



# The Roe's Hatch

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Dear Partners,

We are heading into our 5th Friday night of special student gatherings.

The last weekend of January we gathered students from our campuses at a church for our Winter Overnight. There's something special about gathering people away from campus for a schedule filled with teaching, seminars, various games, prayer, good food, and impromptu worship. New students were welcomed into our caring community; all students were able to grow. The extra boost from retreats like this makes a short night of sleeping on a church floor worth it.



The last three Fridays have fallen in February, aptly called "Men's Month" or "Women's Month" because we've created space to offer specialized content and space to help our young adults thrive in the midst of conflicting messages inside and outside the church. It seems more important than ever to open scripture to paint a positive message about God's design. The three weeks had different team builders and teaching topics. For instance, this last Friday after our student men led everyone in a fun competition called the "BROlympics" I got to teach on the influence fathers have on their sons' lives. I opened up the Bible starting in Gen 3 comparing the first Adam to the second Adam (Christ) to challenge them to resist the tendency toward passivity, and instead embrace the call to step up and seize responsibility and lead where God would have them.

A few miles away the women had their final meeting at a local church. The staff and student women finished the three weeks by simultaneously crafting blankets for needy single mothers, while interacting with Bonnie and two other panelists who shared about accountability and healthy relationships.



This upcoming weekend the men will conclude Men's Month with an overnight in Madison while the women will travel out of town. We have entrusted the Men's Retreat to the the junior men believing that they will grow in significant ways even as they lead and serve the others in the movement. We trust it will be another worthwhile night spent on a generous church's floor.

In Christ,

*Scott Roe*

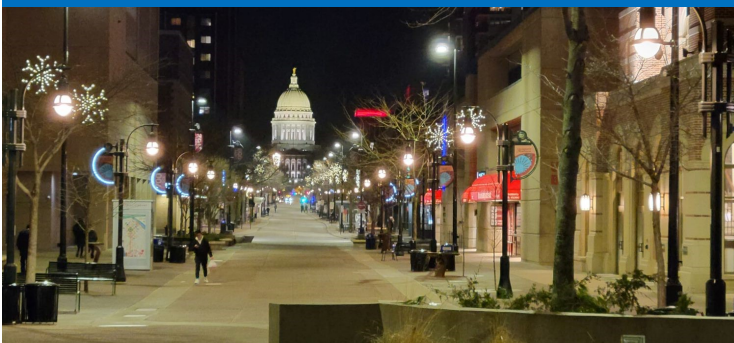


Bonnie has been getting some recognition and at times heat for her civilian involvement in Madison and county affairs. She's made it on radio, TV, and newspaper. The digital version of the *Know your Madisonian* feature can be found at:

[madison.com/news/local/crime-and-courts/know-your-madisonian-advocate-stands-up-for-madison-police/article\\_805c9ce4-a28b-52ab-9d30-01b8a6656b44.html](https://madison.com/news/local/crime-and-courts/know-your-madisonian-advocate-stands-up-for-madison-police/article_805c9ce4-a28b-52ab-9d30-01b8a6656b44.html)



- ◆ Pray for great Spring Break mission trips to Texas. Pray for all the right students to attend March 11-20 or March 19-27 and for God to work.
- ◆ Pray for students to make wise choices with their summer. We'd love for many to participate in one of our state-side or international opportunities.
- ◆ We have begun planning for a multifaceted outreach for the week leading up to Easter around "Why Easter Matters." Pray that thousands of students and faculty on our campus will pause and reflect on the reality and meaning of Christ's resurrection that week.
- ◆ Pray that our family always loves God and others well.
- ◆ Pray our family and ministry touches our schools, state, nation, and world well with the love of Christ.



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