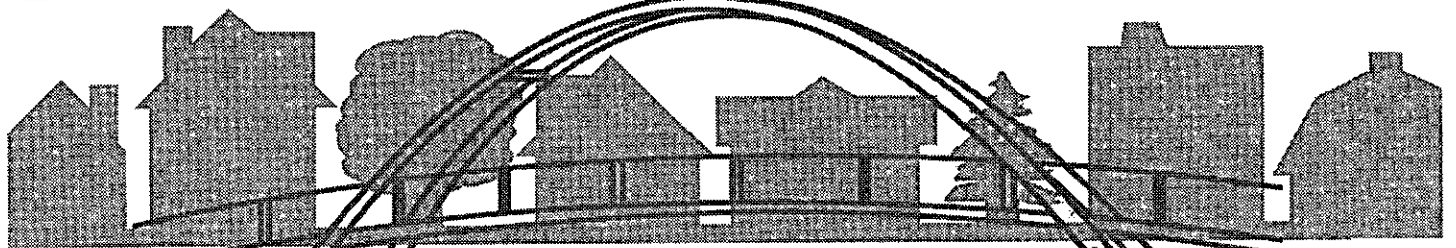


# TENNEY-LAPHAM



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## CSAs are an Active Part of the Tenney Neighborhood

The months of March and April typically mark the beginning of the new garden and growing season. It also marks the beginning months of the growing season of a Community Supported Agriculture farm or CSA.

CSAs are not new; they were started in New England in the mid 80's by people who wanted local and organic production of food, the sharing of costs with the farmers and a responsibility and commitment to a sense of community. By the mid to late 80's, the CSA movement had migrated into the Midwest and Wisconsin. In the Madison area most of the local CSAs belong to the Madison Area CSA Coalition or MACSAC. MACSAC, formed 8 years ago, helps to facilitate the direct relationship between farmer and members.

A cornerstone of the CSA movement is having households participate by becoming members in the CSA farm. An important philosophy is that of eating locally and eating seasonally which benefits our society environmentally and through reduced shipping costs. According to MACSAC, "The average food item travels 1300 miles to reach our dinner plate." A sense of community also figures prominently with CSAs holding many events for members during the season. In addition to the membership, many CSA's will sell their produce at farmers' markets and to local businesses.

Below are accounts by neighbors who belong to local CSAs.

### Drumlin Community Farms

Located on Madison's south side, Drumlin Community Farms may be the most urban of the Madison area's CSAs. This year, Drumlin's sixth, head growers Mike Moon and Doug Wubben will draw on their considerable experience to bring members a fair share of vegetables, herbs and flowers. With a little luck, the beekeepers, Jason Mills and I, hope to include a delivery of fresh comb honey. Drumlin will also continue their tradition of having various get-togethers at the farm for members and friends.

Weekly shipments of food begin as early as May and run through the middle

(see *Drumlin* on page 3)

### Harmony Valley Farm

Our house is a drop-off site for Harmony Valley Farm, a participant of the Community Supported Agriculture program. Harmony Valley Farm is located near Viroqua in western Wisconsin. The approximately 50 acres produce organic fruits and vegetables for families, retail and restaurants in the LaCrosse to Madison areas.

Starting the first weekend in May and continuing into December, Harmony Valley delivers boxes of fresh organic produce every week (becomes every other week in November). The boxes include a variety and abundance of fa-

(see *Harmony Valley* on page 3)

## "SPRING EVENT"

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### Down in the Vermont Valley

The Perkins Family, Barb, Dave, Jesse, Becky and Eric, lived close to Marquette/O'Keeffe schools when I moved into the neighborhood. They were active and involved neighbors and we shared a neighborhood soccer team experience. Dave and Barb had agricultural backgrounds and an itching to get back to the land.

After several years of planning, the Perkins Family bought the farm on Vermont Creek near Black Earth and began the Vermont Valley Farm, a CSA. A good part of the soccer team and the Tenney-Lapham/Marquette neighbor-

(see *Vermont Valley* on page 3)

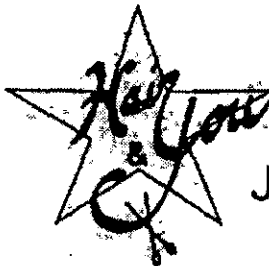


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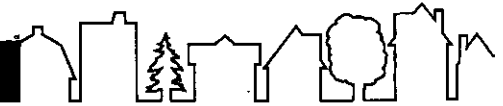
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## Reynolds Homestead Community Garden

What? The Reynolds Homestead Community Garden (RHCG) is nestled on a single lot on Madison's Near East Side, in the heart of the Old Market Neighborhood. The garden is on a piece of property formerly belonging to the Reynolds Family, hence the name Reynolds Homestead Community Garden. The lot is 4,032 square feet, with approximately 2,430 square feet of gardening space broken into 27 garden plots, including wheelchair ac-

cessible plots. Each plot is roughly 90 square feet (about 8 feet by about 11 feet). Each of the plots is to be used by a different household, so this season we should have about 27 households involved. We currently have a core of about 10 dedicated residents of the Old Market and Tenney-Lapham neighborhoods planning, organizing, and physically improving the garden.

• Where? 634 East Mifflin Street, across Mifflin St. from the Salvation

Army parking lot.

• Who? YOU!! Old Market Neighborhood is the home to the garden, and Old Market Neighborhood residents are the target population for the garden. Tenney-Lapham, Marquette, Capitol, and Langdon Neighborhood residents all have secondary priority to the garden, and other City of Madison Residents have the lowest priority. Our goal is to create a neighborhood garden with (see *Community Garden* on page 19)

### Drumlin (from page 1)

of October. And for Eastsiders, there is a handy drop-off site on Sommers Avenue, one block off Atwood. Food can also be picked up at the farm or a west side location. A full share runs \$435, with a partial share, \$285. Shares are also available for people wishing to work at the farm and for people with low incomes. Call for details.

If you are interested in purchasing one of a limited number of shares in Drumlin, you can contact the farm at (608) 271-4839. I recommend moving quickly because shares tend to sell out early. Drumlin's herbs and veggies are also found at the Farmer's Market on the square and at the Willy Street Co-op.

-Douglas J. Buege

### Harmony Valley (from page 1)

miliar and unfamiliar fruits, herbs, and vegetables, about 50 different types!

As a drop-off site, the boxes are brought to our Paterson St. house each Saturday morning. Members can pick up boxes throughout the day. Often families or individuals share a box since there is such an abundance of food. Also available to purchase throughout the season are apples, beef, cheese, bulk orders, and gift packages. Often there is also a box of extra items that you can take or not take to your liking.

For more information, call Harmony Valley at 608-483-2143 or check out their website at [www.harmonyvalleyfarm.com](http://www.harmonyvalleyfarm.com).

- Jennifer Essak

### Vermont Valley (from page 1)

hood followed them out to Vermont Valley as members and friends.

The food, of course, is wonderful, organic and varied. What is particularly special with the Perkins' farm is its beauty and hospitality. Each summer, we look forward to the Pesto Fest, Corn Boil and the Pumpkin Pick. Each event is a gathering that features the sharing of great food, recipes, gardening tips, friends and beer. Somehow they always order perfect weather for the festivals. A membership in the farm is not just the receipt of organic produce, it's also a place in the country.

For further information, contact Barb and Dave Perkins at Vermont Valley Community Farm, 767-3860.

-Jim Sturm

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### School Activities

*Editor's Note: This issue marks the beginning of a regular listing of nonathletic school activities that should be of interest to the Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood community.*

#### March

- 2 Family ReadIn @ 6:30 - 7:45 PM (Marquette LMC)
- 3 Winter-In @ 12:00 - 3:00 PM (Marquette)
- 7th Grade Battle of the Books @ 3:15 (O'Keeffe)
- 6 Teacher Inservice - Early Release PM (O'Keeffe)
- 7 Family Fun Night @ 5:30 - 8:30 PM (Marquette)
- Magazine Fundraising Sale Kickoff (O'Keeffe)
- 8 PTG Meeting @ 6:45 PM (O'Keeffe)
- 13 Kindergarten Registration (Lapham)
- 14 Battle of the Books @ Velma Hamilton MS @ 12:30 PM (O'Keeffe)
- PTG Meeting @ 6:45 PM (Marquette/Lapham)
- 15 Band Concert @ 7:00 PM (O'Keeffe)
- 16 Awards Ceremony (Lapham)
- 22 2nd Grade classes singing @ Capital (Lapham)
- 23 2nd Annual O'Keeffe Talent @ Barrymore @ 6:30 PM
- 25 East Area Strings Concert @ East High @ 12:00 PM
- 28/29
- & 30 "Celebrity ReadIn" w/ local celebrities (Lapham)

#### April

- 7 2nd Grade Science Conference (Lapham)
- 17 - 24 Spring Break
- 27 Family ReadIn @ 6:30 - 7:45 PM (Marquette)

(Please check with schools for exact times, locations and any last minute

### East Area String Teachers Present . . .

The 34th ANNUAL STRING FESTIVAL

Two months of work and growth by string players in grades 4-8 will culminate with a concert on Saturday, March 25 at 12:00 p.m. in the East High School Gymnasium. The East High School Orchestra will join the elementary and middle school string students to accompany them and perform for parents, friends and family. It is a wonderful opportunity to hear all the students in the East string orchestra program.

We look forward to seeing you at the Festival!

- East Area String Teachers

### O'Keeffe Magazine Sale

Gather those renewal notices and think about all those magazine you've always wanted to subscribe to, 'cause the O'Keeffe Magazine Fundraising starts March 7.

Contact your neighbor O'Keeffe student for information.

### \*\*\* TALENT SHOW \*\*\*

Mark your calendars -- O'Keeffe students are preparing to make you say, "WOW!" The singing, the music, the dancing, the fun are all coming to . . .

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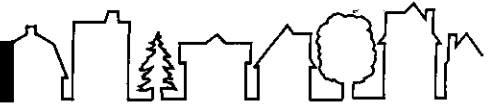
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## The Mountain of Sand: Or A Reason for Being

Have you been wondering about the large sand pile in Burr Jones Park?

Stockpiling sand for a vicious winter 2000-2001 projection? Scenic view point/ski hill for topographically challenged portions of the isthmus? A new beach on the Yahara River? Is that your final guess? Correct answer .....The sand will be needed for construction backfill.

The City Public Works Department will soon begin the process of replacing the older, undersized sewer lines with newer, larger, diameter pipes through Burr Jones Park, under the Yahara River, and south along Thornton Ave to Main Street. Additional work will be needed in the future to complete this project from the Yahara River crossing to E. Johnson Street. Hopefully, when both portions are completed, the potential for sewer back-ups, as we experienced in the spring of 1996, will be substantially reduced.

This is a very worthy project, but it will cause some disruptions in the neighborhood. This will be a difficult undertaking due to the depth and size

of the pipe, the river crossing and traffic considerations. The TLNA council hopes the information in this article will minimize any upset to your routines. Please consider the following:

1. Trucks and other construction equipment will be entering and leaving Burr Jones Park and Thornton Ave during the construction phase (mid February through mid-July).

2. Thornton Ave. north (from the railroad tracks to E. Wash) and south (E. Wash to E. Main) will be closed to traffic during sewer construction.

3. Traffic along E. Wash will be reduced to two lanes each way during May and early June. A portion of the meridian between First Street and Dickinson Street will be replaced with pavement to maintain traffic flow in the corridor.

Item 3 suggests traffic congestion on E. Wash (cutting six lanes down to four) may result in additional cut through traffic for two or three months. Neighbors, both south and north of E. Wash, may experience higher traffic volumes if commuters seek alternate traffic routes

to avoid the E. Wash construction zone. Customers for businesses in this area, such as 3G's, Sparkle Auto and the Pet Clinic, may find it more difficult to get to and/or park near these destinations.

The anticipated construction schedule is as follows:

Feb. 14 - March 10 : Sewer construction near the city garage.

March 11 - March 31: Sewer construction through Burr Jones park.

April 3 - April 14: Sewer Construction under the Yahara River.

April 17 - April 28: Sewer Construction along N. Thornton (E. Wash to the railroad tracks).

May 1 - June 9: Sewer Construction at the E. Wash and N. Thornton intersection.

June 12 - June 23: Sewer Construction at the E. Wash and S. Thornton intersection down to S. Main.

June 26 - July 7: Pavement restoration on N. and S. Thornton.


July 10 - July 21: Topsoil and seed Burr Jones Park.

(see *Mountain* on page 9)

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## A Glimpse at Breese Stevens Field

*Editor's Note: This is the first of a series of articles on Breese Stevens Field.*

The Isthmus is blessed with many landmarks - one of the most *under* appreciated being Breese Stevens Field, named in honor of the one-time Madison mayor and UW regent. "Breese", as it is often called, has hosted a variety of events since its dedication on May 5, 1926. On that Wednesday afternoon Governor John J. Blaine threw the first pitch to Madison Mayor A. G. Schmedeman before an overflow crowd of nearly 4000 fans. The Madison Blues went on to lose a 7-5 heartbreaker to their Wisconsin-Illinois Midwest Baseball League foe, the Beloit Fairies.

Imagine the raucous atmosphere when city rivals East High and Wisconsin High opened the gridiron campaign on September 25, 1926. The home field was no friend to the Purple and Gold of East, as they dropped a 7-6 decision to Wisconsin High for their first loss ever against the Blue and White.

Over the years, Breese has hosted softball, circuses, midget car racing, ice skating, track and field, the Madison Drum and Bugle Corp competitions, concerts, even boxing and wrestling events. Legend has it that the bent iron pickets (still evident to this day) on Gate 1 at the southwest corner of the stadium were realigned by a "strongman".

The City of Madison acquired the four-acre parcel of land from Mrs. Breese Stevens in 1923. The noted firm of Claude and Starck designed the Mediterranean Revival styled structure. Louis Claude drew the plans in 1925 and soon the \$125,000 municipal project was a reality. Presidential policy had its impact on Breese as well. In the early 1930's Franklin Roosevelt's New Deal created

jobs for the unemployed, one program being the Civil Works Administration. The result was a handsome sandstone (from rock quarried near Hoyt Park) wall

pal stadium and with it, a decline in the number of major events. Later, there was even talk of demolition and possible redevelopment of the property. What a tragedy that would have been!

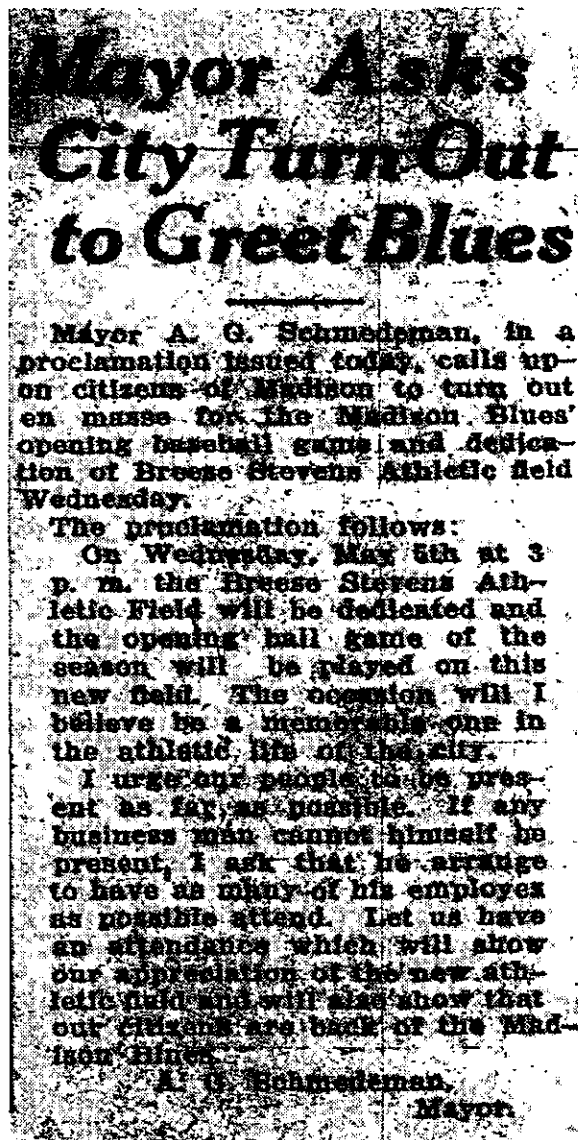
Fortunately, a wise decision was made to refurbish the facility, remove the cinder track and dirt infield and prepare the grounds for the burgeoning sport of soccer. By the mid-1970's, all four city high schools were playing varsity soccer and the need for quality fields was pressing. In 1982 when Breese was ready for soccer, soccer was ready for Breese. So much so that in those first few years, nearly a hundred games were played there each season! In the years since, teams that have at times called Breese home include the University of Wisconsin, East and LaFollette high schools, Edgewood College, MATC and the Madison 56ers. The popularity of soccer has continued to grow and with it has Breese Stevens Field's role in hosting major events. In 1989 the WIAA state high school championship moved to Breese and has been there ever since. In June 1999 the Madison West Girls team defeated their nemesis, Wauwatosa East, 4-2 to win the state title before a crowd of over 1300 fans.

So the next time you're in the neighborhood, take a stroll around Breese Stevens Field and recapture some Madison history, or better yet, when you see the lights on, come

on in and experience history in the making!

Note: The author is interested in compiling anecdotes, articles and photos of events pertaining to Breese Stevens Field for the purpose of writing a more comprehensive piece in the future. Please contact Eric Bertun at 251-3671 or bertun@itis.com.

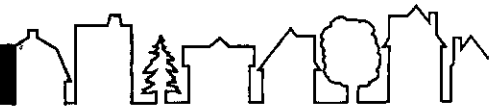
- Eric Bertun



(Reprinted from Wisconsin State Journal, May 3, 1926)

erected in 1934, enclosing the stadium. The CWA emblem is prominently displayed on the south wall along East Washington Avenue near North Paterson Street.

By the late 1960's Breese was beginning to show its age. Modern facilities, such as Mansfield Stadium, with plenty of parking began to appear in suburbia. Consequently, Breese seemed to lose its status as the city's preeminent municipi-



# RIVER RENDEVOUS:

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Mark your calendars for River Rendezvous, the Wisconsin Chamber Orchestra's Concert and Ice Cream Social in Tenney Park on August 12, 2000 (Rain date: August 13, 2000). Last year 1,000 neighbors gathered to picnic and listen to the Orchestra at Tenney Park. The Urban Open Space Foundation needs the help of the Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood to make this year's concert a super success!

In addition to hosting the concert and

ice cream social, the Urban Open Space Foundation is holding its first ever silent auction. The organization needs donations of antiques, collectibles & services valued at fifty dollars or more (\$50.00) per item. Please check attics and garages for items someone else might like to purchase to benefit the Urban Open Space Foundation.

The Urban Open Space Foundation's goal is to raise funds for land protection, urban forestation and water resource.

Tenney Park and the Yahara River Parkway have already benefited from the Urban Open Space along the waterway and in the park. This year, they need our help!

Please contact Susan Baumann-Duren, Parks Chair, (255-3625) for more information or for an opportunity to volunteer!

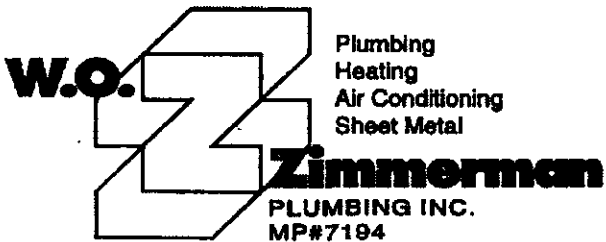
-Susan Baumann-Duren

## Attention All Gardeners!

Tenney Park neighbors, Urban Open Space Foundation needs our help! Help restore the beauty of Tenney Park and the Yahara River Parkway by becoming a Yahara River Parkway Steward. Urban Open Space is looking for a handful of people willing to commit to ongoing stewardship by adopting a part of

the Parkway. In late March and early April, 2000, Urban Open Space will provide training sessions, tools, and support for this restoration project. Stewards will work together on essential tasks such as planting, weeding and pruning. You will be trained in practical skills such as plant identification, ecology, and history of the

Parkway. You, in turn, can share your knowledge with neighbors & friends who also want to contribute to the improvement of the condition of the Parkway. Look for training times and places in the next newsletter, or call Parks Chairperson, Susan Baumann-Duren, (255-3625) for more information.



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## Legislative Priorities for the End of 1999-2000 Session

The legislature is nearing the end of its 1999-2000 session. Floor sessions are scheduled for January/February, most of March and one week in May. I want to share with you several Democratic priorities that we need to act upon and I am hopeful will become law.

- Helping senior citizens pay for prescription drugs. Democrats are planning to introduce legislation which will earmark \$25 million annually to help senior citizens pay for prescription drugs. Some senior citizens are spending up to \$1000 per month on drugs. We must find a way to help individuals meet their personal medical needs without threatening their financial security. I will be a co-sponsor of this legislation.

- Patient's bill of rights. The Assembly passed a watered-down patient's bill of rights late last year but the session ended before the Senate could act. I anticipate that the Senate will take up this measure and make the necessary changes that will strengthen the bill. I co-sponsored a much stronger patient bill of rights which the Republicans refused to send to the Assembly floor. The current version of the bill allows patients to file an appeal if an HMO refused to provide medical care. The independent review panel would have the authority to order insurance companies to provide care. The Assembly version requires patients who filing an appeal to pay \$50 and the bill's threshold cost for treatment was \$500 and \$400 for emergency room services. I am hopeful that the final bill

will eliminate the \$50 filing fee and lower the bill's threshold for treatment.

- Eliminating ATM fees. Currently banks are reimbursed from other banks for ATM transaction fees when an individual uses an ATM that does not belong to their bank. In addition, many banks now charge the individual a fee above and beyond the cost of covering the amount of the transaction. Assembly Bill 131, which I am a co-sponsor of, prohibits a financial institution that is an owner or operator of an ATM from charging a person a fee for a transaction using that ATM, unless the transaction relates to or affects an account held by that person with that financial institution. A companion bill in the Senate passed out of committee on a party line vote on February 2nd.

- Raising the minimum wage. Currently the minimum wage for most workers in Wisconsin is \$5.15 per hour. Senate Bill 193, which I am a co-sponsor of, directs the Department of Workforce Development (DWD) to calculate the minimum hourly wage by dividing the federal poverty line for a family of three persons (federal poverty line currently \$13,650 per year), by 2,080 (52 weeks in a year times 40 hours per week), and rounding the quotient to the nearest multiple of five cents. Accordingly, at the current federal poverty line, this bill raises the minimum wage for employees generally to \$6.55 per hour.

- Domestic Partnership Benefits. Two bills that I have introduced relate

to domestic partnership benefits, Assembly bills 608 and 609. Assembly Bill 608 provides requirements for forming a legal relationship of domestic partnership. Under the bill, a domestic partnership may be formed by two individuals who are at least 18 years old and who are not married or in another domestic partnership. The individuals may not be related to each other by blood in any way that would prohibit them from marrying under the laws of the state and must consider themselves to be members of each other's immediate family. Once a couple has registered they are granted the same rights and responsibilities associated with marriage.

Assembly Bill 609 provides that domestic partners of employees and annu-

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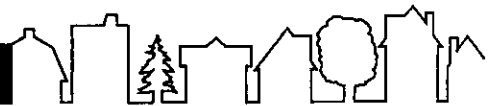
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- Debby is:
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  - A former member of the East Area Student Success Team
  - A recent Masters graduate in Public Affairs
  - A budget and policy analyst for TEACH Wisconsin
  - A parent of three children currently attending Madison schools
  - A former PTO president at Marquette/Lapham Elementary schools



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And the water keeps flowin' along...The Common Council passed an ordinance accepting the LEAD PIPES replacement method rather than the chemical alternative recently, along with other provisions for people of lower incomes. However, the financing is something yet to be decided and will be coming up very soon. On March 21, 2000, the Council will vote on whether the cost of replacement from the terrace to the basement of one's house will be paid in whole by the property owner or split 50/50, half by the property owner and half by Madison residents overall. Some people feel that the replacement is something which strictly is attached to the owner because it's similar to a home repair; others see it as a community issue since we all will be benefiting with pipe replacement because there won't be adverse effects on our lakes and water treatment facilities. If you'd like to voice your opinion, you can contact the Mayor by phone or email, [sbauman@ci.madison.wi.us](mailto:sbauman@ci.madison.wi.us), the Council as a whole by emailing: [council@ci.madison.wi.us](mailto:council@ci.madison.wi.us) or speaking and/or registering your viewpoint at the March 21st meeting. You can register anytime between 6-7 pm and the meeting begins at 6:30 pm.

More news at home...I initiated and the Council just approved a new SYSTEMATIC BUILDING INSPECTION policy to enable Isthmus neighborhoods to maintain or improve the quality of housing stock we now have and not let it deteriorate. We already have in place systematic inspections but it's only had the capacity of doing inspections every 13 years. This new policy will still put

highest priority on citizen complaints and "hot spots" as they occur in the city, but it involves a shuffling around of duties together with the use of a new software system to do the Isthmus inspections every six years. I've responded to longstanding neighborhood concerns and believe that in this way we'll be able to maintain the character and quality of our Isthmus neighborhoods, including the Tenney-Lapham area. Homeowners and small owner-occupied dwellings will be dealt with primarily with the exterior only and there is an extension policy for owners whose income is low-to-moderate.

Snapshots: The Council approved the establishment of the EAST ISTHMUS NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING COUNCIL, Tenney-Lapham included, which will enable the various East Isthmus neighborhoods to work collectively on issues of commonality; East Washington Avenue reconstruction and the Yahara Parkway to name a couple. NORTH BALDWIN STREET from N. Johnson Street-East Washington Avenue, which will undergo reconstruction this year, is now being studied by Traffic Engineering to extend traffic-calming using median islands, continuing the work already built on Baldwin between Johnson and Sherman Avenue. CITY/OVERTURE FOUNDATION town hall meetings will be

held on March 8, 7 pm at Monona Terrace, March 10, noon hour, CUNA, Mineral Point Road and March 11, 9 or 10 am, MATC Truax. This will be the only chance to give public input on the Overture Project before its design stage is finalized. You can also give public input at the Overture Foundation Advisory Committee on the first Thursdays of the month, 5:30 pm.

-Barbara Vedder  
[district2@council.ci.madison.wi.us](mailto:district2@council.ci.madison.wi.us)  
 249-8428

**Mountain** (from page 5)

The schedules listed above are best estimates and may change depending on weather, unexpected construction conditions or other unforeseen events. If you have specific questions for the TLNA Council about this project please call Ed Jepsen for additional details.

- Ed Jepsen

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### Sherman Traffic Calming and Bridge Reconstruction

After the following resolution was proposed and unanimously supported by more than a dozen residents attending the Sherman Ave. Traffic Calming meeting on Jan. 25, 2000 at Christ Presbyterian Church, it was also unanimously supported by the TLNA Council on February 17.

The TLNA supports that:

1. The Sherman Ave. Bridge over the Yahara River be kept two lanes wide and NOT provide for four vehicle lanes whenever it is reconstructed.
2. Sherman Ave. should NOT be widened to four lanes.
3. The 25 mph speed limit should be maintained and enforced.
4. Make all of Sherman Ave. from N. Sherman to Brearly a no-passing zone.
5. Construct a long, narrow median strip at bend in Sherman Ave. near Few St. (to encourage calmer traffic).
6. Use "Yield to Pedestrian" signs at crosswalks at
  - a) Sherman Terrace bus stop.
  - b) Pedestrian crossings at Locks on the Yahara River.
  - c) Crossing at Marston Ave. to and from Tenney Park beach and bathhouse/shelter area.

Note that the sub-committee will offer additional ideas for further consideration to calm traffic and enhance quality of life in the area. This resolution was then designated to be sent on to City officials. The TLNA resolution includes requests for traffic calming signage and structures that have not been funded or

anticipated in the City Budget. In part our effort is to advocate for funding of such structures and to, as encouraged by City documents and policies, think ahead and advocate for engineering changes to be funded, or to be included in the future as any other street reconstruction takes place.

Note that the City has committed to a Neighborhood Transportation Management Program (NTMP) process for Sherman Ave. but that our subcommittee has already commenced work and will also be ready to take part whenever the City process begins. So far the City has only designated the area of Sherman Ave. from Thornton to Marston (the Tenney Park section) for that process.

Many members of the Sherman Ave. Traffic Calming committee and the TLNA would like to see that area expanded.

During the day before the TLNA meeting we also received the following encouraging correspondence from City Engineer Larry Nelson. Note that Mr. Nelson's correspondence speaks specifically to the bridge reconstruction as the NTMP process is delegated to the domain of Transportation Engineering where David Dryer is the Director (ph. 266-4761, email: ddryer@ci.madison.wi.us).

The City Of Madison is planning to rehabilitate the Sherman Avenue Bridge over the Yahara River. The project is currently planned for 2002 or 2003. The schedule for the project must be coordinated with the work on East Washington Avenue. It would be our preference to complete the Sherman Avenue Bridge re-

habilitation prior to beginning any work on East Washington Avenue.

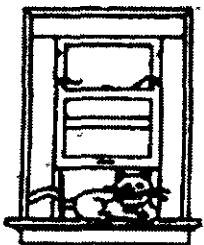
The design and construction of this project will be financed with federal and local funds. Federal funds shall provide 80% of the funding. The use of federal funds requires the involvement of the Wisconsin Department of Transportation who will ultimately bid the project on behalf of the City. The City has hired the consulting engineering firm of Strand Associates Inc. to complete a Structure Rehabilitation Report. The City and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation are now working with Strand Associates, Inc to put together a contract for the actual design of the bridge.

The Structure Rehabilitation Report is required prior to spending any federal money on the design of the project. The Structure Rehabilitation Report has shown that rehabilitation of the bridge is cost effective. Little design work has been started although some basic design assumptions have been made in order to complete the report. Preliminary design concepts can begin after the contract is in place with the Consulting Engineering Firm.

We anticipate the architecture of the existing bridge will be replicated. As you know, the Sherman Bridge is a standard steel girder span camouflaged as an arch. It is not a classic masonry arch that was used on most of the other Yahara River bridges.

You have asked a series of ques-

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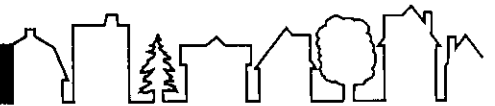
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tions that have been repeated below along with our answers:

1. How will neighbors and the neighborhood be involved in the planning process? (and the NTMP planned for Sherman Ave.)

The neighborhood association and residents in the vicinity of the bridge will be invited to neighborhood meetings on the project. I would expect the first meeting to take place in the summer of 2000. This is a bridge rehabilitation project and neighborhood traffic management is not part of this project unless it effects design specifications for the bridge such as bridge width.

2. How will design parameters respect the status of Tenney Park and the Yahara Parkway as a National Register of Historic Places site? (also State and City Landmarks) The bridge is historic and is a contributing element to the

Tenney - Yahara Parks Historic District. The design of the structure will respect the Yahara Parkway and the neighborhood. The State Historical Preservation Office will be involved.

3. Is the bridge proposed to have two or four lanes?

The bridge will carry two lanes of traffic with the addition of bike lanes.

We look forward to presenting the design concepts to the neighborhood and we welcome the input of the TLNA and the residents surrounding the project.

If you have any additional questions please call Mr. Rob Phillips at 266-4090. (from Larry Nelson, City Engineer)

- Gigi Holland and Tim Olson  
contributed on this article

## The Avenue Bar Puts on a New Face

Shortly after Christmas, work began at the Avenue Bar which was intended to upgrade the building and fix up certain elements at the bar and restaurant that needed updating. According to Paul Zach, one of the Avenue's owners, there were a number of things being done at the bar. The front was remodeled to provide an enhanced and improved entrance. Lighting was updated and improved. The seating was modified with the installation of booths. "Other than being closed for a couple days after Christmas, we've been able to maintain uninterrupted business during the construction process," said Zach. He reported that all remodeling work should be completed by the first week of March.

- David Mandehr

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**Legislative Priorities** (from page 8)

itants are eligible to receive coverage under the health care coverage plans offered by the group insurance board and that state employes and state annuitants are able to purchase the policies for their domestic partners.

• Reinstatement of the property tax/rent credit. Most of you have already received your sales tax rebate check in the mail. One negative aspect of the rebate check is that the governor used his veto power and eliminated the property tax/rent credit (PTRC) to pay for this rebate. The impact of this decision by the governor is that many people will actually see an increase in their tax burden this year.

However, at the end of January the Assembly passed a bill to reinstate the PTRC and the bill has been forwarded to the Senate. Because of the public

outry and pressure from the Democrats, the governor, in his State of the State address, indicated that he would sign the bill to reinstate the PTRC when it comes used hisline item veto to remove the credit from the budget.

• Newsletter and Survey:

You will soon receive or may have already received a newsletter from my office, which includes a survey. I am very interested in hearing your thoughts on a variety of issues. I would be grateful if you would take the time fill out the survey and return it to my office. The newsletter will also list upcoming town-hall meetings that I encourage all to attend.

• CHECK THIS OUT:

I have a new and exciting web page. It will have weekly updates on legislative issues, a monthly "Golden Turkey

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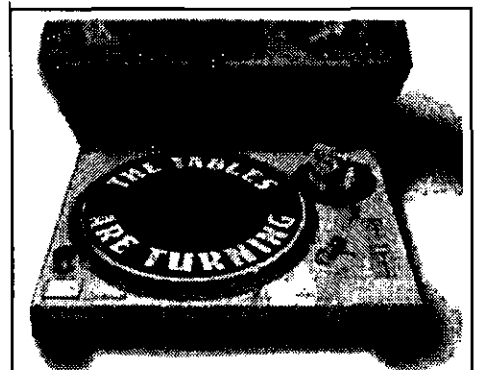


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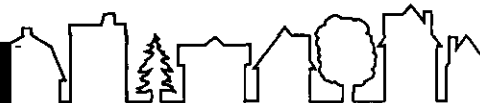


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## TLNA Year 2000 Proposed Annual Budget

The good news is that TLNA is in sound financial condition. Our financial resources have been steadily growing due to years of fund raising, (especially the persistent efforts of Membership Chair Richard Linster), and to good fiscal management of the organization. So starting from a strong position, how can we make our neighborhood organization even more effective?

Recently the TLNA Finance Committee (Tim Olsen, Richard Linster, and Alf Meyer) met to draw up a proposed annual budget. Our intent is to develop and detail the organization's strategy for managing our assets, and to provide a guide for the present year's financial activity.

Additionally, we want this document to stimulate and encourage thought, discussion and action about things that can be done to improve our neighborhood. We invite and welcome your comments and suggestions about this proposed budget, which details the annual income and expense items of TLNA

You will notice that the Newsletter and Social Events are essentially self-sustaining activities. The two major income sources are membership dues and bank interest; these items cover our administrative/organizational costs and continue the growth of our Capital Fund. We have included a "Committee Expense & Publicity" item so that the members of our

various committees will know that the organization stands behind their efforts. No committee members will incur personal financial costs due to their participation.

we consider how such a resource can be used to make significant improvements for our neighborhood. Might this fund help facilitate a major or minor parks project, an environmental project such as bird

houses for purple martins, or something related to traffic or safety? What else can you imagine as improvements for our neighborhood? We endeavor to find matching funds from other sources so that TLNA can make the most effective use of our financial resources.

Again, we invite your input regarding the TLNA Annual Budget for the year 2000. We expect that the TLNA Council will review this proposal at its February 17th meeting, with additional discussion at subsequent meetings as needed. The Council can be expected to vote on approval of the budget at its' March 16th or April 20th meetings. We welcome the input of neighborhood residents. Please contact a Council Member or Members before these meetings to share your ideas and opinions, or come to the meetings in person.

Visitors are always put first on the agenda, so you won't have to sit through the meeting before speaking.

- Alf Meyer

### TLNA YEAR 2000 PROPOSED BUDGET

ITEM	INCOME	EXPENSE	NET
Association Operations		200	
"    Training		100	
Committee Expenses		250	
Insurance Costs		200	
Administration Totals		750	-750
Fees		50	
Interest	500		
Banking Totals	500	50	450
Capital Fund Totals		800	-800
Donations Totals		500	-500
Membership Dues	1,500	100	
Schools	250	250	
Parks	250	250	
Committees	100		
Fundraising Totals	2,100	600	1,500
Newsletter Production		4,500	
Newsletter Advertising	4,600		
Newsletter Totals	4,600	4,500	100
Social Event Fees	400		
Social Event Costs		400	
Social Event Totals	400	400	0
GRAND TOTALS	7,600	7,600	0

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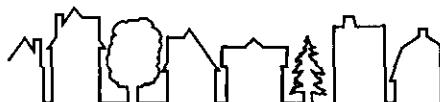
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# Lighting CAN Mean Less Glare!

The growth of light pollution over the isthmus was obvious from my block above the Yahara River. In less than 10 years, we've lost fine shows of northern lights and thousands of stars to wasted light. I've also lost windows, blocked against light glaring in, besides those facing the streetlight. How about you? Does light glare in where you wish to check things outside? Do you wonder how glaring light benefits anyone's safety

Glare and sky-glow are results of the past "brighter-is-always-better" school of lighting. But also from that school came efficient bulbs and expensive wiring throughout our cities. With this technology, the new school of "improved visibility" is saving electricity and starry skies. Research on how lighting affects vision brings us new fixture designs that use low watt bulbs more efficiently, and . . .

. . . new guidance from manufacturers. Thomas Lighting says light "must promise immediate good vision and orientation so that an area is usable and safe." (and) "The factor most destructive to lighting performance is glare. " (Right. on!) "Uncontrolled, glare is distracting, causes discomfort to the viewer, adversely affects visibility, and could be a neighborhood nuisance:" (My goodness yes, and have you noticed how . . . ) "At night, the human eye is drawn to the most luminous element in its field of vision. Glare entering the eyes causes them to contract and impairs one's ability to respond to outdoor light levels." Let us liberate our neighborhoods from glare.

Here's a hint for cutting wasted watts (that will also, by the way, reduce MG&E's plume of waste drifting over our homes): "If nothing else, glare is wasteful, indicating that light is being distributed at useless angles (such as, into our sky and homes). "As a result, the economy factor is added to those of safety and comfort."

Stores still sell outdated bulbs and fixtures that were designed in "brighter the better" days. For your lighting needs, ask for choices of the new shielded, "full-cutoff" designs and lower watt bulbs. All the light produced will stay where you need it.

For security, I like motion sensor lights IF they are well shielded, use low watt bulbs and the sensors are positioned right. NO one on sidewalks, common. or adjacent grounds should turn them on, just the property owner or a trespasser. These can track trespassers, alert neighboring stargazers, leave them safe in the dark with keen night vision and show them what to report . . . and they're usually off.

If, say, all the commercial properties in the isthmus used systems of these lights, imagine how much deeper the skies over our homes could be.

So many more stars would be ours to enjoy and, sometimes, marvelous unfurlings of northern lights.

Lighting tips are available from The International Dark-Sky Association, 3225 N. First Ave., Tucson, AZ 85719. E-mail at [ida@darksky.org](mailto:ida@darksky.org) or visit their webpage at [www.darksky.org](http://www.darksky.org). For local action contact the Good Neighbor Lighting Group at 246-0222.

- Carolyn Beebe

## Attention Tenney Park Residents!

A local resident and writer is trying to locate historic information on the Tenney Park Locks, Dam and Lighthouse. Please contact Susan Baumann-Duren, Parks Chair, (255-3625) if you would be willing to share information on the Locks, Dam & Lighthouse via a telephone interview.



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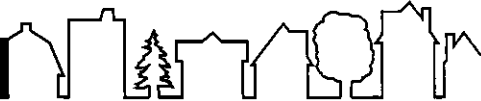
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834 Prospect	5	4.25	\$785,000
752 E Gorham	4	4.75	\$990,000+

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(Accepted Offers that have not yet closed)

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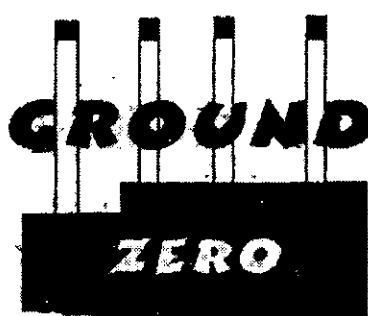
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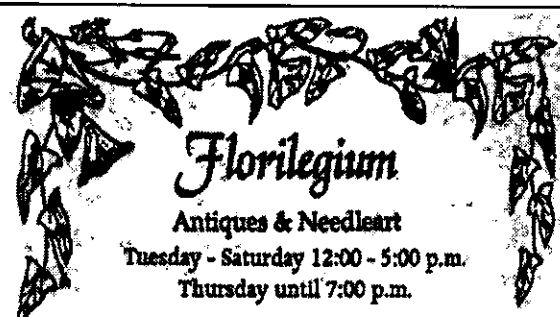
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## Those Zany Gardeners on Mifflin, or How Much I Like Beer

One of the best things about gardening is the way it can pull a neighborhood together. I live in an especially nice little niche of the Tenney Lapham neighborhood, the 1200 block of East Mifflin. This past Fall I was finally able to divide one of my favorite lilies and give a few bulbs to my neighbor, Barb. She shares my awe of this lily with its exquisite blending of muted shades of pink and salmon. I was glad to give something in return for all the hostas, irises and houseleeks (to name a few) that she and her husband Gary have given to me over the years. I'm also thankful for Kathy's herb garden. I'm often marauding there (sometimes under cover of darkness) for last minute additions to various recipes. Dan and Carla aren't big gardeners necessarily but they are truly first rate neighbors and I know I can count on them to feed the cats and watch over the place when I'm away. Dan also hands down makes some of the best beer I have ever tasted. Gardening was the seed that germinated into a close network of neighbors watching over and caring for each other. The way I think all neighborhoods used to be at one time.

It all started years back when someone came up with the idea to have an annual garden walk. It was always a big event with about 7 or 8 households spending a Sunday afternoon promenading through gardens, exchanging beer recipes (we have quite a number of

brewmasters actually!) and general hobnobbing. We always followed up every garden walk with a big potluck feast. As you could imagine, it wasn't just gardening we were talking about. It was and still is a time whereby the common bonds that hold us together are renewed and strengthened.

Two years ago we decided that one annual walk just wouldn't do. We went from annual to monthly garden walks. We now start in May and end with Octoberfest. In December there is the holiday party. We get together around Christmas time and go door to door to eat, drink and admire all the peculiar decorating styles that reflect the wonderful group of people I call my neighbors. OK, John and Angela always have the most interesting Christmas tree. (It's usually this short, fat, oddly shapen thing, with vintage....well you just have to see it). A big benefit to monthly garden walk/potlucks is that you don't need to spend so much time coordinating dates. You appoint a planning Tsar and they decree the first Sunday of the month to be garden walk time. Not everyone can make each visit but our turnouts are always high. (OK, only Sam came in July but hey, there was a lot more of Fabio's eggplant parmesano to go around. Boy was it tasty and we could get down to drinking beer that much sooner!)

I could easily generate a huge list of the benefits of gardening on the Isthmus.

Some of these are: getting plants for free, using the garden as an icebreaker for getting to know new neighbors, tapping the knowledge of other fellow gardeners, getting plants for free, trading veggies because you forgot to plant eggplant this year, pokeweed (nobody planted it but everyone has it), exchanging recipes, drinking good beer (that has to fit somewhere), and did I mention getting plants for free? Here's a list of some of the benefits of our neighborhood that evolved from our shared love of gardening: Kathy has a big art collection that she divides and puts out on loan to a number of us less artistic folk, Gary has painted a number of neighborhood walls, John is a master with the chain saw, Sam and Elizabeth have a big library they willingly share, and everyone is on hand at piano moving time (there are now a lot of pianos where I live). I will stop here because I think this article has a space limit I could easily surpass. I love all my neighbors and they know how they've helped each other out.

I think if there is one criticism that could be leveled at our community building efforts through gardening is that we have not been as outreaching as we could. For apartment dwellers in our neighborhood, we have traditionally only flyer'd the places where we know the people who live there. This is an

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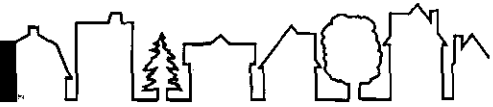
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## What's Happening on the River

This is the time of year when avid Madison landscapers and gardeners are hard at work dreaming. At our desks or kitchen tables, we pore over seed and plant catalogues, drawing up our plans for spring. Many of us have been hard at work dreaming about Tenney Park and the Yahara River Parkway, studying maps and plans, imagining how much we can do to make this wonderful riverway more inviting for all of us: duck feeders, history lovers, fishing enthusiasts, canoeists, picnickers, hikers, not to mention purple martins, butterflies and the other creatures who make the Parkway their home.

Last Spring dozens of us worked together with the Urban Open Space Foundation to plant a marsh near the Johnson Street bridge as well as new trees and shrubs near the river and the park shelter. Park goers and neighbors responded with such enthusiasm when they saw the results that we are counting on an even busier growing season this Spring.

Here are a few of the projects the Urban Open Space Foundation and volunteers from the Emerson, Shens/Atwood, Marquette and Tenney/Lapham neighborhoods have in the works.

• **Yahara River Parkway Stewardship Project**

Many people have expressed an interest in being able to go out to the park and help with basic maintenance such as weeding and tree pruning. In response, the Urban Open Space Foundation is offering the Yahara River Stewardship Project. Folks who volunteer to

become Stewards will participate in a series of four workshops this Spring where they will be caught up to date on the work that has been done thus far and what lies ahead, and receive training in basic skills like plant identification and tree care. At the conclusion of training, Stewards will develop a work plan for the rest of the year and each will "adopt" a section of the Parkway where they will begin to put these plans into action, doing work themselves and also working with volunteer groups who want to contribute to the effort.

This is an excellent opportunity for people without gardens or yards (or woods or river!) of their own to get their hands dirty on a regular basis; it is also a great opportunity for folks who have a special affection for a particular section of the Parkway to make a longer term commitment to improving the health of the parkway ecosystem. Tools, supplies, assistance, advice and camaraderie will be provided.

Workshops will begin in March; prospective stewards are folks who are able to commit two or three hours to their sections of the Parkway through October, or maybe even longer. Enrollment is limited and we are starting soon, so contact the Urban Open Space Foundation at 255-9877 or via email at [saveland@uosf.org](mailto:saveland@uosf.org) right away if you are interested in becoming a Yahara River Parkway Steward.

• **Special Projects: Mickey's Marsh?**

As I write this, Si Wistrand of the Parks Department is drawing up plans

for the planting of another small marsh. This one is tentatively planned for a spot along the river just across from Mickey's Bar at the corner of Williamson and Thornton, and will include plantings of native species both in the river and along the banks. Keep your eyes open for planting dates this spring, or call or email the Urban Open Space Foundation, and we will get in contact with you when the plans are approved and planting dates set.

• **River Rendezvous: The Wisconsin Chamber Orchestra Returns to Tenney Park**

Save August 12 on your calendar right now for the River Rendezvous. Once again the Wisconsin Chamber Orchestra will present a special Concert Off the Square in Tenney Park. Everyone is invited to spend another evening enjoying the music and the good company in one of the most beautiful settings in Madison. Volunteers are already hard at work to ensure this concert is an even bigger success than last year; give us a call if you would like to join in!

To volunteer for these projects or other ongoing work or to arrange for opportunities for larger groups to join in the work, please give the Urban Open Space Foundation a call. Our phone number is 255-9877; email is [saveland@uosf.org](mailto:saveland@uosf.org); or you can write to us at Urban Open Space Foundation, 200 North Blount Street, Madison, WI 53703.

- Margaret Bergamini

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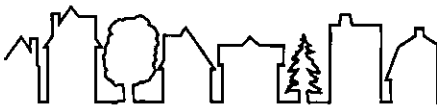
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## The Pictures of Ackermann and Conniff

the EVENT: An exhibition of photographs by Michael Ackermann and Gregory Conniff

the DATE: March 11 - April 9, 2000

the TIME: Reception: Saturday, March 11, 6 - 8 pm  
Gallery Hours: Wednesday - Saturday, 11 am - 5 pm

the LOCATION: **WENDY COOPER GALLERY**  
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**WENDY COOPER GALLERY** is pleased to present the black-and-white photographs of Michael Ackerman and Gregory Conniff in the main gallery. Masters of their craft, both Ackerman and Conniff seek to document the relationship between time, consciousness, and the human experience.

A Madison resident, Gregory Conniff, travels the country in search of the forgotten destinations often shunned by tourists. The artist's modernist landscapes include the lushly foliated backyards of his hometown, quiet Southern sloughs, and Northern

plains, and deserted industrial sites. After receiving his degree at the University of Virginia School of Law, Conniff apprenticed with William Weege at the Jones Road Print Shop in Barneveld, Wisconsin. During his almost 30-year career as a photographer, Conniff's work has been viewed nationwide - including exhibitions in Madison, Milwaukee, Chicago, Boston, San Francisco, Philadelphia, Atlanta, and at the National Museum of American Art in Washington, D.C.

Similarly, Michael Ackerman also seeks to document the relationship between consciousness and human exist-

ence. However, Ackerman's journeys take us to the urban night life scenes found in places such as Paris, New York and Poland. Born in Israel, Ackerman now lives and works in New York City. An internationally celebrated artist, his work has been exhibited in New York, Berlin, and Paris. Ackerman was awarded the International Center of Photography's Infinity Award for Young Photographers in 1997.

This exhibit is presented in conjunction with the Center for Photography at Madison's **Photofest 2000**.

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**Zany (from page 16)**

area I want to work on. Perhaps these folks aren't interested ( I know some who definitely are not!) but I know they wouldn't mind being asked . Everyone who lives in my neighborhood has a contribution to make, even if it's as simple as walking around and enjoying living in an area where many resources are accessible by foot. I spend most of my summer on my front porch. And I have to say, just seeing people out and about is gratifying in itself.

OK, enough rambling. We in the 1200 block are an excellent example of a thriving, dynamic neighborhood. We are even hip to the new Internet revolution. (Yes, we have a web page - <http://members.aol.com/mifflinsteet> .) And one more thing: Here is a shameful plug for my part time business of growing organic lettuce and heirloom tomato plants for the Dane County Farmers Market. Check out this year's offerings at <http://members.aol.com/greenfarm> .

- David Waugh

**Zany (from page 3)**

neighborhood residents growing vegetables and community in their own backyard! If you want to garden at RHCG, you must be willing to garden your plot and take part in running the garden by working as part of a team to maintain the garden site, organize garden events, recruit gardeners, etc. If you live in the Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood, would like to grow vegetable close to your home, and build connections with your gardening neighbors, call David Long at The CAC Gardens Program Today, 246-4730 ext. 218, or e-mail him at [cac@inxpress.net](mailto:cac@inxpress.net) (write "RHCG (gardens)" in the subject line).

• Why? Madison's Isthmus has high population density, many low- and moderate-income residents, many gardeners and community gardeners, many beautiful shade trees, but virtually no community gardening space!! The gardening community in Madison has long had the goal of creating more community gardens on the Isthmus to serve the many active and potential vegetable gar-

deners that reside here. The goal is to allow folks to grow their food close to home—currently, most Isthmus Community gardeners need to go to Eagle Heights (West Side/Campus) or Troy Drive (North Side) to garden. Though these are both beautiful gardens, residents should not have to take an hour-long round-trip bus-ride or bike-ride—or need to own a car—to vegetable garden or belong to a community garden. You should be able to do this in your own neighborhood, and now you can!

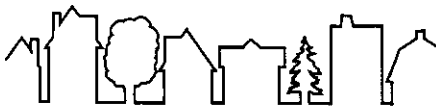
• When? Garden start dates: We hope to have the garden growing by the spring or summer of 2000. The land was procured for community garden space nearly a year ago, but it took many months to work-out a lease with the city that would sufficiently meet the needs of the city, the gardeners, and non-gardening neighborhood residents.

The next meeting of RHCG Group is on Sunday, February 20th, 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., at 200 North Blount Street (back entrance off of Dayton St.). We will be working on setting garden by-laws at this meeting. If you are interested in the garden, call David Long at The CAC Gardens Program today, 246-4730 ext. 218, or e-mail him at [cac@inxpress.net](mailto:cac@inxpress.net) (write "RHCG (gardens)" in the subject line). See you in the garden!

- David Long



**DRIVE 25 !!**

**The next meeting dates for the Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood Association Council are Thursday, April 20 at 7 pm and Thursday, May 18 at 7 pm in the community room of the Tenney Park Apartments, 302 N. Baldwin Street. You are welcome to attend and discuss any issues of concern to you. For further information, call Tim Olsen at 255-9358.**



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