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THE CONVENTION CENTER: IS IT WRIGHT FOR US?

YES

We have a unique opportunity here in Madison. On November 3 a referendum will be on the ballot to approve the construction of the Frank Lloyd Wright Monona Terrace convention center and public place.

Why is this unique?

Madison is already well known for its beautiful setting and quality of life, and now our
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NO

The cost of the proposed convention center is projected to be \$63.5 million. Only \$8 million will be privately financed, the rest will be public money. The key question tax payers should ask themselves is: "How big a financial risk is this?" If construction costs don't rise, what will the subsidy for running the convention center be? These es-
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Social Chair Anne Katz, County Supervisor Judy Wilcox, and Teena Browder (Cork & Bottle) do the honors at the TLNA Ice Cream Social in July.

ANNUAL MEETING & SPAGHETTI DINNER

Thursday, Oct. 1, 5:30 pm
944 E. Gorham



Admission (\$2.50 adults, \$1 children) covers all the spaghetti you can eat (vegie and non) and beverages (juice, milk, coffee). Please bring a side dish to pass (A-L: salad; M-Z: dessert).

The meeting will include an election for the new TLNA Council and a discussion of the Monona Terrace Convention Center referendum, which will be on the November 3 ballot. (A supervised kids' play space will be provided.) See *President's Report* on p. 3 for more info.

1992 TLNA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

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AREA C Rep.	Ann Rulseh	1217 Elizabeth	257-8695
	Sue Bauer	456 Jean	257-8691

ELECTED GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES

Alder	David Wallner	419 Jean St.	256-2958
County Supervisor	Judy Wilcox	620 E. Dayton St. #10	255-8913
State Assembly	David Clarenbach	422N State Capitol	266-8570
State Senate	Fred Risser	235S State Capitol	266-1627
(All state legislators:	P.O. Box 7882	Madison, WI 53707-7882)	
U.S. House of Rep.	Scott Klug	16 N. Carroll #600 (53703)	257-9200
U.S. Senate	Robert Kasten	6515 Watts Rd. #203 (53719)	264-5366
	Herbert Kohl	14 W. Mifflin #312 (53703)	264-5338

The Newsletter of the Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood Association is published quarterly and distributed without charge to all households in the Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood (delineated by Lake Mendota, North Livingston Street, East Washington Avenue, and the Yahara River). Requests for information regarding submissions and advertising may be directed to the Editor, TLNA, P.O. Box 703, Madison, WI 53701 (or call Publicity Chair above).

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The TLNA Council is sponsoring a discussion of the proposed convention center on Lake Monona at our annual meeting and spaghetti dinner. Representatives from both sides of the November 3 referendum question will provide information on their respective positions. We will then open the debate so that audience members may ask questions or state their position. Your input and participation are vital because the TLNA Council may take a position on this issue.


TLNA Council members have discussed this issue at several of our monthly board meetings. We believe the referendum is an important issue for our neighborhood and Madison. The effects on taxes, downtown businesses, greenspace, traffic, and city services need to be thoroughly discussed. Letting your alder and

city officials know your opinion is important. Don't hesitate to write or call them!


At the annual meeting we will also have a literature smorgasbord with tasty pamphlets from the various candidates available for your consumption.

The October 1 dinner meeting is also important because we will be conducting our own Council election. As of this writing we still have vacancies for Secretary (meeting minutes and limited correspondence), Area B representative (west of Brearly, newsletter distribution), and an assistant Social Chair (plan/organize social events). If you have a few hours to spare, your neighborhood association could really use your skills and talents!

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REFERENDUM

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community has the opportunity to enhance this quality by constructing a center designed by Frank Lloyd Wright, a Wisconsin native and world renowned architect. Other cities have convention centers, but in general they look like unfriendly boxes. Monona Terrace is a work of art, created exclusively for this specific spot on Lake Monona.

But this isn't the only reason to support Monona Terrace on the November referendum.

Studies estimate that Monona Terrace would add \$20 million annually to our economy, creating over 450 direct jobs and over 350 spinoff jobs, revitalize current businesses, and create 40 new businesses.

Individuals and businesses will benefit from the increased spending Monona Terrace would bring. We'll have new tax base stability generating hundreds of thousands of dollars of tax revenues for city, county and state programs—programs that could otherwise depend on increased property taxes.

The State of Wisconsin has already contributed \$18 million towards the project, the private sector has pledged \$8 million and, hopefully, Dane County will contribute \$12 million. Another \$15 million will come from room tax revenues. The remainder of approximately \$15 million will come from city tax incremental financing and general obligation bonding. The goal of the financing package is to assure that the average city homeowner would see no more than a \$25 annual increase in property tax.

If you would like more information on the Monona Terrace project, please call 256-2000 to receive a copy of our free brochure.

It's Wright for Wisconsin

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timates are more difficult to make.

The supporters of the convention center concede that the original Frank Lloyd Wright design was for a civic center, not a convention center for conventioners. Yet the "Wright for Wisconsin" coalition argues that many large Madison events will be held at the convention center (for example: the Urban League dinner or some retirement parties). The prediction that Madisonians will use the convention center assumes that many non-profit and community organizations that currently use low-cost University facilities, neighborhood centers, and churches will move their gatherings to the convention center.

There are projections that \$15 million a year of income will flow into Madison AND there will still be an operating deficit of \$878,000 a year. This is assuming that the economy does not continue its decline for much longer. We're somewhat insulated in Madison from the layoffs occurring in other urban centers, but those layoffs mean less discretionary spending available to create such a projected level of income.

Since 1980 the city has cut 28 jobs in the fire department, 50 in the parks department, and 26 in the streets department. Several libraries are threatened with closure. An operating subsidy for the convention center is estimated to be \$41 in taxes for the average Madison homeowner.

After the 250,000 square foot center is built, we could be faced with the choice of boarding it up because of low use, or further reducing city services.

For all these reasons, I urge you to vote NO on November 3rd.

Carol Weidel



ALDER'S REPORT

WELCOME BACK—The annual student migration is now over, and it's time to welcome those students who have moved into the 2nd District. If you need any help getting adjusted to your new neighborhood, give me a call.

And don't forget that we're always looking for **new volunteers** for the district's neighborhood associations (Old Market Place and Tenney-Lapham) or for the city's many non-profit groups (like the Madison Literacy Council, Urban League, Friends of the Arboretum, Sierra Club, etc.)

If you want to get involved during your stay in Madison, and help make your mark, here's your chance.

And here are a few phone numbers you might find useful:

- **Madison Metro (267-8777)**—Keep in mind you don't need a car to get around this city. Get a cheap monthly bus pass or buy discount tickets at only 70 cents each, and off you go.

- **Building Inspection Unit (266-6554)**—Having problems with a leaking bathtub? Need more information about rent abatement? Confused about the city's trash pick-up rules? Here's the place to call.

- **Recycling Programs (266-4681)**—What to do with those bottles and cans and plastic items? Madison has an excellent curb-side recycling program that is mandatory throughout the city. Get the facts.

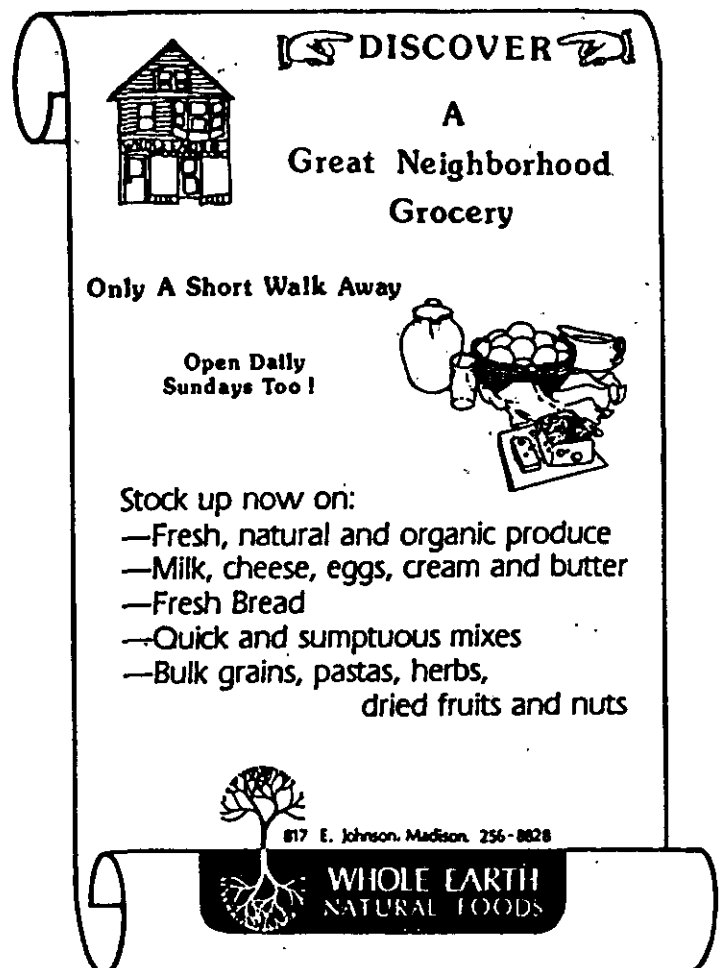
- **Tenant Resource Center (257-0006)**—Confused about your lease or having problems with your landlord? The TRC offers free counseling and advice.

NEW TREES FOR CURTIS COURT—Progress continues on efforts to spruce up Curtis Court. I met this summer with residents and city staff to finalize plans to add new street trees and neighborhood landscaping along the court. An old sidewalk will be torn up to add greenspace for the trees and plantings. Special thanks are in order for residents Jeff Reinke and Karen

Banaszak, Skip Zach of the Avenue Bar, Tom Melms of Badger Cab, and Noel Johnson of Madison Metro.

HOME REPAIRS?—If you're planning on doing any home repairs like adding a new deck, a new garage or shed, or if you need a building permit for other work, the city's **Planning Dept.** has a new series of brochures that might prove helpful. Call 266-4635 to get your free copies. And while we're on the subject, a tip of the hat for all those folks who have made home repairs this past summer. Keeping up our housing stock is vitally important in older Isthmus neighborhoods.

NEW UW BUS SERVICE—Madison Metro and the University have started new bus service called
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ISTHMUS GUIDE AVAILABLE—Downtown Madison Inc. has completed a new Isthmus Guide, which includes maps, tourist information, fascinating details on Madison historical landmarks, and a host of other items. It's on sale for only \$6 at DMI offices, 615 E. Washington Ave.

HOUSING UPDATE—Progress continues on two potential 2nd District housing sites. A city-financed marketing plan

should be unveiled this fall for the old Trachte site between E. Mifflin/E. Dayton just up from the Yahara. I've been meeting with city staff and owner Jerry Mullins for the past year about this location. The marketing study could be the next step leading to new housing to replace the ugly old storage sheds on that site.

The city and the Reynolds Company have reached a tentative agreement to move ahead with the land exchange on the 600 and 700 blocks of E. Mifflin and E. Dayton. The Reynolds family business has been in that area for about 100 years, and brothers David and Ed Reynolds wish to remain in the Old Market Place neighborhood.

The plan calls for removing their old buildings along the 700 block of E. Dayton, then putting up new warehouse and parking facilities on that site and on the city-owned parking lot on

E. Mifflin. In exchange, the city would receive part of the Reynolds land to build housing across from MMHA's Reservoir coop housing. The city would eventually sell that land to a private developer for new housing. Environmental clean-up of soils will be required in the area prior to closing the agreement.

The two sites could lead to new owner-occupied or rental housing for Isthmus residents.


STREET NEWS—Street repairs on N. Blount, N. 4th St. and E. Dayton near North St. should be completed by early September. In addition, I'll try to set up a public meeting early this fall to discuss the long-awaited 1st. St. and E. Washington Ave. intersection design. An earlier plan for that busy intersection was shot down by the state's DNR because of air quality concerns. Keep an eye on the locals newspapers for time and place for this important meeting.

HOT TOPICS—Should the City Council further restrict smoking in restaurants? Should we experiment within the next year with photo radar to reduce speeding and accidents on city streets? Should we build a new convention center on Lake Monona?

And also keep in mind that we'll be debating the 1993 city budget during the next two months. I'm always interested in constituent input on topics like these, so don't hesitate to give me a call at 256-2958.

Ald. David Wallner

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- **HEALTH CARE:** Thousands of small business employees and their families will have access to affordable health insurance under Assembly Bill 655.
- **WORKERS' PRIVACY:** Off-duty conduct will no longer be a legal basis for hiring, firing, or disciplining employees.
- **HATE CRIMES:** Police and prosecutors will have stronger legal tools to fight crimes motivated by bigotry.
- **FIREARMS:** Loaded firearms will have to be securely stored away from children, with exceptions for hunting and other situations.
- **LAND ECONOMICS:** A nationally-ranked UW program in land use theory would receive stable funding at no added cost to taxpayers through an add-on to the real estate license fee.
- **SUMMER FESTIVALS:** Madison's outdoor events were suffering financial losses because alcoholic beverage sales were restricted to fenced-off beer gardens. Local officials may now lift the restrictions for appropriate events.

- **AIDS/HIV:** Increased funding for the fight against AIDS was approved through an amendment to the state budget.

- **SOCIAL WORKERS:** New consumer protections are created for clients of social workers, counselors, and therapists.

Rep. David Clarenbach

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1993 PROPOSED TLNA/TLC BUDGETS

Below are the proposed budgets for TLNA and TLC for the coming year. If you have any feedback or questions for either of the Boards before they vote on these (in December), please contact one of the Board members (listed on p. 2).

The Tenney-Lapham Corporation (TLC) is a tax-exempt, non-profit community development program established by TLNA in 1979. The TLC Board includes the TLNA Vice President, Treasurer, and Parks Committee Chair.

TENNEY-LAPHAM CORPORATION

<u>Item</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expense</u>
Administration		45
Bank Interest/Fees	25	50
Parks Fund Projects:		
Breakwater	520	500
Parks Matching Fund	270	250
Welcome Garden	270	250
Reynolds Garden	25	190
Giddings Garden	105	100
	\$ 1215	1385

TENNEY-LAPHAM NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOC.

<u>Item</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expense</u>
Administration		150
Bank Interest/Fees	150	50
Membership Dues	1600	200
Newsletter:		
Production		2600
Advertising	2600	
Publicity		100
Social Events		
Winter Potluck	75	75
Pancake Supper	175	125
Ice Cream Social	100	100
Annual Meeting	200	100
Hall Fees (CPC)		150
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Marquette/Lapham PTG		100
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All interested Tenney-Lapham neighborhood residents are invited to participate in an interdenominational prayer group focused on neighborhood issues and concerns.

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THE LITTLE HOUSE ON THE HILL AT JOHNSON & BREARLY

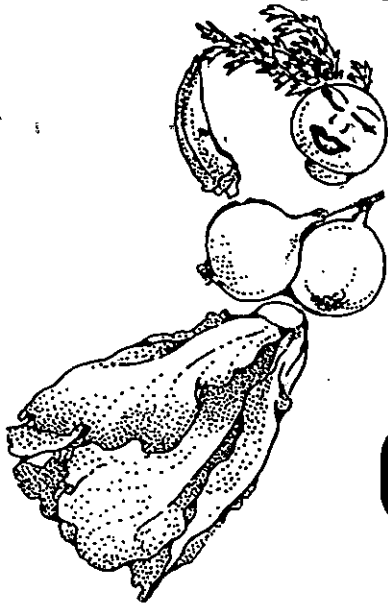
The smallest house in the Tenney-Lapham neighborhood just may be my house at 1000 East Johnson Street. The house is so small—about 625 square feet—that I can vacuum the whole house without ever moving the cord to another outlet. When I bought this home, two years ago, the previous owner mentioned that there had been an article written in the 1950's about this house in *The Capital Times*. Not until this spring did I find the article and begin to piece together the history of my little home. The city preservation office on King Street had a file on my house and may even have a sketched history of your house on file. The article by Alexius Baas claims that this house was probably built in 1853. An

employee at the city preservation office, however, thought it was built much later. I became determined to try to find out the truth.

While browsing in an antique store I happened upon a 1890 real estate map of Madison which included my house. The drawing showed that the original house was only one 240-square-foot room. I then tried to find this map and earlier ones at the State Historical Society in the Archive Room on the 4th floor. These maps led me to believe that my house was built between 1885 and 1890. A 1906 map also showed the addition that was built on the west side of the house to more than double its size. To pinpoint the year my house was built I then looked through the property tax records. From these handwritten documents the details unfolded and I discovered

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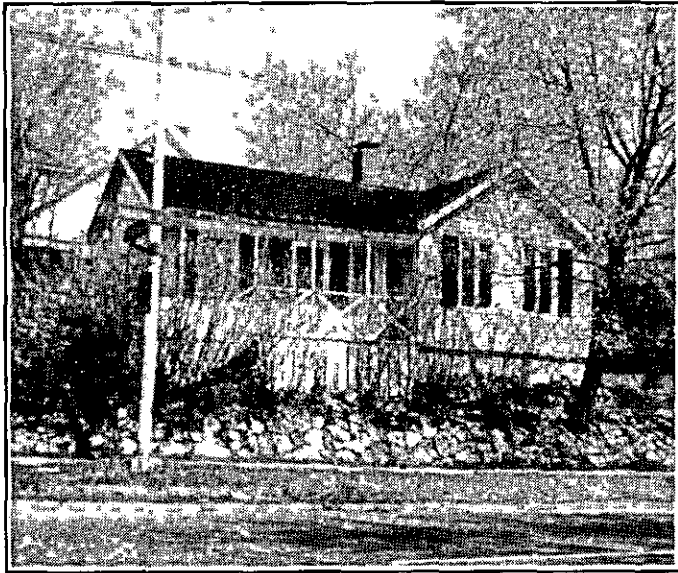
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The Little House on the Hill (1000 E. Johnson)

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that Prudence Aspinwall sold two lots to Thomas Brahany in 1881 at a value of \$100 per lot. The value of the lots, along with the neighboring lots rose to \$250 in a couple of years and then in 1886 lot 18 of block 167 (the legal property description) jumped to \$400! Thus my little cottage-like home was most likely built in 1886.

Here are two excerpts from Alexius Baas' "All Around The Town" column, entitled "A Cozy Cottage Built About 1853," which appeared in *The Capital Times* on October 13, 1950:

"Old Houses do not necessarily have to

be stately mansions of brick and stone to be of interest to this writer. In fact there are a number of modest little frame cottages in the city which intrigue me quite as much as their lordly fellows. Some of these go far back into Madison's history and bring back memories of very early days. Such a one is the subject of today's story. It is located on the northeast corner of N. Brearly and E. Johnson...

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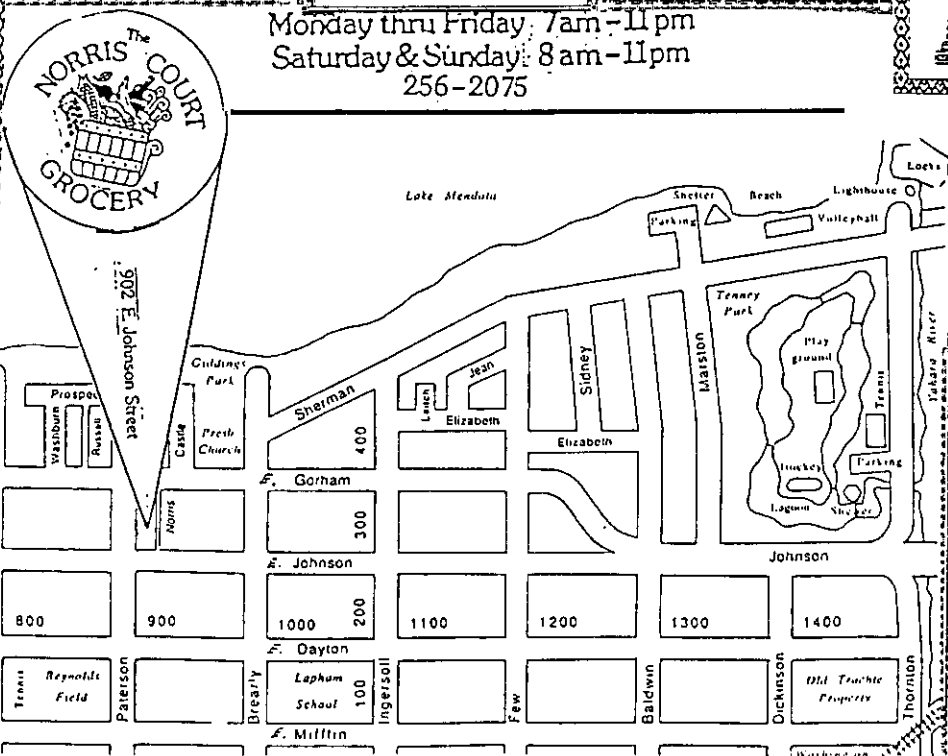
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