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BADGER BUZZ



June Updates & Events for UW Parents

Dive into our first Badger Buzz of the summer season! In this issue you'll learn where to stay cool at local splash pads, pools, and beaches, how you can double FoodShare dollars at farmer's markets, and where to get the latest scoop on summer family fun in Madison.

Important Dates:

July 22 - Fall semester [CCTAP applications open](#)

That's So Punny!

What did the baby corn say to the momma corn?



Respectful Parenting Online Course

Our regular parenting classes will resume this Fall, but until then, don't forget you have access to four virtual modules that will give you an understanding of what research reveals about the benefits of positive, respectful parenting for raising calm, confident, connected, and compassionate kids.

\$24 – UW-Madison Students
\$47 – UW-Madison Staff and Faculty

[Learn More](#)



UW-Extension Library of Resources for Parents

UW-Extension offers free resources to help you learn about how children learn, grow, and develop. They also offer research-based information about positive parenting and healthy family relationships. Browse topics like:

How to parent babies and toddlers
How to parent preschoolers
Understanding your child's personality
How to help kids with strong emotions

[Browse More Topics](#)

Temporary parking permit for expecting and new mothers

UW faculty, staff, and students who are expecting or new mothers can purchase a temporary, 1-2 month accessible parking permit with a doctor's note for \$100/month, which allows for parking in most lots.

[Learn More](#)



Double your FoodShare dollars at local farmers' markets

Did you know you can double your [FoodShare](#) dollars at several Dane County farmer's markets? From June 1st to October 31st, Double Dollars will give FoodShare shoppers a dollar-for-dollar match, up to \$20 per market day on fruits and vegetables.

[Learn More](#)



Find your summer (and all-year) family fun in Madison

[MacaroniKID Madison](#), published by a local dad and UW alum, is the go-to site for kid-friendly events and activities in our area. [Subscribe \(free\) here](#) to get their weekly email newsletter curated to avoid spam, and instead gives you tons of free/low-cost local activities, and [bookmark their events calendar](#).

[Learn More](#)

Get your Free Calendar of Activities for Kids



Splashpads, beaches, and scholarships to Goodman Pool

Madison Parks offer 11 public beaches and 3 splash pads you can explore this summer! Goodman Pool also offers [scholarships](#) to families with youth 18 years and younger who qualify for free or reduced lunch.

[Learn More](#)



Student Parent SPOTLIGHT



Valentina Infante Gray

Major: PhD program in Plant Breeding and Plant Genetics

Hometown: Santiago, Chile

About me: My favorite thing to do is to spend time with family and friends. Balancing being a student and having kids can be tricky, so I aim to make the most of it by being fully present and intentional during that time.

Favorite activity to do with my kids: Recently we started going on walks in [different parks around Wisconsin](#), there so many beautiful places!! The kids are really enjoying this activity.

What parenting book, podcast, app, or resource do you recommend? My kids (and I) really enjoy listening to the podcast "[Wow in the World](#)," it's funny and we learn a lot!

UPCOMING FAMILY-FRIENDLY EVENTS

[Summer Frolic](#)

June 6-9, varying times
Grundahl Park - Mount Horeb

[First Friday at Wingra Boats](#)

June 7, 5:00-8:00 PM
Wingra Boats

[Free Concert - Panchromatic Steel](#)

June 7, 5:00-8:00 PM
Madison Children's Museum

[Dane County Breakfast on the Farm](#)

June 8, 7:00-11:30 AM
Blue Star Dairy Farms - DeForest

[Safety Saturday](#)

June 8, 8:00 AM-1:00 PM
Capitol Square

[Free Day: SummerPalooza](#)

June 8, 9:00 AM-4:00 PM
Madison Children's Museum

[Marquette Waterfront Festival](#)

June 8-9, varying times
Yahara Place Park

[Latine Music Journey for Kids with Angela Puerta](#)

June 8, 2:00-3:00 PM
Lakeview Library

[Firemen's Festival](#)

June 13-16, varying times
Firemen's Park - Cottage Grove

[Family Fun Night](#)

June 14, 5:30-8:00 PM
Warner Park Community Recreation Center, \$5/family

[Juneteenth in the Park](#)

June 15, 10:00 AM-6:00 PM
Penn Park

[Lakeside Kids - Japanese Taiko Group](#)

June 18, 10:00-11:00 AM
Rooftop Gardens, Monona Terrace

Oregon Summer Fest

June 21-23, varying times
Kiser Firemen's Park - Oregon

Sun Prairie Pride Fest

June 22, 12:00-4:00 PM
Wetmore Park - Sun Prairie

Kids on the Prairie: Butterflies & Berries

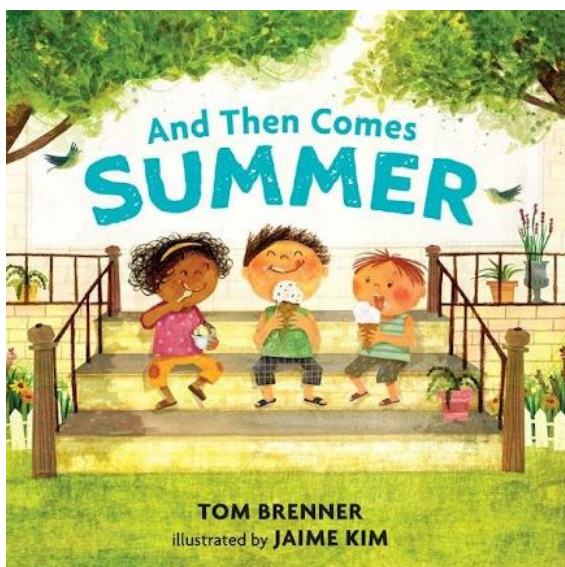
June 23, 10:30 AM-12:00 PM
Holy Wisdom Monastery, free but must register

Dane Firefighters Festival

June 28-30, varying times
Bert Deans Park - Dane

International Festival

June 29-30, varying times
Overture Center



Book of the Month: *And Then Comes Summer*

When the days get long and flowers start to bloom, it's time to prepare for summer! There are so many fun things to do: wearing flip-flops, playing hide-and-seek, and watching fireworks.

You can set up a lemonade stand, stay up late, swim in the lake, and toast marshmallows by the fire. This joyful celebration of summer by Tom Brenner will excite you for the days when school is out!

[Read Aloud Storytime](#)



Hands-On Oobleck

Oobleck has properties of both liquids and solids: when slowly dipping your hands in, it feels like a liquid, but if you squeeze it, it will feel solid. Using only cornstarch and water you can create a fun activity that will keep your children entertained.

To build on their fine motor skills, consider giving them kitchen utensils, measuring cups, or other small toys to play with! The oobleck is easy to clean and washes out of clothing.

[Learn More](#)

Chef's Corner

Baked Apple Chips



Preheat the oven to 200 degrees. Wash and thinly slice apples, removing seeds. Spread apples into one layer on baking sheets and sprinkle with cinnamon on both sides. Bake for 1 hour, flip apples, and bake for another hour. After turning the oven off, leave apples for another 30 minutes.

Ingredients:

3 large apples

1 tablespoon ground cinnamon

Recipe from downshiftology.com

Answer:

What did the baby corn say to the momma corn?

Where is the *pop* corn?



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