

Welcome to the 'Hood, Neighbors

The last plaid couch is stashed somewhere—neighbors hope it's not on the porch—and the cable is strung. The mammoth rental truck that threatened houses on both sides and backed like a ten-ton mule is returned with hardly a scratch. Your landlord has successfully checked you in (or the closing has happened) and you are suddenly among the friendly folk who have already found the best neighborhood in the City. Howdy.

It's not surprising that you have chosen to live in the Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood. We are close to everything you might want to attend or do—the university, the local and state offices, an excellent food co-op or two, galleries, hair stylists, picture framers, a couple of cafes, both with free Internet; in fact, a thriving little business district that is both cute and functional. (During the Winter holidays, the Cork and Bottle and Studio 924 and maybe the one-of-a-kind Burnie's Rock Shop festoon their eaves with evergreens. With the quaint old-fashioned lamp-posts, shopping there is straight out of the more pleasant parts of a Dickens novel.) And have you noticed that we have our own excellent Eastside Farmer's Market on Tuesday afternoons from 4-6:00? It's on the future grounds of Central Park on Livingston and Wilson and is bigger than you might expect, offering goods like home-dyed lambs wool and exotic

meats, as well as Italian ices and gigantic tomatoes.

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Spaghetti Dinner & Annual Meeting Wednesday, October 18 5:30 - 7:15 Christ Church 944 E. Gorham

Adults - \$3.00 Kids - \$1.00 See page 13 for more details on the movie being shown

Colorful Messages Reveal Summer Labor of Love

A mi me gusta la forma de trabajar de los Amigos de las Américas. Me gustó lo que hacían y como convivían con los niños, los jóvenes y todas las de más personas de la comunidad. (Approximate English translation: I like the way Amigos de las Américas does its work. I liked what they did and how they lived together with the children, young people, and all the other people of the community.)

When asked to describe her favorite aspect of the summer, a bright 13 yearold from Casa Blanca, Michoacán, México, known for her stoic nature, scribbled the thought noted above on a piece of colored construction paper, folded it as many times as she could, and handed it to me with her eyes cast to the



Sam and Aaron and friends in Mexico

floor. I added the folded purple square to the pile of other papers handed to me by the rest of the class.

The expression of this 13 year-old sat in my backpack for days unread. It wasn't until a three-hour layover in Houston, Texas en route to the Dane County Regional Airport that I realized I hadn't read all the colored construction paper messages crumpled and folded into the nooks of my carry-on bag (no liquids included of course).

As I dug through maps of Mexico, hot pepper-covered candy, an EMPTY water bottle, and smelly socks from the previous travel day, I pulled out the rainbow collection of *papeles (papers)* and separated them into two piles... one with legible messages and the

other consisting of incomprehensible chicken scratch. After all was in order, I glanced at my stacks and noted that one of the piles sat in the shadow of the other.

This minuscule showing of messages turned out to be the only legible, A+ English class caliber works. I care-(continued on page 5)

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The Madison Department of Planning and Development is starting the formal process that should result in adoption of the new Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood Plan by the Common Council later this year. After approving the draft plan last winter, the TLNA Council sent it to Planning and Development for an initial review by city planners and staff from various other City agencies. The staff provided feedback in writing and at meetings with some of the TLNA Council members during the spring and summer. The TLNA Council adopted some of their suggestions and revised the plan accordingly.

The latest version of the plan, dated 9/06/2006, is available on the TLNA website at: <u>http://danenet.wicip.org/tlna/web-data/issues/plan2005.html</u>

What happens next? The Department of Planning and Development is drafting a Resolution for the Common Council that will propose adoption of the Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood Plan. (Our previous plan was adopted in June 1995.) In the text of the Resolution, several of the plan recommendations are identified as the neighborhood's top priorities. At its September 6th meeting, the TLNA Council selected the following eight items to be listed as the highest priorities.

• Adopt the Proposed Land Use map and recommendations. (This includes almost all of Land Use chapter of the

plan.)

• Transition former student-rental housing stock to owner-occupancy through coordinated programs with City, State, University, Hospitals and other employers to foster workforce home ownership in the central city.

• Develop a Transportation Management Plan for the central City that will implement Transportation System Management (TSM) and Transportation Demand Management (TDM) strategies that will (1) make central neighborhoods more livable and (2) improve mobility for all residents and visitors by distributing trip demand across multiple modes (auto, bike, bus, pedestrian, streetcar and commuter rail). As part of this plan, reduce the arterial operation of E. Johnson and E. Gorham by redesigning the traffic flow on both streets to two-way instead of one-way between Wisconsin Avenue and Baldwin Street.

(Note: TSM includes physical changes, such as building park-and-rides. TDM refers to changing peoples' behavior, for example employers providing monthly bus passes to encourage transit use.)

• Transfer the two historic properties at 640 and 646 E. Gorham from Parks to another city agency or to private ownership. Reverse the deferred maintenance on these structures. If sold, use the proceeds for James Madison Park improvements – including removal of the bathhouse silos. • Improve parking in the East Johnson Business District by identifying prospective sites for a small off-street "vest pocket" parking lot(s).

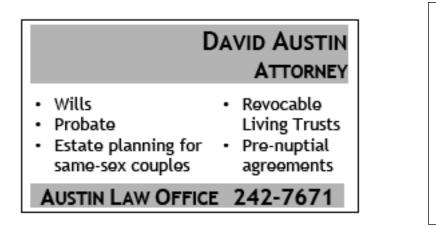
• Eliminate bicycle lane interruptions such as the Brearly-to-Thornton gap on East Johnson and Gorham Streets.

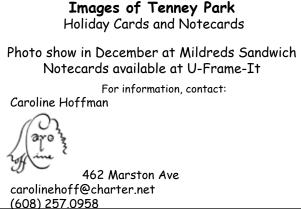
• Bury telephone and power lines as part of all street reconstruction projects.

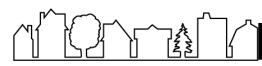
• Assign local historic district status to the Fourth Lake Ridge and Sherman Avenue Historic Districts.

The Resolution does not go immediately to the Common Council. First, it is referred through a number of City Commissions and Boards. These will likely include the Plan Commission, the Board of Estimates, the Board of Public Works, the Long Range Transportation Planning Commission, the Landmarks Commission, the Pedestrian, Bicycle and Motor Vehicle Commission, and probably others. The whole process will occur in the fall and with luck should be completed by Christmas. The Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood Plan will have the distinction of being the first neighborhood plan adopted under the City of Madison's new Comprehensive Plan.

- Patrick McDonnell







One year ago I shared 50 belief statements in an effort to allow the East High community to know who I was as I joined the community. One year later, I'd like to share what I have learned about East High School, the students, the staff and community. It is not intended to be an exhaustive list; in fact it's a sampling. Hopefully it sheds some light on what a dynamic and inspiring school East High is.

• I have learned that each day at East High School there will be a student being tube-fed with staff dedicated to the goal of that student's growth, development and security when he leaves East High, and at the same time there are students preparing for careers, students learning English for the first time and students preparing to attend Harvard.

• I have learned and am still learning about the depth of meaning of East Side Pride!

• I have learned that when you meet a graduate from years past, they might break into the pep song, and I need to

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have it memorized.

• I have learned that there are experiences such as math modeling and the Smokey's field trip that provide opportunities for students they would not find at another school in the country.

• I have learned that 30 out of every 100 students move in or move out of East every year.

• I have learned that not only can you find purple ties but they are often on sale.

• I have learned that East High staff are brilliant, talented, caring, dedicated and devoted to East High School.

• I have learned that both students and parents want and expect very high standards.

• I have learned that we have some problems to solve.

• I have learned that our TAG students not only achieve at high levels, there is a culture of community support among them that is truly special.

• I have learned what a PURGOLD-ER is. • I have learned that we have many students and parents who are not connected.

• I have learned that we need \$3 million to renovate our theater so that the venue matches the talent that performs there every school year.

• I have learned that I have a lot to learn.

• I have learned that we can get some great positive press about our kids.

• I have learned that our kids believe East High's strength is diversity and tradition.

• I have learned that our future is bright because so many people care about the kids at East High School.

It continues to be my honor and pleasure to be part of the team at East High School and we sincerely appreciate all of the community's support as we look forward to the 84th school year at East High School.

> - Alan Harris, East High School Principal



(Colorful Messages - from page 1)

fully repacked the larger of the two stacks (I was sentimentally attached to them) and settled myself into a chair outside my gate for some light reading. What I encountered weren't forced, high school yearbook comments but rather real, honest feedback.

Asking for feedback or carrying out a "Performance Evaluation" was just one element suggested by the U.S. nonprofit, international, service organization: Amigos de las Amerícas (for more information visit the Madison Chapter website http://www.amigosmadison. org/). Through this organization, I recently joined an army of 600+ volunteers from all over the United States for a summer of living, learning, teaching, volunteering, growing, and interacting in Latin America. My Amigos partner, Aaron, a young man from Denver, and I concluded our summer in Casa Blanca, a small community of 100 residents in the state of Michoacán, México, with one of these evaluations.

What performance needed evaluating? Waking up at 8:30 every morning five days a week made it feel like Aaron and I were going to summer school. The fact is, we were. The only difference was that we were the teachers and all of our students only spoke and understood Spanish. Maybe it was our brains that needed evaluating. What could we possibly have been thinking, trying to teach a bunch of five to eleven year-olds, in Spanish, about respecting their surroundings through picking up trash or emphasizing the importance of healthy hygiene?

When our teaching jobs were done for the day, Aaron and I stepped out of our teacher costumes and into our negotiating business suits to chat with community members, political figures in the municipal government, and project supervisors to assess the progress of the asset-based development project the community was working on. Many meetings were scheduled to talk about building a wall and benches in the town center. The outcome of these negotiations resulted in a signed contract stating that the municipal government of José Sixto Verduzco would carry out the project with the help of the community of Casa Blanca.

After signing contracts, conducting important business meetings, and waking up five days a week for summer school, we were in need of some serious evaluation. With that in mind, we called upon our most honest and trusted



critics to do the evaluation, a group of five to thirteen year-olds who we knew would give us the brutal and honest truth. Thanks to colored construction paper and crayons, we got a rainbow of responses.

Sitting in the airport reading the comments of our critics, the words of my 13 year-old host sister, Perla Almanza-Hernandez, really struck a chord with me. Her words helped me realize how much me encantaba lo que hacían y como convivía yo con los niños, los jóvenes y todas las de más personas de la comunidad (Approximate English translation: I loved what they, the community, did for me and how I lived together with the kids, young people, and all the other people of the community.)

- Sam Crossley (sophomore at UW-Madison)



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We're Booked

Neighborhood Teachers Share Book Recommendations

In the spirit of "back to school" we asked some neighborhood teachers to share book titles they like to use in their classrooms and why. Following is what they had to say:

Jim Dunn 8th Grade Social Studies/History O'Keeffe Middle School

Johnny Tremain by Esther Forbes

Foremost, this is a well-written book that takes many students by surprise. For some, it is simply an assigned book about a boy during the Revolutionary War, and that in itself is not appealing. But through discussions and readings, the students come to relate to and have empathy for Johnny. Students realize the book is much more than it appears. When the ideas in this book are woven into history class, students become truly engaged.

David Wallner Modern Literature and Journalism Stoughton High School

<u>Night</u> by Elie Wiesel <u>Nigger: An Autobiography</u> by Dick Gregory

It is important to realize that most of today's high school students were born in the 1990's and have little understanding of modern historical events-Civil Rights Movement, Viet Nam War, The Holocaust. I use the two titles above for several reasons. First, these books are accessible to every student. They are not long books, but they are meaty. Second, these books practically teach themselves. These firsthand accounts of significant historical events have a strong impact on students. Third, because Wiesel and Gregory tell their stories as children close in age to high school students, the books reach students

on a more universal issue as well—just trying to find their place in the world.

Dan Meyer Social Policy Courses for MSW and PhD students School of Social Work University of Wisconsin – Madison

<u>Equality and Efficiency: The Big</u> <u>Tradeoff</u> by Arthur Okun

This book is a classic in my field, being a very clear and early statement about how, in general, governmental policies that focus on efficiency (economic growth) end up exacerbating problems of inequality-and how policies that focus on increasing equality (taxing the rich, giving to the poor) often end up costing us in long-term economic growth. I use the book not because I agree with everything in it, but because it is a great springboard to discussion. It forces the social work students I teach to think about the potential costs of some policies that would be near and dear to their hearts (and mine).

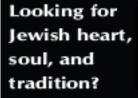
Gay Davidson-Zielske English, American Literature, Creative Writing, etc. University of Wisconsin-Whitewa-

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<u>The Tipping Point</u> by Malcolm Gladwell

I've had some good years with Malcolm Gradwell's <u>*The Tipping Point*</u>. I like it because students are amazed to find out how things really change as opposed to our assumptions about how things change. It is also a book that helps students feel powerful, and that is always a good sensation.

- Jean Dunn, Anna Park, Ann Rulseh





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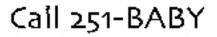
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At present, the county is immersed in our budget proceedings. The County Executive has directed departments on how much to reduce from their budgets, the departments have assembled their proposals, the County Board has held three major public hearings regarding it and the County Executive will have released her executive budget by the time of this reading. Now county supervisors have the possibility of making requests for any amendments. There will be ongoing committee meetings throughout October addressing this topic and the public is welcome to attend and provide input. Also, the final public hearing before the County Board makes its final deliberations is October 23 at 7 pm in Room 201 of the City County Building. The Board should be finishing the budget by Thanksgiving.

This is an excruciatingly difficult budget and I'm especially concerned about the Human Services Department taking a 5% cut. Some top issues I'm working on are the restoration of youth crisis and outpatient services funding at the Dane County Mental Health Center and funding for the parents' programs at the Family Enhancement Center. I'm also looking at possibilities of restoring one or two positions in the Economic Assistance and Work Services division, which at present has fourteen vacancies. On a bit of a lighter tone (pun intended), I've been working together with Tenney Lapham Association residents on improving the new lighting installed at the Tenney locks. Shields have been ordered to reduce the glare experienced by residents living to the north as well as motorists using Sherman Avenue. Also the lights, except perhaps a couple next to the locks building, are being automatically turned off one half hour after the locks close, according to the seasons.

As lead sponsor, I'm happy to say that the creation of the Wisconsin Quality Home Care Commission has been completed. This involved an extensive process by which an intergovernmental agreement was crafted between the county and state governments to establish a new entity to assist the elderly and people with disabilities in Dane County in the provision of caregiving services. This helps match consumers with workers through a directory system with the goals of making the best matching possible and enabling workers to receive better wages and benefits while providing a more secure, stable workforce for the consumer. I'm grateful to the number of people who worked together with me on this issue, including consumers, workers, county committee members as well as the County Executive and Governor's offices. If you're interested in serving on the commission's Board of Directors please contact me.

The county also has passed a resolution to pass on 99% of any money resulting from the refinancing of the county debt to the purchase of services agencies that are contracted by the Human Services department. These agencies provide the majority of direct care services to members of our community. In the last four years, POS agencies have absorbed cuts to operating budgets while the costs to the agencies have increased significantly. Meanwhile, county employees have consistently received wage increases due to their collective bargaining agreements. I believe this is a crucial move in order to keep our agencies and community-as-a-whole intact.

Finally, if you'd like to check out any County Board meeting, you can now not only download the agenda but also all accompanying documents for each agenda item on the County Board's website at <u>www.co.dane.wi.us/coboard</u> I've been striving to communicate as much as possible electronically in my county work and this accessibility initiative led to an asset for all residents using computers. It's curious that this has been my experience in nearly every accessibility issue I've ever worked on – benefits for the general community. We come together in interesting ways!

- Barbara Vedder bvedder@charter.net 249-8428







Are the Lights at the Locks too Bright?

The County has recently installed new lighting at the Locks. The Tenney Lapham Neighborhood Association Council is wondering if they are too bright.

As with many neighborhood issues, there are two sides to this question. The brighter lights enhance both boater and pedestrian safety in the area of the locks and are more convenient for the many fisherpeople who utilize the locks in the evening.

However, some have

objected to such bright fixtures because they interfere with the dark sky initiative and may cause or create light pollution.



Council members have met with Barbara Vedder and county engineering staff to address the problem.

Some shielding and discussions on how the lights are to be set to correlate with the seasonal closing of the locks are minimal measures that have been agreed upon. There have been representations from the County Engineer that the light bulbs will dim to approximately half their intensity within a few years.

What do you think?

If this is an issue that interests or concerns you, please contact County Su-

pervisor Barbara Vedder with your opinion as discussions with her and the County are ongoing.

- Mary Jo Schiavoni



Schools



School Referendum on November Ballot

The Madison school board voted unanimously to support the three-part building and finance plan on the November 7, 2006 ballot. The plan includes building a new school, financing a new cafeteria and internal remodeling to Leopold Elementary, and refinancing existing debt to free some pressure on the district's operating budget. For the average priced Madison home, \$239,400, the cost will be \$29.21. From 1996 to 2006 the school property taxes on the average-priced home have increased less than 1%, while that house has increased 80% in value.

Since 2002-03, elementary enrollment throughout the district has increased and is projected to continue The Memorial/West Atto increase. tendance Area Task Force determined that a new school and more space at

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Leopold is the most efficient and least expensive long-term solution to the growth in student population.

Other district owned space or available classroom space was determined to be

1) far from the areas of growth (requiring expensive bus rides of over 45 minutes);

2) too small to accommodate West side projected growth. Space on the East side will also be needed for predicted increases in enrollments in the East and LaFollette areas:

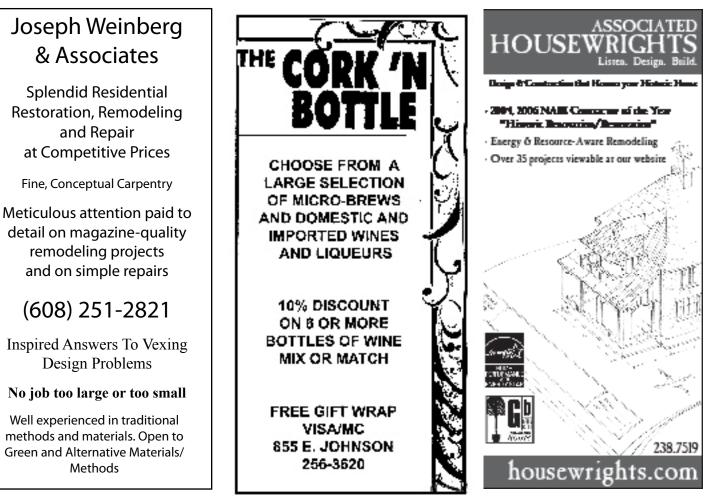
3) fully used for other important functions.

The district and board are committed to maintaining neighborhood schools in all areas of the community, both new and more established. The schools serve as anchors, building community

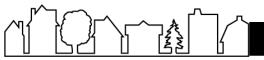
within neighborhoods. Success of the referendum will maintain the strength of the schools and the community and will ensure that all parts of the community are served equally.

If the referendum should fail, the board has approved a plan which involves boundary changes in the Memorial area and then programmatic changes such as reduction/elimination of SAGE or putting specials "on a cart." (details: www.mmsd.org click on 2006 Referendum).

> Gina Hodgson CAST (Communities and School Together) member



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Horizons May Change at James Madison Park

Mayor Cieslewicz has made a proposal for improvements at James Madison Park. The estimated costs of \$1,200,000 are included in the 2007 capital budget.

The main idea is a project conceived by the city a long time ago. It calls for expanding the park eastward and opening wider the view of Lake Mendota and Picnic Point from a high point that brinks the east side of the Park. Suggested improvement details include: major shelter renovation for a restaurant/ concession; relocating basketball courts away from Gates of Heaven; irrigation, signage, bocce, horseshoe, and exercise areas; parking, lighting and public art; accessible paths, a lakeshore staircase, pier, and gazebo.

These costs, according to the plan, would be offset entirely by land and property sales at the park. Sounds good but some argue it's a case proving the old saying "the devil is in the details".

In 1992, no doubt with this plan in mind, the City purchased houses at 640 and 646 E Gorham St. The City earlier acquired the Collins House at 704 E Gorham and the Lincoln Elementary School building at 720 E. Gorham St. The park improvement plan involves all four of these buildings. They are all historically significant properties designed by architects Claude and Starck who are Madison's most famous architectural team.

The three residential properties were home to members of the William H. Collins Family, lumber barons in Madison who controlled eleven lumber yards throughout Wisconsin around the turn of the century. The Lincoln School was built on the site of the first school in our area (1866) and was one of a number of schools in the state designed by architects Claude and Starck in the Prairie Style form. The prairie style, popularized by Frank Lloyd Wright, and applied and developed here by Claude and Starck, among others, has a formidable presence in our neighborhood.The work of Claude and Stark includes Breese Stevens Stadium, the Majestic Theatre, and the building at 1209 Williamson St which at one time housed Madison's first public library and residential housing designed by Claude and Starck is abundant in our neighborhood and includes many homes on East Gorham St, N. Paterson St, and Sherman Avenue.

The prairie style of architecture they practiced is a mid-west original and gives us a place of prominence in our nation's architectural history, and our





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neighborhood, with many examples of the prairie style form, has a unique place in Madison's architectural heritage.

The city has neglected to adequately maintain the houses at 640 and 646 E. Gorham St. and they are deteriorating. The lease for the Collins House Bed & Breakfast was not renewed and this beautiful building has been vacant for more than a year. The mayor states he wants to start the process of deciding how to resolve these issues. The park improvement plan calls for moving building 640 E Gorham St. to the east end of the city-owned property (being the east side of Lincoln School) and moving building 646 E. Gorham St. to the corner of Blount St. just west of the former Bed & Breakfast Collins House, and then selling the buildings with the land.

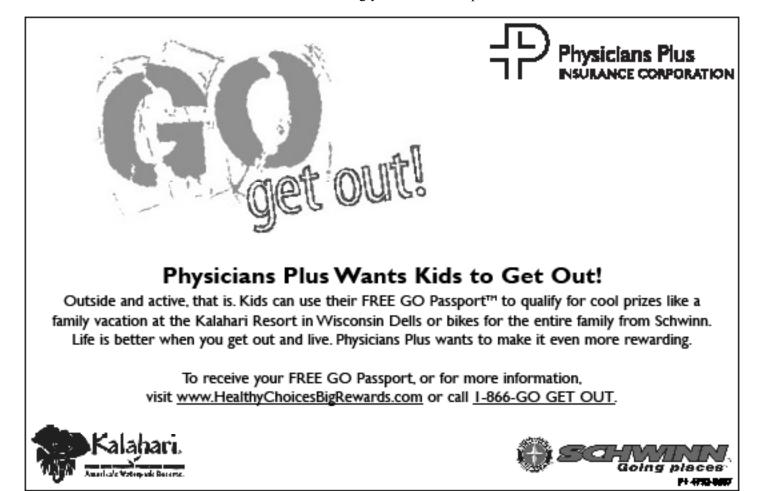
This would open up the view of Lake Mendota the city has in mind. Revenue is estimated at \$450,000. Alternatives include demolition and finding other sites for the buildings. Questions arise about the feasibility of moving the buildings, especially because of deferred maintenance. Preservationists do not want to unnecessarily lose any more of our architectural heritage. The former Bed and Breakfast Collins House would be sold with the land. Revenue from the sale is estimated at \$500,000. The Lincoln School Building is now owned by Urban Land Interests and in use as apartments. The city would sell them the land underneath the building so that they could convert the apartments to condos. Revenue is estimated at \$600,000.

Questions arise here because the land is designated as future parkland when the building becomes non-functional and it may not be wise to give up any parkland in an urban area that will become increasingly crowded. This plan raises questions for preservationists and park advocates alike, and for all of us wondering about thoughtful community resource management.

The Collins House Bed & Breakfast was a good example of an adaptive use that brought additional notice, attention, and access to a beautiful neighborhood historic landmark. Lincoln School was previously the Madison Art Center and another example of an adaptive use. Maybe for Lincoln School, at this time, apartments are a better adaptive use than more condos.

We have four historic properties in the public domain. Is it possible to find an adaptive use for some or all of the properties that would meet a community need? The Mayor is forming a committee to help answer the questions.

- Joe Brogan



Empty Nesters Wonder What's Next

My wife Christine and I were away for ten days in late August as we drove our youngest daughter Bridget to Colby College in Waterville, Maine. (Karen Crossley's alma mater, I might add.) It was our very last time taking a daughter to her freshman year. We came home to the proverbial empty nest. We had all three girls home for the summer. The house was a tad bit boisterous, full of energy and noise. Then Caitlin left for a year of voluntary service in Sitka, Alaska. Soon after, Molly flew down to Chile for her college junior semester abroad. Now Bridget is at Colby, 90 minutes north of Portland, Maine, I was not prepared for this significant, qualitative difference in my life. It reminded me of the day after our wedding and the day after Caitlin's birth. No one can prepare you for these monumental shifts that happen in life. It takes time (and grace) to live into these new unique landscapes.

As we arrived home and walked into the house, there was a presence, a feeling that I was not expecting. My life as a hands-on-see-them-everyday parent was over. My life as a traveling, visiting-but-staying-not-too-long parent had begun. Oh, the house will still occasionally be filled with their clamor, don't get me wrong. However, a shift has occurred. Christine and I have begun a whole new phase of our life. I am a little sad and a tad bit excited about it all. For it will help us refocus on what or, more specifically, who is at the center of our life. For a long time we have been swept up into the swirl of our children's frenzy. Rightly so. Rearing our children, the best way that we knew, was our calling, our vocation, our focus. Caitlin, Molly and Bridget got our full attention. Now they are gone to live their own lives. We have the unprecedented opportunity to have some time, space and quiet to reflect on



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COFFEE HOUSE 744 Williamson Street how God was at work in our lives during those whirling, swirling years.

More importantly, we get to see where God is calling us now to give our lives, to give our generative energy. No longer caught up in the fever of life that capably saw us through the intoxicating moments of diapering, parent volunteering (mostly at Tenny Nursery and Parent Center and Lapham School), helping with schoolwork, attending band and choir concerts and, in our case, rooting on the sidelines during soccer matches. Now the security of a routine set by their activity, their lives, is gone. It wasn't just the physical routine of how the family did things and got places that ordered our lives. Equally important was the emotional routine of our well defined parental role and how we reacted to the events of their lives- cheering, comforting, confronting, cajoling, conversing, colluding and caring enough to be there whenever and wherever they were in the spotlight.

The question, at least for Christine and me, is not how can we fill up our life with all the distractions with which this culture of ours entices us, but, given our circumstance, what is our focus, our purpose now? At least for us the question becomes, what is God calling us to do as a couple? For God is not done with us yet. What new possibilities will open to us? I can't wait to see.

- Glen Hall Reichelderfer- Christ Presbyterian Church

Film to Kick Off Book Discussion Series

Enjoy good food as well as food for thought at the TLNA Spaghetti Dinner, Wednesday, October 18 at 5:30pm at Christ Presbyterian Church. Immediately following dinner, we will view "Red Hook Justice," a film by Meema Spadola. This one-hour documentary goes behind the scenes of the Red Hook Community Justice Center in Brooklyn, NY, a place that gives residents improved access to justice, in tandem with appropriate social services, while building trust in the legal system. The film is noted for its realistic picture of community justice in action.

The showing of "Red Hook Justice" kicks off a book discussion series taking place at Christ Presbyterian Church over the coming months. Wednesday, November 15, from 6:45pm to 8:15pm the discussion will be about Marge

Piercy's Sex Wars: A Novel of the Turbulent Post-Civil War Period, a fascinating and entertaining book about 1860's New York and the extraordinary life of Victoria Woodhull.

Then, on Wednesday, January 17, to celebrate Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday, from 6:45pm to 8:15pm, the book discussion will turn to *Bombingham* by Anthony Grooms, a coming-of-age story that explores both the bombings in 1960's Birmingham, the Civil Rights Movement and the Vietnam War. Brining these themes together, Grooms creates a rich tapestry of ethical and moral questions.

And on Wednesday, March 7, from 6:45pm to 8:15pm, the group will be talking about *For God and Country: Faith and Patriotism Under Fire* by James Yee and Aimee Molloy. One of the few Muslim Chaplin's in the U.S. Army, Yee was asked by his superiors to serve as a spokesman for Islam to his fellow servicemen after September 11. After serving as a chaplain at Guantanomo Bay, Yee was later arrested and held for seventy-six days in solitary confinement. Yee's account challenges readers to ask how Americans behave toward citizens and non-citizens alike in times of war and insecurity.

Everyone from the Tenney-Lapham neighborhood and beyond is invited to join in discussing these books and the important issues they tackle. The neighborhood organizers of this book discussion series are seeking to create a forum that stimulates civil discourse on these important issues. For more information, please contact Glen Reichelderfer at 257-4845 or glenr@tds.net or Ann Rulseh at rulseh@aol.com.





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drunknBUTTERFLY Brings the Contemporary Art Movement to East Johnson

East Johnson has an amazing new addition to its already eclectic group of shops.

drunknBUTTERFLY recently opened its door at 845 East Johnson. Owners, Wesley Martin and his wife Layla, brought their two worlds of expertise into a beautiful and exciting boutique.

Combining both men and women's fashion with the contemporary art movement they bring a new vision of clothing as a

personal art form. As described on their web-site, <u>www.drunknbutterfly.</u> <u>com</u>, they carry limited run clothing lines so patrons can avoid, "cookiecutter fashions that have taken over individuality".

Wesley has a strong background in

design and was the Art Director of Stereo Skateboards, a company co-founded by

Jason L e e a n d Chris Pastras. Layla trained at the Fashion Institute of Design and Merchandising and has been a buyer for several exclusive retailers.

Madison is so lucky to have such innovative and creative team and the East Johnson Business Association is excited to have such great neighbors.

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Tenney Park (a robust 102) and the P Yahara Parkway (a mere pup at 100 this year) are being recognized once E again. Prof. Arnold Alanen from the UW th Landscape Architecture Department and I two landscape architects (Lisa Geer and I Julie Loehrl) are preparing materials to f describe our local parks for inclusion e in the Historic American Landscapes d Survey (HALS). Check out this web page for more details www.cr.nps.gov/ habshaer/hals/.

The HALS program was established in 2000, but Tenney and the Parkway will be one of the first parks so entered. It should be an interesting story when it is all assembled. Did you know that S. Thornton from the Isthmus bike path to E. Main Street has been removed? Why? Well to add the

Being 100 is Great!

ped/bike path of course.

With the completion of the path and E. Washington bridge underpasses later this fall, you and I will be able to go lake to lake with relative ease. More landscaping will be needed. This is the fruition of one of the major goals as established in our neighborhood plan developed in the mid 90's.

The Friends of the Yahara River Parkway developed a walking tour application for consideration by the Dane County Cultural Affairs Commission. The tour will cover Tenney Park and the Parkway. We will produce a traditional walking tour brochure and, as a bonus, create an online version with Tim Olsen leading us to the electronic frontier.

The timing should be great with the tour booklet available about mid-2007

if all goes according to plan. We have a great crew of folks working on the application, but if you are interested in the project please contact me (335-8847 or 244-8847).

I'm feeling good about this application since we were the only local history application. We asked for \$3000. Hmmmm, we need to come up with matching funds. Stay tuned....

Cheers,

- Ed Jepsen

East Johnson Business Updates

Great, upcoming events!

Artisan Craftsman and Supplies is opening a second store on State Street. Make sure to check it out in October.

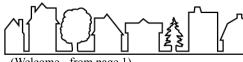
Circa and **PishPosh** are sharing space to make all your male and female vintage and one-of-a-kind clothing shopping easy. Drop by soon at 825 East Johnson.

Cypress, designer and owner of **Circa**, is holding her 2006 Fall Fashion Show at the High Noon Salon on Saturday, October 7. It will be a creative and amazing time – definitely mark your calendars!

StudioBloom, UFI Gallery, Burnie's Rock Shop and others will participate in the Madison Museum of Contemporary Art's Gallery night Friday, October 6. It is a great night to eat dinner at Mildred's and walk your block!

> **Jade Mountain** has the most unique beads in town. Make sure you stop in soon and see their finds from all around the globe.

Now that the weather is turning colder it is a perfect time to curl up with a delicious double mocha cappuccino from **Company of Thieves** or a great wine from Cork-N-Bottle.



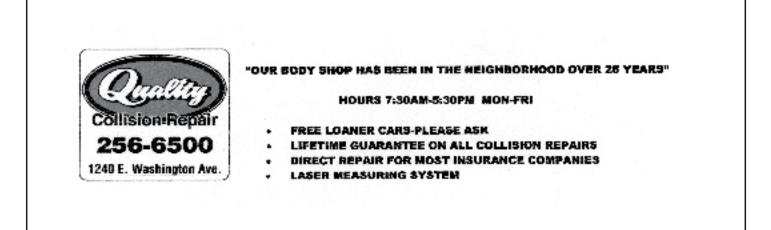
(Welcome - from page 1)

Those of you who have kids have probably noticed that the schools are handy, safe, and thriving-Tenney and East High are within our perimeter and Marquette and O'Keeffe are in the nearby Marquette Neighborhood. We have churches and temples and bars, with maybe bars having a slight edge in numbers over the religious institutions. We are nicely diverse in all kinds of ways-age, ethnicity, and occupationally. We are bordered by the waters of beautiful Lake Mendota, meaning "Place of the Zipping Skidoo," unfortunately. Having worked for MoveOn during the last presidential election, I can tell you we tend to be progressive and tolerant, left-leaning on social and political subjects. We sit on porches and chat over fences. Once in awhile, we take to the streets and party on. Often, we walk and bike and bus. And when we drive, we obey the speed limits..... or do we?

According to the officers assigned to our neighborhoods, most of the people getting tickets on E. Gorham during sweeps were...uh...from the neighborhood. I like to blame the stupidity on those reckless, inconsiderate race-car (that's a palindrome) drivers as much as anyone. I have been known to place an orange safety cone three feet out in the street when attempting to weed the pitiful flower garden in front of my house without having the hitch taken off of my trailer, so to speak. I yell at speeders and take license plate numbers of semis, who sometimes are only pretending not to know that they cannot legally drive on these side streets if over a certain tonnage. I call and I'm sure somebody somewhere immediately files my complaint under "N" for "nutcase." But I persevere and I hope you will too. One day last week, a police officer and I drove a few blocks as a flying blockade-just going 25 side by side and irritating several would-be speedsters. Had it been just me, I'm sure they would have jigged past, maybe giving me the one-finger salute, but the officer smiled at me and we drove the limit. And speaking of density, we like it in automobiles. Alas, I counted one day and not one in THIRTY cars has more than one occupant. We need to help them by forming carpools, making our busses more visible and usable, and.... who wants that job? Maybe someone new to the neighborhood. Is there a computer maven out there who could start this project? I will help you hunt for grant money.

Not everyone lives on a busy street, but many of us have pets. The law here is the law of the City—no unleashed dogs or CATS. (This is funny—my cat Cleo just rubbed her muzzle against my laptop—the computer one—and wiped out the sentence about cats.) Newly-acquired pets get loose or are released to run the streets—where I have seen far too many kitties and puppies turned into furry pancakes. And it goes without saying that nobody should ever leave pet waste in a public place. We all know it's illegal, and there are no good reasons for doing so-especially the "sky blue stare" some offenders adopt while Fido poops—as if the dog isn't doing it if nobody's watching. Cats come in for their criticism too-they really do kill songbirds and get into garbage and tangle with each other. Some folks mistakenly think that cats need to roam-but that's only on the open savannah. In town, they need to be protected-keep them inside.

Speed and noise seem to come together too-every year the boom cars and the high-pitched tinny engines of small motorcycles seem to proliferate. The vulgarly-named "rockets" must exceed noise limits, but nobody seems to stop them from polluting our ears. The boom cars literally shake my window panes-with "music" pouring forth that never seems to be classical or even folk. Now, if somebody wanted to blast "Beethoven," but I can imagine somebody into other kinds of music would be tortured by that too. Parties need to be kept reasonable. Landlords can kick you out if you are a multiple-time offender. And nobody wants that. Know your rights, but also know your responsibilities. A good reference at the end of your stay is worth a lot-and good tenants get their security deposits back from reputable landlords.





As one who probably lived in thirty different places before buying a home, I have seen the world of rental from both sides—the good, the bad, and the really weird. Tenant rights can be investigated at the Tenants' Resource Center.

It's hard to cover every useful matter you might like to know about Tenney-Lapham, but here are a few more tips: recycling is every other week and schedules can be had at the City of Madison's website. Garbage days depend on which street you live on, but can also be had there. Take care not to place items on the curb more than 24 hours before collection time or take them in more than 24 hours after collection. You or the property owner may be given a ticket, which, if you rent, will be passed on to you. We all appreciate your cleaning up after yourself. Your Mom would be pleased.

It's easy to get involved around here

too—come to any Tenney Lapham Neighborhood Assn meeting—first Wednesday of each month at the Garden Apartments on N. Baldwin and E. Gorham. Volunteer to be a neighborhood rep or for some other office and get to know us old-timers. We have yearly events, such as the Spaghetti Dinner in Fall, Art Walks and sometimes Ice Cream Socials in the Summer, a Potluck in Winter, and occasionally other events. Many are held at Christ Presbyterian Church on the 900 Block of E. Gorham.

Much of this newsletter's stories has assumed you, the reader, are renters, but, of course, we welcome new owners as well. We even have at least one neighbor who functions as a kind of "institutional memory" for the neighborhood—Richard Linster, our Membership Chair. Chances are pretty good that he can tell you something about your old house. So flag him down—he's the guy who bikes everywhere he goes—yeah, the one with the suspenders. Tell Richard that Gay sent you.

- Gay Davidson-Zielske (Spellcheck suggests "Sealskin" and "Lifelike" instead of "Zielske." What do you think? I kind of like Norma Gay Sealskin,)



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Crime Report for the Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood - June through August 2006

Date	Address	Crime	Targeted/Stolen			
June 2	600 block E. Gorham	Burglary - removed window	Laptop/jewelry			
June 4	Tenney Park	Battery	Male was battered by four male acquantances			
June 9	1400 block E. Wash	Disturbance	2 cars crusing. One male calls in that other car had gun displayed.			
			No gun located. 5 male white, ages 17-19, cited disorderly conduct.			
June 11	700 block E. Johnson	Burglary - forced entry	TV, Ipod			
June 11	900 block E. Dayton	Armed Robberty - 1:52 a.m.	Black male suspect. male and female walking home after being at			
	Ş	5	tavern			
June 15	15 E. Johnson & Baldwin Burglary - theft from auto; unlocked door Ipod					
June 15	1300 block E. Wash	Graffiti	2nd floor outside wall; two drawings			
June 15	600 block E. Johnson	Sexual Assault - 7:30 a.m.	Intoxicated female was partying with friends at several locations.			
			Reportedly assaulted by two white males.			
June 16	700 block E. Mifflin	Graffiti	White and blue spray paint			
June 21	600 block E. Dayton	Sexual assault; 12:00 a.m.	Intoxicated female walking home; approached by white male who			
	5		talks to her. Asks to go home with her. When she said no, he pushed			
			her up against a fence, covered her mouth and began to assault her.			
			Female pushed suspect away and he fled.			
June 23	700 block E. Johnson	Disturbance - large underage drinking				
July 1	James Madison park	Disturbance - white male arrested for exposing genitals. Also arrested for possession of marijuana with				
-	-		intent to deliver			
July 3	600 block E. Gorham	Burglary	Cash			
July 7	1200 block E. Dayton	Property crime - damage to auto	Back window kicked in			
July 10	800 block E. Wash	Graffiti	Unknown writings			
July 13	800 block E. Johnson	Graffiti	Red tag			
July 13	1200 block E. Dayton	Burglary - unlocked door	Laptop taken while resident in kitchen			
July 13	1200 block E. Dayton	Burglary	Wallet & computer removed from apt. Computer located			
July 19	100 block N. Livingston	Graffiti	Generator tagged			
July 23	600 block E. Johnson	Sexual Assault	Intoxicated female fell asleep on white male suspect's bed; woke up			
			him assaulting her			
July 30	1300 block E. Dayton	Burgglary - screen/window removed	Playstation 2, DVDs, 2 laptops, Ipod			
Aug 2	800 block E. Gorham	Burglary - forced rear door/screen	Reisdent home and alarm went off			
Aug 10	1100 block E. Washington	Property crime - damage to auto	Car keyed			
Aug 11	1000 block E. Gorham	Arson	Couch on curb moved to street and set on fire			
Aug 18	1400 block E. Johnson	Battery - 3 a.m.	Two males on top of female, one choking her. White male taken in			
			custody			
Aug 24	1300 block E. Mifflin	Graffiti	"scum" written on Tenney Nursery			

The above information comes from police department's Central District Newsletters - http://www.madisonpolice.com/central/News/centralnewsL.html



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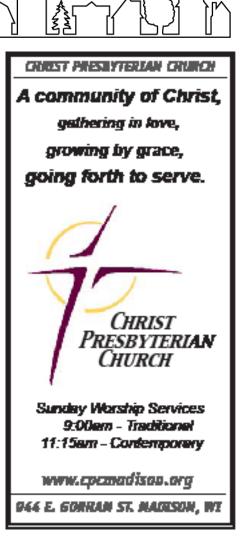
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15 Sherman Terrace	2	1	852	
35 Sherman Terrace, #4	2	1	852	
8 Sherman Terrace, #5	2	1	852	
11 Sherman Terrace, #4	2	1	852	
20 Sherman Terrace, #3	2	1	852	
	2 5	1.75	1700	
1121 E. Johnson	3 1			
414 N. Livingston, #3	3	1	591	
102 N. Baldwin		1	1128	
210 N. Livingston	1	1	741	
1248 E. Dayton	4	1	1281	
313 N. Livingston	3	1	1550	
111 N. Ingersoll	2 units		1400	
124 N. Brearly	3	1.25	1182	
936 E. Dayton	3	2	1174	
604 E. Mifflin	3	1	1156	
115 N. Ingersoll	2 units		788	
1029 1/2 E. Gorham	3	1	1197	
201 N. Blair	1	1.5	1106	
1137 Elizabeth	3	2	1444	
301 N. Blount, Apt. B	2	1.5	1066	
1029 E. Gorham	3	1.75	1516	
414 N. Livingston, #1	2	1	1563	
850 E. Gorham	5	1.75	2208	
1149 E. Dayton	3 units		2601	
1129 E. Johnson	3	2	1582	
1026/1028 E. Gorham	2 units	2	2138	
836 E. Dayton	4 units		2160	
314 N. Brearly	3	1.25	1448	
115 N. Paterson	3	1.25	1322	
1247 E. Mifflin				
	-	lex - 6 bedrooms		
305 N. Blount, Apt. C	2	2	1309	
847 Prospect Place	2 units	2	2550	
305 N. Blount, Apt. B	3	2	1369	
1114 E. Johnson	3		1900	
423 N. Baldwin	4	2	2506	
940 E. Johnson	4 units		2000	
421 Washburn Place	5 units		2019	
834 E. Gorham	3 units		4050	
410 N. Livingston	5		2507	
PENDING				
123 N. Blount	1	1	429	
1145 Elizabeth	2	1	1204	
844 E. Gorham	2 units		2816	
1004 Sherman	5	2.5	4057	
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Address		Days on Mkt		List Price
17 Sherman Terrace, #4		12		\$104,000
1135 E. Mifflin				\$229,900
919 E. Johnson		115		\$239,900
736 E. Johnson		329		\$244,900
314 N. Paterson		549		\$260,000
1024 E. Gorham		47		
		47 14		\$257,900 \$389,900
841 Prospect Place		14		\$389,900







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How Astrology Works according to Ben Franklin:

The stargazer peeps at the heavens through a long glass. He spies perhaps Virgo (or the virgin); she turns her head round as it were to see if anybody observed her, then crouching down gently, with her hands on her knees, she looks wistfully for awhile right forward. He judges rightly what she's about; and having calculated the distance and allowed time for its falling, finds that next spring we shall have a fine April shower.

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