

The Newsletter of the Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood Association

September/October 1996

WELCOME TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD!

The Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood Association would like to welcome our newest neighbors to the neighborhood. Once the dust has settled from the great trauma of moving, new residents-both renters and owners-might appreciate some reflections on the nature of our little corner of the Madison community.

We hope that you will take advantage of the many unique opportunities for recreation and enrichment that our neighborhood offers, while being careful to respect each other's peace of mind. Since our community is composed of a healthy, heterogeneous mix of students and non-students, families with children and some without, as well as older, longtime residents, we all need to stay aware of and sensitive to the differing needs of our neighbors.

We are fortunate enough to have several good-sized parks in the neighborhood: Tenney, Reynolds, and Giddings. **Tenney Park**, the biggest and best known, offers a variety of facilities for sports and other family activities. New playground equipment, accessible path, and a butterfly garden planted and maintained by the neighborhood are some of the most recent improvements.

Reynolds Park, between Dayton and Mifflin in the 800 block, has large open spaces, backstops, and goals for softball and soccer. One of the best-kept secrets in town is the fact that there are four tennis courts hiding on top of the water tank brick building at the west end of the park. The view of downtown and the Capitol is pretty nice, too.

Giddings Park, at the end of Brearly Street, is a nice, quiet park with a wheelchair, accessible pier. You can always find a devoted clan of sunset worshipers down here on a fine summer night.

While on the subject of public hygiene, we should mention that **garbage and recycling pickup** occurs early Thursday morning for the area between Gorham Street and East Washington Avenue, Friday morning for the area north of Gorham toward Lake Mendota. City ordinances require that garbage be placed at the curb no earlier than 24 hours before pickup and empty containers should be removed within 24 hours after pickup. The city's recycling program picks up bound newspapers, brown paper bags, and flattened cardboard (no more than 6" thick), as well as glass bottles, tin/steel cans, and plastic bottles placed in the distinctive 'MadisonPride' clear plastic bags. There are seasonal pickups of **brush, leaves, and**

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A word from the Businesses on East Johnson Street

Teena Browder, Business Chair

We would like to congratulate W.O. Zimmerman Plumbing on an amazing anniversary. In May, they marked sixty-five years on East Johnson St. The business opened at 823 E. Johnson in 1931 and moved into their building at 811 E. Johnson in 1936. W.O. and Mabel Zimmerman built a home behind the shop on E. Dayton St. and raised five children there. Sons Merle and David joined W.O. in business and worked together until W.O.'s death and David passed away in 1995.

The brothers combined their different areas of expertise and enjoyed working together. Merle started at age sixteen and is still at it sixty years later. Despite recent heart surgery, Merle looks much younger than his years. He sold the business to employee Randy Bartow in April but is still active in the business and trying without much success to drop back to half-time.

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They have a full-service plumbing shop and do heating and air-conditioning installation and service. Merle still owns the building and by relinquishing half of their retail space they have provided a store front for the Hopkins and Crocker Art and Antiques Shop which is a wonderful addition to our small business community. We selfishly hope that Merle will continue to be unsuccessful in his attempts at retirement.

A few doors further east, the Florilegium art, antique and needlework shop has expanded into the vacant Papendieck Upholstery Shop. Greg Papendieck reluctantly moved his business to Middleton (behind the Old Stamm House) after struggling for years with increasing needs for more space. Gretchen Nutt has taken Florilegium and done a beautiful job of remodeling and doubling her space. She has expanded her needlework supplies and added a wonderful variety of ribbons for ribbon embroidery. She also has a wonderful collection of treasures from antique beaded bags to Czechoslovakian lamps and vintage clothing. The expansion has made it possible for her to provide space for five other dealers to show their wares. They include several experienced Madison favorites showing everything from furniture and rugs to jewelry and

Haviland China. Our new antique shops provide great opportunities for gift buyers and treasure hunters with prices for everyone's budget.

We have several vacant store fronts and hope to see them filled soon. A low-interest loan program administered by Madison Development Corporation could provide the perfect incentive for someone to act on a business plan ready to go. As always, it's a pleasure doing business in the neighborhood.

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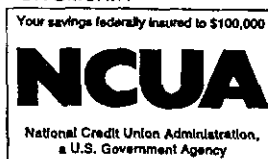
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President's Report

Richard Linster, President

Dear Neighbors,


I'd like to thank all who participated in the recent celebration for the Gates of Heaven at James Madison Park. This joint event with Old Market Place Neighborhood Association and the Trust for Historic Preservation was well planned and attended. The weather was very co-operative for the enjoyment of our annual Ice Cream Social. Donations to the Gates of Heaven Preservation Fund are tax deductible and will be gratefully received c/o Home Savings, PO Box 1070, Madison, WI 53701.

The Tenney-Lapham Neighborhood Association is always looking to retain and increase it's membership base. The membership committee has always been active in this cause and would like to remind our members to renew either through the form provided in the newsletter (on the back page) or left at your door. While it is our intent to have personal contact, that does not always prove possible, so your help can permit the committee to function on a consistant ongoing basis rather than to deal with an increasing backlog while others are falling due. Thanks in advance for your assistance.

For some time, the TLNA as well as other associations, particularly in the Isthmus/Downtown are

has been dealing with issues relating to the siting of social service programs. It's pretty obvious that the need for service is going to increase rather than deminish. We have a good track record in working with service providers, welcoming new neighbors and helping all to accept one another. For the process to work smoothly, I would strongly suggest that any program provider:

- Ask questions about the neighborhood and find out **WHAT ALREADY EXISTS**. This information can be obtained from the City, inter agency or by asking the locals. This can prevent **CONCENTRATION** of programming in a particular area.
- Notify neighbors and their organizations of your program and siting process **AT THE BEGINING**. Information provided early on goes a long way in dispelling doubts, rumors, and fears. Don't depend on others to do this. The City puts out a gide to neighborhood associations as well as lists of contacts and newsletter information so that you can communicate with those organizations.
- We at TLNA have a long standing goal of improving housing stock in the neighborhood and don't want to see substandard properties subsidized with tax money or other scarce financial resources. Viewing the records of bulding inspection, can be illumination. Considering the amount of rental housing available it shouldn't be too difficult to obtain decent housing for




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• **BE OPEN AND MEET WITH US!** This is a great neighborhood with a diverse population. We like to be inclusive. We think that this is a strong factor for people choosing to live here as well as affordability. If we have concerns, we like to air them "up front". I'm also sure we can better understand the needs of people if we can interact with them as neighbors.

Neighborhood Attracts come Unattractive People

Nationwide crime may be down, but the Tenney Lapham Neighborhood has suffered some pretty scary incidents this summer.

BURGLARY: On June 26, 1996, in the time it took a neighbor on the 1300 block of East Johnson Street to leave her house and pick up her child at Lapham School, she was burglarized. Our neighbor took her one month old child along with her to pick up her six year old between 3:45 p.m. and 4:15 p.m. Criminals cut the screen window entered the house on East Johnson Street, and removed a number of valuables. "It almost looked, like they had a shopping list of what to take." Obviously the thieves were experienced. More frightening is the fact that the perpetrators must have been casing the house from Tenney Park across the street while the resident and her child were home. As is usual in most burglary cases, the suspect has not been identified or found.

ATTEMPTED ARMED ROBBERY; Wednesday, July 31, 1996, about 5:15 a.m., a neighbor in the 1200 block of East Mifflin Street was putting some work tools into his "work car". An unidentified man came up behind him and mumbled, "I have a gun, give me your car." The neighbor backed away. The assailant had his hand behind his back pretending to be holding a gun. When our neighbor saw the perpetrator was not really armed, he got away, and continued with his

business. In the meantime the man identified by the MPD in the criminal complaint as Alan J. Carazello, a resident of the Fireside Apartments on East Mifflin Street, reportedly continued to try to enter every vehicle parked on the street in an attempt to steal it. Another neighbor walking his dog was startled by Alan J. Carazello when Caravello allegedly entered his parked truck. When the neighbor called out to him to get out of his truck, Carazello reportedly responded, in what is in retrospect a totally bizarre fashion: "Don't you have any keys for this thing?" Our neighbor yelled out again, and Carazello got out of the truck, walked across the street and apparently continued to attempt to get into a number of other parked cars, until Police came and picked up Carazello. We found out later that the neighbor who had been approached and threatened with the "gun" had also been chased up and down the street by Carazello when he went to get his wife from work. Though both neighbors will appear for a pre-trial hearing soon, Carazello was seen walking down Mifflin Street a day later, having been released from jail.

PURSE SNATCHING: Friday, August 9, 1996 about 7:30 p.m. a neighbor was at the corner of Baldwin and East Dayton Street when a man's voice called out, "Give me your money." The neighbor, caught off guard, did not turn around, but gave the perpetrator her money. Afraid to turn around or look back, she hurried away and notified the MPD. We have no clue about who perpetrated this theft. The incident occurred around dusk on a busy street, leaving other neighbors nervous about community safety.



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Lynn Sommers

Summer winds down, my garden is looking sleepy and I'm almost pooped. Maintaining my garden required a lot of effort. I'd like to coast through fall but now is the time to get ready for bulb planting. Local greenhouses start selling spring bulbs in August and mail order catalogs were sent in May. Where and what should you buy? How and when should bulbs be planted?

Where and What to Buy

Mail Order bulbs purchased in bulk may save you some money and sometimes this is the only way to obtain some exotic bulbs. It's best however to purchase as much stock locally so each bulb can be examined. Select smooth, firm, and blemish free bulbs. Skins (brown papery coverings) are not vital but leave them intact if present. Purchase "top size" bulbs to get the largest bloom. Store bulbs in a cool, dry and dark area. Basements can be too damp, garages too hot (and the squirrels can find them) and refrigerators can dry them out. I store mine in a closet.

Color and shape selections depend on your fancy. Box descriptions and photos are usually quite accurate. Bloom times however, will vary according to local weather conditions so it is difficult to always plan on specific color combinations. Red, yellow and orange have a stronger long distance visual effect than pink, purple, and white. Plan on planting color groups of five to fifteen bulbs per group. Purchase early, mid, and late flowering bulbs for an extended season.

Tulips

Botanical (wild or species) tulips differ greatly from hybrid tulips. Botanical tulips bloom early, have short stems and usually small and multiple flowers. They do not decline with age and they multiply. These can be a dream for the lazy gardener because planting in a seldom watered area is necessary. They make a terrific

early show when planted with purple crocus bulbs.

Hybrid bulbs are single cupped, long stemmed, grafrant tulips that come in a wider variety of shapes and colors. The largest flower is produced with the bulb's first spring growth. After that, the flower size declines due to bulb division. (One reason tulips are removed every year at the State Capitol.)

Narcissi and Daffodils

Pink, yellow, white and peach: all are great for naturalizing. Naturalizing, means bulbs can compete with neighboring plants for nutrients. These bulbs will divide and increase in number without decreasing in flower size. Their drawback is the unattractive foliage left behind for almost six weeks. Planting daffodils among day lilies will help hid the foliage.

All bulbs rely on energy stored in their leaves for future blooms. Don't remove the leaves until they turn yellow or pull out easily with a slight tug.

Blue and purple flowers can be obtained with crocus, grape hyacinths and scilla. These bulbs naturalize readily and contrast nicely with yellow daffodils.

How and When to Plant

All bulbs require proper drainage or they will rot. Loosen soil at least three inches below proper planting depth. Planting bulbs in clusters of 15 or more produces the best effect. Avoid staggering individual colors or lining them up like soldiers. Cover the bulbs with soil

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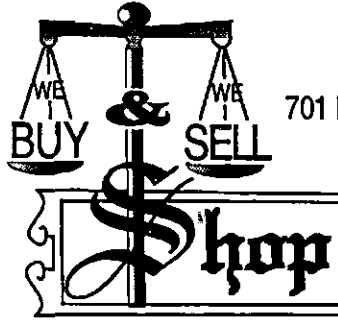
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It doesn't matter if the squirrels are after bone meal. If they are digging up the bulbs it means planting was too early. Bulbs should be planted when the weather has turned consistently cool and before the ground has frozen. The squirrel digging frenzy usually slows down just about then. Need some cheap insurance? Try sprinkling the planted area with red pepper and reapply after a rain. The best insurance is to plant on a cold, almost bitter day. The squirrels won't take the bulbs because they figure if you tried that hard to outsmart them you deserve the flowers.

James Madison Park Update

J and J Gray, Park and Transportation Chairs, OMPNA

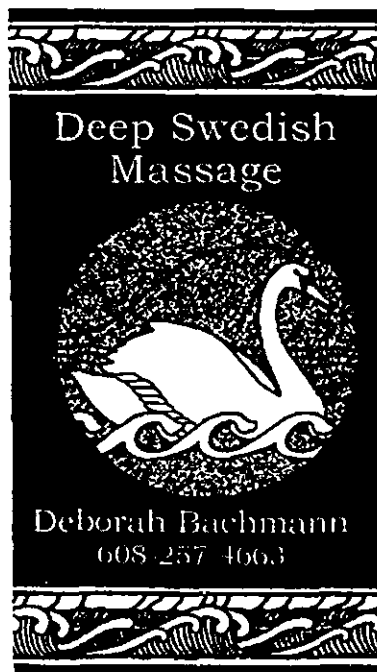
James Madison Park provides a unique variety of active and passive uses in a park-deficient area of the Old Market Place Neighborhood. The Isthmus has very few passive-use areas offering a peaceful setting and quiet lake views. The sensitive implementation of the Master Plan to preserve and enhance the unique characteristics

of the park is imperative.

This quote is from the issue statement of the Parks and Open Space Recommendations in the Tenney-Lapham Old Market Place Neighborhood Plan which was approved by the Common Council of Madison on June 6, 1995. It reflects the concern of neighbors of James Madison Park with the current (new) version of the Master Plan as recognized by the Madison Parks Department. This plan calls for the construction of a meandering path from the Hoover Boat House area along the lakeshore and up to Gorham Street at the eastern end of the park. It also calls for lowering the grade to sidewalk level at the eastern end of the park between the Lincoln School apartments garage and the residence at 746 East Gorham.

The new Master Plan was drawn up by Schreiber/Anderson Associates and was presented to the Old Market Place Neighborhood Association at its general meeting on September 22, 1994. At the presentation, members of the neighborhood raised several objections to the proposed plan.

- (1) The leveling/grade reduction at the eastern end of the park would increase traffic noise in that area of the park and thus detract from the quiet, peaceful atmosphere currently enjoyed by visitors to the lakeshore in that area;
- (2) The leveling/grade reduction at the eastern end of the park would increase the blowing snow hazard on Gorham Street in that area during the winter;
- (3) The leveling/grade reduction at the eastern end of the park along with the construction of an asphalt



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road/path from the sidewalk along East Gorham Street at the eastern end to the Hoover Boat House would open up that area to bicyclists and roller bladers. While these activities are not objectionable per se, speeding bikes and roller bladers are not in character with the hoped-for passive nature of that end of the park;

(4) The design of the proposed path through the eastern end of the park would break up the existing open lawn space behind the Lincoln school apartments.

The new Master Plan was never approved by the members of the Old Market Place Neighborhood.

Under the auspices of the Tenney-Lapham/Old Market Place Neighborhood Plan Parks and Open Space Task Force, neighbors of James Madison Park presented an alternative proposal for the development of the eastern end of James Madison Park. These included:

(1) A plan for routing the pedestrian/service path to minimize the loss of greenspace and intrusion on quiet areas with the service drive/bike path to follow the curve to the drive leading from the Lincoln School apartments;

(2) Minimizing of the grade leveling along East Gorham Street at the eastern end of the park;

(3) Additional landscape plantings (of native species) and removal of weed species to accent the meadow-like characteristics of area in the park north and west of Blount Street, which is currently badly overgrown and unuseable.

The 1996 Madison Parks Department budget includes \$20,000 for grading and seeding in James Madison Park. No one is sure which plan will be used. However, interested neighbors hope that the Parks Department will honor our concerns and minimize the impact of construction/development on the character of eastern end of James Madison Park.

In other park developments, many of you will have noticed the installation of new playground equipment.

this past spring. The new equipment replaces old, outmoded equipment, much of which had been removed for safety reasons several years ago. We are pleased the Old Market Place neighborhood children and visiting children have playground equipment to play on once again.

Also, Gates of Heaven recently celebrated its 25th anniversary in the park and received new landscaping designed by Gary Tipler and installed by a group of volunteers. No one will miss the tired yew hedge with its summer garland of bindweed.

In another sprucing up event, the Parks Department has trimmed hedges, removed weeds and sapling trees from the landscape plantings, and mulched around each of the trees in the park. We commend the Parks Department for this and hope they will continue to schedule yearly maintenance for the various plantings in the park.

Finally, everyone should visit the new volunteer garden over the bathhouse/shelter in James Madison Park. Several OMPNA members in cooperation with the Parks Department and the Marguerite Pohl Garden Trust Fund have transformed the weedy bed on top of the shelter into a lovely flower garden. It is nice to see the results of OMPNA's efforts turn out so well.

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Breaking the Land Use Planning Paradigm

Thomas J. Sullivan, Editor

This is the last time that I will be putting the neighborhood newsletter together. I am glad that we have had this time to work together over the last several years. I am proud to call this neighborhood my home, and I am melancholy now that I spend the work week in Elkhorn. It is hard to get Madison out of your system once you have been infected.

We all have choose to live downtown for many different reasons. Close to work, close to school, good education system, parks, etc. According to Census Data, the inner core of Madison uses the amenities (i.e. bike paths, Madison Metro) more than the rest of the city. For whatever reason, we walk, bike, ride the bus more often than we drive our cars. We also own fewer cars per household than the rest of the City.

With this large of a population, held within the confines of the inner city, why is it the downtown is so dead? If you walk around the square after six, you would think that you walked on to the set of some science fiction movie where all the inhabitant have been abducted by aliens leaving only empty building behind. Upon closer inspection of those buildings you'll find that they have been empty for a very long time. Decades. Perhaps even centuries.

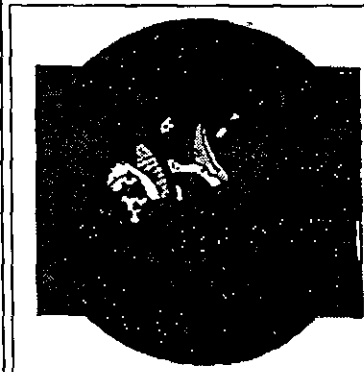
We know that the abduction is not true, because if we arrived a few hours earlier there would be people out and about on their way home. Walking down Capitol Hill, toward the backyard that stores their car for the day instead of the tenant's car or even grass that someone might be able to play on. Those workers head home away from the downtown to suburbia.

There is talk of changing this phenomenon by building an entertainment district around the square

linking it to the convention center. Putting in more theaters and coffee shops, and maybe some restaurants, and of course more office buildings. Perhaps then the square will return to its once vibrant self. I don't think so. There are two key elements that are overlooked every time we plan for the Square's rebirth. One, the lack of housing on the square, and two, Jerry Mullins hasn't done a thing with the property he has owned since the day he bought it (besides having all of the tenants move out).

Putting in housing for "families" on the square is a vital step to ensure the vitality of this area. If there are no people living on the square, it will be abandoned when the workers leave, and we will have failed to creating a safe communal place for downtown residents after normal business hours. The living spaces that need to be built are not the typical two bedroom apartments that we cram ten students into either. There needs to be varying rooms sizes and floor plans. I realize I have just heard almost every developer in town say you can't do that. Oh, the nay sayers. Look around ladies and gentlemen, there are people buying two or more condominiums or townhouses and converting them to larger multiroom units. If people are doing this one their own, don't you think there would be a market for it on the square with the fabulous view of the Capitol and lakes.


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the end of July, many residents of the downtown requested that there be housing on the square. Housing, not just for single or newly formed couples, but for diverse family units, and retirees. There are people out there that would like to have the space of a house in a condominium setting. There are many examples from the early part of this century that can be incorporated into many different building schemes. This would allow us to have interesting architecture on the square and not more glass monoliths.

This is where Jerry Mullins comes in. Since a larger number of the empty buildings on the square are owned by him, I would like to challenge Jerry to break the cycle of decay. There are many opportunities for mixed uses in these buildings. Office on the lower floors with retail on the first floor and apartments or condos above. Coming up with a plan or design for this type of housing is easy if we can look beyond the current paradigm. If we can do that then the condominiums will sell themselves. With the right idea, I am positive that there will be no problem in getting buyers before the building is even built. However, past history will have to change in order for people to tie up the cash. A building needs to be built in some sort of timely fashion.


This is where the city needs to flex its muscles. The city has condemned block 89 (the area around the Opera House restaurant) to put in some more parking. There will also be some offices and store fronts. The question is what is the message being sent here. A thriving business is condemned while two empty blocks

sit and wait, and wait, and wait. The city should allow Mr. Mullins to break ground in the time remaining on his current extension. If he doesn't, those properties should then be condemned. Perhaps then, we will see some changes in the way the square looks.

In all fairness to Mr. Mullins, if he developed all of his property by the year 2020 we would not be able to reach the 4,500 housing units goal set for the Isthmus. This number is seven percent of the 64,548 units needed to house the increase in people living in Dane County in 2020. The goal is quite conservative considering Madison has been named the number one place to live in the entire country. Which means, the figure is more than likely lower than the actual number of dwelling units that will be needed. I would venture to guess we will need to double that figure, but would offer the suggestion of checking the trends in five years. Along with the increase of people we will need to increase the number of jobs in the downtown by 14,000.

This will be no small task. If we are to maintain the single family dwelling unit, then there is only a very limited amount of land that can be developed in the Isthmus area. Now you have competing uses. The question of whether a parcel of land should be used for employment or housing is going to fall on the neighborhood and the city.

The city would like to see more office buildings go in around the square and in the immediate downtown. Sprinkled in among these new glass structures will be some coffee shops and restaurants. There is no room



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for a light industrial facility to arise in this area. In fact the City would like to see companies such as Marquip, WPS and Findorff leave the downtown to convert those areas over to housing.

This sounds great on the surface, but when those companies leave the downtown where do the employees go? Do you think the employers will take all of their employees with them? Or will those business find replacement employees in the vicinity of the new location? If those employees move with the company, what happens to traffic levels? They have to get to work somehow. The big question is: will those employees really stay in the downtown? When they move to suburbia, two things happen; more urban sprawl, and economic diversity in the Isthmus disintegrates.

I know a few of you would like to see industry move out of the downtown, but remember that if industry leaves, the blue collar workers leave with it. The last time I checked they are the middle class. So what's left? The upper-class, white collar workers, coffee shop employees, students, and those who are supported by an agency of some sort. We already know a large number of the office workers don't live in the downtown, and the lower income bracket are watching their pennies to closely to support neighborhood business of the type we have in the neighborhood. The business close and move to a place that is more prosperous. The decay has begun

and then the downtown really dies. However, this may be good for the downtown assuming that someone with some foresight fifteen years from now can rebuild it like Cleveland's downtown.

Maybe the downtown isn't the best place for industry, there are other areas adjacent to the Isthmus that would be ideal. The problem is that it is too expensive for the start-up companies, which survive the local incubators and outgrow their surrounding, or the high tech companies spun off of the University to find a place to operate in the general vicinity of the downtown. The city can help, by using special tax districts to ensure these companies stay in Madison. If the city of Whitewater can entice the construction of a seven million dollar plant employing 750 employees to build within it's city limits, the city of Madison can do the same. However, the city feels it is more appropriate to apply these tax zones to office space than high tech industrial space, and this is the paradigm we must break if we are going to remain a viable city into the next millennium.

The question that must be answered is, do we want industry in the urbanized central core of Madison? We have done our best over the past decades to drive it out. I am not talking about more smoke stack belching plants, but rather high tech plants that can be contained in nice architecture and fit in with the neighborhood concept. I have nothing against coffee shops, but the economy will only support so many of one type of anything. The question is how many is enough. If we are to build and maintain diversity, we must diversify our employment options along with our housing stock which mean the single-family home and office building with retail on the side cannot be our only option.




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The Baldwin Legislative Survey Results Are In! State Representative Tammy Baldwin

At the conclusion of the 1995-1996 Legislative session, I mailed out a newsletter to residents of the 78th Assembly District summarizing some of the many issues we had tackled over the biennium. The newsletter also contained a survey to elicit constituent opinions on issues addressed in our most recent session and on issues likely to come before the Legislature in future. I value the feedback I received from those of you who completed and returned the surveys.

Some of you have inquired about how your opinions compare to those of your neighbors in the 78th Assembly District. What follows are the final tabulations of our Spring 1996 Legislative Survey.

Campaign Finance Reform:

Do you support limiting all contributions to candidates for elected office to \$100? 66%-Yes; 15%-No; 19%-Undecided

Would you favor public financing for campaigns in order to eliminate special interest influence in elections? 63%-Yes; 18%-No; 19%-Undecided

Crime and Corrections:

Do you believe chain gangs should become a part of the Wisconsin correctional system? 22%-Yes; 64%-No; 26%-Undecided

Wisconsin is studying the issue of chemical castration of convicted child sexual offenders. Do you support this concept? 36%-Yes; 38%-No; 26%-Undecided

School Choice:

Do you support "private school choice" which permits tax-paid school vouchers to be used to send children to private and religious schools? 21%-Yes; 69%-No; 10%-Undecided

Environment:

The state fund used to assist with clean up of contamination caused by underground storage tank leaks (PECFA) is nearly bankrupt. How should the state deal with clean up of contaminated sites? 16%-Public dollars should not be used to assist with clean up on private property; 46%-Increase the gas tax to fund PECFA, because most contamination relates to our society's high consumption of petroleum; 38%-Tax industrial and commercial users of petroleum

Do you support a moratorium on sulfide mining in

this state until evidence exists that the mining techniques used are safe? 81%-Yes; 7%-No; 12%-Undecided

Firearm Regulation:

Would you support a law which would permit an individual to carry a concealed weapon? 11%-Yes; 84%-No; 5%-Undecided

Do you believe the legislature acted properly by passing a law preempting local regulation of gun ownership and possession? 21%-Yes; 65%-No; 14%-Undecided

Which of the following statements most accurately reflects your position on firearms regulation? 13%-I believe the government should not interfere with a law abiding citizen's right to bear arms; 53%-I believe that there is an appropriate role for government regulation with regard to ownership, possession, and safe storage of firearms; 34%-Firearms are a public health and safety menace. I believe we would be better off if we could figure out a way to disarm all of society

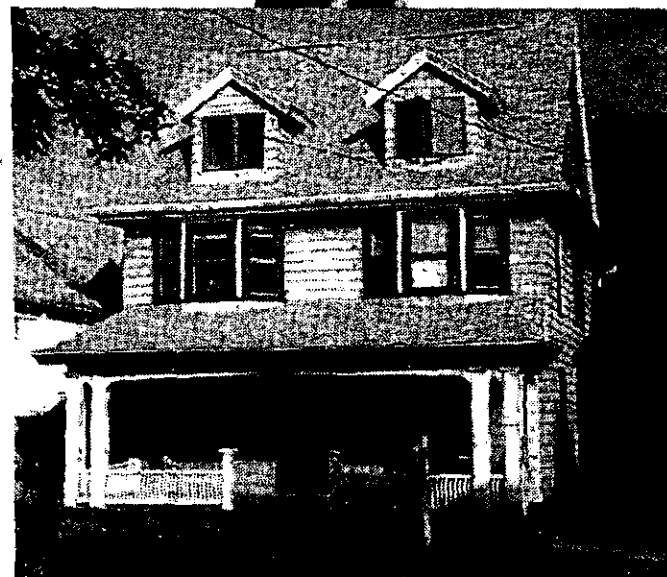
State/Local Operations:

Do you believe the state acted properly when approving the use of a five-county sales tax to fund a new Milwaukee Brewer's stadium? 11%-Yes; 82%-No;

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Should cities and school districts be able to require that the workers they employ live within city or school district boundaries? 42%-Yes; 39%-No; 19%-Undecided

Do you think Wisconsin's Family and Medical Leave Act should be changed to conform with the federal government's narrower family leave law? 8%-Yes; 74%-No; 18%-Undecided

Currently several forms of gambling are legal in the state of Wisconsin. Do you support: 41%-Maintaining the status quo; 11%-Expanding the legal forms of gambling (i.e. Video poker); 48%-Repealing the lottery and pari-mutuel betting

General:

Do you support an increase in the minimum wage? 84%-Yes; 10%-No; 6%-Undecided

Should Wisconsin reinstate the death penalty? 19%-Yes; 73%-No; 8%-Undecided

With regard to abortion, do you consider yourself: 15%-Pro-life; 82%-Pro-choice; 3%-Undecided

Thank you to all of you who took the time and effort to fill in a Legislative survey. Your opinions are very important to me. As always, I invite you to keep in touch with me on issues of concern to you. You can reach me by phone at 266-8570 (w) or 241-6675 (h); by FAX at 266-8463; at my new e-mail address tammy.baldwin@legis.state.wi.us; and now on the internet at <http://www.state.wi.us/agencies/wilis/assembly/asm78/> or drop by my office in Room 412 - North at the State Capitol.

Own Your Own Home

Through the Homeward Bound Program, you may qualify to select a house in TLOMP and the Madison Area Community Land Trust will help you buy it. How you ask? Attend an orientation session to find out how you can buy your own home through the Homeward Bound Program.

Thursday, September 26, 1996

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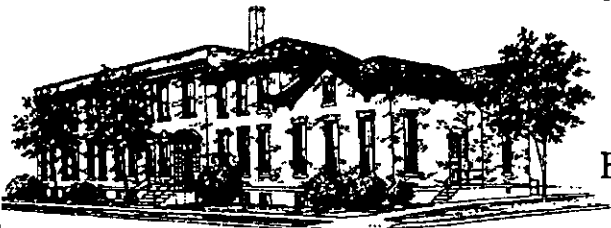
Give Blood

The American Red Cross, Badger-Hawkeye Blood Region will be opening a new, permanent blood donation center in the M.A.R.C. -East Building at 3939 Lien Road. The center will begin its operations on Tuesday, June 4 and will be open Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, from 4-7 pm and Saturday mornings from 8 am-Noon.

This new blood donation center will offer donors on Madison's East side and Eastern Dane County a convenient opportunity to give blood. The goal for the center will be to have at least 25 people successfully giving blood per day. The blood given at the east side center will contribute to the daily need of 720 pints in the Badger-Hawkeye blood region.

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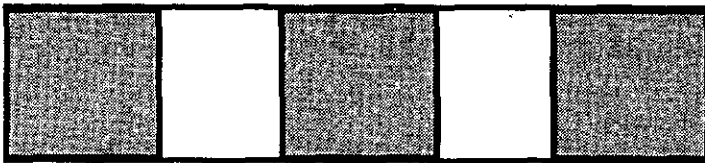
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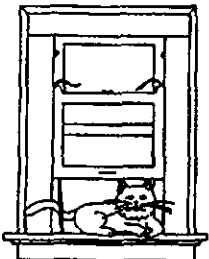
September

- 2 Labor Day
- 3 Classes Begin UW
- 7 UW Football at Home
- 10 TLNA Council Meeting 7 pm
- 12 Campus Job Day Memorial Union 10 - 3
- Isthmus 2020 Municipal Building 5-7
- 13 Autumn Art Fair Library Mall 10 - 6
- 14 Rosh Hashanah
- 21 UW Football at Home
- 23 Yom Kippur
- 26 Homeward Bound Program Meeting
- 28 UW Football at Home

October

- 3 Spaghetti Dinner & Annual Meeting
- 8 TLNA Council Meeting 7 pm
- 15 Deadline for the November/December Newsletter 5 pm
- 31 Halloween





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We hope that you take as much pride in your new homes as we do in the neighborhood. If renters have any problems with their landlords, they can always call the **Tenant Resource Center (257-0143)** for assistance. For other problems that might arise involving city services or possible ordinance infractions, our **alder, Barbara Vedder (249-8428)**.

Before you go driving off to the malls, be sure to check out the nice variety of goods available within walking distance, including everyday basics, like food and drink. Many who live in the neighborhood also work here, either in shops or out of their homes. Check the pages of this bimonthly newsletter for their advertisements and feature stories on them, and show them that you appreciate the good old fashioned notion of shopping close to home. (It's also one way to discourage urban sprawl!)

Finally, we hope to meet you at one of the frequent neighborhood social events sponsored by TLNA. There is usually a fall spaghetti dinner (see cover), a winter potluck, a spring pancake supper, and a summer ice cream social. Most of these events are held at either Lapham School (1045 E. Dayton) or the Fellowship Hall at Christ Presbyterian Church (944 E. Gorham). Everyone is encouraged to join TLNA, get involved, and get to know your neighbors. It's one surefire way to feel right at home! (*See membership form on the back cover.*)



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Barbara Vedder, 2nd Distric-Alderperson

I'd first like to thank TJ Sullivan for all the hard work he's put in as editor of *The North Isthmus Reader* and the assistance he provided myself and others who have contributed to this publication. I'm sure he'll be sorely missed.

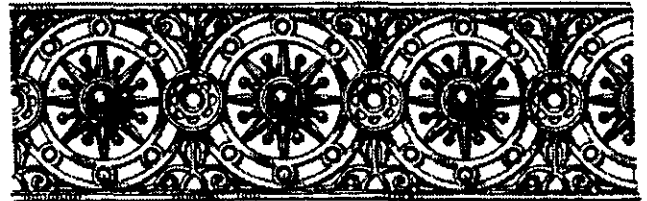
The big city flood which occurred this past June became my top priority for several weeks and still continues to be an issue I am pursuing. I kept ongoing communication with both City Engineering and Building Inspection. Two of the hardest hit areas were located in the 2nd District. Larry Nelson, the chief City Engineer, agreed to meet with residents of the area west of Tenney Park at which time residents were able to receive information from city officials as well as provide additional information, ask questions, and give any additional input. Triad Consultants will be working on this area reviewing sewer designs, conducting a survey, smoke testing to detect leakages, monitoring flow where the groundwater enters, and using a televising system for high problem spots. This is scheduled to begin mid to late August and it will result in a report with recommendations which I will continue to pursue. Also, with reconstruction of older neighborhood streets, replacement of old sewers shall occur, as is now being conducted on N. Few and Elizabeth Streets.

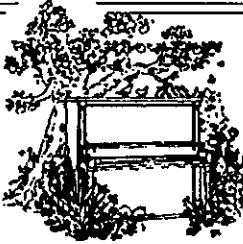
The other area is located adjacent to E. Washington Ave. Different types of problems occurred there and I've arranged a similar type of town meeting for residents affected for September 25th, at 7pm at Lapham School. You will be sent a city mailing regarding this.

I also scheduled an informational public meeting concerning the curbside streetsweeping program which will become effective May 1, 1997 and involves the area between Blair Street and the Yahara River and East Washington Ave. and Lake Mendota. There have been

different articles written about this so I won't go into any explanations here. Again, cleaner lakes and streets is what it's attempting to accomplish and it has the strong support of the neighborhood association.


David Dryer is our new City Traffic Engineer. I met with him recently and spoke with him about issues which the neighborhood association and residents have brought to my attention, mainly traffic calming for the Gorham-Johnson Corridor and Sherman Avenue as well as some side streets. We also discussed some dangerous intersections, sidewalk areas, and wheelchair detectors at pedestrian crossings. I asked if he would be willing to meet with the neighborhood association and Richard Linster has set this for the September 10th meeting. If you have other concerns or ideas to relay to Mr. Dryer prior to the meeting, please let me know. Again, your input regarding any other issues is welcome. You can call me at 249-8428.





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- And most importantly,
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If you know who the kind person is, let me know so that I can make a personal thank-you call and/or recruit them to be part of the SAFETY COMMITTEE. Thanks, Kathi Bresnehan 251-7399.

Gary and Barb Lakeman were complimented on their irises this spring by firefighters answering a call

for an abandoned vehicle that, was leaking oil on East Mifflin Street. The firefighters, recognizing the potential fire hazard, had the vehicle towed and put oil dry on the street. East Mifflin Street residents would all like to thank the firefighters on Engine Three. Barb and Gary Lakeman have delivered iris bulbs to the firefighters in thanks for their effort.

Tom Sullivan, our illustrious Editor for the Neighborhood Newsletter steps down after this issue. His tireless efforts on behalf of the Neighborhood will not go unnoticed. He has also served us as Vice-President of the Neighborhood Association, former Transportation Committee chair, Publicity Committee chair, part of the Isthmus 2020 Planning Committee and just plain all around great neighbor. We love you T.J., congratulations on your degree and best of luck in your reentry into the paid work force!



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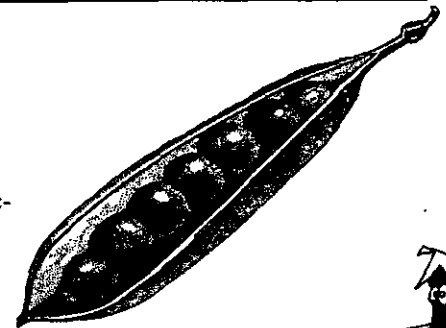
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