Tenney-Lapham newsletter

September, 1985

Mandehr, Sturm Lead Council Slate

David "Mandehr has been nominated to serve as the new president of the Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood Association. David," who lives at 455 N. Few St., is an architect with his own practice and works part-time for the State. Among his design projects are the Eastwood Bakery on Atwood Avenue; the new residential/retail building at 831 E. Johnson St., and the remodeled Mifflin Street Co-op.

The Association's Nominating Committee chose James Sturm, 1416 E. Dayton St., to become vice president. Sturm, a lawyer who has represented and worked with battered women's groups, housing co-ops, student legal clinics and labor and environmental groups, was a candidate for the Madison Common Council this Spring.

* Coyla Rankin, who is married to David Mandehr, was selected to serve as TLNA secretary. Coyla, a Psychologist for Madison Public Schools, is currently an area representative for TLNA.

Judy Jones, 411 Sidney St., has agreed to serve another term as treasurer. Judy is a math teacher at Madison Area Technical College.

Steve Larson, 1225 E. Dayton St., and Ernesto Martinez, 108 N. Baldwin St., were named to serve as co-chairpersons of housing. Steve describes himself as a design builder specializing in the restoration and renovation of older buildings into comfortable, affordable living spaces. He recently worked on the interior finishing of the Lincoln School apartment project on E. Gorham St. for Design Shelters, Inc. Ernie, a fire fighter at Station No. 4 across from Camp Randall, likes the inner city feeling of the Tenney-Lapham area, which reminds him of his old neighborhood on the south side of Chicago. He and his wife have done a complete remodeling of their home, a handyperson's special when they bought it three and a half years ago.

Jeff Feinblatt, 1125 E. Dayton, was asked to continue as chair of parks/playground. Jeff is a social studies teacher at Malcolm Shabazz and East High Schools and coaches girls' basketball and softball and boys' baseball.

John Bell, 423 Sidney St., and Mary Paulauskis, 1217 Elizabeth St., will remain as co-chairs of

publicity matters and the newsletter. John is a typesetter and paste-up worker for Reliable Reproductions on Todd Drive, while Mary is a student at $1150\,$

Martha Gordon, 441 Sidney, the outgoing president of ILNA, will serve as chair for education. Martha, a neighborhood activist, is a member of the board of the Near Eastside Coalition of Older Adults and a group facilitator for the Dane County Department on Aging. Martha will also serve as representative for Area C. As of now, the council seat for Area B is vacant.

Ann Katz, 450 N. Few St., was selected to chair the association's membership and social activites. Ann, happy to be a Madison resident since moving from her native New York City a year and a half ago, is director of development for the Madison Repertory Theatre.

leena Browder, who with her family owns and operates The Butcher Shop and Cork 'n Bottle liquor store on E. Johnson, will continue to serve as liaison with the neighborhood's business community.

Shaun Abshere will stay on as representative of Area A. Shaun, 1038 E. Dayton St., works for UW-Extension.

TLNA Annual Meeting

and

Spaghetti Supper

6 p.m. — Thursday, Sept. 26

Lapham School

Adults \$.50; Children under 12, \$.50

Meeting will include election of officers TLNA t-shirts available (blue with white logo, adult sizes S, M, L & X-L)

Bring a salad ingredient (lettuce provided)

A Gap Is Filled on E. Johnson

831 E. Johnson St. --an address that until recently had been an empty lot -will soon provide housing and commercial space for the central Tenney-Lapham area.

The building, a joint project of the lenney-Lapham Corporation and realtor Gregg Shimanski, was expected to be finished by Sept. 1: It has six, onc-bedroom apartments; two of them on the ground floor behind a storefront area for one or two businesses.

The apartments have an equipped kitchen, living room, bedroom and bath and are carpeted. They will rent for \$305 per month plus utilities. The downstairs has two commercial areas, each with 375 square feet of floor space, which will rent for \$165 monthly plus utilities. If rented by a single business, the combined 740 square feet would rent for \$370.

Shimanski, who runs his own realty company at 427 Grand Canyon Dr., said he has been approached by a number of merchants and is hopeful the spaces will be rented by businesses with appeal to neighborhood residents.

The balcony on the front of the building, a feature not included in the original plans by architect David Mandehr, was requested by the



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Urban Design Commission for aesthetic reasons to distinguish the new structure from the buldings on either side, both of which were renovated by the Tenney-Lapham Corporation. Each of the new apartments, will have a balcony or small porch.

Persons interested in renting any of the spaces may contact Shimanski at 833-4300.



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The Wallner Report

The Neighborhood Matters

Several major projects in Tenney Park should be completed this fall. For starters, the lagoon stabilization work should be finished along the north side of the lagoon near Sherman Avenue. A walking/jogging path on the lagoon side of the street will tie into the current dirt path and help to improve the shoreline's appearance and stability.

New trees, grading improvements and at least one new volleyball court are also scheduled for completion this fall. ILNA members are working on several of these projects, including placement of the volleyball court and new trees.

And if you have any cheap but brilliant ideas to deal with the Green Crud that's taken over our lagoon and lakes this summer, call me immediately! With the onset of early warm weather this spring, the lake weeds have spread like mad. I have called the County Public Works Department several times to wask for more cutting, and the lagoon looked fairly good throughout most of July (except in the lily pad or low-lying areas, where the large cutters won't work). Because of the problem, the weed-cutting crews have been working overtime. and the county is planning to allocate money for more cutting.

Hopefully, the lagoon will get one more trimming between now and the fall. If you have need for lake weeds—for your garden compost or as a delicious ingredient for your salads—call the county to get your share. And please, hold the fertilizer!

Brush Pick-Up

Round Three of summer brush collection was set for the week of August 26-30, and Round Four for October 7-11.

Because of budget cutbacks, the city picks up brush only once every five weeks. If you set your brush out on the terrace early, waiting for pick-up don't be surprised if the grass dies. Call 246-4532 or 266-4681 for Further information on scheduling.

The Best of Madison

Congratulations to Jim Cheek, who owns the Autobahn Shop at the corner of Paterson and E. Johnson Street. Jim won the Best of Madison award from Madison Magazine for having the best auto repair shop in the city. And for his

landscaping and beautification efforts, I've submitted Jim's name to the Capital Community Citizens for their annual Orchid Award. Winning entries should be announced later this fall, and Jim deserves serious consideration.

Traffic Update

I've met with the Traffic Engineering Department recently about the Isthmus traffic redirection plan, which was designed several years ago as a way to reroute traffice from the Johnson-Gorham corridor onto E. Washington between Blair and First Street. The glut of cars, speeding and drunk driving on weekends make living along Johnson and Gorham a real nightmare, especially for families with small children.

According to the 1985 Capital Budget, right-of-way purchase is proposed both at the Blair-E. Johnson intersection and the Blair-E. Washington intersection. Construction of the free-flow right turn lane at first and E. Washington and the Blair-Johnson and Blair-East Washington intersections are proposed in 1988, along with the North-First Street extension to Fordem Avenue. This schedule is subject to change, pending budget restraints.

The proposed changes are some of the most important and expensive traffic projects in the city during the next five years. I'm hopeful that we'll all live long enough to see a reduction in traffic along the Johnson-Gorham (continued on back page)

Are you or a High School Student you know being contacted by Military Recruiters?

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Winter Fitness at Lapham; East High Track Available

The Madison School-Community Rec. Dept. is offering two new fall/winter indoor fitness programs. Fitness Workouts will be conducted at the Lapham School gymnasium Mon. & Wed. eves. during 4, 5-week sessions beginning Oct. 7, Nov. 11, Jan. 13 and Feb. 17. The program will provide strength and conditioning activities for with women special emphasis calisthentics. Basic workouts will be from 7:00 and more strenuous workouts from 1:45 to 8:30 p.m. each evening. The fee is \$7.00 for each 5-week session. Advanced registration is required. 266-6011.

The East High School Indoor Track and Field House will be available to runners, joggers and walkers from 6:00 to 1:00 a.m., Mon. - Fri., Dec. 2-20 and Jan. 6-Mar. 21. Showers are available and the program is free to the public. Call 266-6017 for further information.

Any new parents interested in forming a play group call Peggy at 257-1788

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AAUW Seeks Books for Sale

The American Association of University Women is seeking books for its annual sale, October 11-12.

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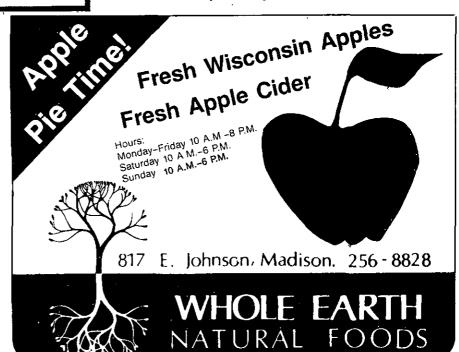
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1200 Block of Elizabeth St. Joins Neighborhood Watch

Since the last newsletter, the 1200 block of Elizabeth Street has joined the Neighborhood Watch.

According to Richard Linster, chairman of the lenney-Lapham Watch Committee, the program's biggest need now is to have at least one person in each block to serve as block captain. Volunteers for that job will be given a list of names, addresses and phone numbers of other residents of that block and help from members of the Watch Committee.

Jim Wachtendonk, a resident of the 1200 block of E. Dayton Street who is moving to the 1200 block of E. Johnson, has enlisted as block private for both of those blocks. Wachtendonk will perform the full duties of a captain and encourages residents of those addresses to contact him at 255-2145.

According to Madison Police Department records for the month of June, the Tenney-Lapham neighborhood had 10 thefts from business, six from residences, one sexual assault, eight burglaries and no reported cases of child enticement.

The only way that the Neighbhorhood Watch program can succeed is with a commitment of time and energy by residents. Please direct your inquiries to Linster, 423 Sidney St., 251-1937.



Sandwich Shop

827 E. Johnson St. 255-2460 open— 11 a.m.-10 p.m. closed Sundays

Shopping the Neighborhood Whole Earth: Basically Complete

What kind of place is Whole Earth Natural foods? For one thing, it is not a cooperative. nor is it a fad health food store. It doesn't have an acre of aisles or a stock of thousands It has no check-out lines or computerized cash registers. But the store does sell a complete line of basic, nutritious foods, and in a city bent on increasingly competitive food retailing, the helpful staff and unhurried pace of business make shopping at 817 E. Johnson St., a welcome alternative.

"We like to be part of the neighborhood, to know that people walk out of the store feeling good about having shopped with us," said Mary Hughes-Greer; a member of the collective which operates the store. "A lot of our customers are our friends. A greater share of them are people I see at least twice a week. I know their names, and they know mine."

The store carries such items as bulk grains. cereals, herbs and spices; dairy products and juices; canned and packaged dishes which are both easy to prepare and nutritious; vitamins and other body care products; books of recipes and herbal instruction; breads and snack foods; and fresh produce.

"We've worked really hard to upgrade our section." Mary said. "Whenever possible, we buy locally, organically grown produce. We try to stay away from pre-packaged produce, and we'll try to make sure you get just the quantity of food items you need. If you want two mushrooms, you can buy two mushrooms."

What kind of people shop at Whole Earth? "A lot of students and older people who've probably lived here a long time and can get just the amount they want," Mary explained. "Also people from outlying communities who come to stock up on bulk items, and families on weekly shopping trips for wholesome food. Most are from smaller families and households. Generally, they're people who care to some degree about what they

"Even if it's junk food like cookies," she laughed while munching a dessert wafer from a box she'd just taken from the store's shelves, "people who shop here care about the quality."

"We always try to take time to answer questions or find a product," she added, "or to tell people some place they might try to find a product that we don't carry. We do special

orders, and if we don't have information about a product--how and where it's example -- we can usually get it."

Older citizens who shop the store get a 10 percent discount on their purchases. The same rate applies to persons who volunteer four hours of work in a month at such chores as bagging dry goods or stocking herbs. There is no membership fee to shoppers at the store.

Whole Earth, a cooperative when it was started some 15 years ago in a building on E. Johnson nearer Paterson Street, is now a collective of five members, all of them women. Each member has specific responsibilities, and are worked out in decisions collective's monthly meetings. The staff also holds an annual visions meetings to discuss long-term goals and, said Mary, "see whether we're still on track from what we talked about a year ago.

"If 'you're not willing to evolve, you're probably going 'to go under," she added. "We work hard to make the store a nice place, and we hope to be around a long time." And despite an Isthmus magažine article a few months ago predicting a financial struggle for Madison's alternative food stores, Mary reported that Whole Earth is healthy and doing better than a half-year ago.

"We try to respond to the needs of the community, to improve the store any way we can without compromising our original intent: to provide good food and to stay out of competition with our immediate business neighbors," she

Whole Earth Natural Foods is open from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on weekdays and 10 to 6 on Saturdays and Sundays.



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President's Notes

Our neighborhood is a fine place to live and work, and I have appreciated the chance to serve as TLNA president for the past two years.

A number of people have worked hard to bring success to our endeavors. Georgette Horne, Ann Rulseh, Tom Kasper, Mary Paulauskis and Stan Wrzeski have helped guarantee the fine food (and turnout) at our spaghetti suppers and ice cream socials. We are grateful to Associate Pastor Jack Johnson and Christ Presbyterian Church for their support and help in co-sponsoring many of our social activities. Richard Linster is warmly thanked for his excellent work in enlisting new members. Shaun Abshere kept us informed on the emergency men's shelter, and Benita Walker, a dedicated bicyclist, has served us well as transportation/traffic repre-

sentative. Coyla Rankin did most of the work behind our t-shirt venture, and Teena Browder continues as representative of the E. Johnson business community, a group that benefits consumers and business owners alike.

Judy Jones, our treasurer, deserves special mention for her work with the TLNA books, which seem routinely to attrack problems. And David Mandehr, an architect very much involved with the shaping of our neighborhood, will be a prominant part of the scene.

Thanks from me, and on behalf of the neighborhood, to the 1984-85 council for a job well done.

I thought, when I took on the job as president, that I would be able to find some way to make involvement in TLNA attractive to more senior citizens, students, minorities, handicapped persons of all ages and others not now represented. Our part of Madison is wonderful because it is so diverse, but it still seems to me that so many of our voices are not heard. To make TLNA a truly neighborhood association would be a first for Madison, and not a bad idea, either. Why not try it?

Martha Gordon



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Weatherizing Aid Available For Needy Homeowners

Needy residents may be eligible for up to \$1,000 in energy-saving materials and installation under the State of Wisconsin Weatherization Program.

Administered locally by Project Home, Inc., the program provides insulation, caulking, weather-stripping, storm windows and furnace repairs to the residences of elderly, disabled and low-income homeowners. Eligible residents must be non-utility customers whose source of heating is fuel oil, LP or propane, wood, coal, solar or wind. Persons who have received AFDC or SSI assistance for one month in the past year are automatically eligible.

Energy audits and installation of materials are done by Project Home's trained staff. Subcontractors are used for the installation of some materials, and furnace repair is performed by licensed tradespeople.

More information about the program is available from Sheila K. Storms of the Project Home staff at 214 S. Baldwin St., 258-4801.



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According to the CAC, there are quite often alternatives which will enable you to keep your home. The sooner you look into them, the better chance you have, and to delay even for a day can be critical.

The CAC suggests you talk to the lender who is receiving your mortgage payments. Show that you wish to handle the problem responsibly, and go give the lender complete information on such questions as:

-Why did you fall behind in your payments? -What are your current economic resources? -What is your plan for bringing and keeping the mortgage current?

Homeowners are usually conscientious and prompt in making their monthly mortgage payments. In today's economy, however, loss of employment, diminished income or extended illness may have reduced your ability to continue payments on schedule.

The CAC points out that if you take steps now, you and your lender will be in a better position to work together to find a solution before your mortgage delinquency becomes a serious problem.

Your lender sincerely wants you and your family to maintain ownership in your home. It has no desire to begin legal action that could result in foreclosure. Financial institutions are in the business of lending money or making it possible for families to buy and own their own homes, not to own real estate recovered through foreclosures.

If for any reason you're not comfortable talking with your lender about your problems, the CAC will serve as a neutral party for financial counseling.

If you need assistance or would like more information, call 266-9720 and ask for a free appointment with a counselor.

For Sale

Old IBM Selectric typewriter and metal typing stand -- \$100. Extension arm lamp -- \$5. Executive chair -- \$15. Call 244-9063.

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corridor, and I'll do my best to keep the project moving.

In addition, I've requested further study of the growing accident problem at Fordem and E. Johnson. Because of new commercial and residential development in that area, the intersection is fast becoming one of the most dangerous in the city. I'd urge a call to Traffice Engineering at 267-8751 to speed up review of that corner.

And for those of you who have to put up with hot-rodding and other weekend rituals on E. Washington, I've called the Police Department to get more speed law enforcement on that street. The police did make a number of arrests on one recent weekend, and I'll keep working to get more police coverage.

East Washington Boulevard

If you can find an uglier boulevard in the entire city, give me a call. Considering that East Washington is probably the main link for residents and visitors to the downtown, it's really an eyesore.

Recent discussions with neighborhood residents and Park Department staff indicate an interest in improving the appearance of the boulevard, and I'm hoping to find support among lenney-Lapham residents to get some work done. More trees and shrubs and better care of the existing green space would go a long way toward softening the harsh look of that street.

Congratulations to . . .

The TLNA Board members who have served faithfully this past year. A new board will be chosen this fall, and I'd urge you all to consider lending a hand.

The ice cream social held in July, co-sponsored with Christ Presbyterian Church, was a big success. And don't forget to contact TENA reps about buying the new Tenney-Lapham t-shirt.

Ald. David Wallner 256-2958

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