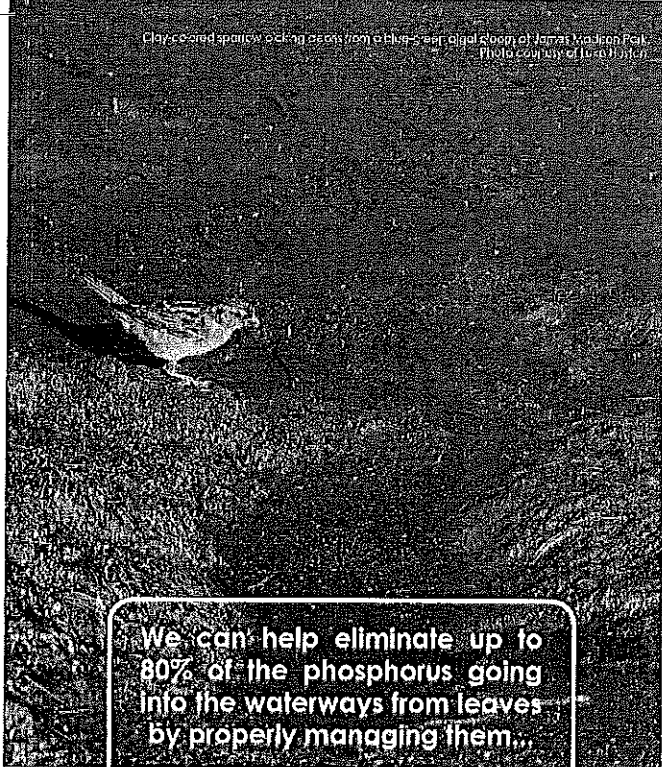


Clay-colored sparrow picking seeds from a blue-green algal bloom at Jarama Madison Park.  
Photo courtesy of Lisa Hoffman



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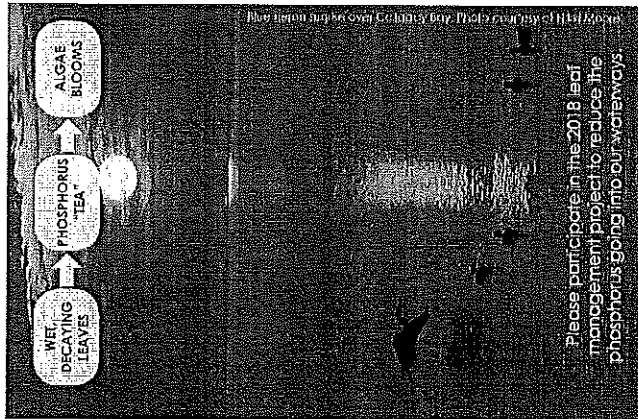
We can help eliminate up to 80% of the phosphorus going into the waterways from leaves by properly managing them...

...and reduce the number of days our lakes are affected by cyanobacteria (blue-green algae) and other algae blooms.

For more information, please visit:  
[kegonasa.org](http://kegonasa.org)



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Blue-green algae over Colony Bay. Photo courtesy of Lisa Hoffman

Please participate in the 2018 leaf management project to reduce the phosphorus going into our waterways.

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# CURBSIDE LEAF PICK-UP THIS FALL!



**NEW!**  
A joint project between the Town of Pleasant Springs and the City of Stoughton sponsored by FOLKS

## Did you know...

- Leaves are a direct cause of algae growth in the Yahara River & Lake Kegonsa
- Wet, decaying leaves left in streets release a phosphorus "tea" that feeds algae blooms
- 1 pound of phosphorus can lead to 500 pounds of algae

## WATCH FOR THIS SIGN



In early November, yard signs will be posted near your street to remind you that a collection will take place soon. Leaves will be collected on the weekends of November 2-4, 9-11, and 16-18.

\*Dates are subject to change depending on weather and when leaves fall

# LEAF PICK-UP BY THE LAKE

## In preparation for vacuum collection, follow these steps:

- Rake leaves from your yard and from the street in front of your house to the edge of the road in a long row (not piles).
- Do not rake leaves onto the pavement or into the ditch. *Helpful hint:* When hauling leaves a long distance to the roadside, rake them onto a large tarp or sheet. Then drag the tarp to the side of the road.
- Keep brush, rocks, animal waste, and other non-leaf material out of the leaves.
- Leaves should be at least 4 feet from any mailbox or utility pole.
- Do not park near any raked leaves.
- Cover leaves if rain is forecasted (rain will begin the process of leaching phosphorus).

## Other ways you can help:

- Rake leaves and take them to the **Town of Pleasant Springs** compost site on the following days:
  - **Saturdays:** 10/6 from 8 - 11 AM, 10/13, 10/27, 11/3, & 11/10 from 8:00 AM - 4 PM
  - **Wednesdays:** 10/10, 10/17, & 11/14 from 4:30 - 6:30 PM
- In addition to the leaves in your yard, if leaves have collected on the road near your home rake them to the area for leaf pick-up or take them to the transfer site.
- Remove leaves during the entire leaf season.
- Using a lawn mower, mulch leaves directly into your lawn or gardens to replenish nutrients.
- Compost leaves from your yard and locate your compost site as far from the lake as possible.
- **Do not burn leaves.** Burning concentrates the phosphorous that ends up in the lake.
- Remind your lawn maintenance service not to blow leaves into the lake.

Thank you for your efforts to keep leaves from leaching phosphorus into the lake. Working together, we can make a difference.

