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LETTER

no. 7



the Tenney Lapham Neighborhood Association

POTLUCK - MEETING

Mon Oct 2 6 pm

Lapham School Cafeteria

1045 E Dayton

The second annual potluck dinner --- everyone is welcome

FILL OUT THE TEAR-OFF FORM on the next page or call
Sue Fieber (251-3909) days or Judy Jones (257-1218) evenings

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
7 pm Oct. 2
Lapham School Cafeteria

Immediately following the POTLUCK dinner, at around 7 pm, we will hold our annual meeting and election of officers to the Neighborhood Council.

The Association requires the appointment of a nominating committee to nominate one person for each position on the Neighborhood Council. The nominating committee consisted of three Council members and four persons elected from the membership at large.

The nominating committee has proposed the following slate of officers:

President...Pam and Stan Wrzeski, 406 N. Ingersoll
Vice-President...Robert Park, 454 N. Baldwin
Secretary/Treasurer...Valerie Mellerop, 1052 E. Gorham

Area Representatives:

Area A (southeast)...Cathy Cole, 109 N. Few
Area B (west)...NO NOMINEE
Area C (northeast)...David Flesch, 458 Jean St.

Committee Chairs:

Housing...David Strandberg, 417 N. Few and
Sandi Park, 454 N. Baldwin

Transportation...Carol Huber and Mike Tuten,
1041 E. Johnson

Publicity...Lynn Schmidt, 1127 E. Gorham

Education...Sue Fieber, 461 N. Few

Membership/Social...Donna Jackson, 430 Sidney

Nominations for Area B will be taken at the meeting. If you live in the area and are interested in the post, call John Hunt 251-5713 for further information.

Other nominations from the floor will be accepted and acted upon by the membership. Only members of the Association are allowed to vote. If you are not a member, you must join by Sept. 30 to be eligible to vote. See the MEMBERSHIP blank on the last page of this newsletter.

At the annual meeting, we will also review a by-law change which shifts the duties of the three Council officers; The proposed change is:

Section 1. The elected officers of the organization shall consist of:

- 1.1 The President who will direct association activities, chair meeting of the Neighborhood Council and Executive Committee and perform other duties as required.
- 1.2 The Vice-President who will assume the duties of the President at the request of the president or during his absence, and who will perform other duties as agreed upon with the president.
- 1.3 The Secretary-Treasurer who will prepare the minutes of the organization's meetings, issue notices of the association's meetings, maintain all records and files as they pertain to the organization, receive proxies from members 65 and older, and who will administer all monies of the organization.
- 1.4 Three area representatives who will be responsible for distribution of the newsletter within their areas, co-ordinate the annual membership drive within their areas, and serve as active members on the Membership/Social committee.

LAPHAM SCHOOL PTA RESALE

The annual Lapham PTA Resale and Bake Sale will be held Saturday, September 23, from 8:30 to 1:00 in the Lapham School Gymnasium. While this is a fundraiser for the PTA to finance its projects to benefit the school, it is also a wonderful opportunity to find and buy reasonably priced infants' and children's clothing, toys, sports equipment, adult clothing, and general miscellany. If you have articles you would like to recycle through the resale, call Martha Kilgour, 255-4947 for more information. You will receive 2/3 of the selling price of the articles, with the remaining third going to the PTA. See you there!



POTLUCK Monday Oct. 2 6pm Lapham School Cafeteria.

Please return the slip below to Judy Jones, 411 Sidney St BEFORE Sept. 25, or call Judy evenings at 257-1218 or Sue Fieber days at 251-3909.

I will bring to the Oct. 2 POTLUCK (please fill out one):

Main dish/casserole _____ Dessert _____

Vegetable/salad _____ BRING 6 SERVINGS!

Bring you own silverware & plates -- We'll furnish drinks

Name _____ #of Adults _____ #of Children _____ Phone # _____

HERE'S SOMETHING EVERYONE SHOULD KNOW ABOUT!

THE YEAR IN REVIEW

Because of the possible location of the MATC campus on East Washington Ave., the association appointed an ad hoc committee to deal with that possibility. Committee members worked with the campus architects to arrive at a design which would make the campus an asset rather than a detriment to the neighborhood. Problems such as increased traffic, pressure on existing housing stock and esthetic factors were considered. However, the Preliminary Environmental Report on the site appeared to ignore these neighborhood concerns. Unless the upcoming Environmental Impact Statement handles these issues to the satisfaction of residents, the committee will reassess its stand.

The new traffic lights on Johnson-Gorham are being installed. They should be in operation before the snow flies. The old lights at Paterson and Johnson should be reinstalled soon, but meanwhile be very careful at that intersection.

If you would like more information about the activities of these and other neighborhood committees, be sure to come to the POTLUCK on Oct. 2. Committee heads, old and new, will be on hand to hear your ideas and answer your questions.

The past year has been an active one for several committees of the Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood Association.

As you may know, Lapham School was recommended for closure in January of this year. The education committee worked hard with other groups throughout the city to bring about a year-long moratorium on school closings. Now the moratorium period is drawing to a close. The committee is busy collecting data to build a case for the continuation of Lapham as an elementary school. It is hoped that Board of Education members can be brought to see that the school is essential to the continued revitalization of the neighborhood. Decisions on school closings will be made in December, so much work will be required over the next two months is the committee is to be successful in its efforts.

The housing committee has also had a busy year gathering data and preparing a housing survey for a proposed down zoning of a large part of the neighborhood. Since current density in this area is below the level allowed by current zoning, the committee feels the change is justified to preserve the good balance of home owners and tenants the neighborhood now enjoys. The housing survey, prepared with the cooperation of the City Planning Department, is scheduled to go out to residents within the next month.

ABOUT THIS YEAR'S NOMINEES FOR THE COUNCIL...

Pam Wrzeski headed the Association's Publicity committee in 1977. She does coverage for WORT of the City Council, among other things.

Stan Wrzeski has worked on various Association committees. He is outgoing president of the Madison Development Corporation and is a legislative aide.

Robert Park was an area representative in 1978 and also served as head of the ad hoc committee on MATC. He is a State employee.

Valerie Mellerop was secretary of the Council in 1978 and is a State employee.

David Strandberg was Vice/President-Treasurer of the Association in 1977. He has been active on the Housing Committee and shared the Chair in 1978.

Sandi Park worked on the School Committee in 1978. She has been active on the Housing Committee and shared the Chair in 1978.

Carol Huber was President of the Association during its first year. She has been active in transportation issues and is a State employee.

Mike Tuten was an area representative in 1978, has been active in transportation issues and other Neighborhood Committees. He is a State employee.

Lynn Schmidt has been active in the School Committee and is currently doing a needs assessment of the neighborhood on alternative school uses. She is a counselor at Briarpatch.

Sue Fieber was Chairman of the School Committee in 1978 and has been working to keep Lapham open.

Donna Jackson has been active on various Association committees and was an area representative in 1977.

Cathy Cole has been working on the neighborhood needs assessment for alternative school uses and is an active member of the School Committee. She is on the UW-Whitewater faculty.

David Flesch is a long-term neighborhood resident and a Madison attorney.



THANKS to all outgoing officers, committee chairs and area representatives. It was a year filled with work -- and most issues are still undecided. To keep our neighborhood an outstanding place to live, the Association will continue to need your help as well as that of all neighborhood residents.

BRIARPATCH

Briarpatch is a runaway and counseling center which works with problems encountered by youths and parents. Our goals are to provide preventative and crisis counseling, temporary shelter, and referral services and to facilitate a reconciliation between parents and young people. We are a walk-in program, that is, our doors are open for anyone to drop in and rap - any time we are open.

Our counselors believe in the right of young people to have confidential services and, to live responsible and productive lives. We believe that young people can, and should be responsible for their life decisions and actions. Our counselors also believe in the right of parents to have access to services which will help further their ability to communicate well with their kids and each other.

HOURS: Counselors are on duty from 1:00 pm to midnight. The employed staff are here from 9:00 am on weekdays and these hours are open for runaways as well as agency business. After hours, we can be reached via the telephone, listed below.

STAFF: Briarpatch is staffed by approximately 40 volunteer counselors, trained to work in this area. Our volunteers come from diverse backgrounds and occupations. Briarpatch also provides field placement for U.W. students and L.E.A.A. interns.

SUPPLEMENTAL PROGRAMS: Weekly recreational outings, summer canoe trips, kids' groups, and parent groups are all part of Briarpatch programs.

What we can do for a runaway: 1. If parents or guardian will consent, we can place a youth in a licensed foster home for a temporary stay--up to 14 days. Our foster homes are licensed by Briarpatch, Inc. This allows for a "cooling off" period in which parents and youth may consider alternatives. 2. We will contact and arrange a counseling session with parents or guardians upon client's consent (whether or not the youth will be placed in a temporary foster home). 3. We will put youths in need of legal counsel, or advice regarding Protective or Social Services in contact with the appropriate sources.

FOSTER HOMES: In order to work towards the reconciliation of families and people, to discover healthy alternatives to problem situations, we need to provide shelter..a safe, legal place where a young person can stay for a maximum of 14 days and work on the immediate problem s/he is experiencing.

We need single or married people who have a concern for young people and/or a curiosity about foster care. All you need is space and a secure income source (no particular level). Care is volunteer - we cannot reimburse except for food expenses when necessary.

Call Briarpatch office and one of the staff will set up a time to meet with you and discuss licensing and how our program uses foster parents.

PHONE: 251-1126

HOME IMPROVEMENT LOANS & HOUSING REHABILITATION SERVICES PROGRAM



The vitality and stability of the neighborhood in which you live depend upon a working partnership; You and the City.

The city of Madison in its concern for preserving and improving the quality of older, established neighborhoods, has created the Housing Rehab Services Program to assist YOU and your neighbors.

HRSP PROVIDES:

Affordable financing to eligible homeowners for home repairs and improvements.

Technical assistance to all homeowners in preservation districts who want to fix up their property.

Help in organizing neighborhood organizations.

Assistance in planning for neighborhood improvements, giving residents a strong voice in the planning process.

There are Installment Loans, Deferred Payment Loans, Federal Section 312 Loans. All have eligibility requirements.

CALL 266-4675 to ask about the Housing Rehabilitation Services Program.

JOIN THE ASSOCIATION

_____...I'd like to join the Tenney Lapham Neighborhood Association.
Contribution is \$1.00 per person & is attached.

Send to Judy Jones, 411 Sidney St. Madison, Wi 53703.

OR CALL Judy evenings at 257-1218

NAME _____ PHONE _____