. June highlighted the Natural Path Sanctuary. July focused on the Bee program. On August 10 we will feature the Urban Triage Farm with a tour of the farm at 4pm focusing on their work Supporting Healthy Black Agriculture (SHBA). Join us 3:00-6:30 on August 10 for the final summer market of the year. The markets are supported in part by a grant from the Verona Area Chamber of Commerce.

[Learn about the Aug 10 Summer Market](#)



Farley Center Beekeeper Program

Our Beekeepers, Patrick Norby and Matt Kersten, continue to lead a group of new beekeepers each year. This year's group includes, left to right: Sarah Wisner, Stefanie Spilde, Katie Majerus, Dustin Kieler, Joseph Larkin, Krista Powers, Danna Diehl.

[Learn more about the program](#)



Goodbye! Thank you! Congrats! to Cemeterian Kalev Kristjuhan

In 2015, Kalev became a volunteer and became a member of the team in 2020. In addition to his cemeterian duties, he took care of our Wisconsin Food Forest, helped with the land art exhibits, tabled and gave presentations and helped wherever it was needed. His enthusiasm, hard work, and booming voice will be greatly missed as he embarks on a new journey to the UW Madison Physician Assistant program. We wish him all the best in his future endeavors and we will all miss him!



We Welcome a New Farley Center Board Member

Welcome to Erika Jung, PhD, a licensed clinical psychologist and mental health advocate in Redwood City, CA. She received her BA from Brown University and her MS and PhD from Northwestern University. She co-founded *Beyond Measure*, a team of psychologists and registered dietitians committed to supporting health, dignity, and justice for patients of all sizes. She is thrilled to be a part of the Farley Center.

[Learn more about Farley Center Board and the NPS Board](#)



Goodbye and Good Luck to Cemeterian Asst. Nathan Waller!

The Farley Center/Natural Path Sanctuary staff said good bye to Cemeterian Assistant Nathan Frank Waller (holding the Farley Center bag). Nate came to us as a UW Badger Volunteer on the 2023 Spring Team and was hired part-time that summer. He moves on to attend Rocky Mountain College in Montana to become a Physician's Assistant. We wish him a successful future!

CLIMATE EMERGENCY DAY - Monday 7/22/24



JOIN US at the Linda & Gene Farley Center for Peace, Justice & Sustainability
2299 Spring Rose Rd, Verona, WI
for a potluck supper & program by **350 WI!**
6:00 - 8:00 pm

Climate Emergency Day

This history-making day was part of a global call for climate justice. Initiated by the organization *Climate Clock*, the event took place July 22. It was a full day of advocacy and celebration ending with an evening Pot-Luck/Teach-In at the Farley Center. Thank you to Reyna Gonzalez, owner of El Sabor de Puebla and a Farley Center Farmer, who donated steak tacos and rice and beans for everyone to help support the cause.

[Show your support by endorsing Climate Emergency Day in WI](#)

Play Music on the Porch - Open Mic

Every year, musicians in 70+ Countries and 1000+ cities worldwide participate. This year, on **August 31**, the Farley Center, Southwest Wisconsin Area Progressives (SWWAP), and Midwest Mujeres Collective will be hosting this event



This event is open to all who would like to make music, tell stories, recite poetry, etc.. on the Farley Center deck! Sign up starts half hour before event at 4:30.

[Learn more about the event](#)



Musicians for Gun Sense Sept. 29 at the Farley Center

Join Tom Kastle, First Avenue Acoustic, Hoot 'n' Annie's, Forward! Marching Band and host, Twila Jean, for music and discussion on creating a more peaceful society. Enjoy a beautiful setting with fellowship, family fun, and food from a local vendor.

[See Concert Flyer](#)



New Manager of Verona Farmers Market

Farley Center Tote Bag spotted with former Verona Farmers Market Manager Mona Cassis and the new Verona Farmers Market Manager Kelly Flackey. The Farley Center is a partner of the market.

[Check out Verona Farmers Market](#)



10 Years and Counting!

Office Manager Lindsey Lund reached the milestone of 10 years at The Farley Center this year! She has been the heart and soul of our office and we are grateful for all that she has done to keep our team running smoothly. Here's to many more years of success and happiness!



Fall Fest 2024

The apples are ripening, so mark your calendars for **Oct. 6, 2024**. Come join us! Pick apples, wash apples, slice apples and press the apples in the 180 year old cider press!

[Learn more](#)



UW Badger Volunteer

Welcome to our summer UW Badger Volunteer (BV) Alex James Barley! We have been working with the UW BV for about ten years now. This is the first time we received a team of one! But Alex has been busy with Farley Center Staff working in the Natural Path Sanctuary and Farm. He started in June and will end in mid-August. We appreciate his hard work around the Center.

[Learn more about B V](#)



Thank You Urban Triage

We feel honored to receive this recognition from Urban Triage. We value the work they are doing at the Farley Center through their *Supporting Healthy Black Agriculture* (SHBA) program. They teach the basics of growing their own food sustainably as well as entrepreneurial benefits/opportunities in the agriculture field.

[Learn more about SHBA](#)



Almost Finished!

Director Shedd Farley is almost finished building the bee barn. Then we will have Madison Muralist Rodrigo Carapia paint it - we can't wait! This is the second bee barn - the first one was much smaller and blew down in a wind storm. That was located near the farmers packing shed. The new one is located close to the hives.

[Check out our bee program](#)



NPS Captain Shovel Brigade

Cedar Knight Mudrick's mom, Lavender, is buried in the Natural Path Sanctuary (NPS) and he helped dig her grave several years ago. He is now 5 years old. He has been wanting to help Director Shedd Farley dig a grave for many years, and now he got his chance. On Memorial Day, Cedar helped Shedd dig a grave. He brought his own shovel and wore a special shirt. He worked very hard and after digging, Cedar was presented with a special certificate honoring him as the NPS Captain of Shovel Brigade.



Olbrich After Hours

Farley Center Board Chair Gil Halsted and Natural Path Sanctuary Board Chair Jeanne Meier tabled at the *Olbrich Botanical Gardens After Hours*. The Natural Path Sanctuary was the first non profit featured at Olbrich's After Hours concert this summer.

Natural Resources Foundation

Cemeterians Kalev Kristjuhan and Dustin



Duve gave a tour of the Natural Path Sanctuary followed by a farm tour by Farley Center Farmer Katie Darnell! It was a beautiful day in June to tour the Sanctuary and Farms.



Bobwhite Quail

The Farley Center welcomed 25 bobwhite quail in early July. The goal is to help revitalize the quail population in our area. This is the third year that the Farley Center is doing the Bobwhite Quail project.

[Read more in The Verona Press](#)



Your Partnership is Key to Meeting our Mission of Peace, Justice and Sustainability.

The Farley Center is funded in part through the generosity of donations from those who share our vision and also through Natural Path Sanctuary green burial sales. We invite your support and participation. [Learn more about the Farley Center.](#)

UPCOMING 2024 Events

- **Aug 10 @ 3:00-6:30pm** [Farley Center Summer Market featuring the Farm \(4:00 tour\)](#)
Musicians:
- [Jeff Stanton](#) - 3:00-4:30pm
- [The Sharp Keys](#) (Heidi Coles and Ken Stewart), [Tom and Kate Heiber-Cobb](#) - 4:30-6:30pm
- **Aug. 31 @ 5-8pm** [Farley Center/Southwest Wisconsin Area Progressives \(SWWAP\)/Midwest Mujeres host Play Music on the Porch](#)
- **Sept 14 @ 9-11am** – [Farley Center Bird Walk with BIPOC Birding Club of Wisconsin](#)
- **Sept. 29 @ 2-5pm** – [Musicians for Gun Sense Concert](#)
- **Oct 6 @ 10:30am-2:30pm** – [Farley Center Fall Festival 2024](#)
- **Oct 6 @ 10:30am-12:30pm** – [Yid Vicious at Farley Center Fall Festival](#)
- **Oct 6 @ 12:30am-2:30pm** – [Noah James Hittner at Farley Center Fall Festival](#)
- **Oct 26 @ 10:30-12:30am** - [Natural Path Sanctuary – Mock Burial Workshop](#)
- **Dec. 10 @ 10am-noon** – [NPS Rules and Regulations Presentation](#)

Cemetery Walking Tours with NPS Cemeterian Dustin Duve
Tuesdays at 10am-noon on the following 2024 dates:

- [August 20](#)
- [September 17](#)
- [October 15](#)
- [November 5](#)

Reserve a tour spot at nps@farleycenter.org or 608-845-8724

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