

A neighborhood park near Gundersen Lutheran could be known as Poage Park soon...

Plans to rename Hood Park for long-ago Olympic athlete George Poage from La Crosse have cleared the first couple of hurdles. Park director Steve Carlyon is leading the charge, because he worries that the name Hood Park suggests crime. City planner Larry Kirch tells the park board he's been researching the Hood Park name for years...and discovered that name was never officially approved by City Hall. But this time, the Poage name could get formal approval. The park board already has endorsed the idea unanimously.