



TENNEY - LAPHAM

NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER Fall 2009

Project Lodge is Born Again

Four new owners have taken over The Project Lodge, an arts work space, gallery, music venue and community center located at 817 E. Johnson. On August 14, the new owners, Andrew Berry, Bessie Cherry, Brooke Jackson, and Hayley Thorton-Kennedy, hosted an opening night "Lodge-Warming" with a music show and collaborative art project, with more than 60 community members participating.

Founded in early 2008 by Christopher Buckingham and Kendra Larson, The Project Lodge is an organization dedicated to fostering creative



moving to Madison, Ms. Jackson worked in Chicago managing a commercial real estate firm by day and a grassroots theater company by night. She is a classically-trained vocalist and multi-instrumentalist, and is currently working as the Music Program Advisor for the Wisconsin Union Directorate.

Bessie Cherry spent a decade in Massachusetts at Club Helsinki, known to artists and agents alike as "the little club that could." Upon moving to Madison *continued on page 7*

collaborations among musicians, artists, and the community. During Buckingham and Larson's tenure, more than 50 visual artists and 75 musical artists were seen at the Project Lodge. This summer, Buckingham and Larson relocated to Portland, Oregon, and sent out a call to the community to keep The Project Lodge going after they moved away.

The call was answered by this group of four relative strangers who shared interests in arts and culture, and in the potential for a community art space. Brought together by the idea of fostering emerging artists, forging artistic collaborations, and honing creative minds, they publicly announced their plans for the takeover in late July.

The new owners bring a wide variety of experience and expertise to the Project Lodge. Brooke Jackson recently earned her MBA in Arts Administration at the University of Wisconsin-Madison business. Prior to



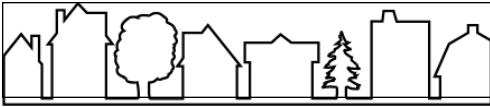
Annual Meeting Pizza Party

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After the meal will be the annual meeting of the neighborhood association including the election of next year's officers. Nominations for officer candidates will be accepted from the floor.





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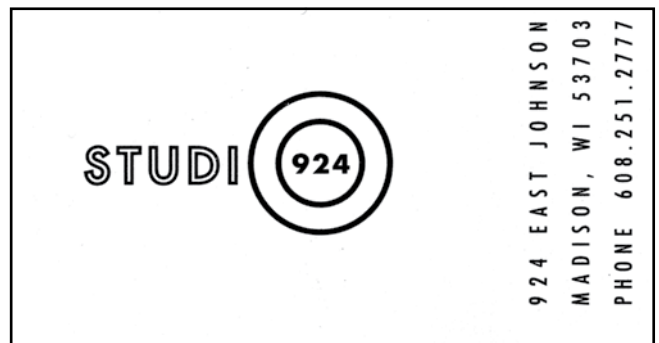
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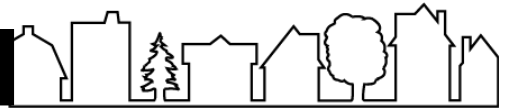
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Welcome New Neighbors!

This is the season for many new arrivals. We're glad you're here. Our vibrant neighborhood is diverse in ethnicity, occupations, and housing opportunities. Newcomers are an important part of our vibrancy and dynamic. Because so many transition in the fall we always feel a sense of renewal at this time.

Our neighborhood is named after Daniel K. Tenney and Increase Lapham. Daniel Tenney was an alder, a lawyer, and the original parks philanthropist and one of the city's most loved parks is named after him. Increase Lapham

is known as the first scholar and scientist in Wisconsin and wrote the first book published in our state.

As diverse as we are, people around here still have a lot of similarities. It's common for parents to take their kids to Lapham School and stay in the classroom until asked to leave. When on vacation many of us can be found camping on Rock Island at the tip of Door County. We are fond of ethnic foods but also hamburgers, brats, pizza and tofu. Some of us are bikers and others truck drivers. The bike riders tend to eat tofu more often than the truck drivers. Kids play

soccer and ultimate Frisbee and parents too. But, those of us transplanted from New York are still asking "what about stick ball?". There are many volunteers among us helping our community grow and thrive. Join in activities when you can. And once again welcome.

So you think you know all about Tenney-Lapham neighborhood?

Take the quiz and find out (lifelines include phone an alder).

- Gay Davidson-Zielske and
Joe Brogan

1. Which of the following are you required to have or do to live within our environs?

- a) Own at least three chickens, but no more than four roosters.
- b) Own at least one dog, but no more than four cats.
- c) Hang out your laundry even when the temperature is fourteen below.
- d) Bring in your garbage and recycling bins within 24 hours after pickup.
- e) Decorate for every holiday, but especially for Ground Hog's and Earth Day.

2) TLNA is an abbreviation for which of the following?

- a) Terribly Lazy Neighborhood Aggravators
- b) Teeny Little Nasty Ants
- c) Turkeys Living Nextdoor (to) (Y)a
- d) Tenney Lapham Neighborhood Association
- e) Terrifically Loopy Neighborhood Association

3) Which should you do at least once every three years?

- a) Toss out one rust and gold-colored plaid rumpus room couch
- b) Stop avoiding Richard Linster who will be asking for membership dues.
- c) Park your car on the lawn, convinced it is just a very bumpy parking spot.
- d) Toss everything into the street.
- e) Drive the wrong way down E. Gorham Street and when you see the double row of cars approaching begin honking your horn and yelling at them "Yer goin' the wrong way!"

4) Which of the following is or will be a new building project in the neighborhood?

- a) The Garden Apartments where TLNA meetings are held first Wednesdays of each month at 7:00
- b) City Row —slated to break ground soon on the 600 block of E. Johnson
- c) The Renovated and Rebuilt Tenney Park Shelter to which you can donate by buying a paving brick.
- d) Community Farmettes—dedicated to Marie Antoinette's little farm at Versailles and housing not only chickens, but ponds full of fish, large carnivores, and a monkey cage, and of course, chicken coops.
- e) The Canal Works—an innovated way to reduce emissions on E. Washington Ave—gondeliers in tie-dyed t-shirts will steer boats up and down the middle terrace. Rubber duckies will be dumped in periodically.
- f) Local musicians will be positioned on Life Guard platforms and will serenade you as you ride.

(Answers 1-D, 2-D, 3-B, 4-B and C, though info in A is true too)

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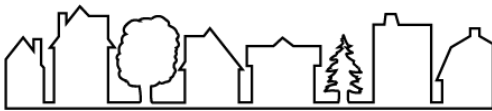
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President's Report

A Farewell from Our President

This will be my last column as President of TLNA. My 3rd term is up in October and I will be stepping down. A new President and other new and returning officers and council members will be elected at the TLNA annual meeting and pizza dinner on October 21 at Lapham School. The dinner and meeting starts at 6:00 p.m.

If you are reading this newsletter, you probably live or work in the neighborhood. So you already know that Tenney-Lapham is a great place to live. Our neighborhood association is part of what makes this true. Neighborhood associations make a big difference in Madison. They give neighborhoods a voice that is listened to by the Mayor, the Common Council and City staff. Our association has accomplished much in recent years with the adoption of our new Neighborhood Plan in 2008, the negotiations over the City Row development on the 600 block of East Johnson, advising the City on how to make the Gorham Street reconstruction as painless as possible, starting a fund-raising project for a new Tenney Park Shelter and kicking off an annual summer festival together with the East Johnson Business Association. Many more activities and events happen every season including art walks, garden walks, chicken coop tours, anti-litter

campaigns, park clean-ups, and more. All are benefits from having an able and active neighborhood association.

This newsletter is another major benefit of having a vital neighborhood association. You, dear reader, may not be a member of TLNA, but the newsletter is hand-delivered to your home anyway. So if you haven't joined yet, please fill out the membership form below and mail it in with your \$2 (yes, only \$2!) dues.

What else can you do to improve our neighborhood? Here are a few ideas:

Drive 25. One of the long-standing problems in our neighborhood is the speed of traffic, particularly on Johnson and Gorham. Since we are here every-day, we can be a calming influence by driving 25 ourselves. I know this takes concerted effort, but by exercising a bit of civil obedience as drivers, we can make a difference.

Don't run red lights. Same as above. You really won't get there any later.

Pick up litter. First of all, don't litter to begin with. Litter affects a neighborhood in the same way that graffiti does – it degrades and demoralizes. So pick up and dispose of litter whenever you can. If you want to help in a bigger way, register to adopt-a-block in the

neighborhood. Adopters go for walks once a week or so and pick up litter on their designated blocks. (Contact sward@tds.net for more info.)

Report A Problem. The City website for reporting all kinds of problems works great. It's good for reporting everything from graffiti to potholes to damaged trees to missed trash pickups. Just go to <http://www.cityofmadison.com/reportAProblem/>. Response from city staff is prompt.

Call the Police. For an emergency dial 911. But for other concerns, Officer Brian Chaney of the Community Policing Team is a great neighborhood resource for addressing problems and preventing them from growing over time. His number is 209-7817.

Stay informed. Join the TLNA neighborhood email group. You can share information with other neighbors via email by joining the TLNA Yahoo Group. Just go to <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/tlna/> and click on the button "Join This Group". You can receive emails as they are posted or get them in a once-a-day digest. There are more than 150 neighbors already registered.

Enjoy the fall season and the holidays. See you around the neighborhood.

- Patrick McDonnell

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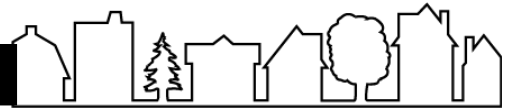
I would like to be involved in the following committee(s):

- Business
- Transportation
- Publicity
- Safety
- Social
- Housing
- Community Services
- Education
- Parks
- Membership

I would like to volunteer to help maintain one of the neighborhood gardens:

- Welcome Garden
- Filene Park
- Baldwin Street
- Reynold's Park
- Tenney Locks Garden

We're Booked



A Few Recommendations from Friends

Knowing they had just come back from a 12-week hiatus, we asked our friends at Lapham Elementary School for their book recommendations. We received a resounding response. **Three cheers for Lapham!!!**

- Jean Dunn and Ann Rulseh

Michael Hertting – Principal
Years at Lapham (YAL) – going on 3
Bridge of Sighs by Richard Russo

A very interesting and engaging novel that was a page turner and had lots of interesting twists and turns. It was a great summer read.

Jean Dunn, Librarian
YAL – 11

Outcasts United: A Refugee Team, an American Town by Warren St. John

Luman Mufleh, an American educated woman from Jordan is a person making a difference in the lives of many immigrant soccer players in Clarkston, GA. The struggles, successes, and perseverance of the team and individual players are compelling. It is much more than a sports book.

Mark Richner, Second Grade
Teacher

YAL - 2

The Sense of Wonder by Rachel Carson

Keep alive a child's natural sense of wonder! Rachel Carson writes about the importance of children's experiences with adults in nature during the early years—picking berries, gardening, walking, playing, exploring—as a foundation for creating lifelong environmental stewards. Beautifully illustrated with photographs.

Suzanne Soldner, Special Ed
Assistant

YAL - 2

The Choice by Nicholas Sparks

I find all books by Nicholas Sparks enjoyable. He is a great storyteller. This novel shows how all choices we make in life have an impact.

Julie Melton, Instruction Research
Teacher (Math)

YAL – 1

Three Cups of Tea by Greg Mortenson

This book is a story of making a difference in the world. The author devotes his life to working with people across the political spectrum. He describes the potential for Americans to better understand and appreciate the people of Pakistan and Afghanistan.

Bridget Freng, Firstst Grade Teacher
YAL – 8

The Quiltmaker's Gift by Jeff Brumbeau

This is one of my favorite picture books, a story that people of all ages will love. It has a beautiful message about giving. I especially love reading it to children around the holidays. The illustrations are fantastic!

Sally Behr, Art Teacher
YAL – 12

Border Songs by Jim Lynch

I loved this book because the main character (Brandon) is child-like and charming despite his outward appearance. Brandon understands animals and is a keen observer of the natural world. The story takes place on the border between the U.S. and Canada. No matter how Brandon tries to fade into the background of his small town, circumstances push him to the foreground in hilarious and unexpected ways.

Ken Swift, Teacher
YAL – 20

Breaking Trail: A Climbing Life
by Arlene Blum

A fascinating autobiography that jumps between childhood and adult vignettes wherein Arlene describes the challenges she encountered growing up, going to school, pursuing her interest in mountain climbing (a male-dominated sport) and doing research in RNA as a grad student. Deep in relationships and a surprising page turner.

Lynn Najem – Music Teacher
YAL – 20

Puff the Magic Dragon by Peter Yarrow

This is a beautifully done book that comes with a CD. The children have loved it as much as I do!

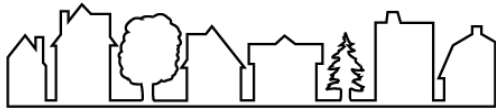
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And here's from our friendly Tenney Lapham neighborhood newsletter co-editor:

Bob Shaw
Years in the hood – 30

Stet: An Editor's Life by Diana Athill

For over fifty years Diana Athill was an editor at a small British publishing company. The first half of the book talks about the publishing business in the second half of the twentieth century and the second half has fascinating reminiscences about some of the authors her firm published including V.S. Naipaul and Jean Rhys.



Reflections on Walking the Labyrinth

I am fascinated by the new labyrinth-located in the grassy courtyard right outside the main entrance of Christ Church. And I am not the only one fascinated by it for we have seen many people prayerfully walk it. Some have even stopped in to thank us. It is beginning to be quite the attraction.

I have made it a point to regularly walk the labyrinth since it was installed. I am delighted as our children run it. Although I am glad for our children's exuberance, I am drawn to slowly walk it. I am surprised by how it helps me become more centered and more reflective. Since I knew next to nothing about labyrinths, I decided to purchase some books on the subject.

The book Labyrinths-Walking Toward the Center, by Gernot Candolini,

has been helpful to me. I have extracted below a snippet of Candolini's words. Perhaps they will be of help to you as well:

The labyrinth is an image of life. At (the onset) we are invited to enter upon this path. We are led to turnings and challenges in order to persevere through them, equipped with an unquenchable longing for the center. We are led to the center yet are forced to turn away from it again and again in order to move ahead. (Perhaps we have) the recurrent feeling that this path will never get us anywhere. (Yet) the turns in the path lead us on our forward way. We change direction, but we don't reverse our progress. Rather, by making a turn, we move ahead.

On the path we meet others; sometimes we walk along with them for a while, and then we are alone again.

Sometimes we follow the crowd, sometimes we go against the flow. Sometimes we completely lose sight of someone, only to meet them again by surprise. Sometimes we need

a helping hand to manage a difficult curve...

There are times when the path becomes a dance, and we (might) feel like singing; at other times we are consumed by impatience. Sometimes a shiver takes a hold of us when- usually, to our surprise- the path opens up to the center.

The path out of the labyrinth has a different quality. It is a wonderful path, a silent path, a joyful path, a path of freedom, a path of integration.

What the labyrinth says is 'Relax, we are on the right path. There is no wrong decision. We have to trust. All second-guessing like "did I take the right turnoff at the right spot?" is pointless, because there was no turnoff. There is only one path for us. Our only choice is to stand still or to move on. There is no such thing as a dead end.

So I invite us all to walk this path of prayer and meditation. It, if we allow, will teach us how the twists and turns of our own life always lead to the center and then back out again. Our journey is never alone, always with God as our companion. So come and walk. It is open to all.

Peace be with you all.

- Glen Hall Reichelderfer

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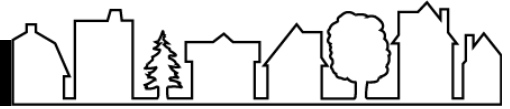
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Project Lodge (from page 1)

she helped Café Montmartre give local bands a space to play while bringing in a diverse roster of national and international acts, as well as implementing alternative programming like trivia nights, readings, adult spelling bees, and themed parties. Ms. Cherry went on to co-produce the Forward Music Festival, now in its second year.

Andrew Berry and Hayley Thorton-Kennedy are both recent graduates of Dartmouth. Berry grew up in Madison, and has stayed connected to the cultural landscape. This connection has been aided in some part by his close proximity to Wisconsin Academy of Sciences Arts and Letters, where his mother, Margaret Lewis, is Executive Director.

Kennedy adds to the mix of cultural expertise having earned degrees in fine arts and environmental science. She worked recently in New York City as a graphic designer for a non-profit environmental firm, and for a booking agency representing some prestigious national acts.

The new vision for The Project Lodge is captured in their motto: "Create. Collaborate. Innovate." By programming art, music, and inviting the community to art projects, improvisational performances, and a creative work space, the Project Lodge will offer a safe place for collaboration, creation and consumption to a wide demographic. All of the programs offered by the Project Lodge will remain all-ages and all-inclusive, and will feature a mix of programming from a number of different disciplines. Exhibits and programming will include visual and graphic arts, music, film, performance art, improvisational art, fashion, and other creative forms of expression.

Many exciting programs are currently underway. Presently, the gallery space is showing an exhibit entitled *The Great Flood*, which features silk-screen posters of the Forward Music Festival

bands, designed by Midwest artists. Future visual art exhibits will rotate bi-monthly.

Upcoming programming also includes a variety of musical acts, such as regional favorite Julian Lynch (October 8), the local chamber music group The Weather Duo (October 11), national touring folk-rock band, Paleo (November 12), as well as folk, blues and jazz jams with local musicians. Improvisation classes by Monkey Business Institute began on September 28th, and many more programs, classes, and workshops are being invented and brought into the space by community members.

The Project Lodge is open and welcoming to all community groups, and hopes to foster a wide variety of creative programming for the years to come.

The Project Lodge owners invite the residents Tenney-Lapham to stop by during open hours, and especially to join them in an open-house social on Sunday, October 11, between 2:00-5:00 p.m. There will be music and a collaborative art project, so all are welcome to join in the fun.

More information about The Project Lodge, its hours of operation, and upcoming events can be found online at www.theprojectlodge.com.

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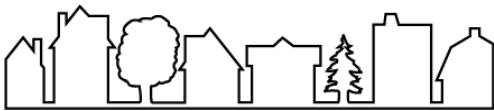
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Neighborhood News

Will East Mifflin become a “Bicycle Boulevard”?

The three neighborhood summer events were a huge success. Thanks to Jim Wright (and the rest of the Cork & Bottle gang), Alan Crossley, and Ariana Hauck hundreds turned out for the Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood Festival. There is a link to pictures taken by Matthew Marine on TLNA’s website – <http://www.danenet.org/tlna/>.

Bob Shaw reported that 130 chicken lovers turned out for the “Tour de (Chicken) Coops” and Bill and Sharon Redinger said there were 110 art lovers for the eighth annual neighborhood art walk.

Tom Maglio from City Parks reported on the Breese Stevens renovation: *“Last year we upgraded the facility as far as accessibility (new accessible restrooms, seating areas and an accessible ramp; put a waterproof membrane on the deck; removed/replaced the bleachers and installed a storm sewer system along the field wall.*

This year we are adding referee locker rooms, tuck pointing the stone and brick façade (walls), and made repairs to the canopy. We are 90% complete at this point (September 15) only waiting for replacement terra cotta stones to be manufactured and delivered to the site for installation.”

At the August TLNA Council meeting, Dan McCormick from Madison’s

Traffic Engineering Department said the city was considering designating E. Mifflin from Dickinson Street to the Square a “Bike Boulevard”. The goal is to increase bike ridership, increase safety, and decrease the speed of car traffic. The plan for E. Mifflin is to start with a minimal approach involving signage and markings. There is also a plan for the 100 block of E. Mifflin (Bartell Theatre and Gotham Bagel block) to incorporate a west bound bike lane for uninterrupted access to the Square. Stay tuned for more details.

Rich Arneson of Stone House Development, Inc., the developers of the proposed City Row Development on the 600 block of E. Johnson, said an investor has been found for the project with the closing set for October. Current updates can be found on TLNA’s website at <http://www.danenet.org/tlna/index.html>.

Although this summer’s cool weather was great for us, unfortunately it was terrible for the purple martin colonies at the locks in Tenney Park. When Jim Sturm and Bob Shaw took down the gourds for the winter last month, an unwelcome sight awaited them when nine of the gourds had dead birds in them and the cool weather was the culprit. According to posts on the Purple Martin Forum (<http://purplemartin.org/>

forum/viewforum.php?f=2), colonies in the upper Midwest were particularly affected by the cold weather in late June and July with the young birds dying of starvation.

With the late summer drought it is particularly important to give your trees and shrubs (especially the newly planted ones) a health soaking of water before the ground freezes.

An updated roster of businesses including websites in the Tenney Lapham neighborhood can be found on its website (<http://www.danenet.org/tlna/index.html>). Though one pictures our neighborhood as being primarily residential, there are over forty businesses in Tenney-Lapham. Shop locally!

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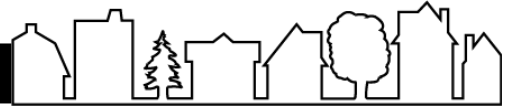
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Neighborhood News



The TLNA Council passed a resolution at its August meeting unanimously supporting the idea of having the Amtrak station at the intersection of First Street and the Yahara instead of at the airport. The Yahara location would stimulate the development of a multi-modal transit hub and would likely kick start desired redevelopment along East Washington Avenue (as described in the East Washington Build Plan.)

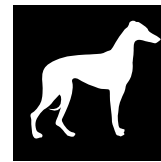
Kudos to Gigi Holland for her work on the landscaping around the Tenney locks and the breakwater area. For years Gigi has planted flowers, weeded, and watered the plants resulting in the beautiful look that greets visitors to the locks.

association. Particularly this past year the Council has had some contentious issues before it and Patrick listened to all sides and was able to bring the Council to a consensus. We are going to miss you Patrick. I think your next calling should be to moderate the Israeli-Palestinian conflict!

- Bob Shaw

Patrick McDonnell is retiring this year as president of the TLNA Neighborhood Council. Patrick has been a calm, thoughtful leader for the neighborhood

Running into Tenney-Lapham neighbors at Rock Island State Park at the tip of Door County this summer reminded me that it seems to be the state park for the neighborhood. Elizabeth Street has a whole contingent of neighbors who have gone there for years. As a first time visitor to the park, I can see why they return year after year.



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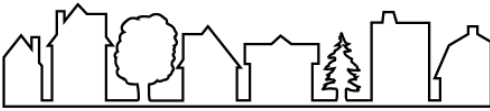
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Slate of Candidates Proposed

Dear Neighbors:

The Nominating Committee presents the following slate of candidates for next year's TLNA Neighborhood Council:

President	Richard Linster
Vice President	Adam Walsh
Secretary	Bob Shaw
Treasurer	David Waugh
Business	Jim Wright
Community Services	Alan Crossley
Education	David Wallner
Housing	Joe Lusson
Membership	Ruth Smith
Parks	Joe Shumow
Publicity/Newsletter	Joe Brogan
Safety	Richard Freihoefer
Social	Susan Bauman-Duren
Transportation	Tim Olsen
Special Projects	Patrick McDonnell
Area A	Marina Dupler
Area B	Alyssa Kesler and Michael O'Callaghan
Area C	Gay Davidson-Zielske
Area D	Jim Roper

The Committee was formed at the August Council meeting and consisted of Richard Linster, Alan Crossley and Bob Shaw. Contacts were made to the current Council to determine availability for further service. After consultations, the Committee met to review status and determine need to fill positions. A call for nominations was put on the neighborhood listserv. Input was received from several members and work was then divided up between us. When the Committee met again the current slate emerged.

We would like to thank our current Council for their service, and look forward to the coming year. As usual, at the time of the Annual Meeting in October, nominations may be made from the floor.

We encourage all neighbors to become involved in the work of our Association. Please contact our Council members with your issues and concerns, **THEN VOLUNTEER YOUR HELP!**

- Richard Linster

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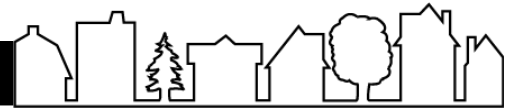
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Immortalize Your Team with a Tile

Hello neighbors. I thought I would take a minute to challenge you to think creatively about ways that you can contribute to the building of the Tenney Park Shelter while at the same time immortalizing a team that you played on, coached, or both.

For example, I play on a neighborhood men's basketball team called the Dads that Dunk. We all pitched in to buy a tile to immortalize our team.



We've been together 3 years, playing in city-league basketball, and have a record of 4-26 (in other words - we stink). Our average age is probably closing in on 50 and the team name comes from our prowess at dunking doughnuts in our coffee, as none of us can actually touch the rim. But now we will have a tile that we can show our friends and family 20 years from now - think about it!

I also play on an Ultimate Frisbee team called the Slipped Discs. It's made up of mostly east-side neighbors and has been playing Ultimate for

two years now. Our team reputedly makes up 85% of all the players in the Madison Ultimate Frisbee Association summer leagues over the age of 40 and we have 100% of the players over the age of 50 (there are 122 teams in the summer league so that is no small feat). We practice at Tenney Park and consider Tenney our home field. Heck we even have a You-tube video you can watch if you want to see how well we sing and dance (as opposed to playing Frisbee): <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VmHFDronLh4> And soon we will have a "Slipped Discs" tile at

the Tenney Park Shelter.

I'm also thinking of contacting the parents of the kindergarten through 6th grade soccer team that I coached with my good friend Ann Rulseh and see if families are interested in immortalizing the "Lapham Leapers" with a tile. The sky is the limit. Let's get that shelter built, and in the process, capture some memories of fun times with neighbors, friends and family.

- Alan Crossley

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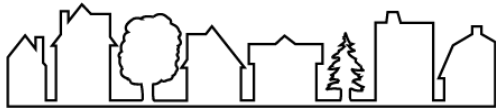
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Sherman Avenue Neighbors Install Solar Panels

Bill and Lynn Whitford made a big commitment to solar energy this summer. They had 18 solar photovoltaic panels (PV) installed on their roof. This solar array is predicted to generate about 4700 kilowatts per year of solar energy. MG&E will buy this power for roughly \$1200. MG&E makes this purchase through its Green Energy Program.

A walk-by glance at Whitfords' solar installation, 1047 Sherman Avenue, reveals the tidy 18 panel array that is just barely visible from the street. The process is tidy as well, for others interested.

The first step is a call to Larry Walker City of Madison site assessor. The following is a message from Jean Hoffman of the Mayor's office:

If you want to know if a solar system would work for you, you can use the FREE service of the solar agent. The agent was hired by the City of Madison to evaluate the solar options on your property. He also will, if you wish, help you find a contractor.

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A site assessment determines if there is sufficient unobstructed southern exposure to generate enough electricity to justify a PV installation. Larry Walker starts with a simple



Google search to see if the orientation and location warrant a site visit. Whitfords' site qualified for an on site evaluation. In late April Larry got on the roof to measure the precise angle of orientation and to identify trees and building which might obstruct solar collection. Again the site passed.

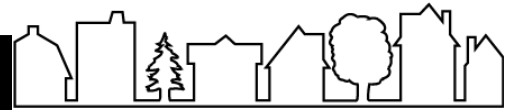
By mid May bids were received from two local contractors: Full Spectrum Solar and H & H Solar Energy Services. The bids were remarkably similar: around \$34,000 with an additional amount for upgrades to the older electric panel. H & H won the project in large measure because they could start sooner, and most PV electricity is generated during the longer days of summer. Work took only a few days and the new panels were hooked in to the grid and started generating electricity on July 9.

The free city site assessment was just the first government inducement to promote solar power. Focus on Energy, a

State of Wisconsin program funded by a utility surcharge, rewarded the project \$7000--a direct cash grant. The project is also eligible for a Federal tax credit of about \$8000. The net cost to the Whitfords will be less than \$20,000. If the electricity sold to MGE remains at the estimated \$1200 per year, payback time will be 17 years. Solar panels have a long life span

For some solar power might not be financially viable now, and for others, their site may not be amenable for PV, but where it is a possibility, now is a good time to use the government incentives to create as much green energy as possible. For the Whitfords, it's a commitment to the planet. They are pleased they were able to take future retirement funds and invest them in green energy today.

- David Strandberg



Neighborhood Festival a Huge Success

Many Thanks go to Jim Wright, Alan Crossley, and Ariana Hauck, and many others, for helping organize and sponsor our neighborhood festival. In Alan's prescient words "Woodstock had a festival, Summer has a fest, Willy Street has a fair, the Marquette neighborhood has a Waterfront festival, heck, even Orton Park has a festival. So you've probably been asking yourself, why the heck doesn't the Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood have a festival?" No need to ask any more.



On July 18 at noon a long standing dream of neighborhood residents came true. Paterson Street was closed to traffic, Reynolds Park was crowded with kids, and our First Annual Neighborhood Festival was underway.

It was very amazing. Grills were fired up behind the Cork & Bottle on Paterson. Free food was provided all day compliments of Jim Wright and family, and the rest of the staff at Cork & bottle. 300 brats, 200 burgers and 96 veggie burgers and twelve 20 pound trays of salads were served. Wind tasting was

available inside the store. The Cork & Bottle String Band played outside. Other musicians added more to the festiveness. People danced, talked, and smiled at each other.

At Reynolds games for kids included: three legged races and wheelbarrow races, water balloon toss, soccer goal, disk golf, bocce ball, bean bag toss, ladder ball, hippie horseshoes, fishing pole casting. I'm not sure which group had

more fun.

Plus, \$1000 was raised by donations that will help build the new Tenney Park Shelter. See you there next year.

- Joe Brogan

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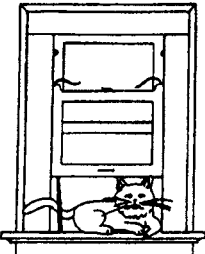
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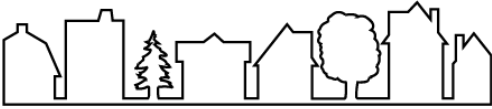
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From the Goodman Community Center website:

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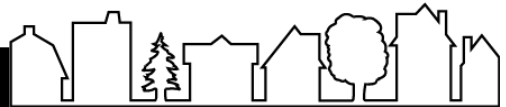
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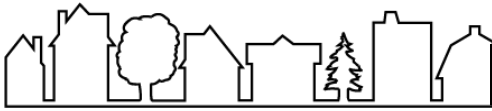


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Reform State Education Formula to Help Madison Schools

As we crafted a tough state budget in a time of record deficits and large spending cuts, Democrats focused on job creation in our tough economy and protecting three vital areas: healthcare, public safety and our schools.

Yet we all know that Madison schools, as they begin budget work this fall, are facing an estimated \$9.2 million cut in general state aids. There's a misperception that this hit to Madison schools is due to cuts in this year's budget. But consider this: even if the Legislature had been able to add an additional \$100 million or more into school aids, it would not have helped Madison schools. The real culprit is something tougher to change -- the state funding formula for K-12 schools. Madison took a hit because while property values plummeted in other communities, Madison's values held relatively steady. And we are a property-rich district with high per-pupil spending. The formula ultimately rewards districts where property values are falling.

Legislative Democrats fought additional cuts proposed by the governor and others to school aids when it became clear in May that tax revenues were \$1.6 billion lower than expected. The governor and some in the Legislature proposed cutting an additional 5% from general school funding. With some tough negotiating we were able to hold that cut to half, saving \$250 million in

general state aids to schools. A paper put out by the Legislative Fiscal Bureau to explain state aid to school districts requires 50 pages to explain the funding formula. Don't worry, I won't attempt to do that here. (It's on the bureau's website if you want to drink some coffee and give it a read: www.legis.wisconsin.gov/lfb/) The formula is almost as dense as the tax code ... and often as unpredictable.

But here's a simplified version from an expert -- UW-Madison economist Andrew Reschovsky:

"I would be extremely surprised if there are not a lot of districts that are considering property tax rate increases, although (Madison is) hit in some ways harder than others," he said. "The existing school funding system in Wisconsin really penalizes Madison, because it doesn't reflect the district's challenges of educating a school population with high poverty rates and multiple languages." (Wisconsin State Journal, 9/2/09)

To help Madison schools, and other districts that are disproportionably impacted, we have to change the state funding formula. It's a critical part of educational reform and necessary to meet the real goal -- high student achievement for all students

across the state.


The Assembly Committee on Education, chaired by Rep. Sondy Pope-Roberts, will be tackling this and other issues impacting public education. I remain committed to finding an equitable, sustainable solution, knowing there is not a quick, easy fix.

I urge you to work with us on education efforts as well as my other priorities for the current legislative session, including job creation. I invite you to visit my webpage www.markpocan.net, or contact me at 266-8570 or rep.pocan@legis.wi.gov.

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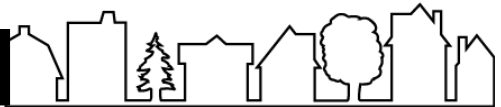
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This annual event raises money for the Temple Beth El Sisterhood association (which "adopts" various charity organizations throughout the year - past causes have included Hurricane Katrina Relief), as well as funding for the YWCA and the UW Odyssey project. Please let me know if you need any more information and thank you very much!

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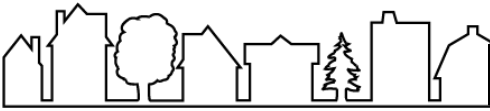
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Noise Complaints Top Police Calls from Tenney-Lapham

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Noise Complaint	91	Drug Incident	10	Bar Check	2
Information	87	Unwanted Person	10	Landlord Tenant Trouble	2
Check Person	76	Adult Arrested Person	9	Lost Property	2
Check Property	71	Graffiti Complaint	9	Prowler Complaint	2
Private property parking complaint	61	Violation of Court Order	9	Recovered Stolen/Outside Agency	2
Disturbance Call	45	Attempt to Locate Person	8	Robbery-Strong Armed	2
Assist Citizen	44	Found Property	8	Stalking Complaint	2
On street parking complaint	44	Stolen Bike	8	Towed Vehicle/Abandonment	2
Traffic Incident	35	Battery	7	Voided Case/Incident Number	2
Accident-Property Damage	30	Fight Call	7	Accident-Private Property	1
Accident w/Injuries	26	Threats Complaint	7	Attempted Suicide	1
Assist Fire/Police	24	Animal Complaint-Stray	6	Child Abuse	1
Accident-Hit & Run	22	Annoying/Obscene Phone Calls	6	Child Neglect	1
Theft	22	Business Alarm-Broadcast and File	6	Escort Conveyance	1
Non-Urgent Notifications	20	Civil Dispute	5	Exposure	1
Theft from Auto	20	Fraud	5	Missing Juvenile	1
Traffic Arrest	20	Neighbor Trouble	5	Non-Residential Burglary	1
Domestic/Family Trouble	17	OMVWI Arrest/Intoxicated Driver	5	Person Down	1
Residential Burglary	17	Stolen Auto	5	Prostitution/Soliciting	1
Suspicious Person	17	Trespassing Complaint	5	Stolen Cycle	1
Preserve the Peace	16	Alarm	4		
Suspicious Vehicle	16	Intoxicated Person/Conveyance	4		
PHONE	15	Juvenile Complaint	4		
Safety Hazard	15	Liquor Law Violation	4		
Towed Vehicle	15	Missing Adult	4		
PC Conveyance/Commitment (Chapter 51)	12	Serving Legal Papers	4		
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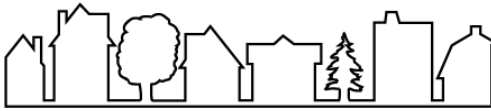
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23 Sherman Terrace Unit 4	852	\$103,900
23 N Ingersoll	1156	\$119,900
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2713 E Johnson	92	\$159,900	\$140,000
1000 E Johnson	45	\$159,900	\$155,000
511 E Mifflin	154	\$199,900	\$182,500
1235 E. Mifflin		\$184,000	
1317 E Dayton	12	\$199,900	\$188,000
313 N Livingston	39	\$259,900	\$222,000
317 N Brearly	7	\$239,900	\$238,000
1015 E Johnson	8	\$264,900	\$260,000
422 Sidney	153	\$309,900	\$275,000

Madison property assessments are available at <http://www.ci.madison.wi.us/assessor/property/>. These statistics were compiled by the editor and Tobi Silgman of Stark Company Realtors. If you have any questions about what your home may be worth, please contact Tobi at 608-279-3591 or by email at tsilgman@StarkHomes.com.

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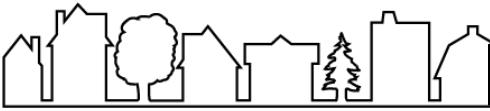


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Collins House Neglect Continues

In 2005 the City Council voted not to renew the lease for the Collins House Bed & Breakfast, one of our neighborhood's landmark buildings.

Did anyone anticipate at the time the building would still be vacant 4 years later? Deferred maintenance on the building then was already a factor weighing on this decision. The building continues to deteriorate. A year ago I was part of a group touring the building. In the front vestibule a dead bat was on the floor. Someone in the group kicked the dead bat into a corner. It's very likely still there.

Continuing to neglect the building worries everyone. Fearful the issue was on the back burner again, a neighborhood committee met to bounce around ideas and revive discussion. An exciting



idea did surface. The Collins House becomes the **Madison Pictorial Hall of Fame Museum**.

Madison's extensive photo collection could be on exhibit. Pictures and biographies of Madison's notable citizens would be on display for visitors to see and feel inspired by. Pictures and

stories of Native American activity in the area and other aspects of our archaeology and ecology would adorn the walls and fill the shelves of other rooms. Meeting rooms, classrooms, and video presentation rooms are all possible.

The museum would be a destination point for the entire city and tourist attraction. And like a bookend, the museum would connect Madison's near east and the proposed Edgewater Hotel complex with the downtown. A bicycle and pedestrian path could join them.

And this alluring idea comes with a financing option. The restoration and renovation of the building would be made part of the Edgewater neighborhood redevelopment tax incremental finance package.

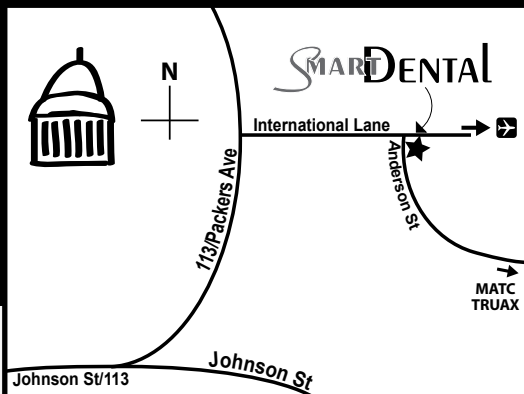
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